

## FEBRILE REFUGEE FROM THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO



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Oslo -1.5 hrs

Stockholm – 1.5 hrs

Schipol – 2.5hrs

Vienna – 3.5hrs





## **BACKGROUND**

DRC

Originally from DRC

Uganda

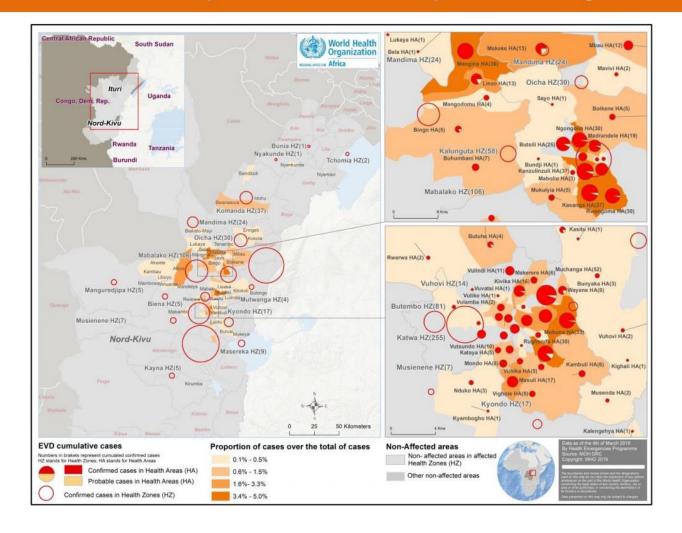
- Refugee Camp Kyangwali
- Left camp March 8th
- Kampala March 12th

Norway

- Arrived March 13th (via Dubai)
- Fever, general feeling of being unwell
- T 40C, HR 137/min, nausea, vomit, coughing



Figure 1: Geographical distribution of confirmed and probable Ebola virus disease cases by health area, North Kivu and Ituri provinces, Democratic Republic of the Congo, 3 March 2019





## DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS & DIAGNOSTIC APPROACH

#### **NHE**<sup>3</sup>

- St. Olavs Hospital: Ebola PCR Zaïre strain
- Folkehelseinstituttet (Oslo)
- Folkhälsomyndigheten (Stockholm)

#### Malaria?

- Rapid diagnostic test
- Blood smear microscopy

#### **RTI**

PCR-panel -19 agens

#### Gastroenteritis?

• PCR-panel - 25 agens







## RESULTS

Case discussed with NPH and CBRNE\*-medicine (unlikely VHF)

### Ebola PCR (Trondheim)

Negative

#### Malaria

- Positive
  - P. falciparum (5%)

### Broad RTI panel

Negative

### Gastroenteritis panel

Salmonella, ETEC, Norovirus (GII)



## VHF - NORWAY

#### Patient facilities

CBRNE facilities (Oslo)

### Diagnostic

NPH (Norway & Sweden)



### Patients must be treated at local hospital until confirmed diagnosis

- Trondheim temporary isolation of patient
- Biosafety level at labororory: P3





# THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION