**Aedes aegypti**

**System:** Terrestrial

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**Common name**  
yellow fever mosquito (English), stégomyie (French)

**Synonym**
- *Culex aegypti*, Linnaeus, 1762
- *Culex albopalposus*, Becker, 1908
- *Culex anguste-alatus*, Becker, 1908
- *Culex annulitarsis*, Macquart, 1844
- *Culex argenteus*, Poiret, 1787
- *Culex augens*, Wiedemann, 1828
- *Culex calopus*, Meigen, 1818
- *Culex elegans*, Ficalbi, 1889
- *Culex exagitans*, Walker, 1856
- *Culex excitans*, Walker, 1848
- *Culex fasciatus*, Fabricius, 1805
- *Culex frater*, Robineau-Desvoidy, 1827
- *Culex inesxorabilis*, Walker, 1848
- *Culex insatiabilis*, Bigot, 1859
- *Culex kououpi*, Brulle, 1833
- *Culex rossii*, Giles, 1889
- *Culex taeniatus*, Wiedemann, 1828
- *Culex toxorhynchus*, Macquart, 1838
- *Culex viridifrons*, Walker, 1848
- *Duttonia alboannulata*, Ludlow, 1911
- *Mimeteomyia pulcherrima*, Taylor, 1919
- *Stegomyia atritarsis*, Edwards, 1920
- *Stegomyia canariensis*, Pittaluga, 1905
- *Stegomyia luciensis*, Theobald, 1901
- *Stegomyia nigra*, Theobald, 1901
- *Stegomyia queenslandensis*, Theobald, 1901

**Similar species**

**Summary**
The yellow fever mosquito *Aedes aegypti* is very common in urban and suburban areas in the tropic and subtropic regions. It is adapted to close association with humans and the female feeds almost exclusively on human blood. *A. aegypti* is the domestic vector of the yellow fever virus, caused epidemics of yellow fever in the Americas (before the 1940's) and recently in West Africa, and is responsible for 'urban yellow fever' - direct transmission of the virus between humans. *A. aegypti* is also the most important carrier of the dengue virus, although it is not particularly susceptible to viral infection compared with other mosquito species.
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