

Collaborations between Biologists and Veterinarians yield Insights into Marine Turtle Fibropapillomatosis

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The Sea Turtle Stranding Research Network in the Hawaiian Islands

夏威夷群島的擱淺海龜研究網絡



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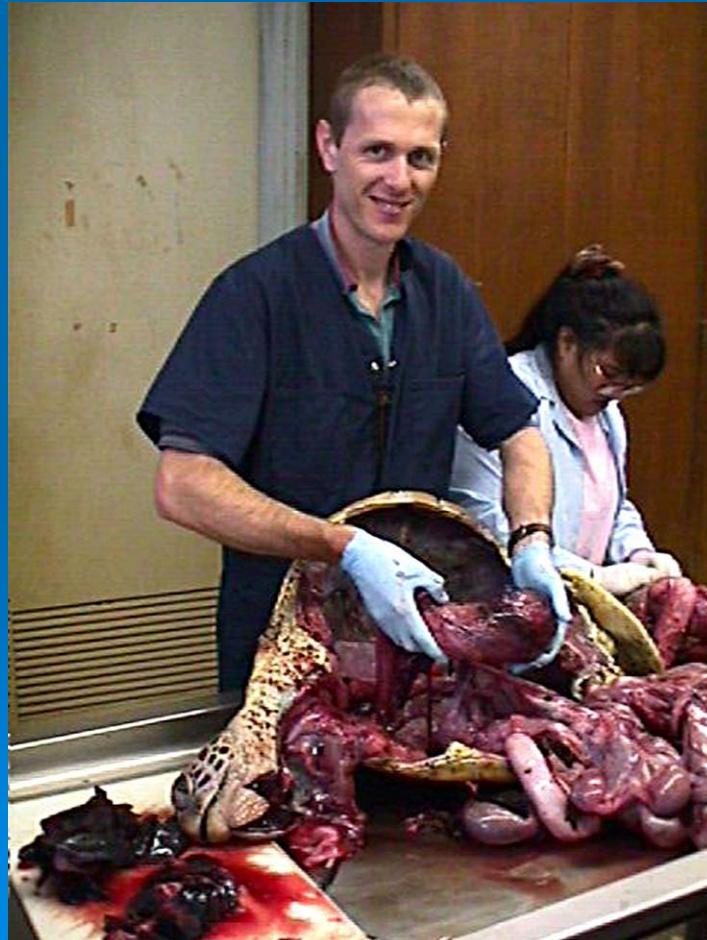
- Stranding, salvage and necropsy research for long term population dynamics data collection
擋淺、搶救與解剖研究，以長期蒐集種群動態的資料



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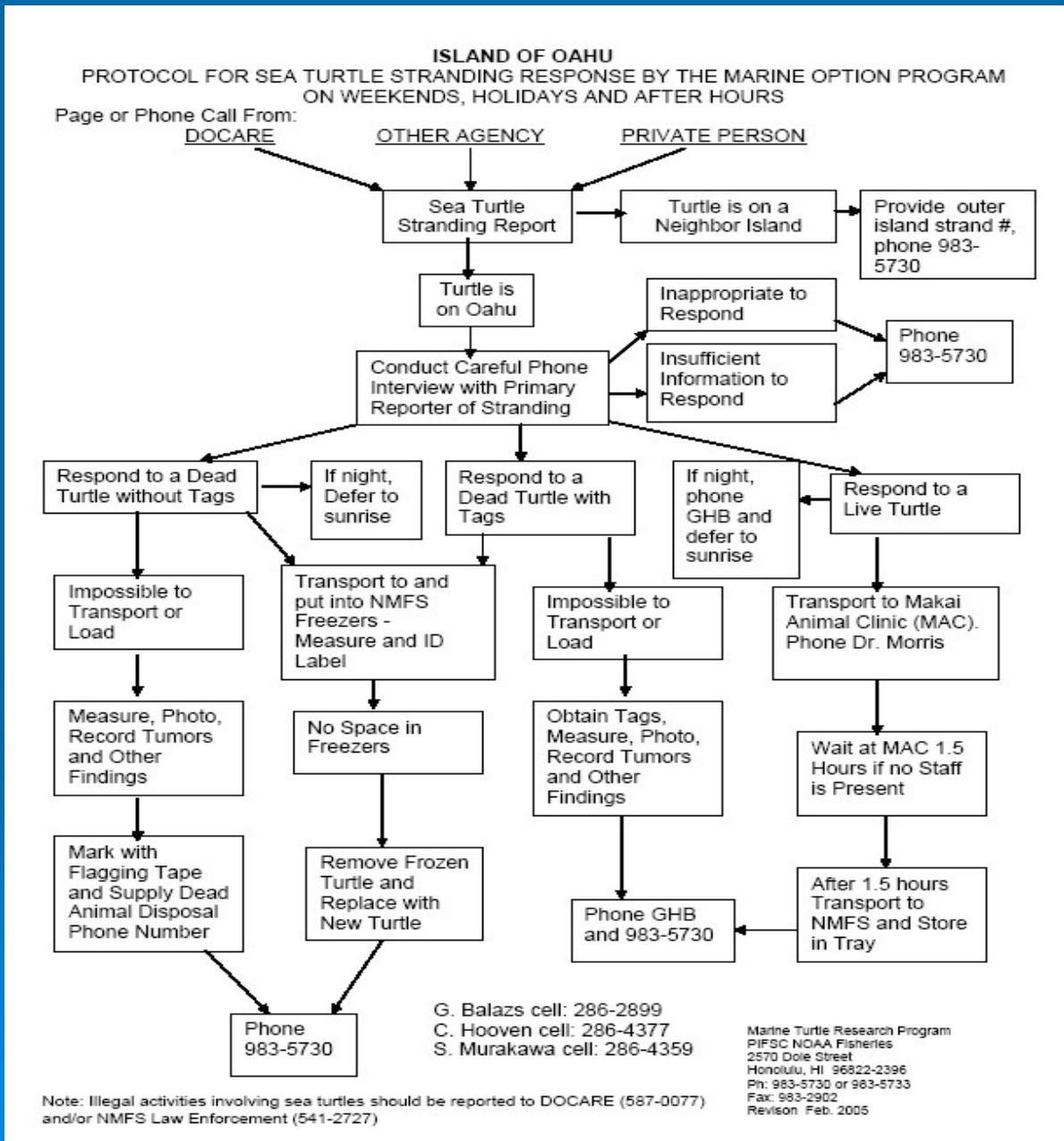
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Health assessments including fibropapilloma disease complex
健康評估，其中包括纖維狀乳凸瘤疾病綜合症



Flowchart

海龜擱淺應變流程圖



Types of stranding cases in Hawaii

夏威夷的擋淺案例種類

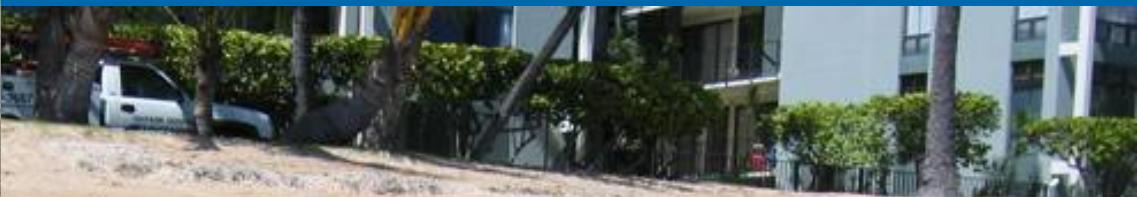
Canal
河道





Beach Shoreline

海岸沙灘





Examine plastron for body condition
檢驗腹甲以確定身體狀況

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Fishing line entanglement

魚線纏繞

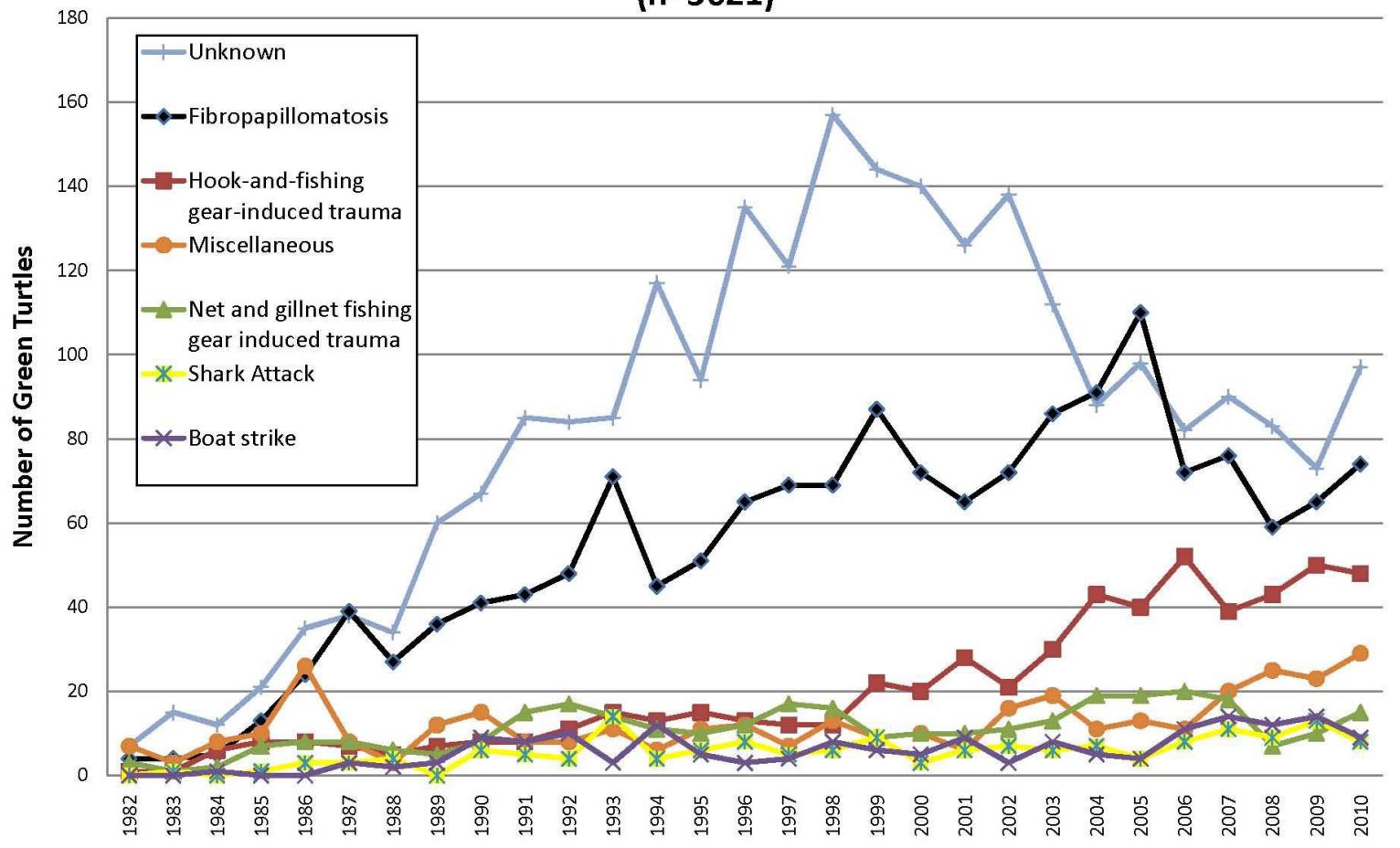


Summary of important points 重點摘要

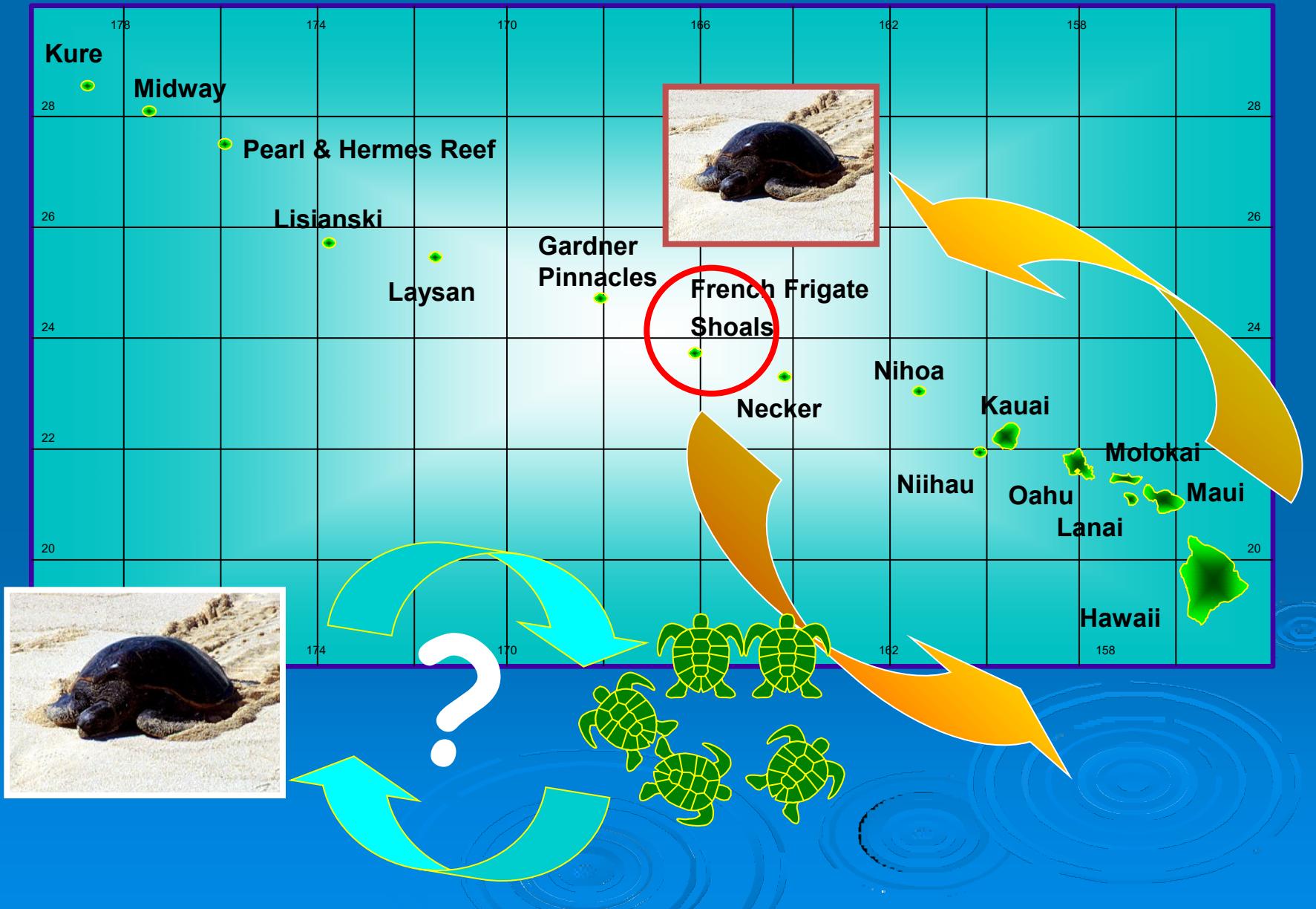
- Details on turtle strandings have been collected in Hawaii since 1982
夏威夷自1982年起就開始蒐集海龜擱淺的相關資料
- 97% of the strandings are green turtles // 97%的擱淺個案涉及綠蠵龜
- Flowcharts provide stranding protocols for responding // 流程圖提供了擱淺事件的處理程序
- 250-300 turtles strand each year // 每年約250至300頭海龜擱淺
- 30% of the turtles are alive // 海龜的存活率為30%
- A clinical veterinarian, Dr. Bob Morris, treats the turtles
臨床獸醫Bob Morris醫師負責治療海龜
- A turtle pathologist, Dr. Thierry Work, conducts necropsy research
海龜病理學家Thierry Work博士負責解剖研究
- Causes of strandings include tumor disease, fishing line and hooks, nets, boat collision, shark attack, and miscellaneous. 擱淺的原因包括腫瘤、魚絲及魚鉤、魚網、船隻碰撞、鯊魚攻擊等等

1982-2010年期間綠蠵龜在夏威夷群島的擋淺事件

1982-2010 All Hawaiian Green Turtle Stranding Events
Marine Turtle Research Program, PSD
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Green turtles in Hawaii



NECROPSY AND IN WATER STUDIES YIELD DIFFERENT INFORMATION



NECROPSY



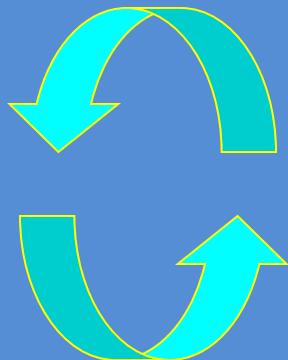
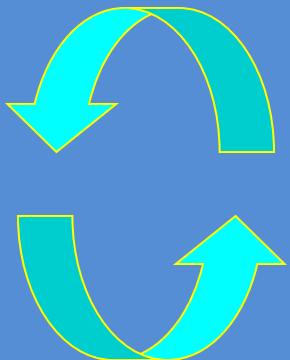
IN-WATER

NECROPSY OF LONGLINE BYCATCH FOR PELAGIC TURTLE HEALTH



Pelagic

Near shore



OCEAN

ISLAND





Marine turtle fibropapillomatosis

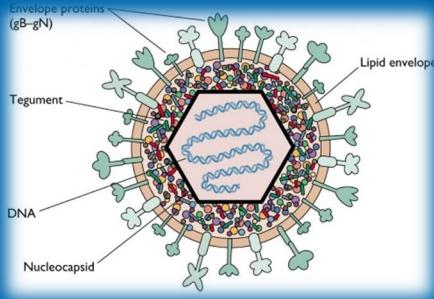


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Euthanasia methods-Mar Turtle News 136:5-6



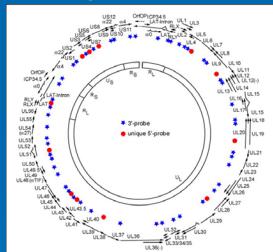
Finding chelonid herpes virus 5

FP associated with herpevirus



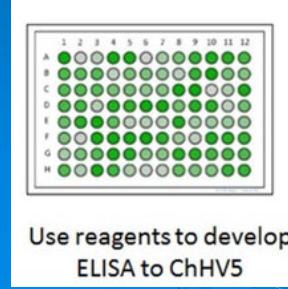
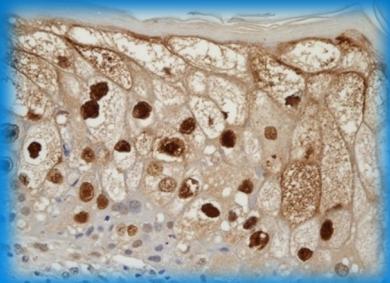
Virology 246:392-399
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J Virol 79:1125-1132
J Zoo Wildl Med 36:527-230

Sequencing of viral genome



PLOS One 7:e46623
PeerJ 2018:4386

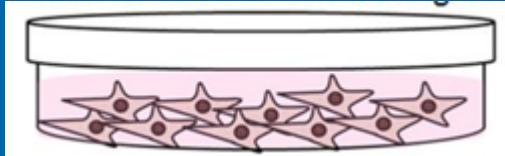
Generation of artificial peptides for ELISA and IHC





Generation of laboratory tools

Sea turtle cell lines to try and culture virus

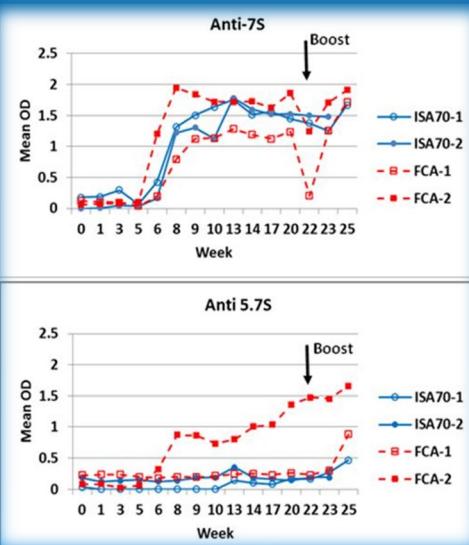
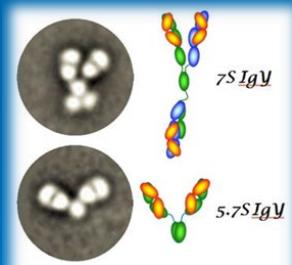


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Monoclonal antibodies to assess immune response



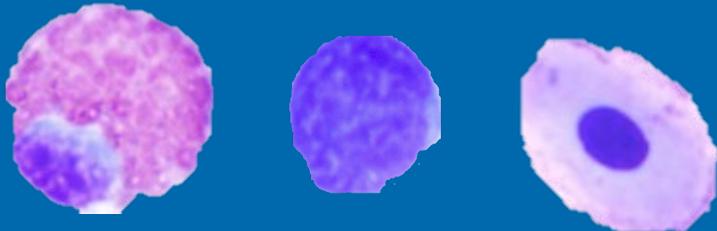
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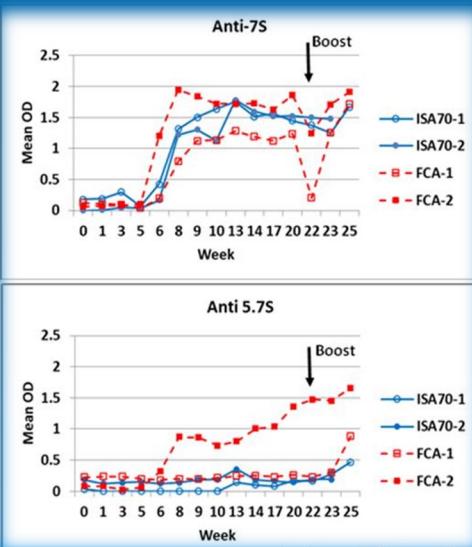
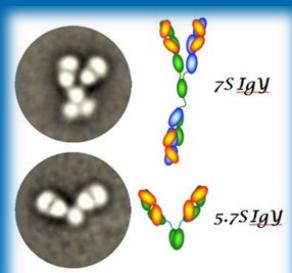
Generation of laboratory tools

Characterizing blood cells and cell mediated response



Vet Immunol Immunopathol 131:211-217
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Monoclonal antibodies to assess humoral immune response



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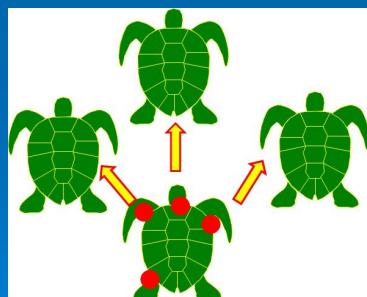
Insights to FP epidemiology

ChHV5 may be vectored by leeches



Virology 321:101-110

Virus shedding from tumors infrequent but superspreaders involved

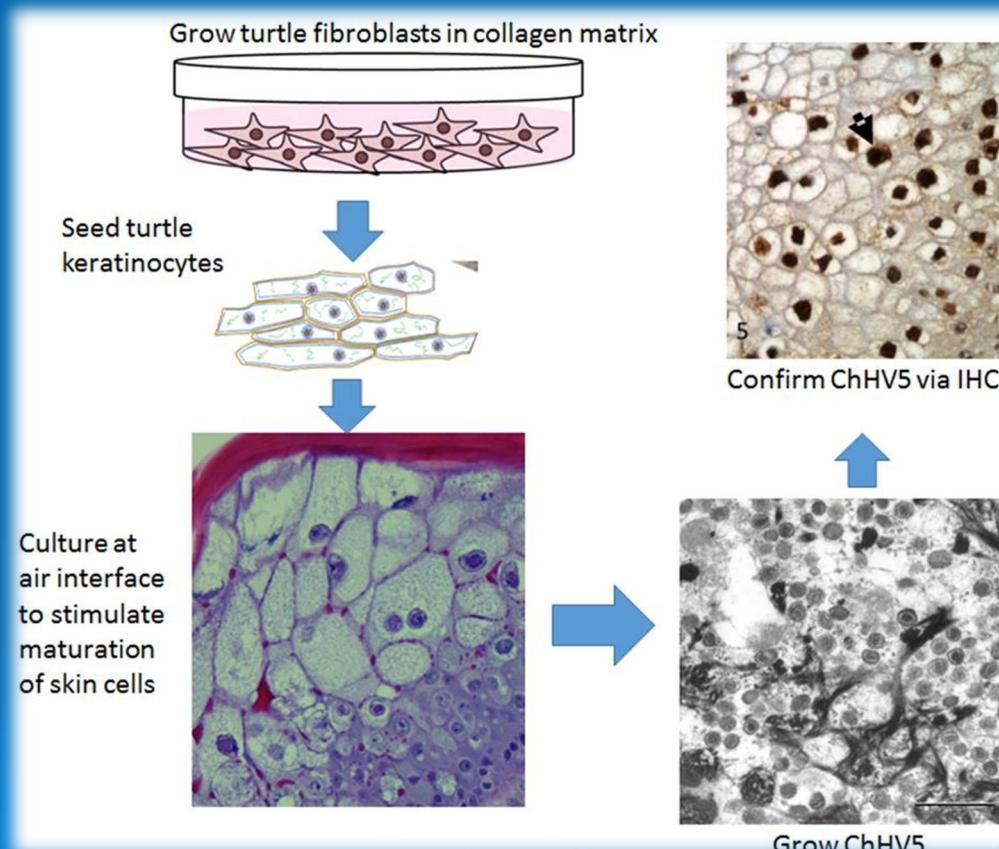


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Insights to FP epidemiology

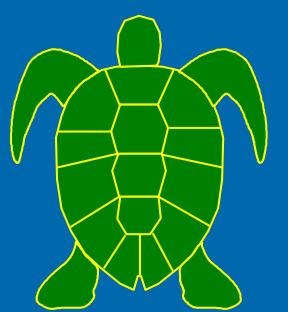
Virus can only be grown in the lab using 3D skin cultures



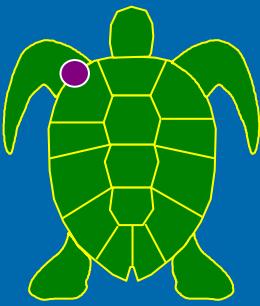


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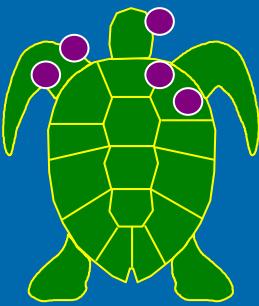
Development of a tumor scoring system



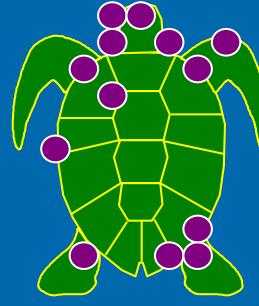
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TS2



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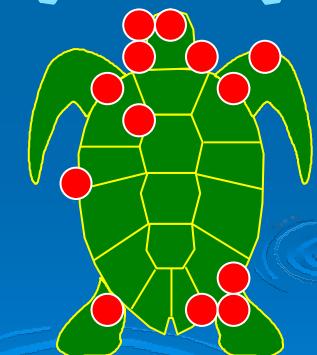
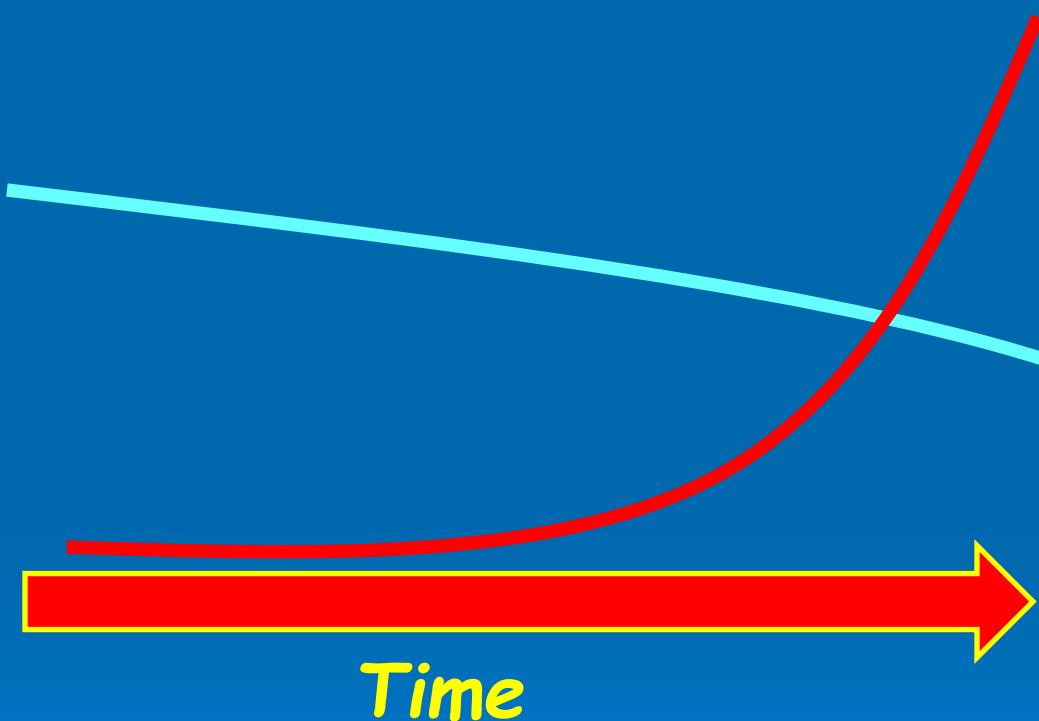
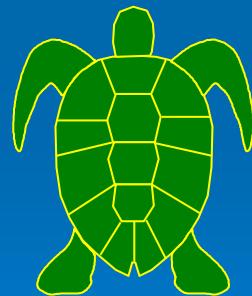
More severe tumor -> Anemia/heterophilia



Insights to FP immunology

Vibrio

Immune system



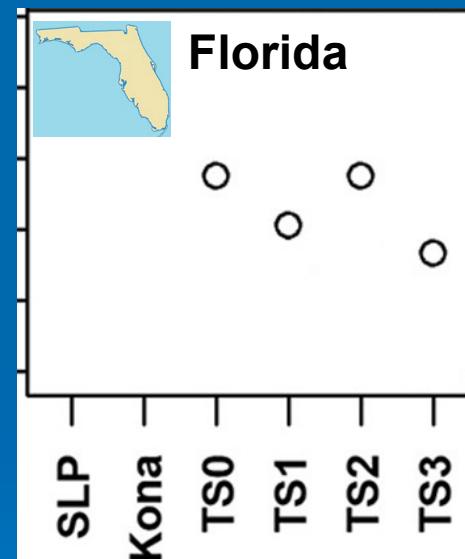
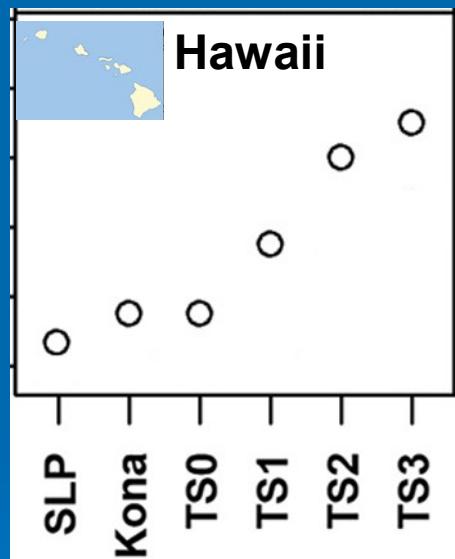
Tumored turtles become immunosuppressed and septic

J Wildl Dis 35:804-807
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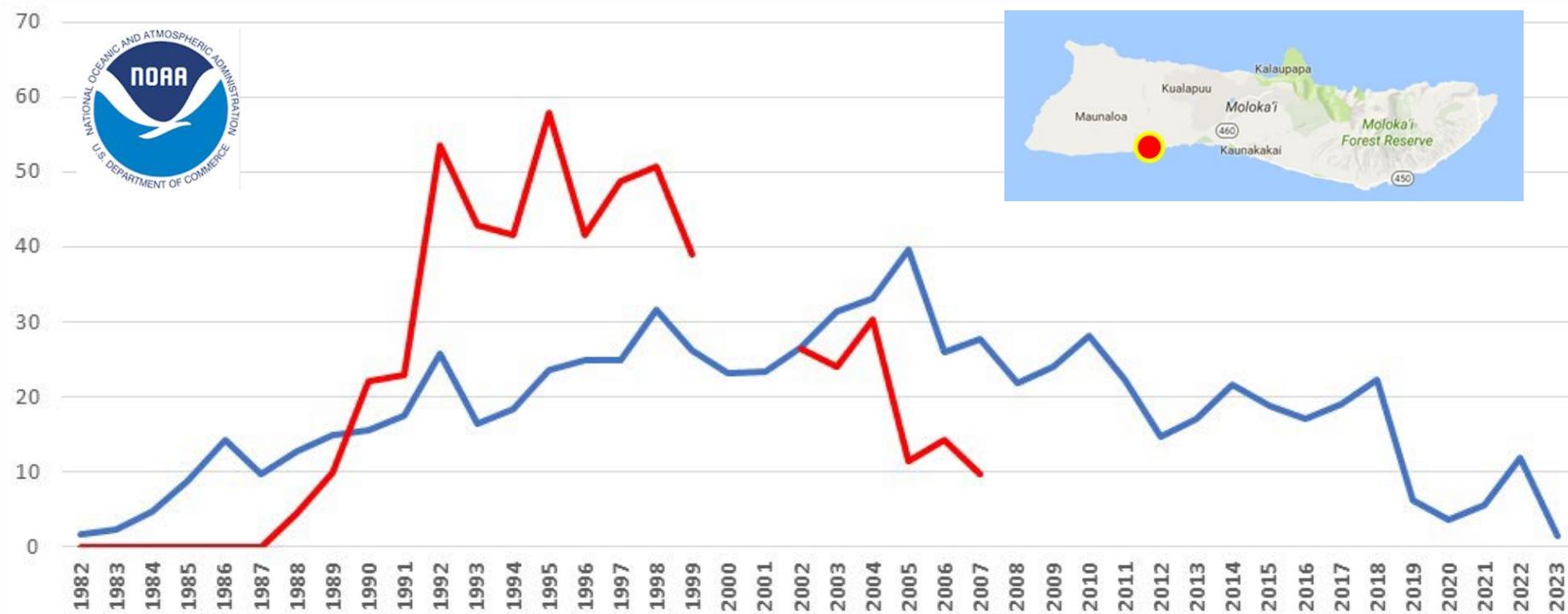


Insights to FP epidemiology

Immune response to ChHV5 tracks tumor score more closely in Pacific than Atlantic greens



FP is declining in Hawaii but coming up in Guam (Northern Marianas)



Strandings



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