

# Vector Hazard Report: West Africa

## Part 2: Sand Flies, Ticks and Host Densities

Information gathered from products of The Walter Reed  
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Catalog of Subfamily Phlebotominae  
VectorMap



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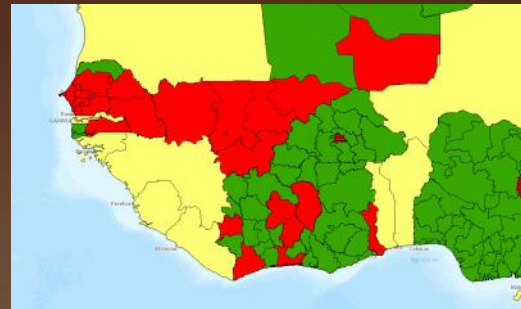
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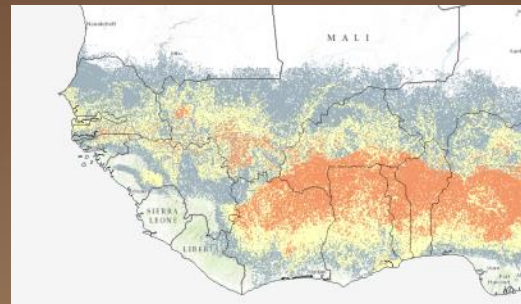
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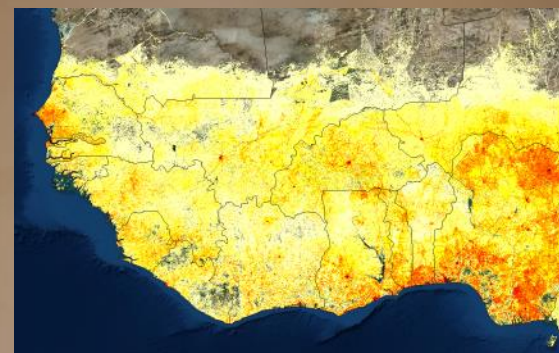
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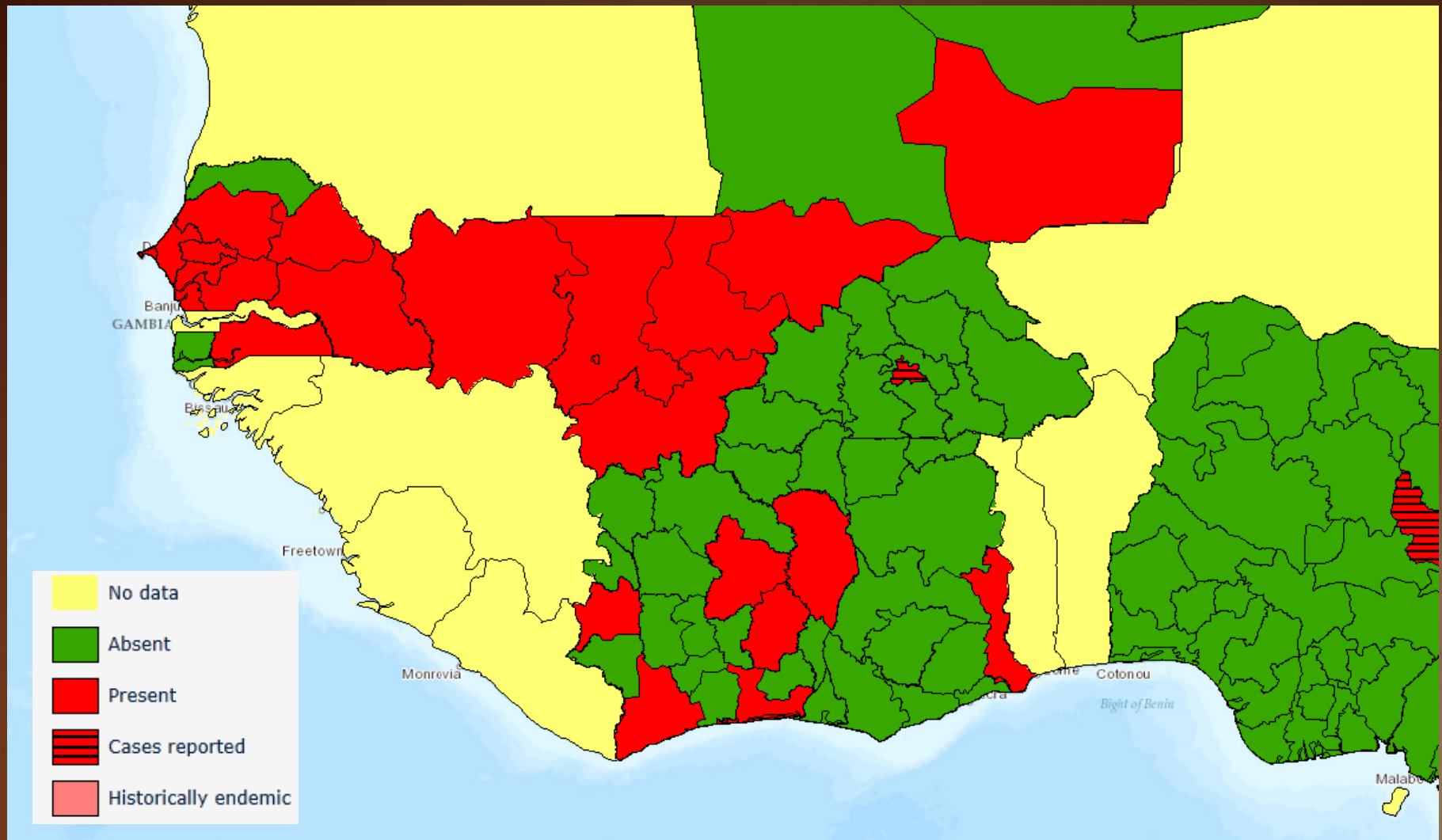
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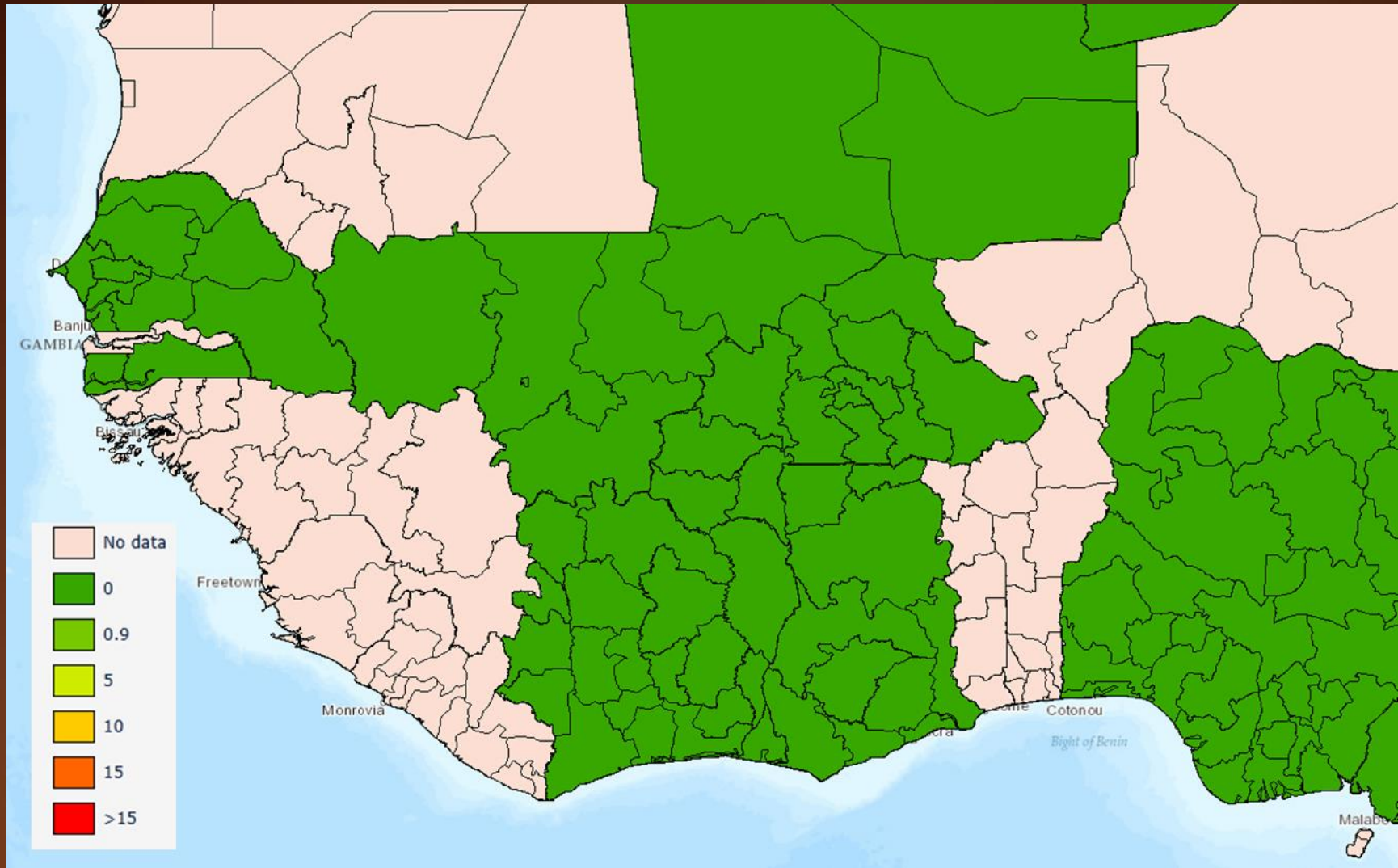


# Estimates of Cutaneous Leishmaniasis Incidence, 2012





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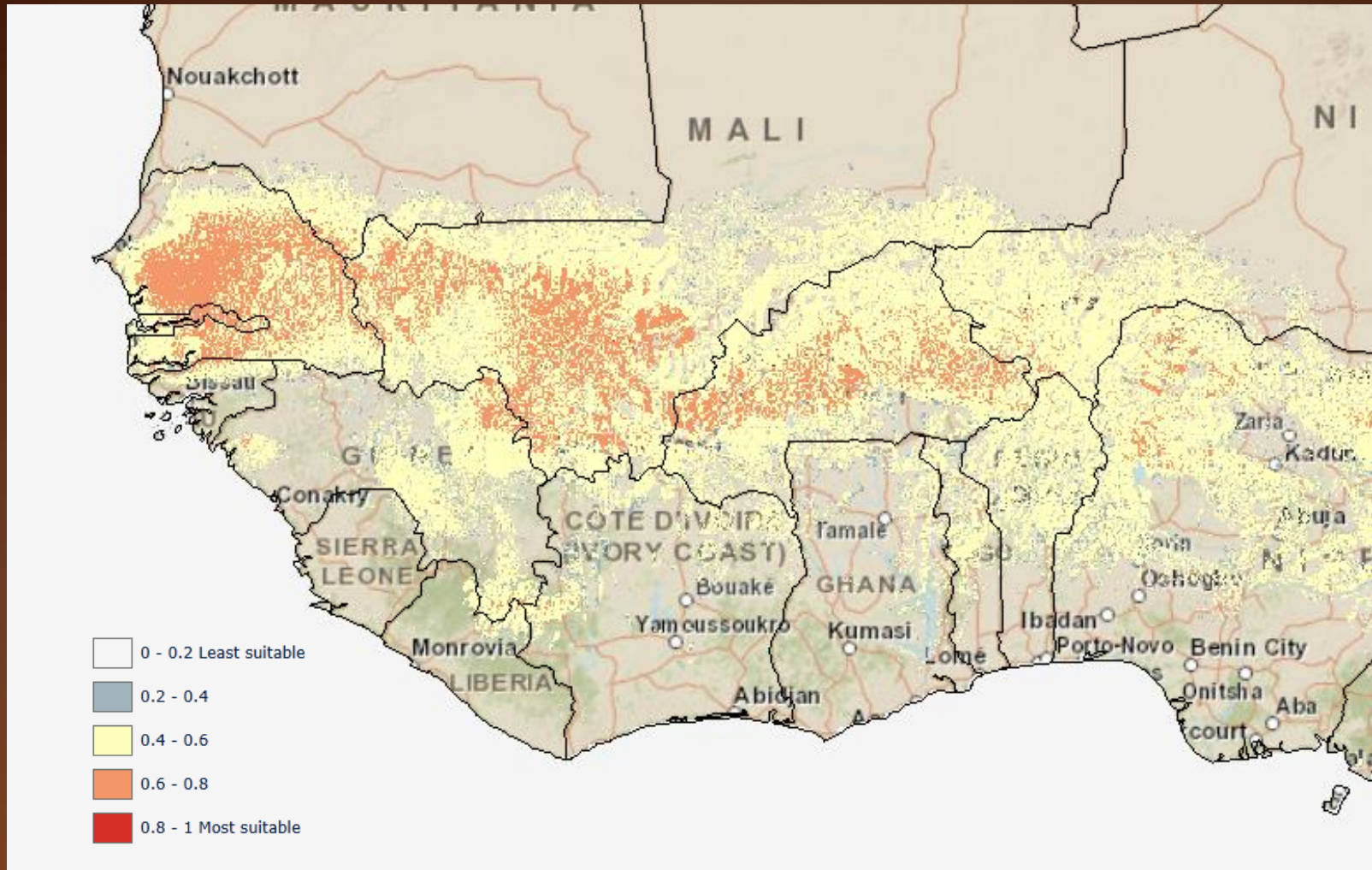
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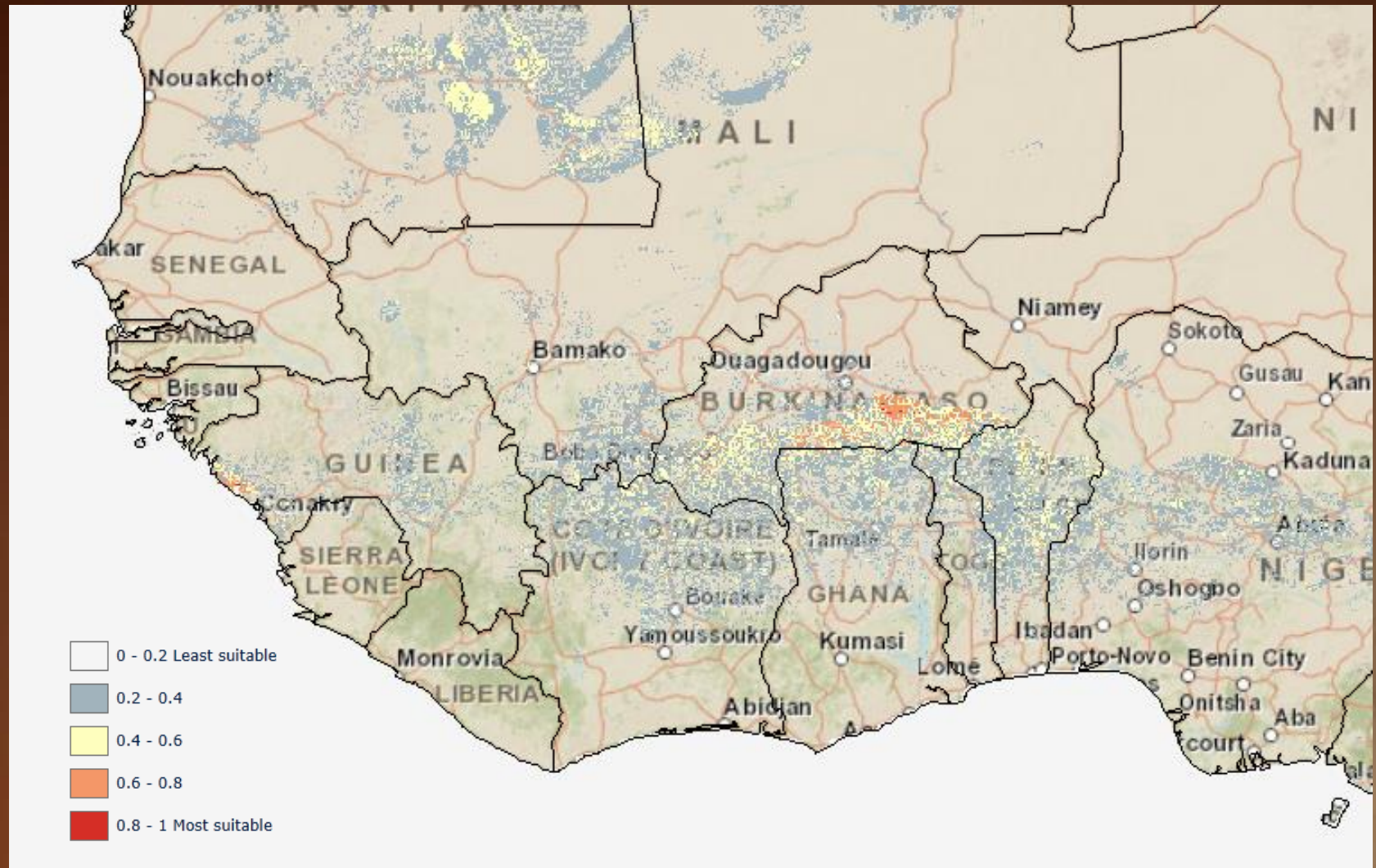


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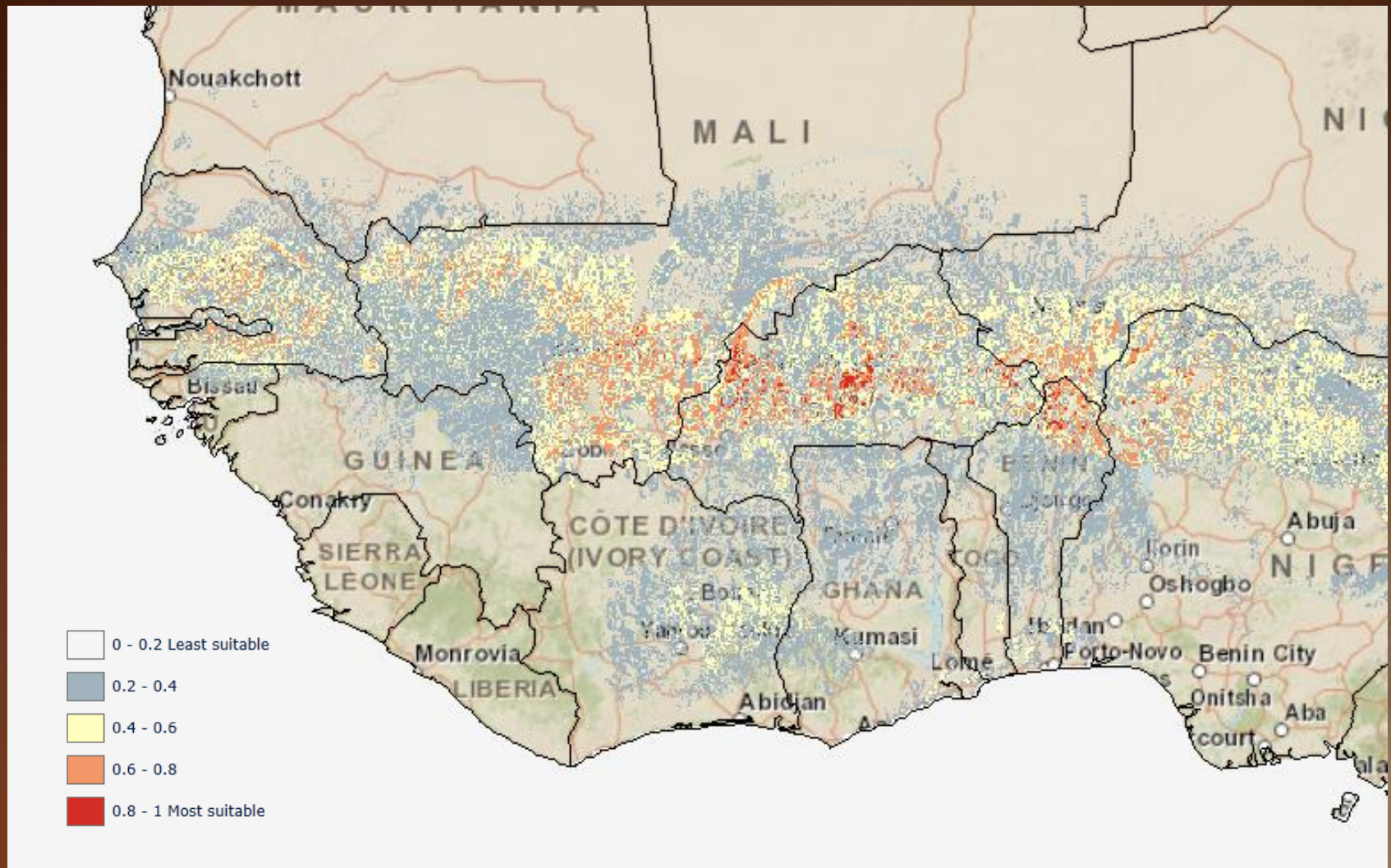




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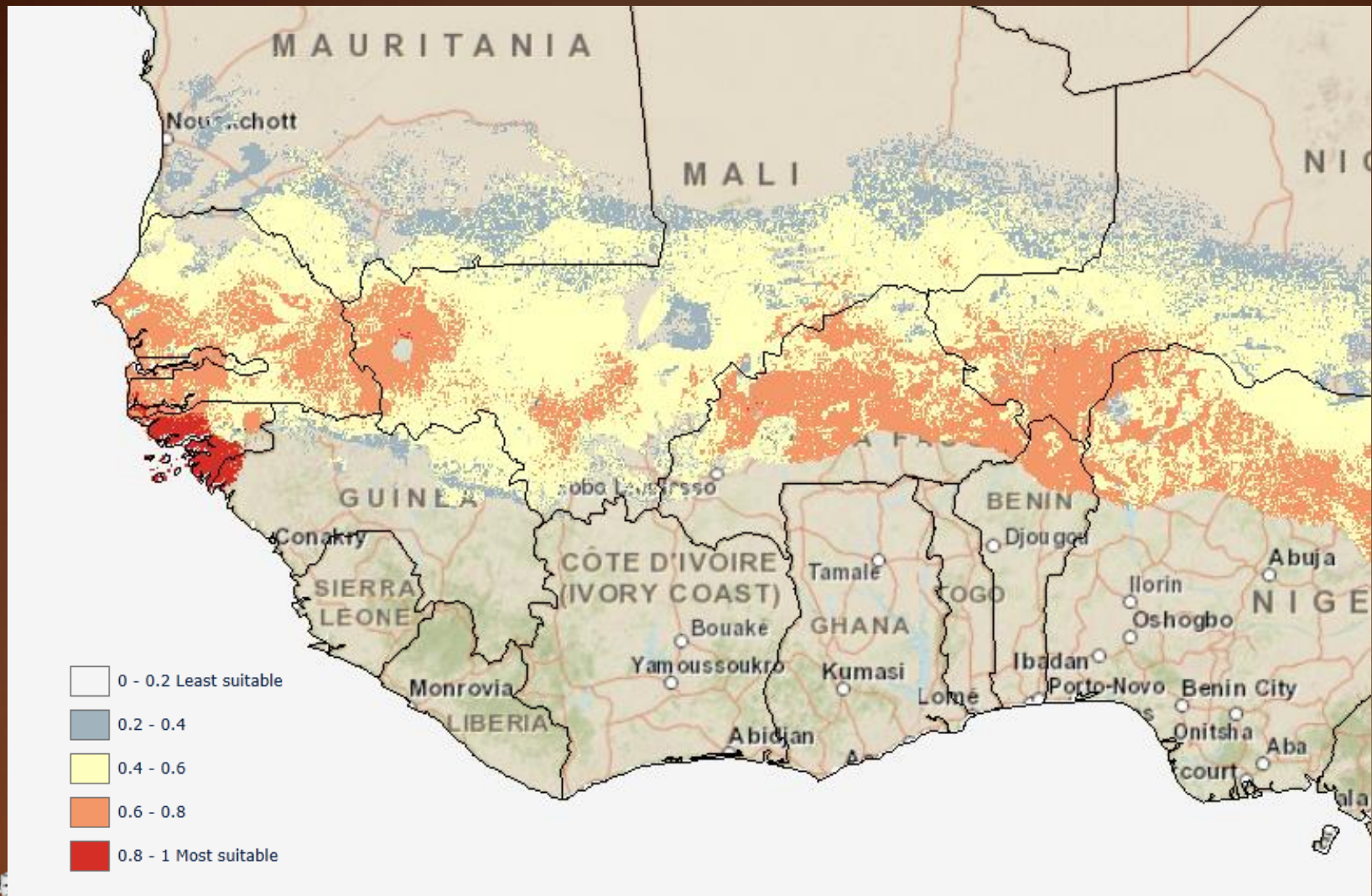


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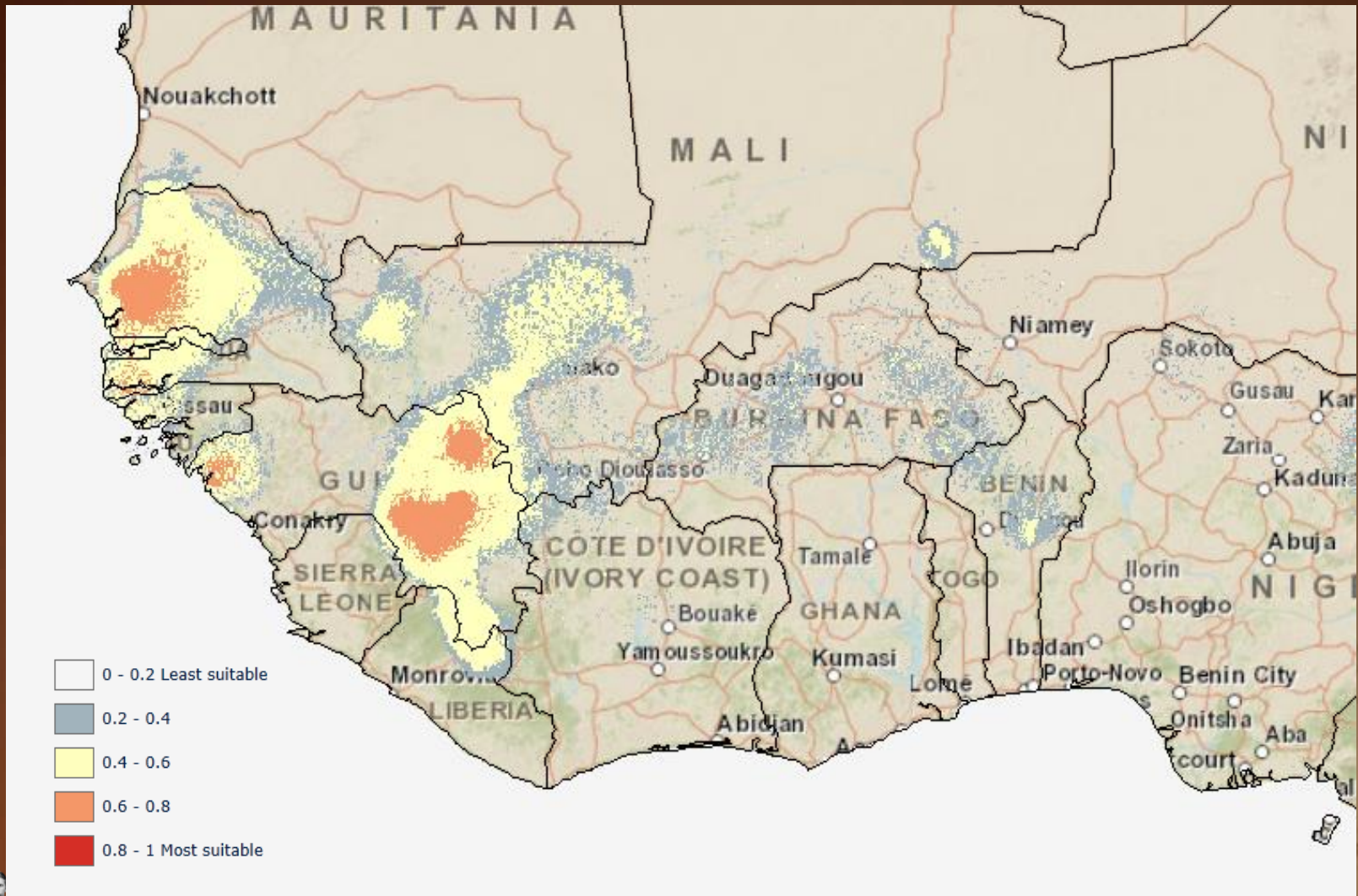


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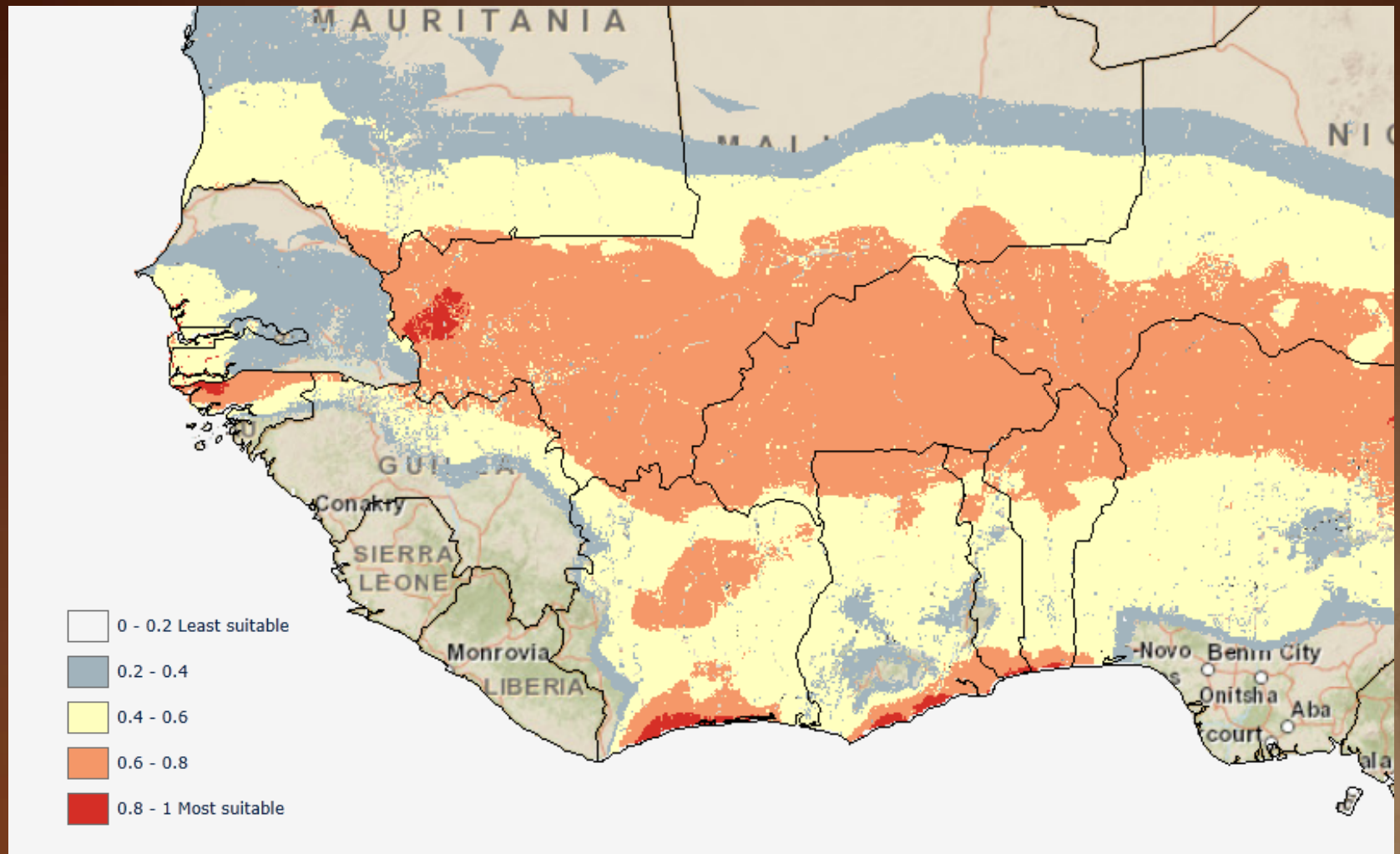




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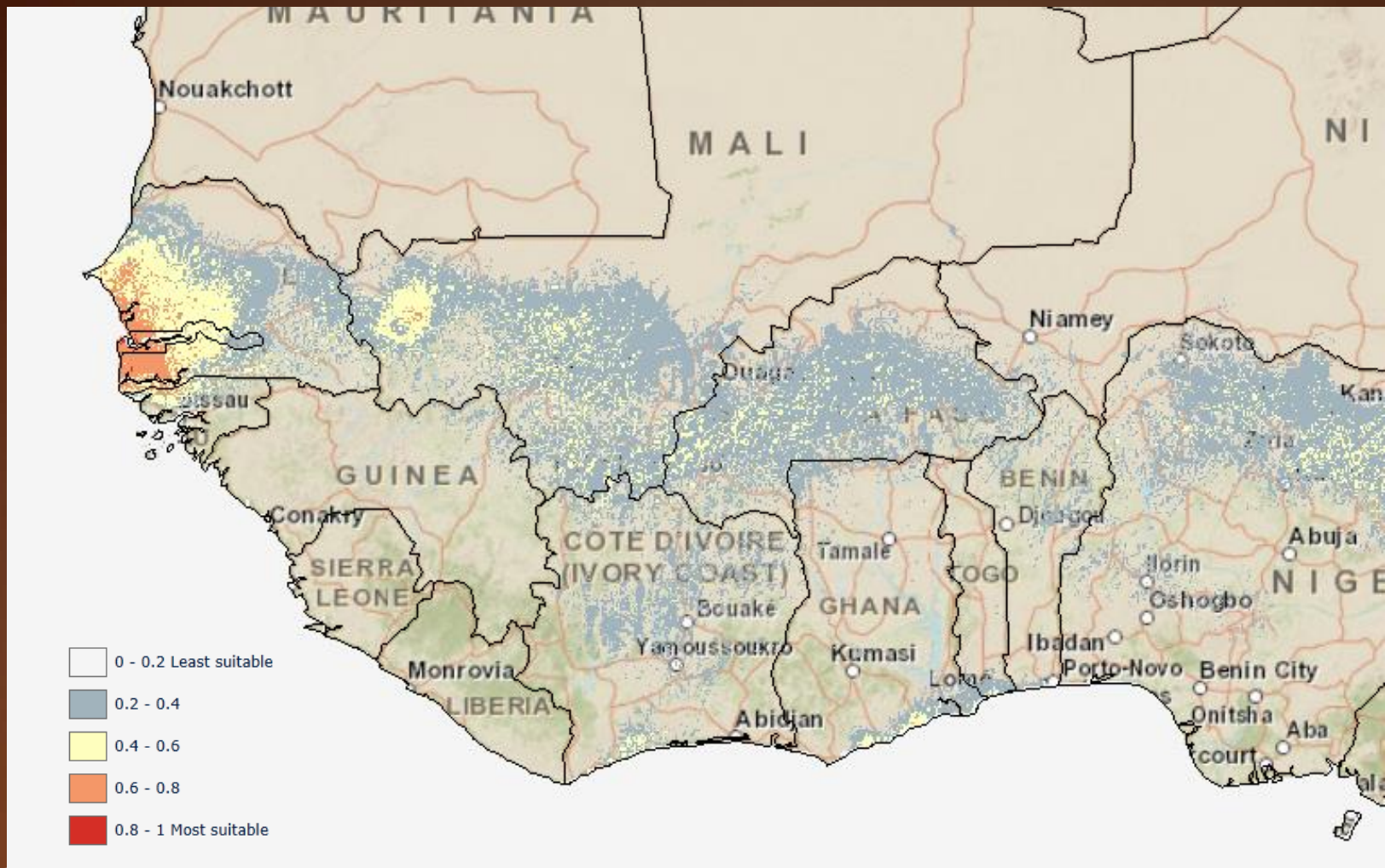


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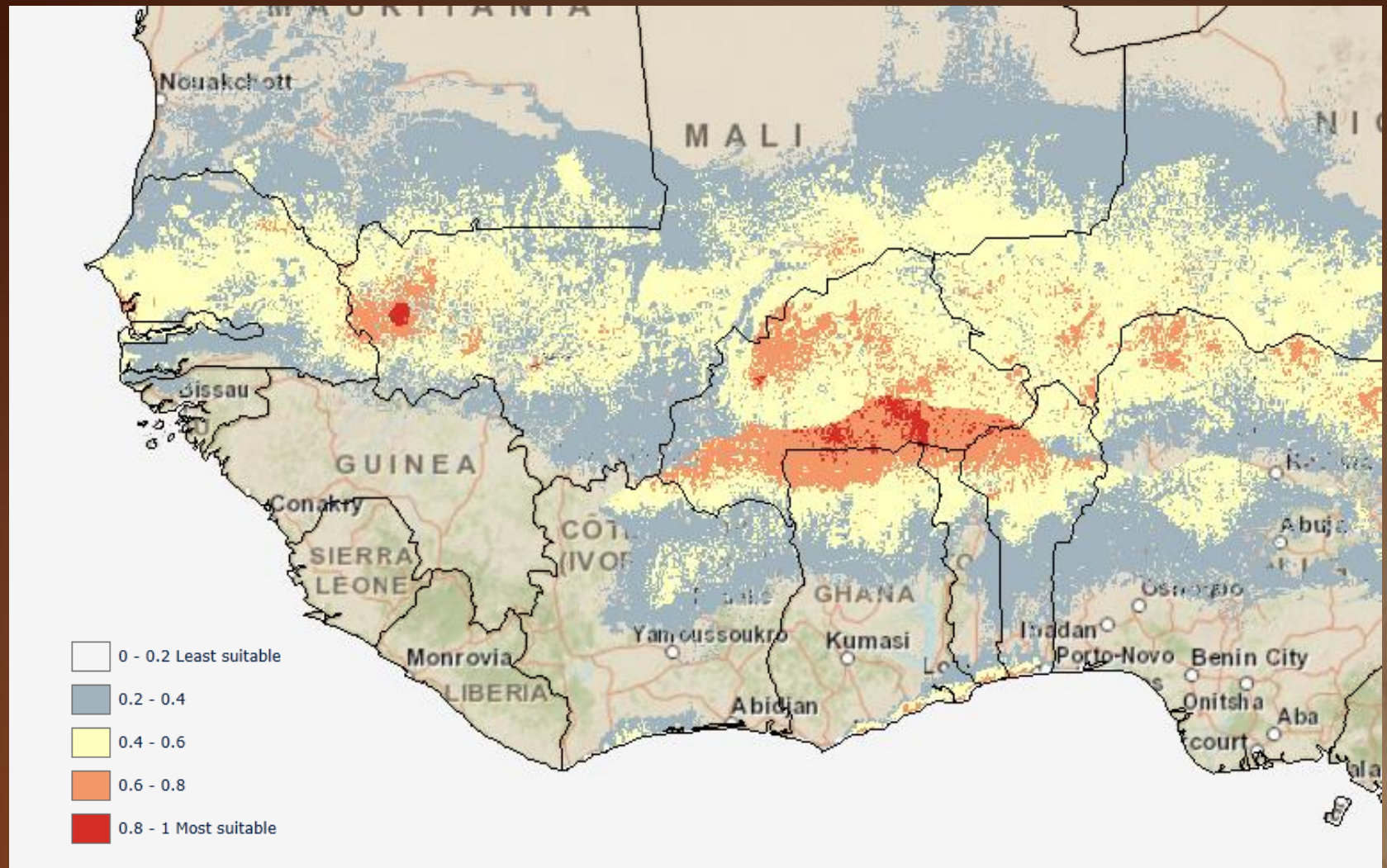


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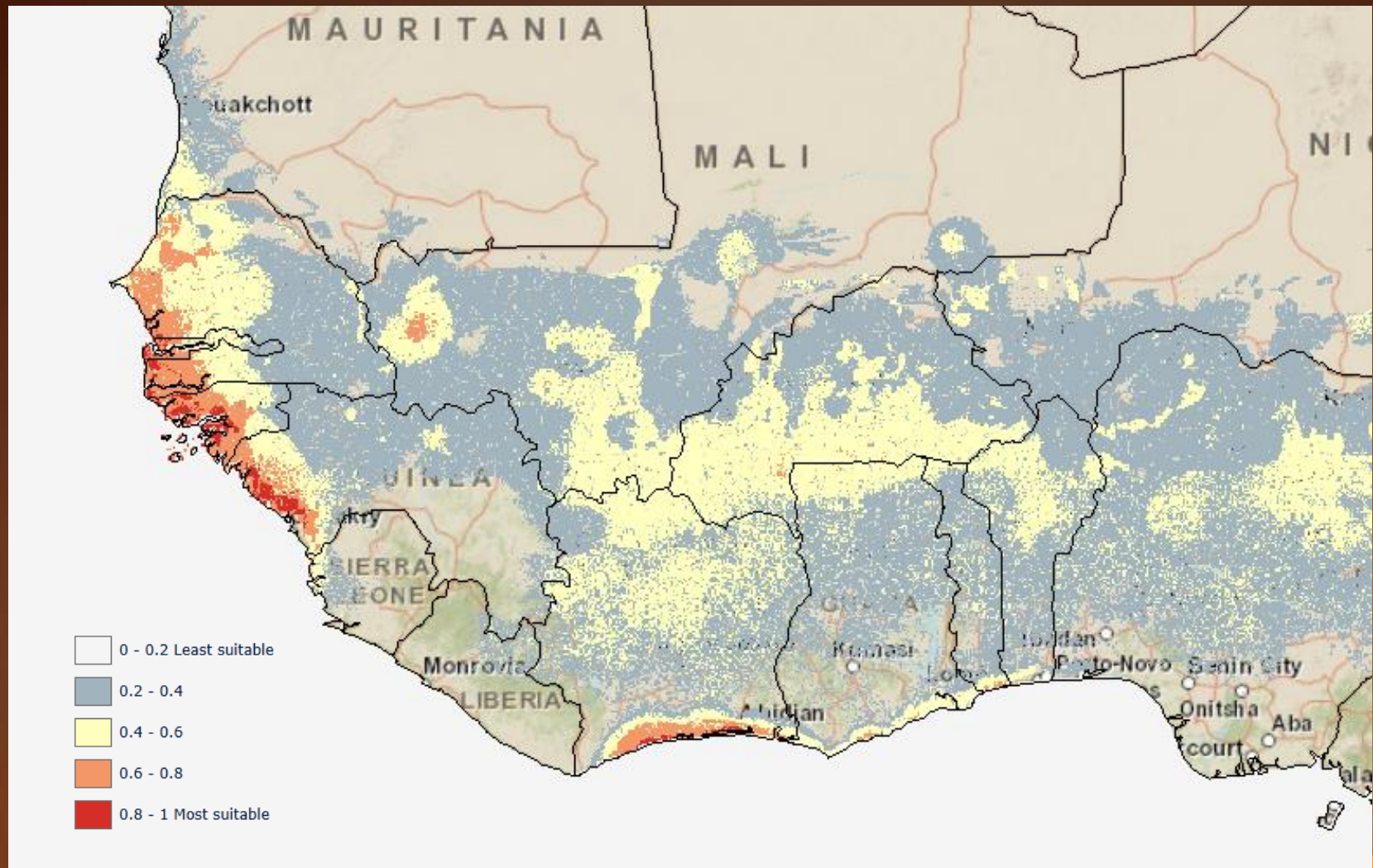




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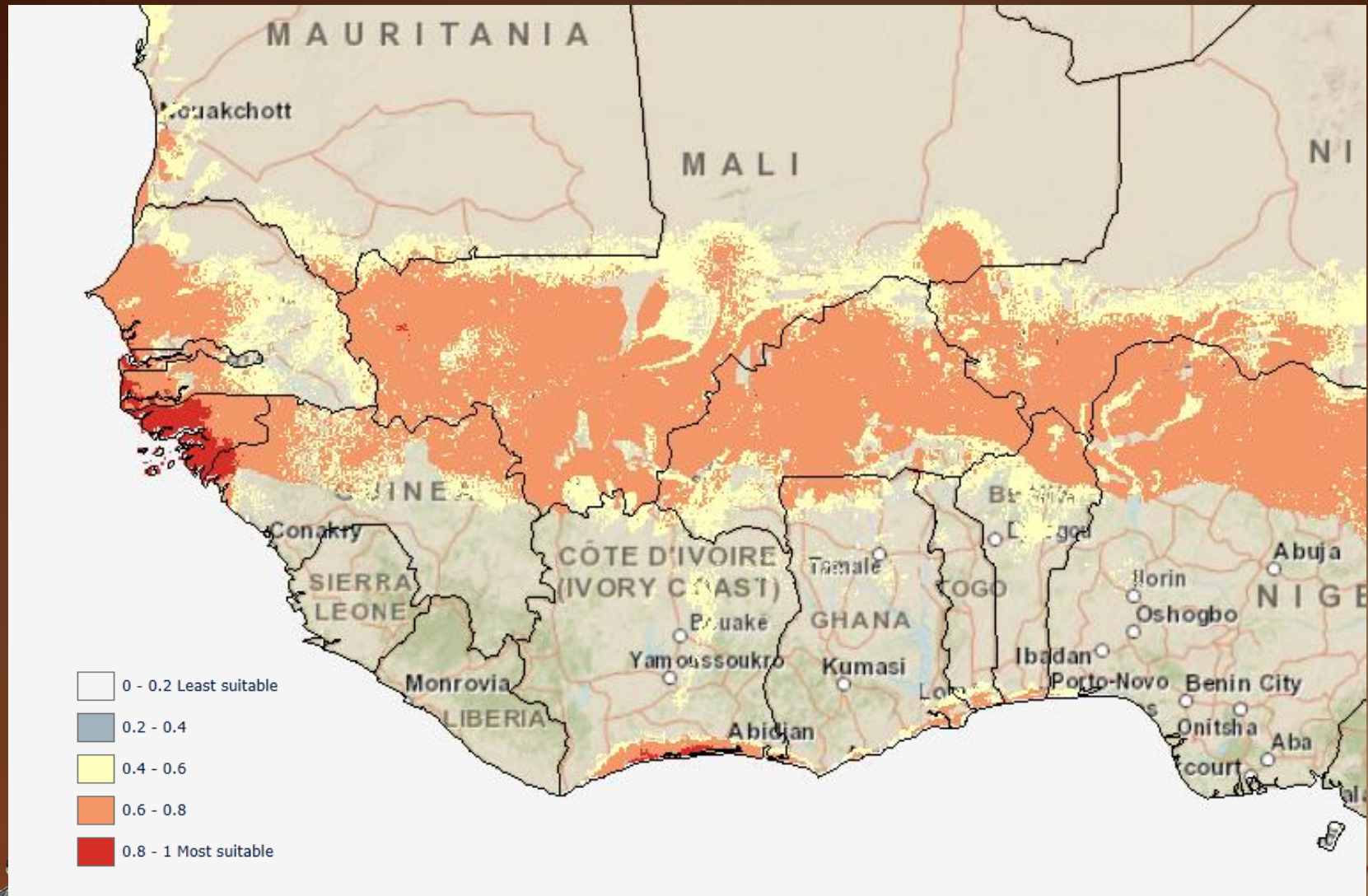


# Habitat suitability model: *Sergentomyia ingrami*





# Habitat suitability model: *Sergentomyia schwetzi*





# Medical Importance

## *Phlebotomus orientalis*

The vector of *L. donovani* (or *L. archibaldi*) and main man-biter in the Acacia-Balonites forests of Sudan (Hoogstraal & Heyneman, 1969; Killick-Kendrick, 1990).

## *Phlebotomus duboscqi*

Proven vector of *L. major* in Senegal and Kenya and suspected vector throughout the Sahel region of Africa (Dedet et al., 1979; Killick-Kendrick, 1990).

## *Sergentomyia antennata*

Frequently found infected with untyped promastigotes in Kenya, where it is abundant in termite hills and sometimes feeds on mammals (Kaddu, 1986; Mutinga, 1986; Mutinga et al., 1986a,b).

## *Sergentomyia clydei*

Recorded feeding on mammals (includingerbils and man) in Chad, Nigeria, Sudan and Kenya, where frequently found infected with untyped promastigotes and believed to be the principal vector of *Sauroleishrnanian adleri* (Abonnenc, 1972; Kaddu, 1986; Minter & Wijers, 1963; Mutinga, 1986; Southgate & Manson-Bahr, 1967). Suspected vector of *S. hoogstraali* in Sudan and found infected with *Trypanosoma* sp. in Senegal (Desjeux & Waroquy, 1981; Williams & Coelho, 1978).

## *Sergentomyia ingrami*

Untyped promastigote infections found in Kenya (Kaddu, 1986), some of which produced lesions characteristic of *L. major* when inoculated into mice (Mutinga et al., 1986a).

## *Sergentomyia adleri*

Recorded biting man in Sudan and near termite hills in Kenya, where found infected with untyped promastigotes (Abonnenc, 1972; Mutinga, 1986; Mutinga et al., 1986a). Recorded as vector of *Trypanosoma* sp. in Senegal (Desjeux & Waroquy, 1981).

# Medical Importance

## *Sergentomyia affinis*

Recorded feeding on man, as well as on reptiles, in Guinea and Kenya, where found infected with untyped promastigotes (Abonnenc, 1972; Kaddu, 1986; Mutinga, 1986).

## *Sergentomyia africana*

Geographical character variation noted by Rioux et al. (1975). Untyped promastigote infections found in Kenya (Kaddu, 1986).

## *Sergentomyia bedfordi*

A polytypic species recorded from a wide range of habitats, including termite hills and houses, and (in Kenya) frequently recorded biting man and infected with untyped promastigotes (Abonnenc, 1972; Kaddu, 1986; Minter, 1964; Mutinga, 1986). Recorded as vector of *Sauroleishmania adleri* in Kenya and of *Trypanosoma boueti* in Ethiopia (Heisch et al., 1956; Williams & Coelho, 1978).

## *Sergentomyia antennata*

Frequently found infected with untyped promastigotes in Kenya, where it is abundant in termite hills and sometimes feeds on mammals (Kaddu, 1986; Mutinga, 1986; Mutinga et al., 1986a,b).

## *Sergentomyia schwetzi*

Recorded biting man in West Africa (Abonnenc, 1972) and Kenya, where frequently found infected with untyped promastigotes and common in termite hills as well as houses (Kaddu, 1986; Minter & Wijers, 1963; Mutinga, 1986). Recorded as vector of *Trypanosoma* sp. in Senegal (Desjeux & Waroquy, 1981).

# Tick Vectors

## Habitat Suitability Models:

*Amblyomma arboreus*

*Amblyomma boueti*

*Amblyomma compressum*

*Amblyomma transversale*

*Dermacentor circumguttatus*

*Hyalomma dromedarii*

*Hyalomma hoodi*

*Hyalomma moreli*

*Hyalomma paraleachi*

*Ixodes aulacodi*

*Ixodes moreli*

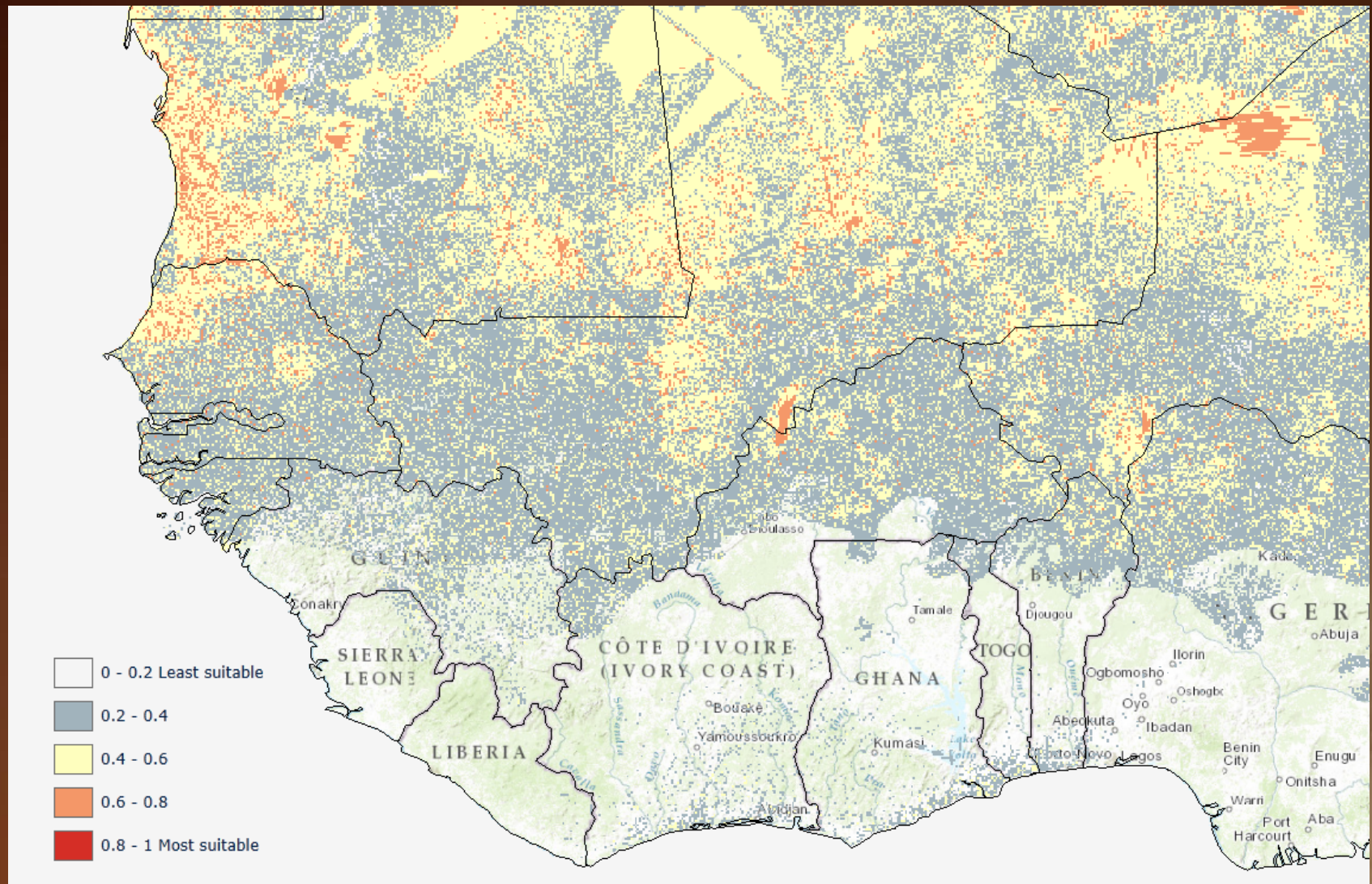
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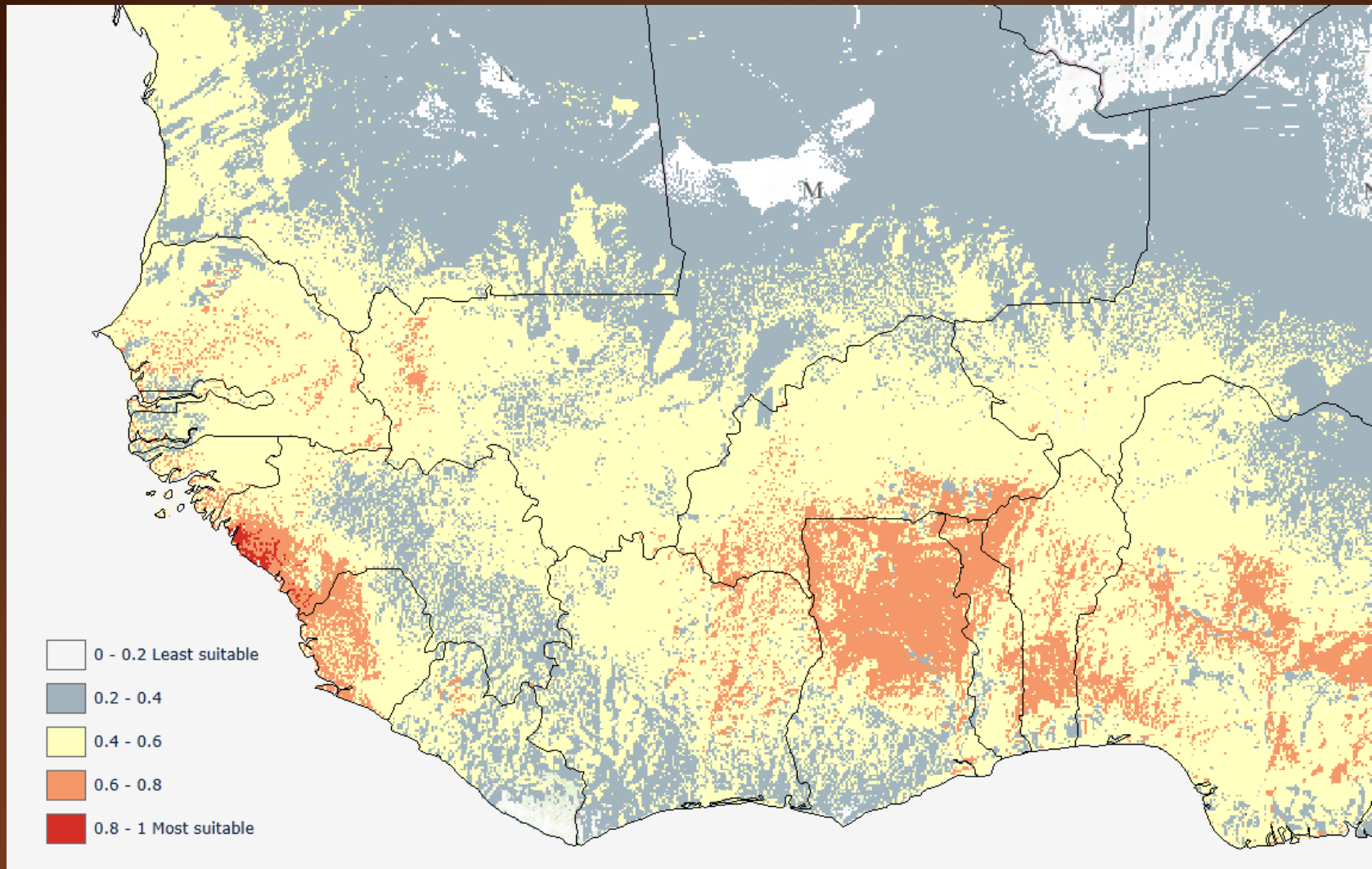
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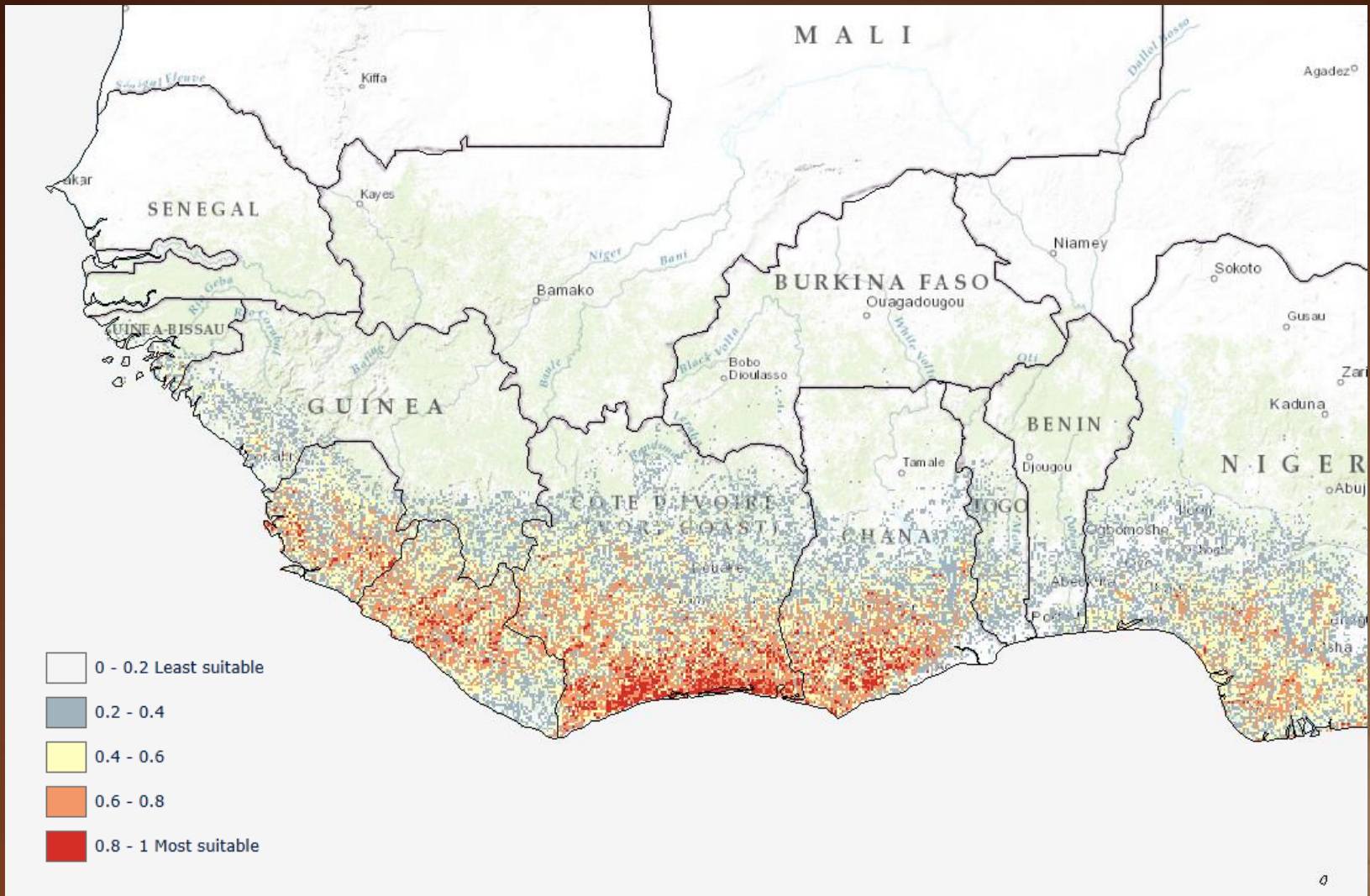




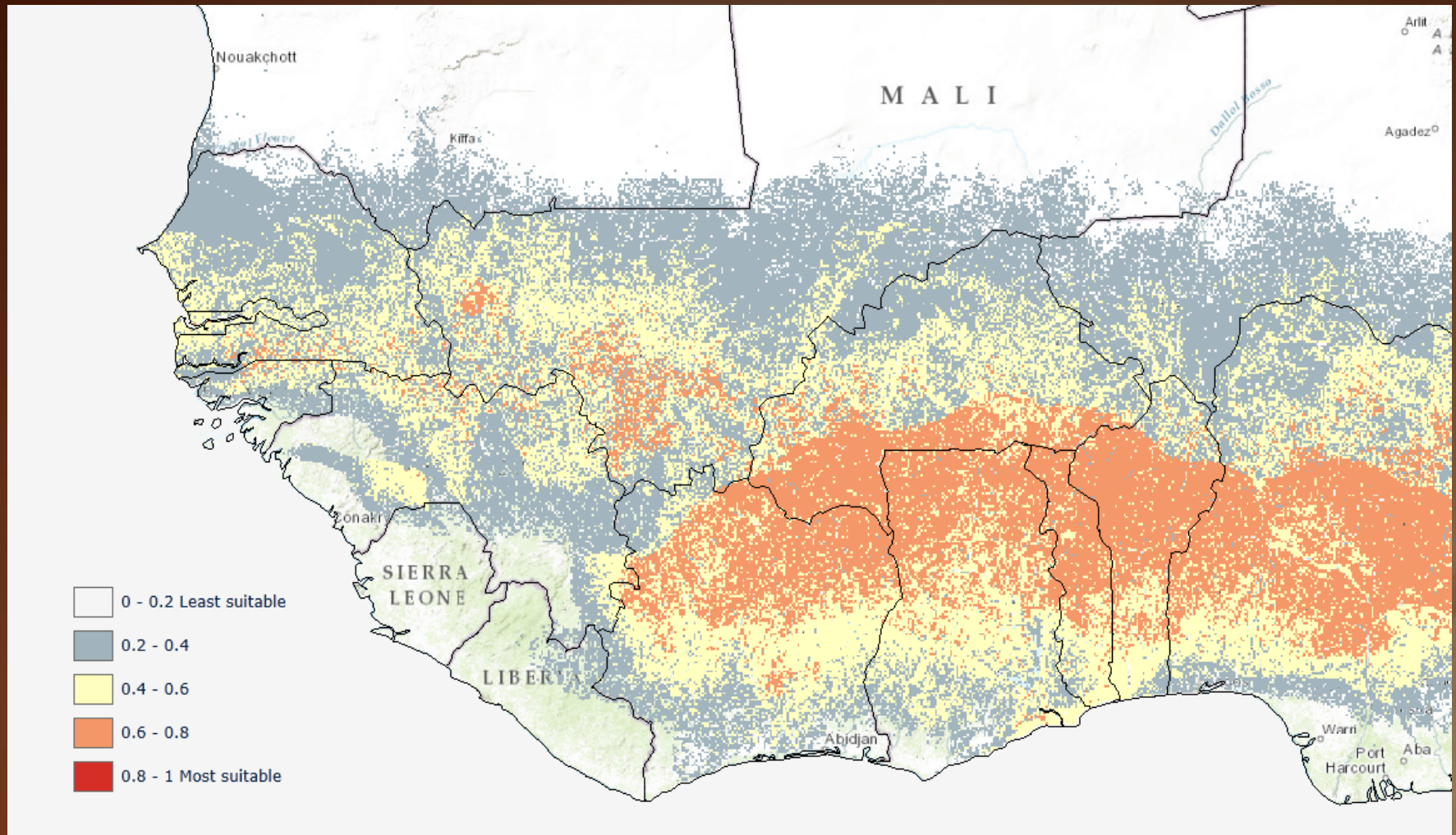
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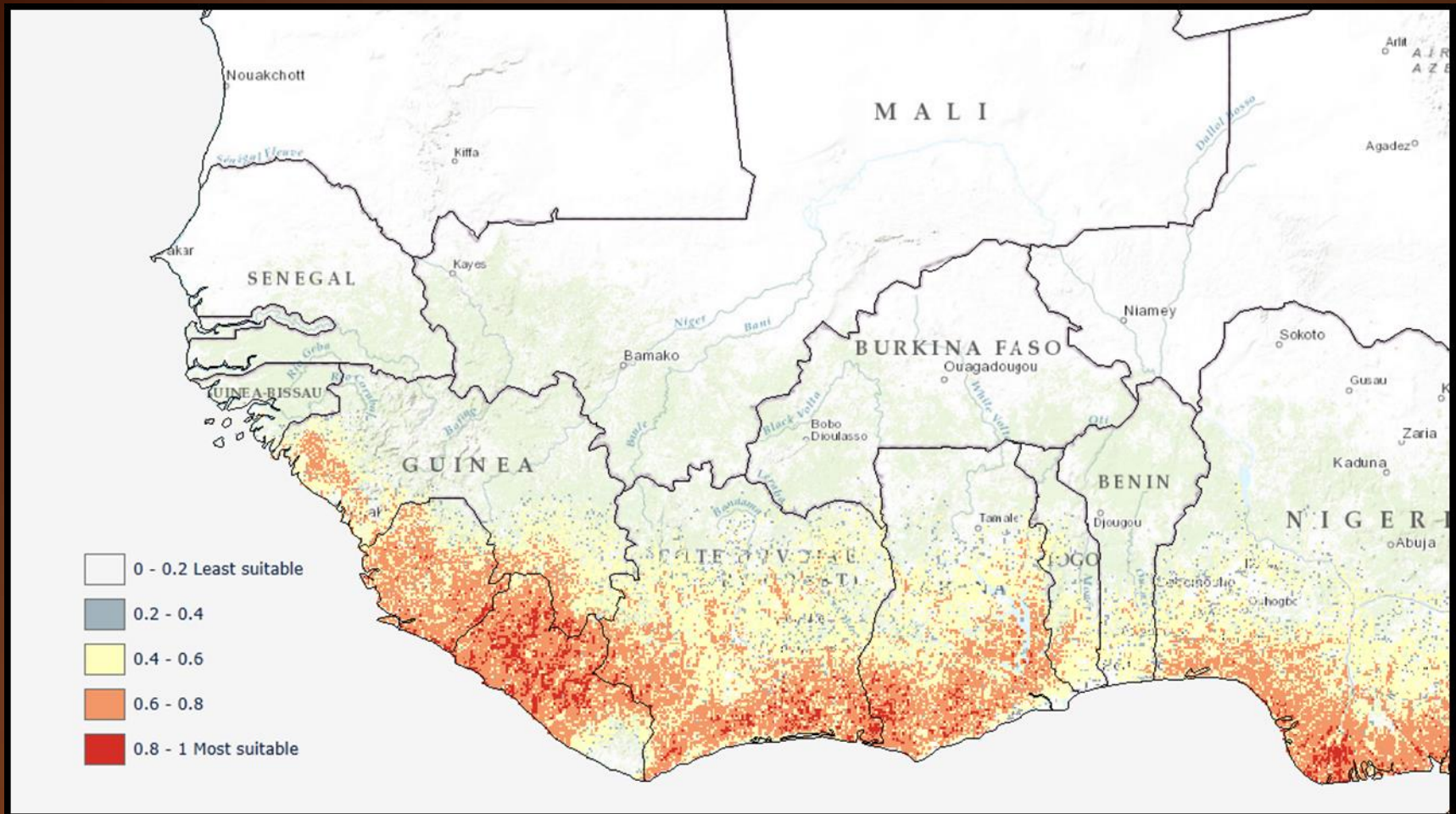


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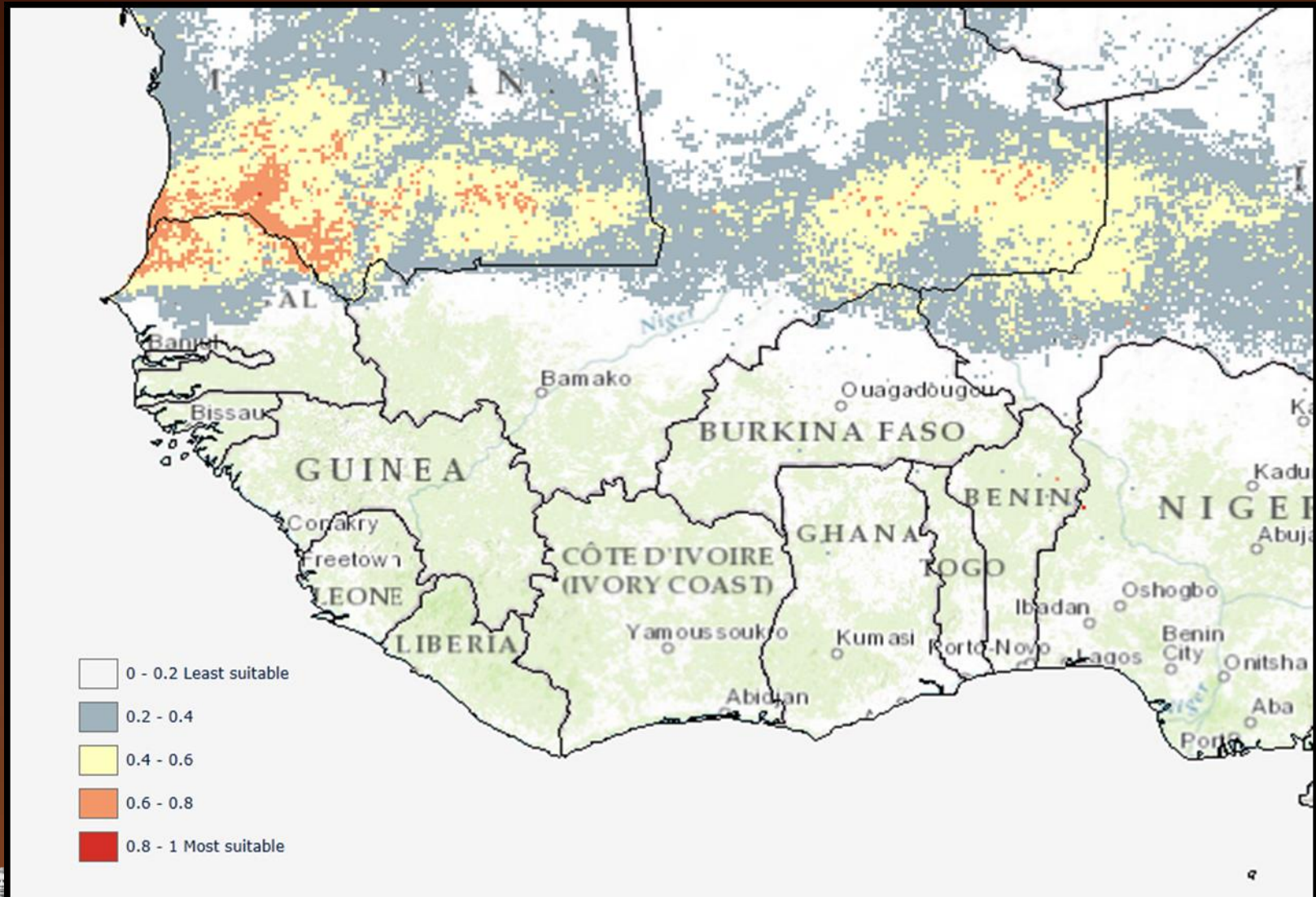




# Habitat suitability model: *Dermacentor circumguttatus*

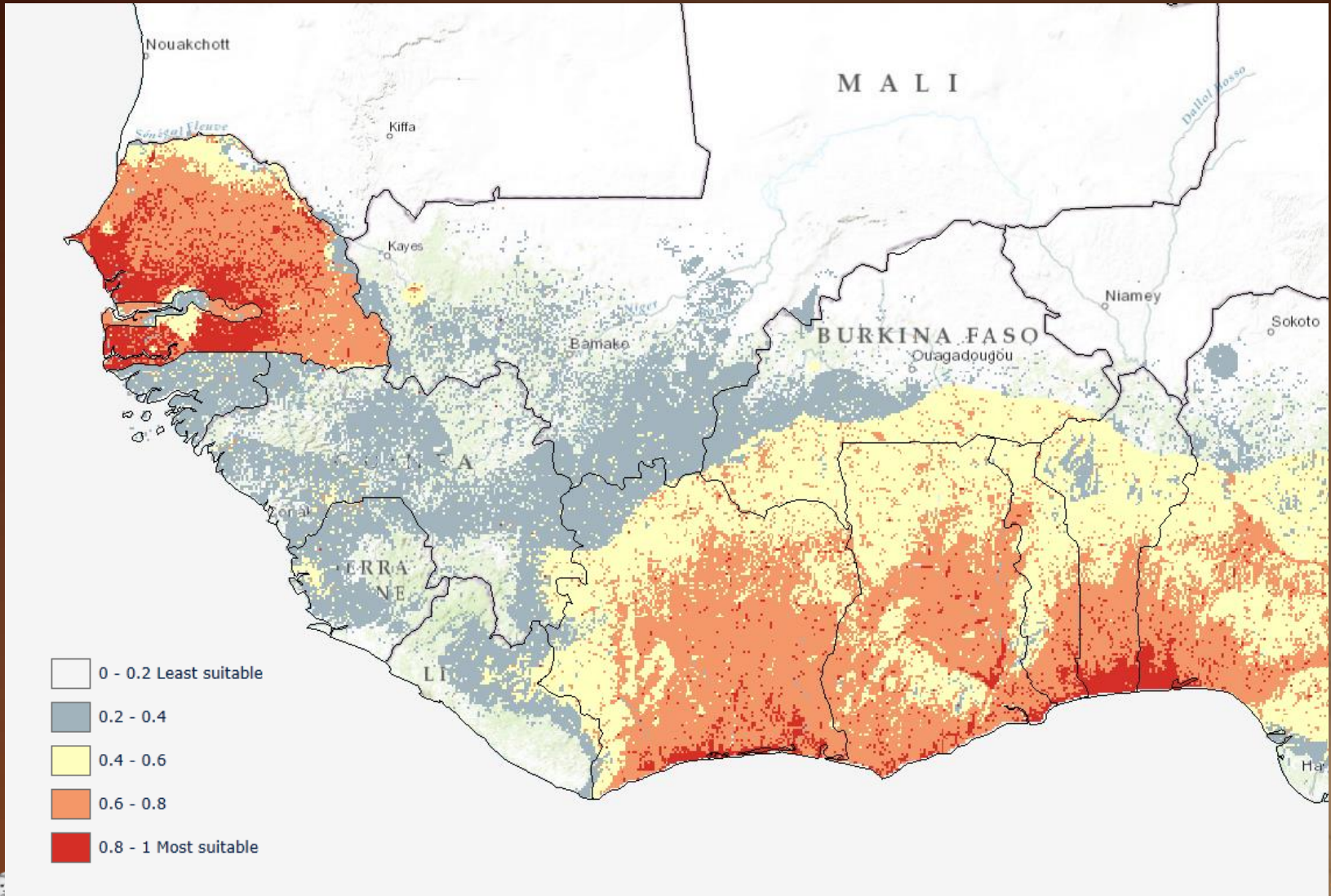


# Habitat suitability model: *Hyalomma dromedarii*



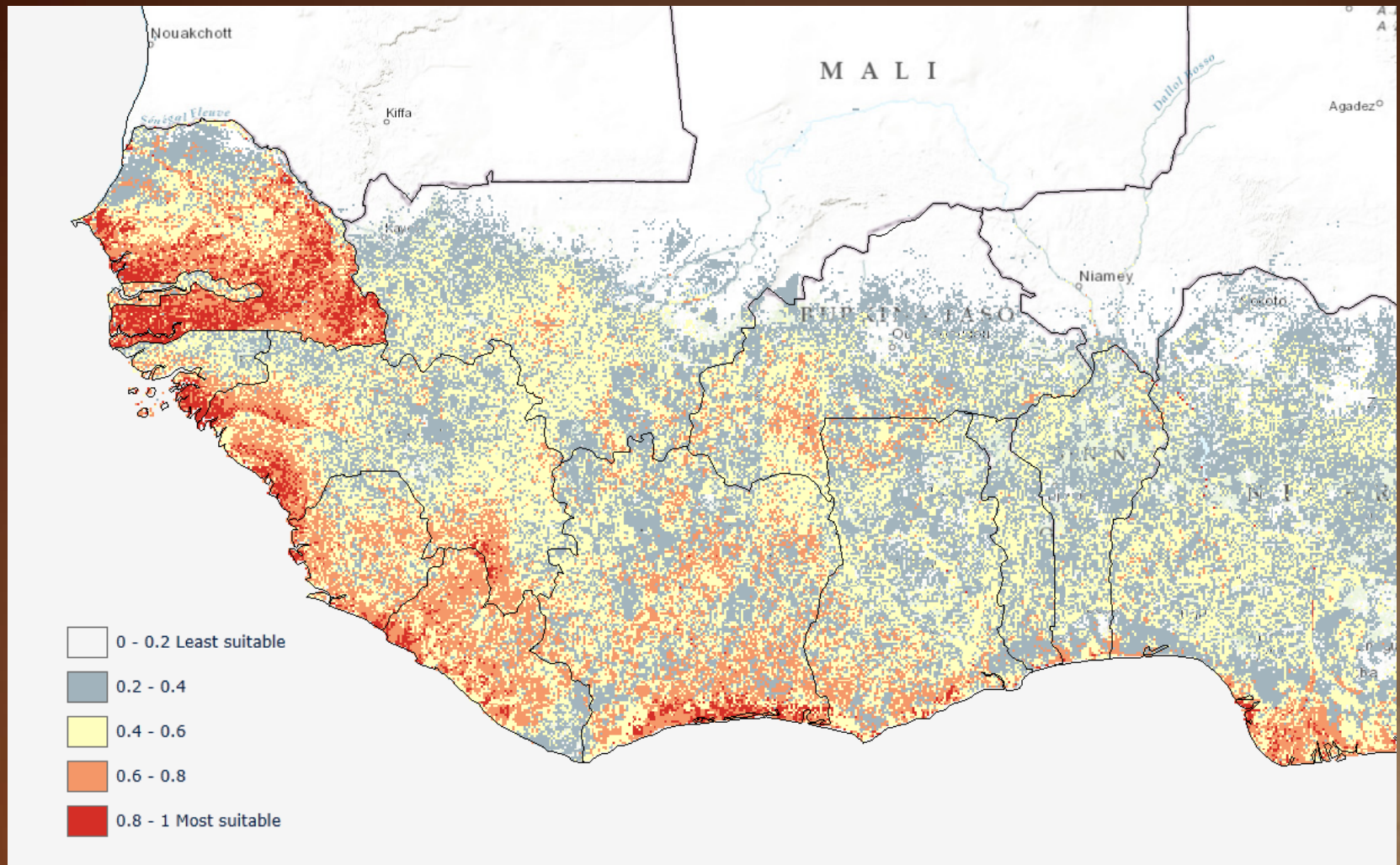


# Habitat suitability model: *Hyalomma hoodi*

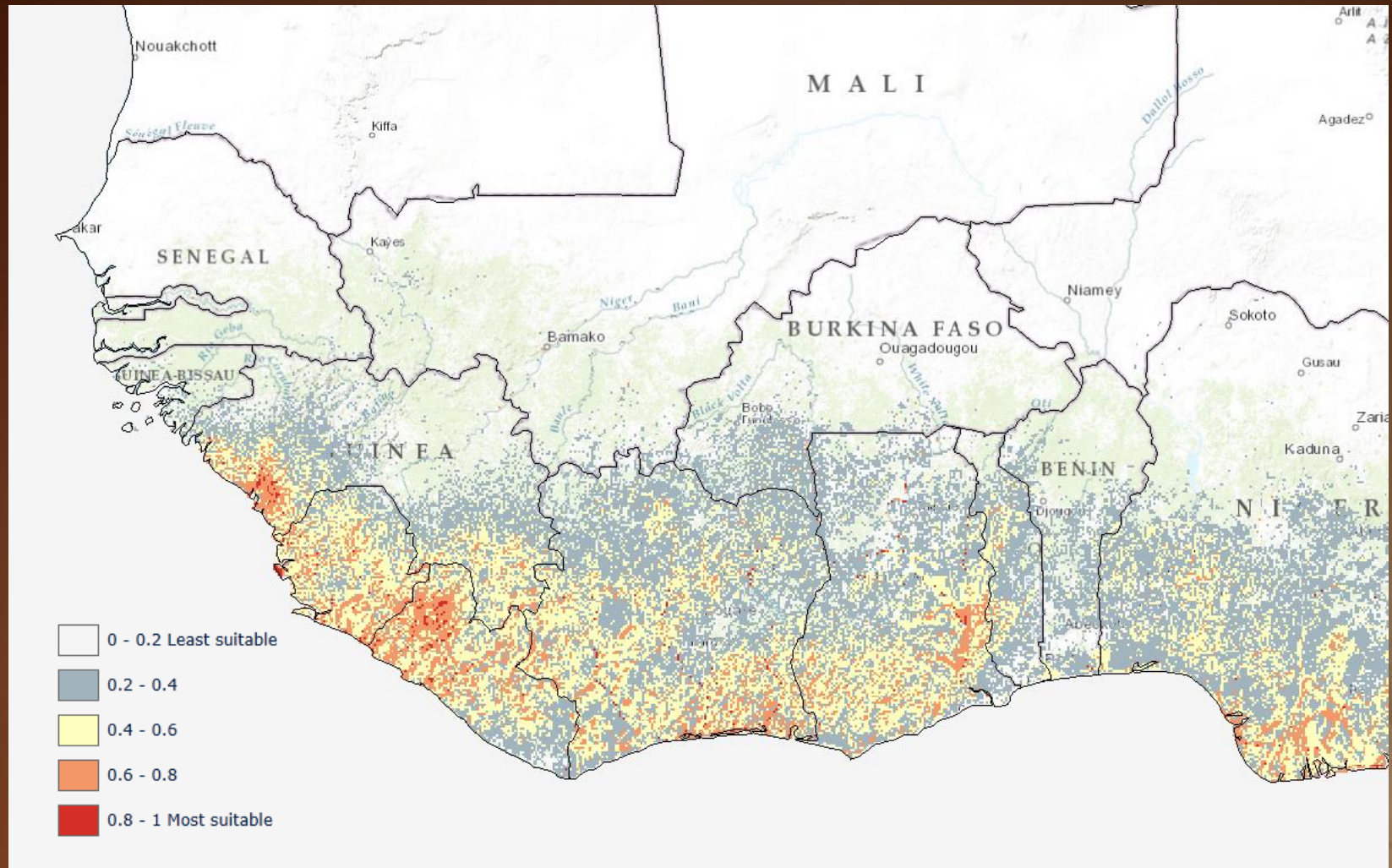




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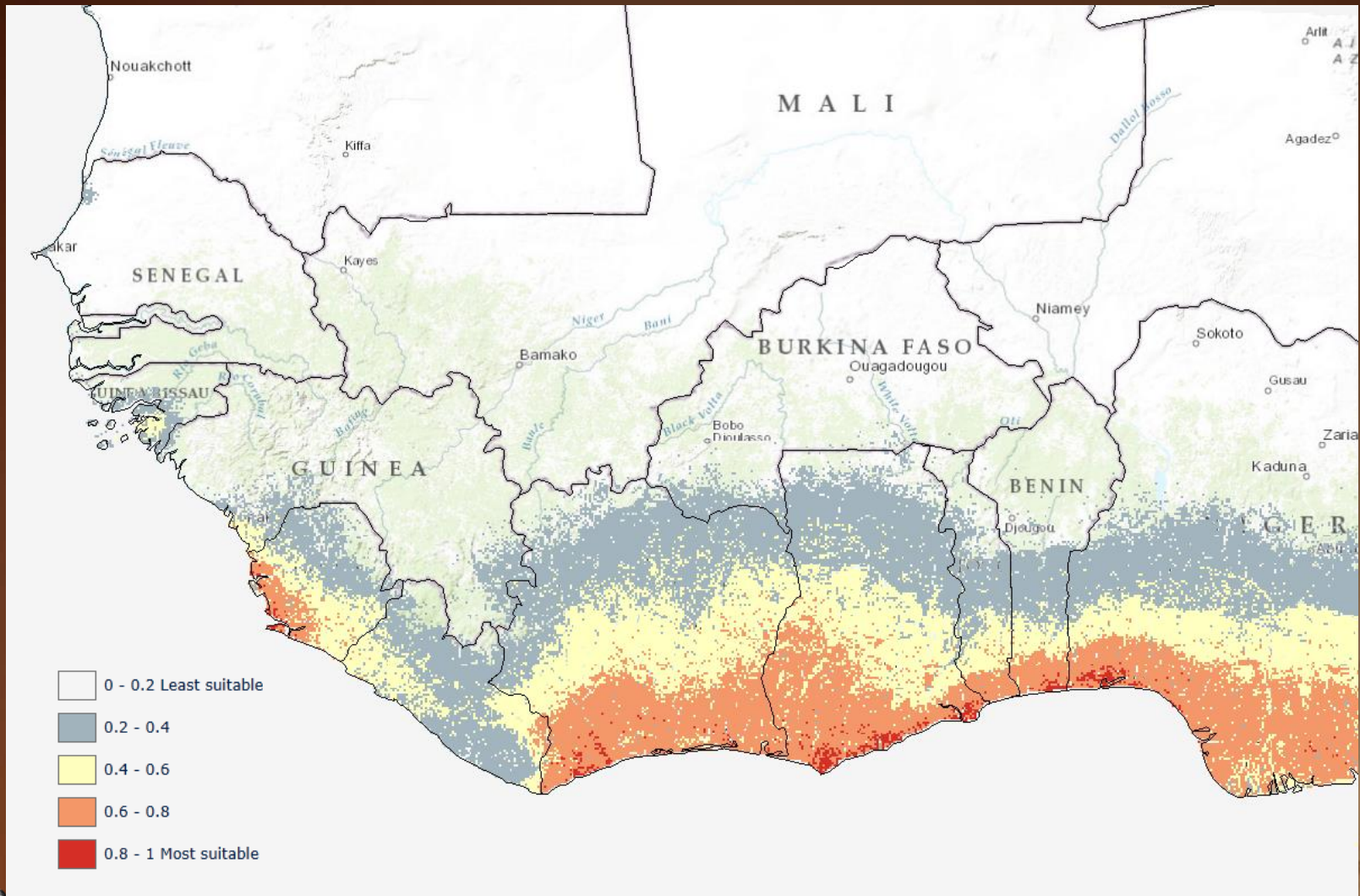


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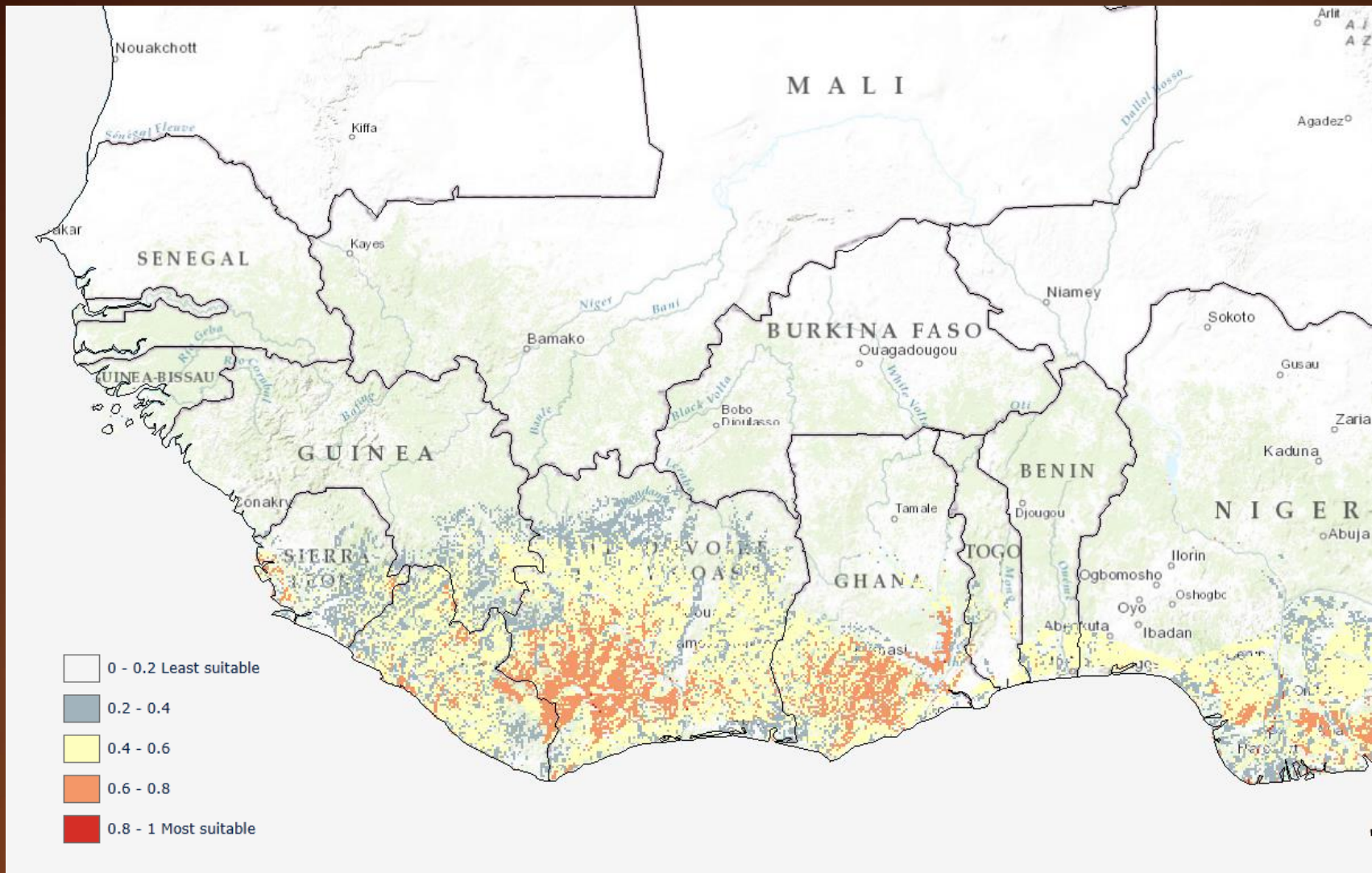


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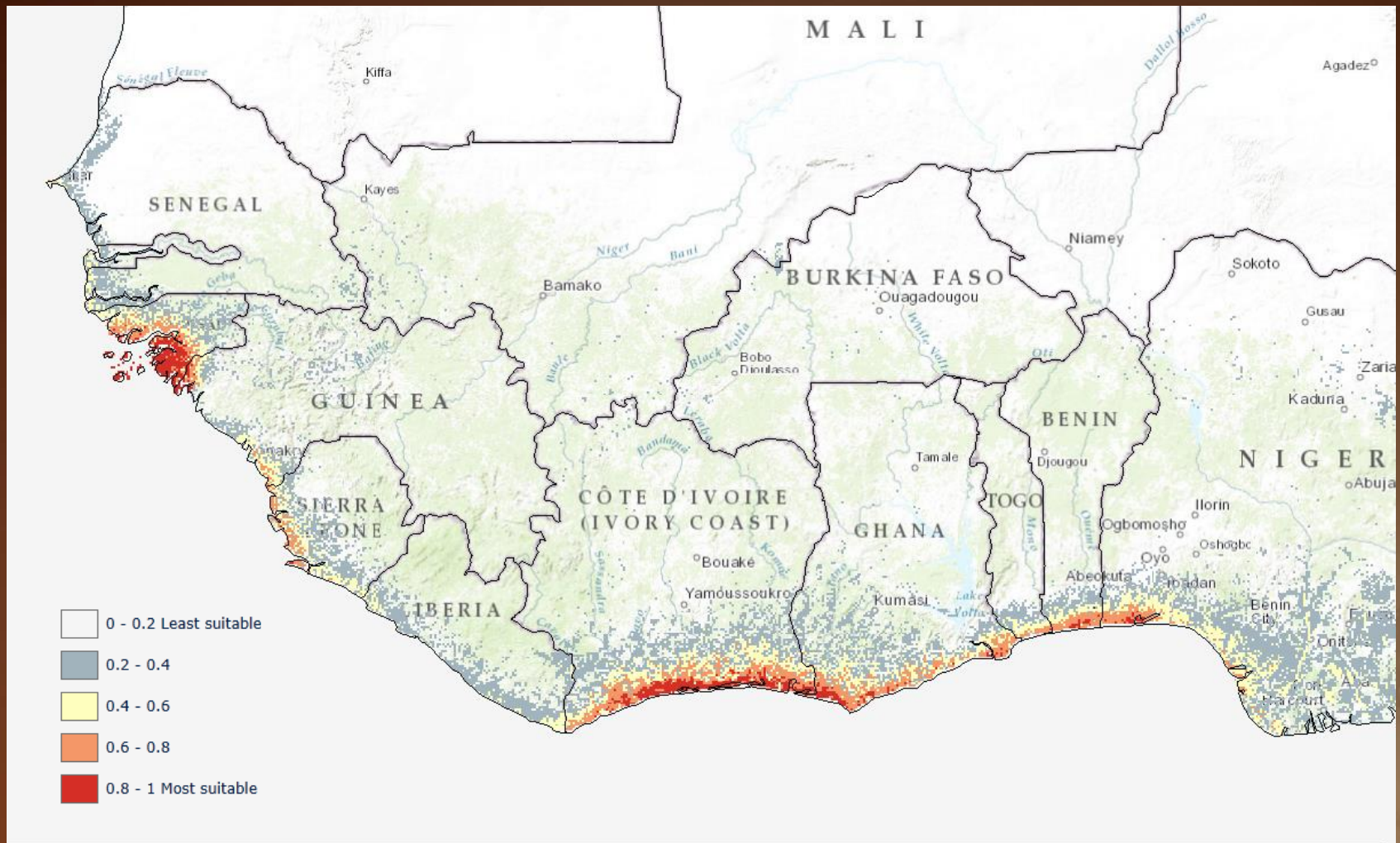




# Habitat suitability model: *Ixodes moreli*



# Habitat suitability model: *Ixodes nchisiensis*



# Host Densities

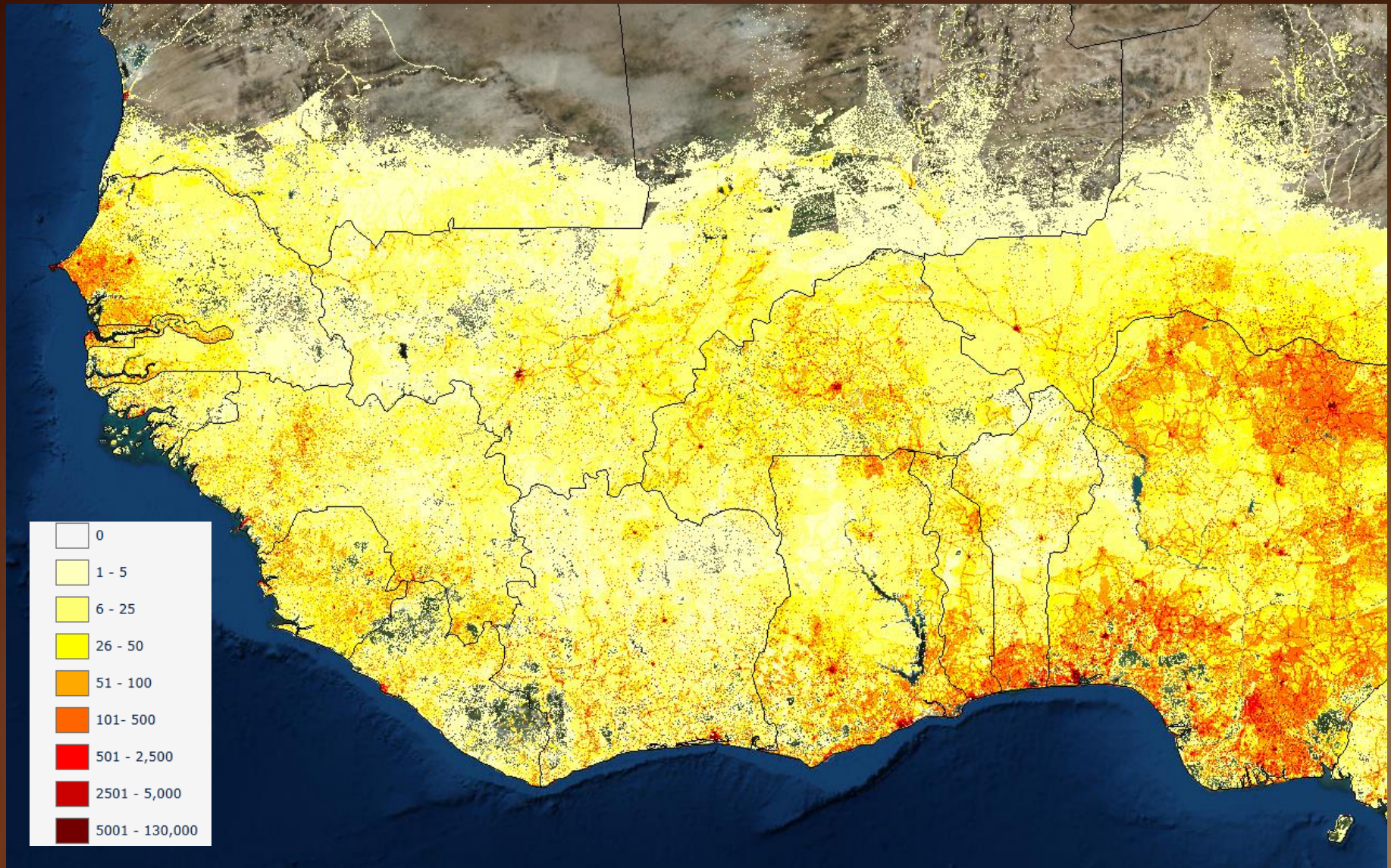
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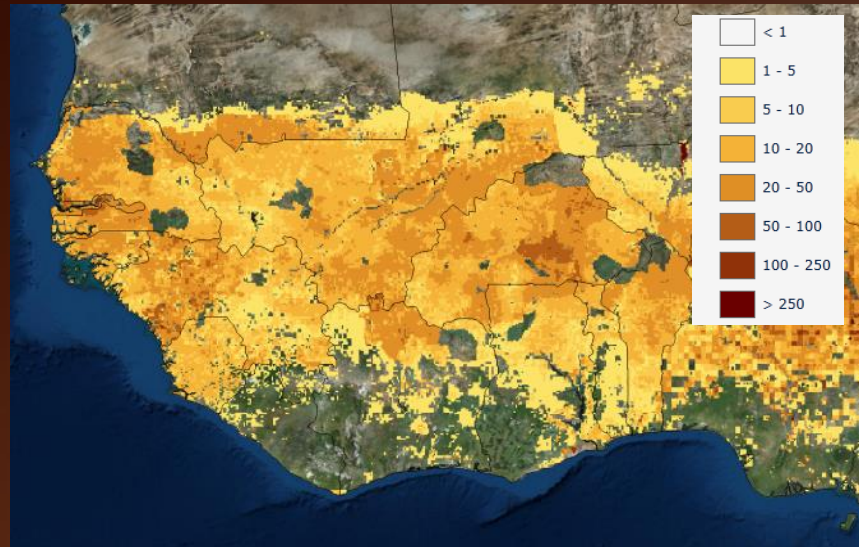
People per sq. mile, LandScan 2011



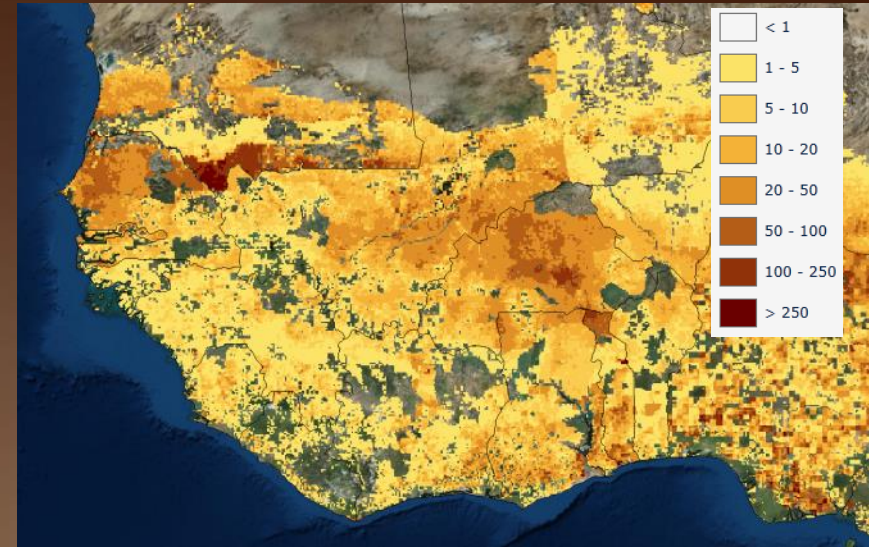


# Host Densities, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, 2005

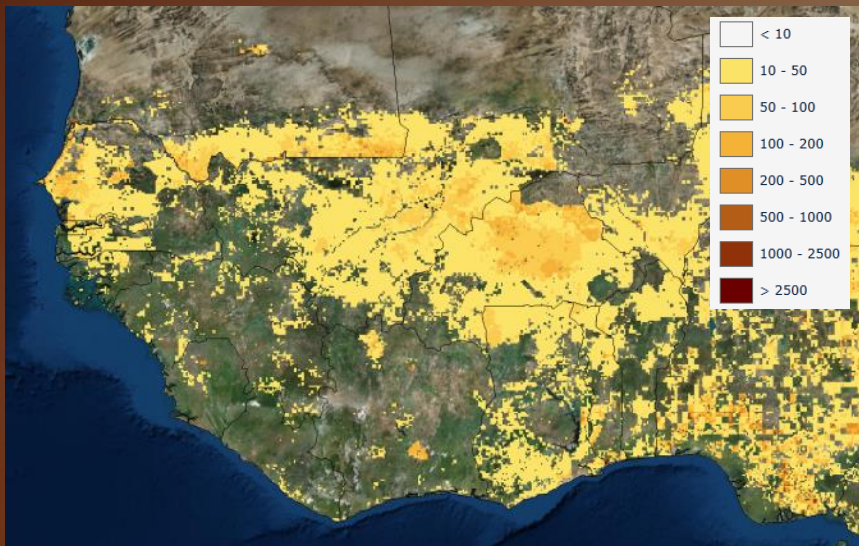
Cows per sq. km



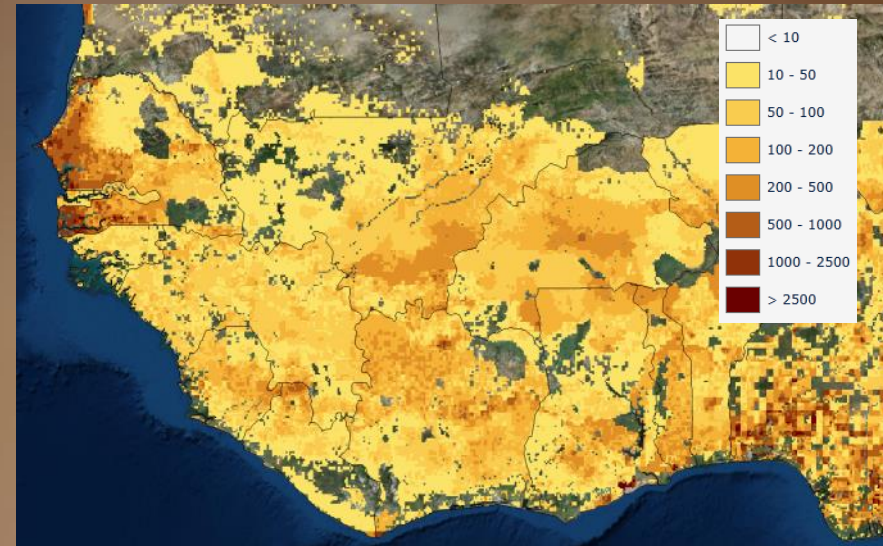
Sheep per sq. km



Goats per sq. km



Poultry per sq. km



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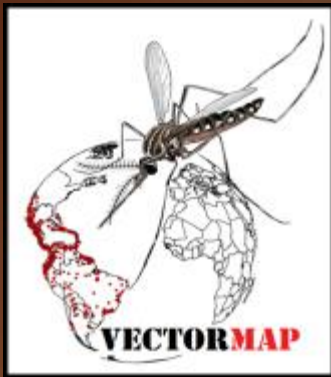


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