

CITIZEN SCIENCE

A GLOBE EDUCATIONAL GUIDE

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Introduction

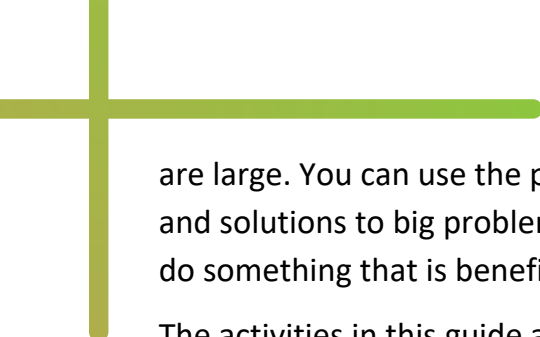
Environmental education can improve education outcomes and empower students (van de Wetering et al 2022). Citizen science, when participants contribute time, effort, knowledge, or experience to scientific investigations, can empower and give individuals a feeling of connection with other participants. Environmental education and citizen science together can improve knowledge about scientific and environmental issues. For example, after a citizen science project, participants had more correct answers on a test about facts relevant to the project (Jordan et al 2011). Students participating in these types of activities can change intentions and behaviors (van de Wetering et al. 2022; Jordan et al 2011), which can translate into environmental action.

A review of published reports on environmental education programs demonstrated an increase in measurable desirable environmental outcomes (98% of reports), with no negative outcomes, and with 2% with no changes detected (Adrion 2020). While there may be some publication bias with authors more likely to report success than failure, these results demonstrate that environmental education can produce positive, measurable environmental outcomes. Further participatory and collaborative processes in environmental education programs (such as citizen science projects) report direct impacts on the improvement of environmental conditions (Adrion et al 2020).

In addition to educational outcomes, environmental education can have positive impacts on the mental health of young people. For example, some young people may have 'ecological anxiety' about climate change and environmental crises, but participation in activism and a sense of purpose can lead to positive management of emotions (Leger-Goodes et al 2022).

Using citizen science projects to meet academic requirements can begin a cycle of change in attitudes and behaviors (Toomey and Dumrose 2013), where students can understand sustainable development and their actions can support sustainable development. This type of science is essential for some projects and problems that





are large. You can use the power of all people to work together to find information and solutions to big problems. Students who participate may feel they can help and do something that is beneficial to the earth and to people.

The activities in this guide are suggestions, any activity can be used. Many of the materials come from NASA's (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) GLOBE (Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment) program and are free to use for educational purposes. A link should be provided if changes are made to the GLOBE program documents. There are links to the documents in the guide and at the end of the document. Please refer to the original documents for more information.

There are other materials that can be used, this guide can serve as an introduction to using the GLOBE program in your classroom.

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Level 1-3

Learn About Mosquitoes and Their Habitat Classroom Activity

Look for Mosquitoes



Learn about the life cycle of mosquitoes and why they are important to people. Use the GLOBE app to collect data about potential mosquito habitat.

Information for teachers:

- [Mission mosquito: Larvae hunters guide](#)
- [Beyond the Bite: GLOBE mission mosquito disease guide](#)
- [Resources - Mission Mosquito - GLOBE.gov](#)

1. Read the [ZIKA ZINE](#). The teacher can read the bulletin to the students.
2. Discuss as a class.
 - a. Questions: Do you like mosquitoes? Why or why not? What are your experiences with mosquitoes?
 - i. Each student writes or mentions 3 things they know or think about mosquitoes. They can discuss in small groups or pairs and then with the whole class.
 - ii. Examples: Mosquitoes can bite people. Mosquito bites can transmit diseases, for example dengue, zika, chikungunya to humans.
 - iii. Do you know that: There are more than 3,500 species of mosquitoes and ~200 of them bite. Adult mosquitoes eat nectar and are often pollinators. Adult females need blood for their eggs.
3. In what forms can you find mosquitoes?
 - a. Eggs, larvae, pupae, adults
 - b. Life cycle – Figure 1 Mosquito life cycle – [Beyond the bite](#)
 - c. Activity 6 Identify the stages of the life cycle of a mosquito – [Mission Mosquito Larvae Hunters Guide](#)

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Learn About Mosquitoes and Their Habitat Classroom Activity

4. Where do mosquitoes live? What are their habitats?

a. Use the cards to play 'Mosquito Habitats and Hideouts' and find mosquito habitats (standing water).

Discussion

What can you do to prevent the spread of mosquitoes and the diseases they carry?

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2. Eliminate standing water when possible.
3. Study and learn more and help scientists learn more about mosquitoes and their habitats.

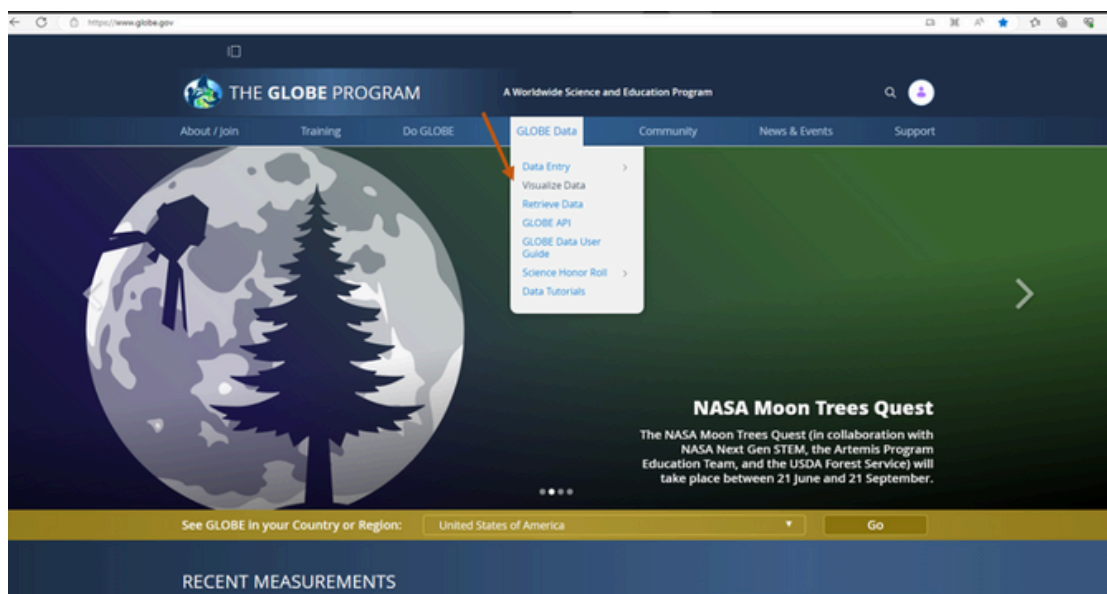


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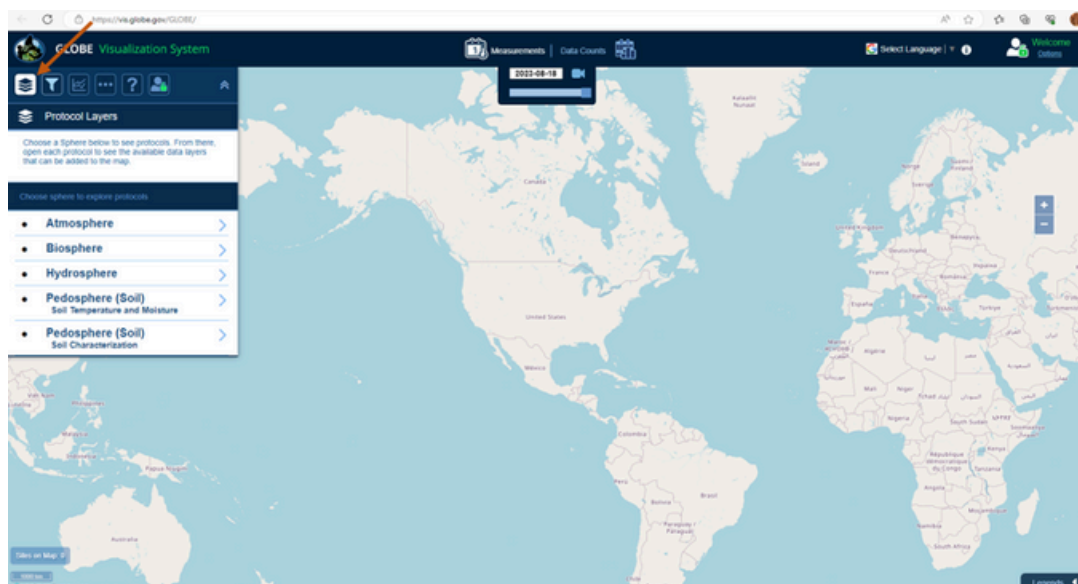
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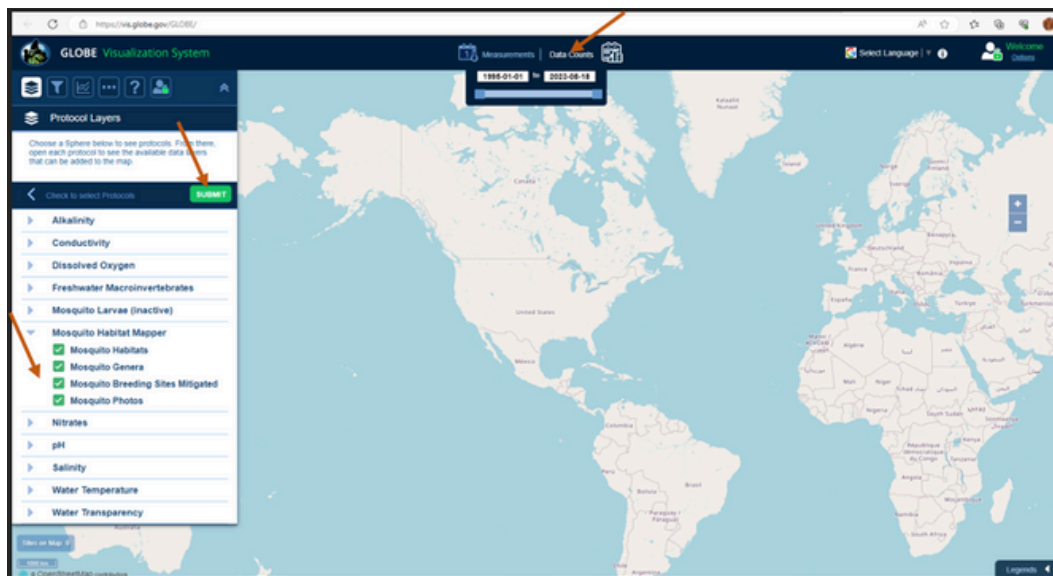
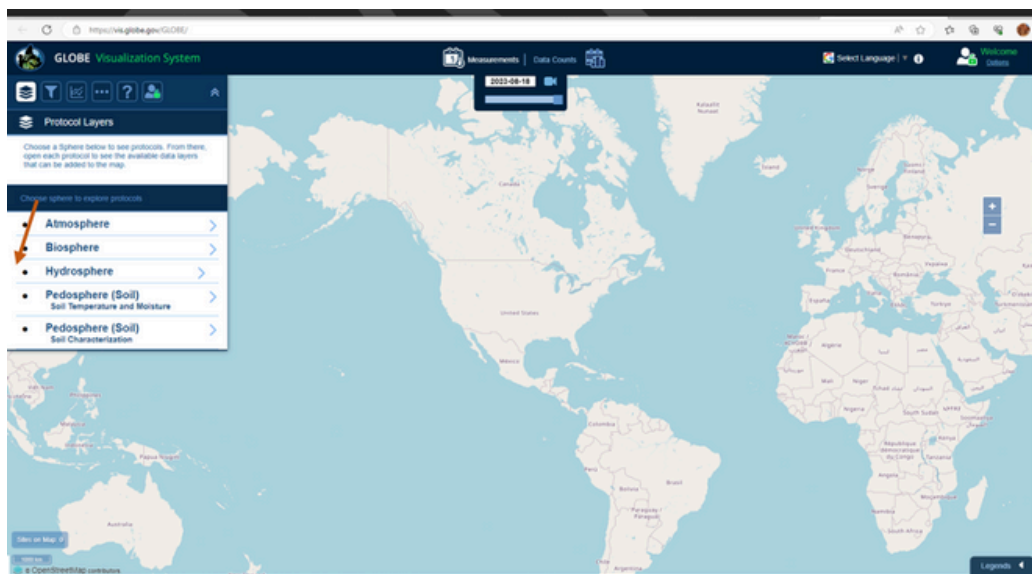
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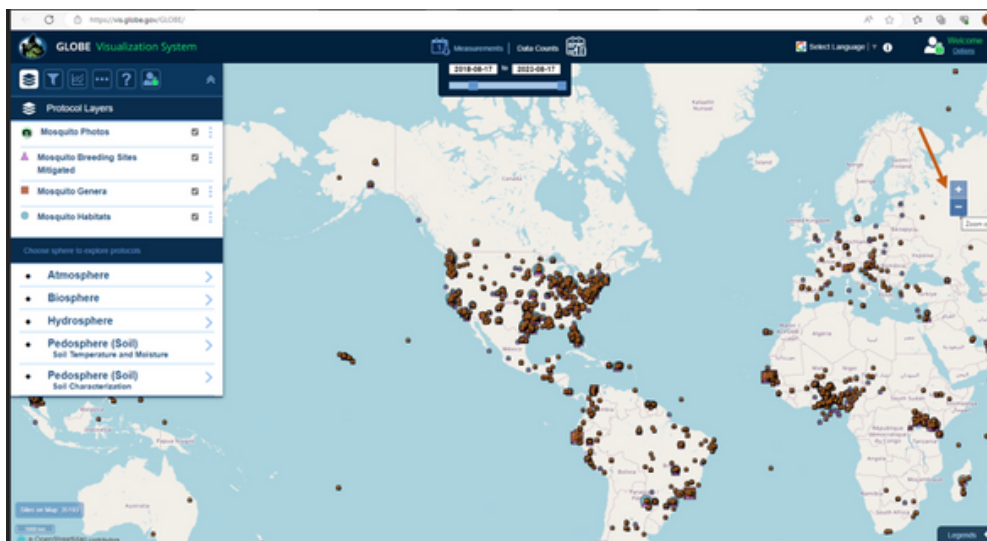
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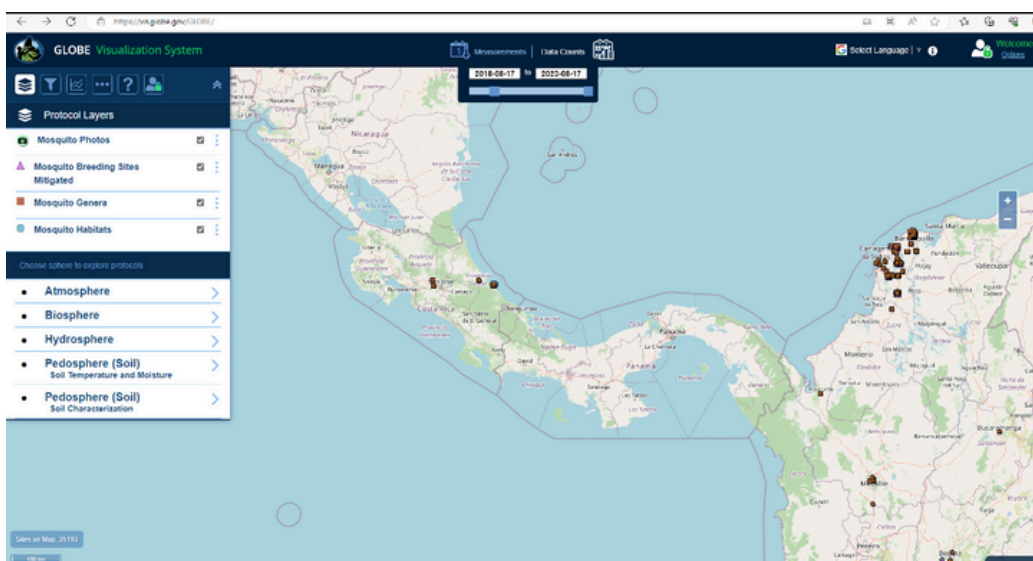
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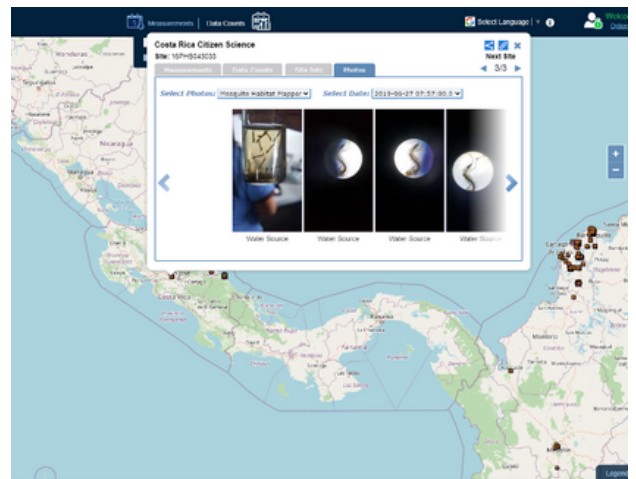
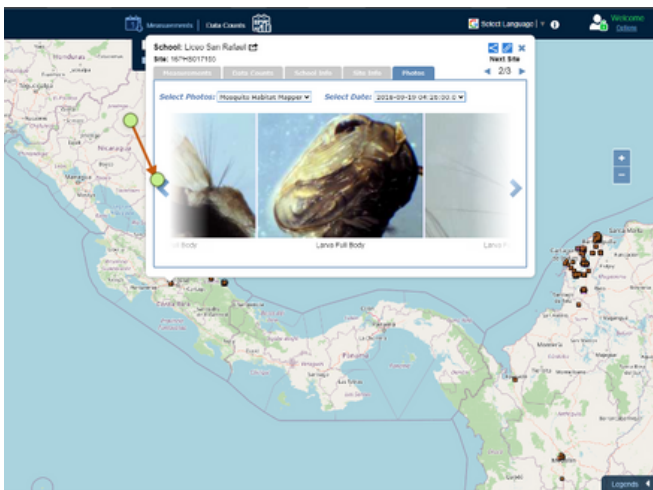
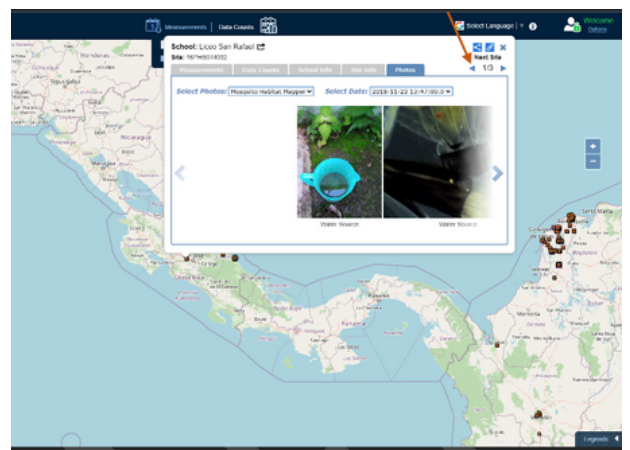
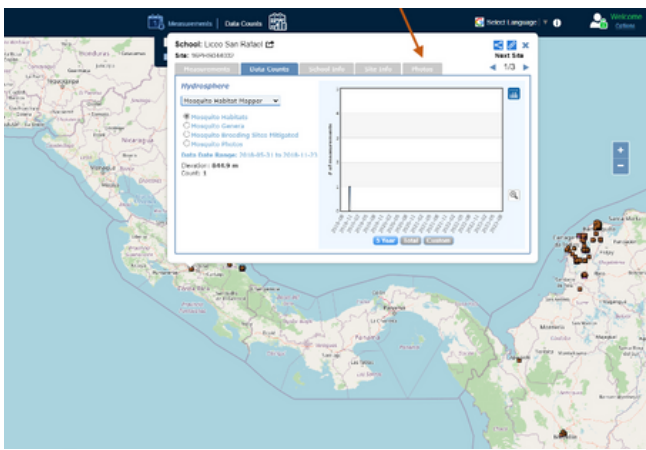
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Scavenger Hunt!

Click on the dots to explore the data. In small groups or as a class search the data. Click tabs and page arrows to explore.



Can you find a photo of a mosquito? Try to identify what you can see in the photos (there are photos of larvae, water (habitat)), and enlarged photos of larvae and pupae.

Explore the data. Look in other parts of the world. What do you think you can learn from this data? What can scientists learn from this data? Discuss with your group or class.

All these data were collected by citizen scientists. Do you want to try?

What is citizen science? - Citizen science is the voluntary contribution of time, effort, knowledge, or experience to scientific research

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Contribute to Mosquito Habitat Map as a Citizen Scientist

Outdoor or Fieldtrip Activities

1. Use the guide - [Let's build a mosquito larvae trap](#) (slide 38 and 39 in the [Larvae Hunters Guide](#)) – to build a trap, you can leave the trap outside for a few days before this activity.



Note to teachers, if you don't have larvae in your trap after a week, you can use a black or dark colored bucket with a piece of wood in the water and the air (as a ramp so the female mosquitoes can stand on the ramp and lay their eggs in the water). Leave it open with grass in the water. Make sure you don't leave it for more than 5 days so you can ensure there are no adult mosquitoes.

1. Go outside (of the school or on a field trip) and look for mosquito habitats (remember the game [Mosquito Habitats and Hideouts](#)).
2. Go out in small groups with one adult for each group. When you find habitat, put it on the map with the GLOBE app (an adult can have the app on their phone), you can watch a [video](#) on how to use the app. If you don't have a phone with the app, use the [Habitat Survey Page](#).
3. You can continue to the 'Land Cover' page in the GLOBE app, after the 'Mosquito Habitat Mapper'.
4. Congratulations! You have contributed to global citizen science!



Level 4-6

Learn About Mosquitoes and Their Habitat Classroom Activity

Look for Mosquitoes



Learn about mosquitoes and why they are important to people. Use the GLOBE app to collect data about potential mosquito habitat.

Information for teachers:

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i. Examples: Mosquitoes can bite people. Mosquitoes can transmit diseases, for example dengue, zika, chikungunya to humans.

ii. Do you know that: There are more than 3,500 species of mosquitoes and ~200 of these bite. Adult mosquitoes eat nectar and are often pollinators. Adult females need blood for their eggs.

3. Remember - In what forms can you find mosquitoes?

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4. Read [Proboscis Mosquito: Mechanics of a Bite](#)

a. Discuss as a class. How does this adaptation work? What are other adaptations of animals or plants?

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5. Where do mosquitoes live? What are their habitats? Use the cards to play 'Mosquito Habitats and Hideouts' and find mosquito habitats (stagnant water).

Discussion

Where can you find mosquitoes?

- Discuss the concepts of individuals, populations, communities, species, niche, and ecosystem.
- For instance, is there a population in a city, on a river? What is the niche of some mosquito species, are there species that prefer some habitats?
- **Example:** *Aedes* mosquitoes prefer containers, and *Anopholes* prefer puddles or other more natural habitats.

Use the [Beyond the Bite: GLOBE Mosquito Mission Disease Guide](#) for more information.

Further Discussion

What can you do to prevent the spread of mosquitoes and the diseases they carry?

1. Put on insect repellent.
2. Eliminate standing water when possible.
3. Study and learn more and help scientists learn more about mosquitoes and their habitats.

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1. You can build mosquito traps in class and see if you can trap some larvae. When you have larvae, you can look at them with magnification and count them.
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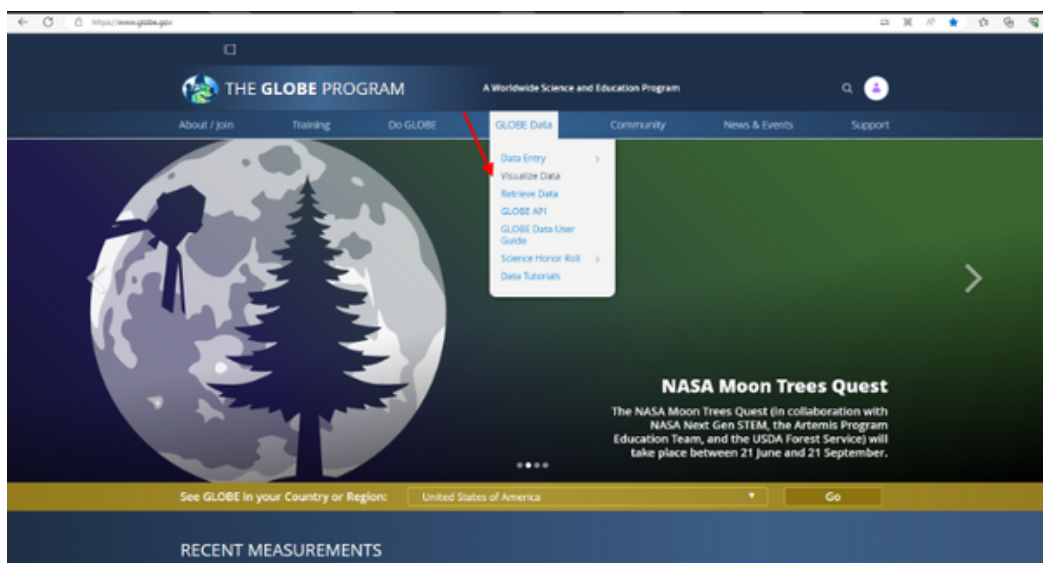


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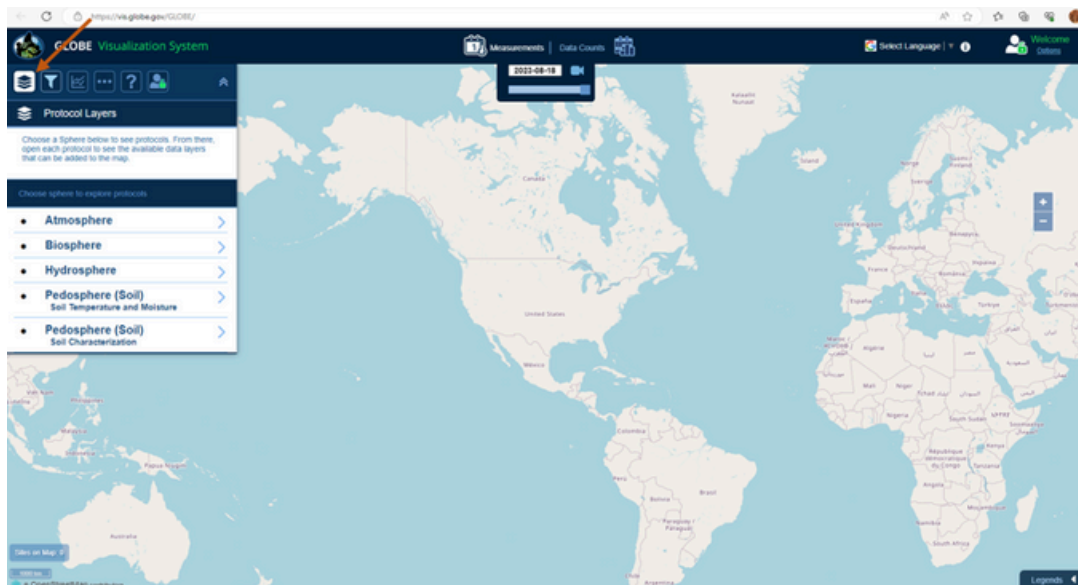
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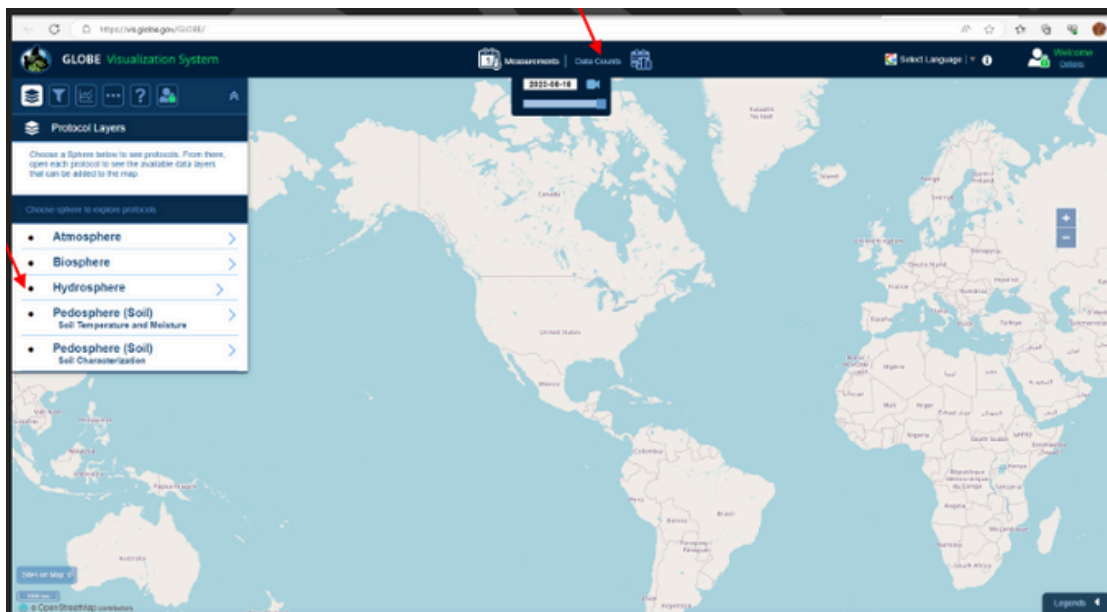
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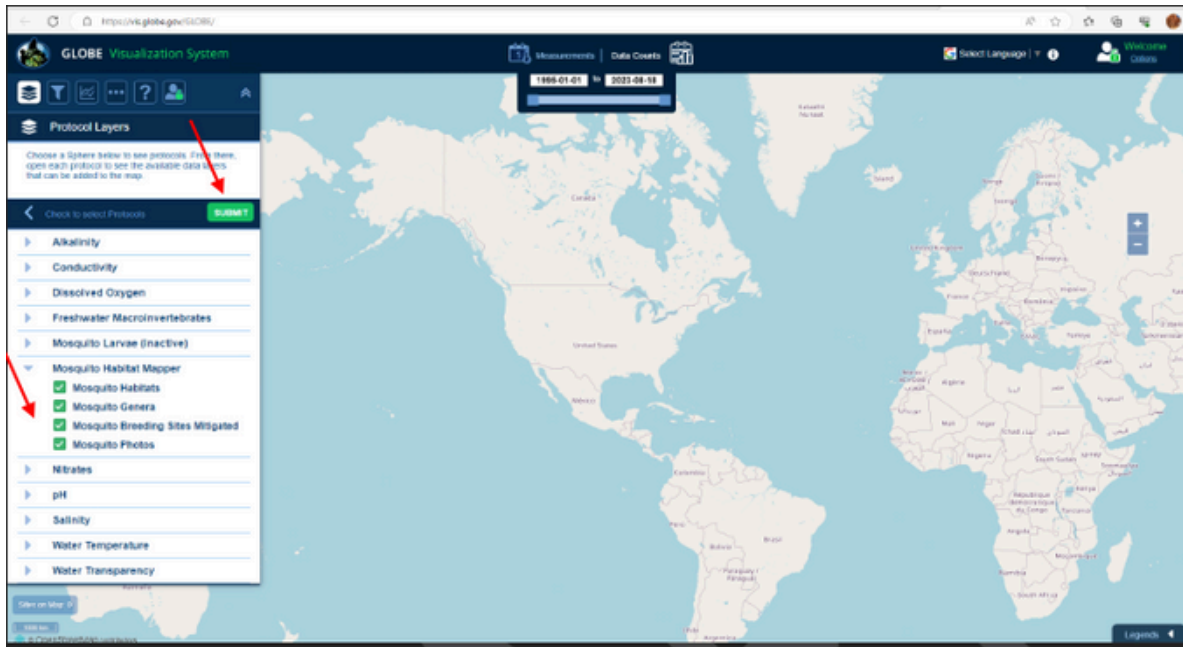


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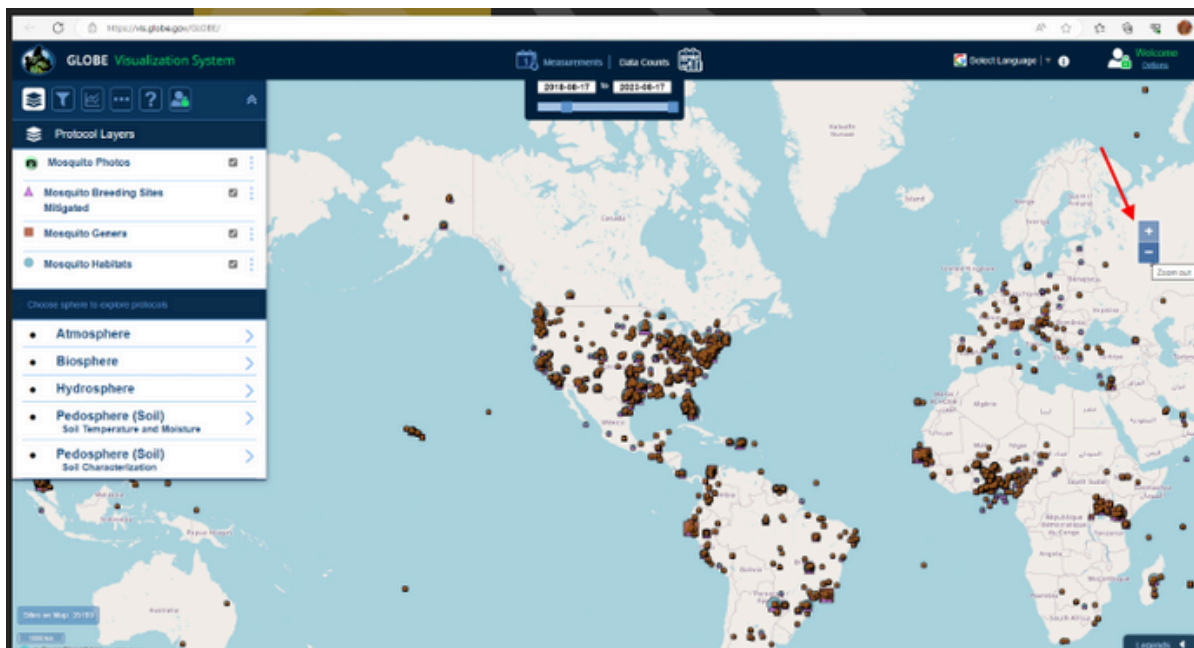


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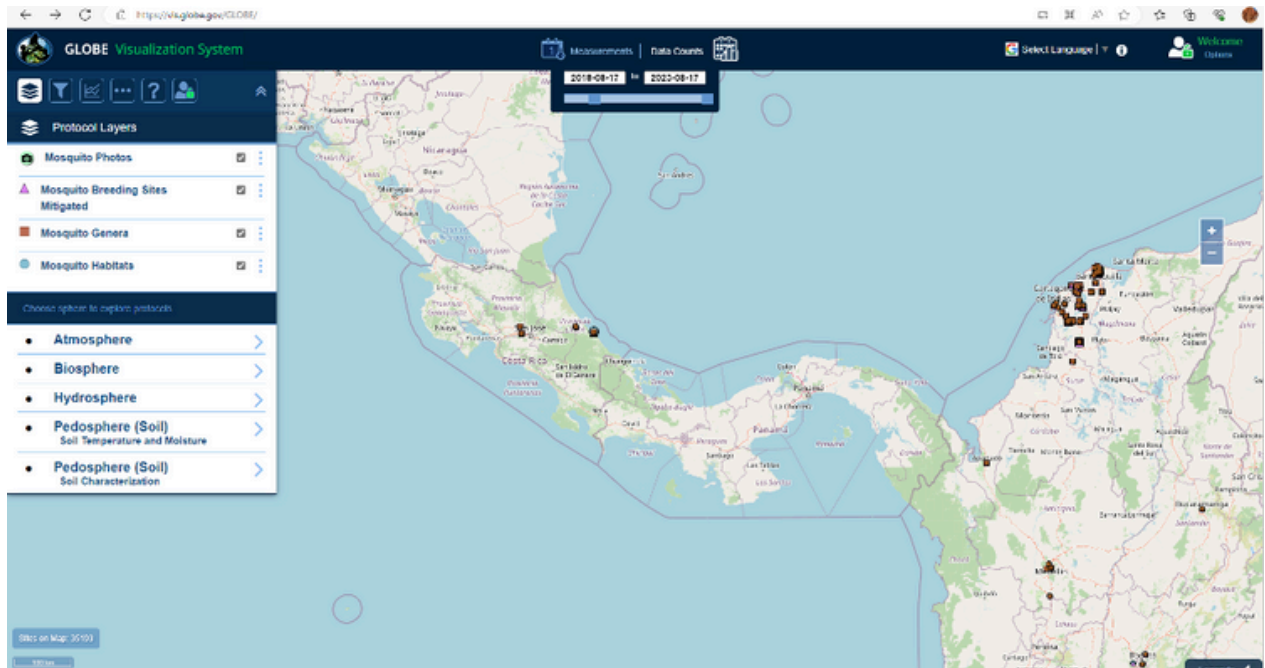
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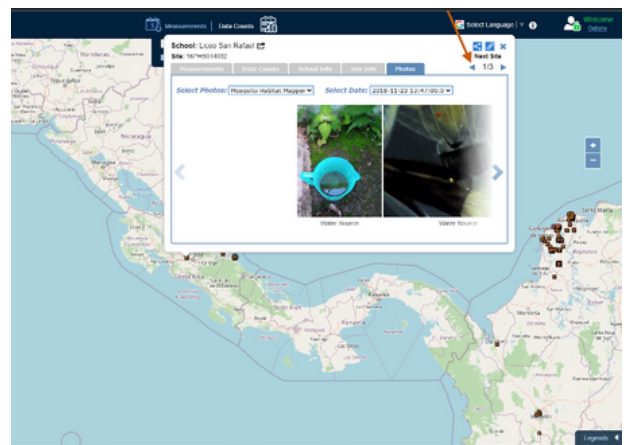
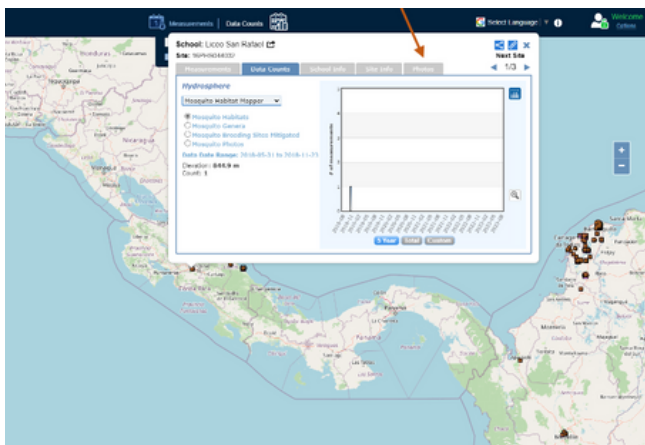
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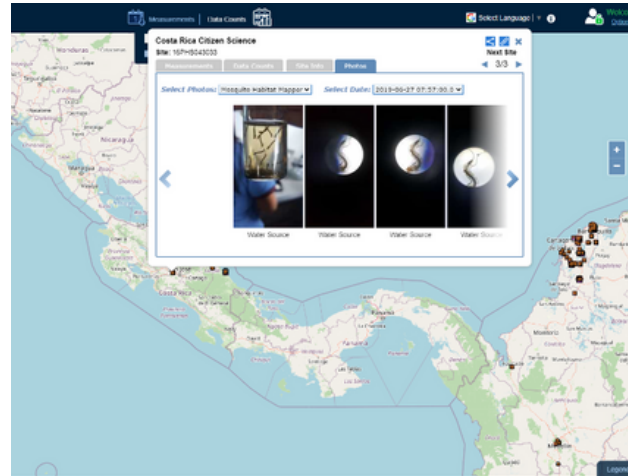
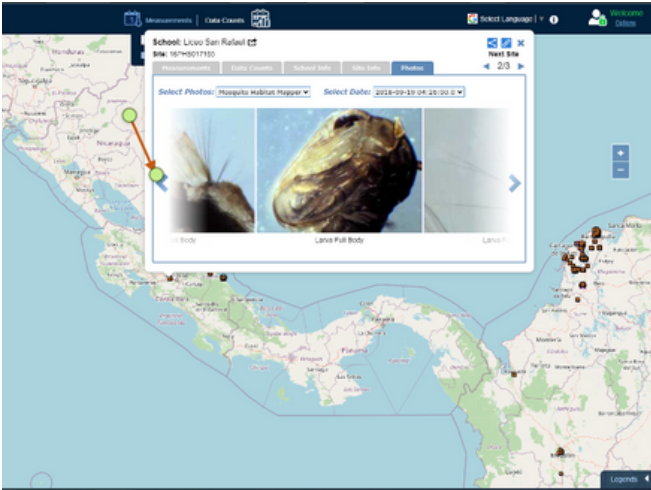
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Where and when do you find mosquitoes? What does this mean about mosquito habitat? For example, in Alaska when is the data, in the winter or summer? Why? What does this mean with climate change? *Mosquitoes can move to different parts of the world if it is warmer.

Explore the data. Look in other parts of the world. What do you think you can learn from this data? What can scientists learn from this data? Discuss with your group or class.

Can you find photos of the three genera of mosquitoes (*Anopheles*, *Aedes*, *Culex*)? Can you use the [Mosquito Larvae Hunter: Level 1](#) to identify them?

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1. If you have built a mosquito trap or if you have some water samples with larvae, continue here.
 - a. Can you count and identify some larvae?
2. Use the [Mosquito Larvae Hunter: Level 1](#)
 - a. Identify the eggs, larva, and pupae. Count the larvae, you can report the numbers in the GLOBE app.

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2. Discuss as a class.
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3. Small group research - What are people doing about mosquito transmitted illnesses?



Teachers: You can search for information about *Aedes aegypti* and *Wolbachia* – *Wolbachia* is a bacteria that can be introduced into *Ae. aegypti* populations. These bacteria can slow the spread of viruses (yellow fever, dengue, chikungunya) in mosquito populations.

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- You can also look for information on genetic modification of mosquitoes, for example in Panama.
- You can look up information about insecticides. How can the use of insecticides effect other parts of the environment? For example, water, agricultural areas?



Global opportunity for students - International Virtual Science Symposium:

The [International Virtual Science Symposium](#) is an opportunity for GLOBE students to showcase their research to the rest of the community. Projects are judged by prestigious scientists from dozens of GLOBE countries. Students are eligible to receive GLOBE stipends and badges.

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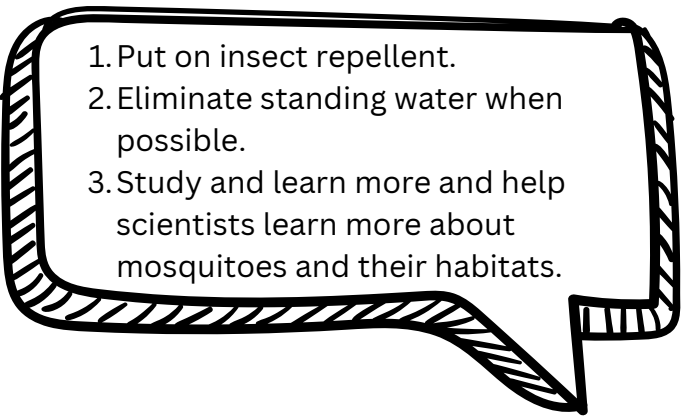
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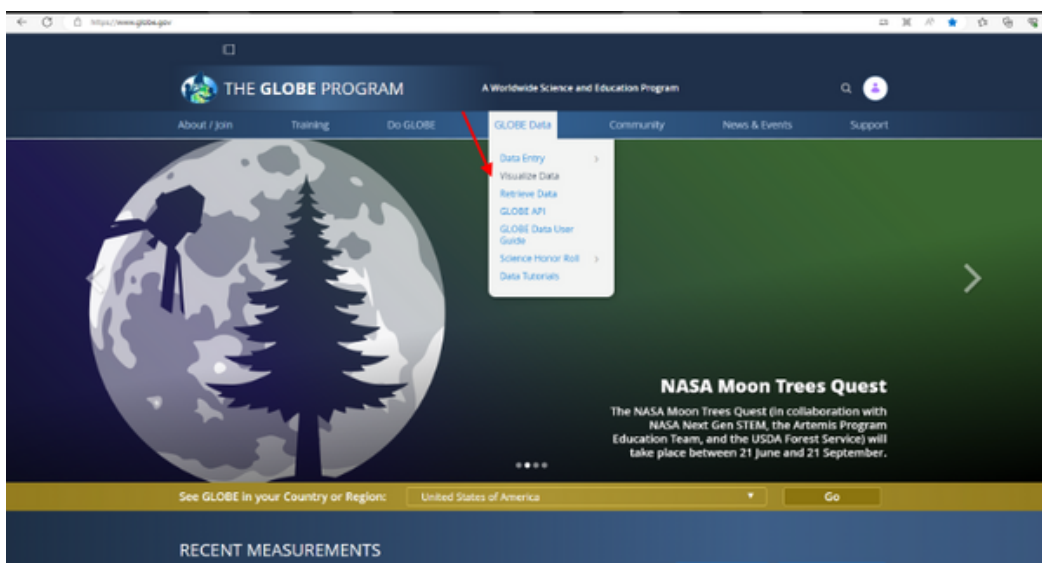
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2. How to use a clip-on microscope (slide 86 in the Larvae Hunters Guide)
 - a. If you have mosquito larvae in your traps, you can count them and report the number in the GLOBE app (see upcoming activities).
3. You can build a mosquito trap in small groups and see if you can catch some larvae.
 - a. Use the guide - Let's build a mosquito larvae trap (slide 38 and 39 in the Larvae Hunters Guide) – to build a trap, you can leave the trap outside for a few days.
 - b. You can build traps at school and students can also build traps at home as an extension task.
4. Identify eggs, larvae, and pupae. Count the larvae, you can report the numbers in the GLOBE app.
 - a. Activities: Mosquito larvae Hunters Level 2

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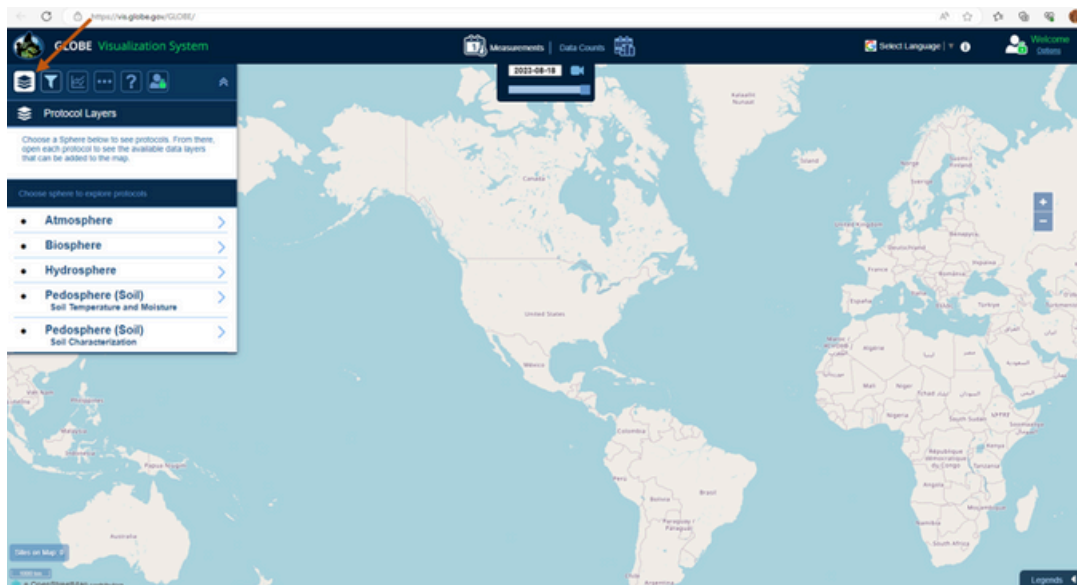
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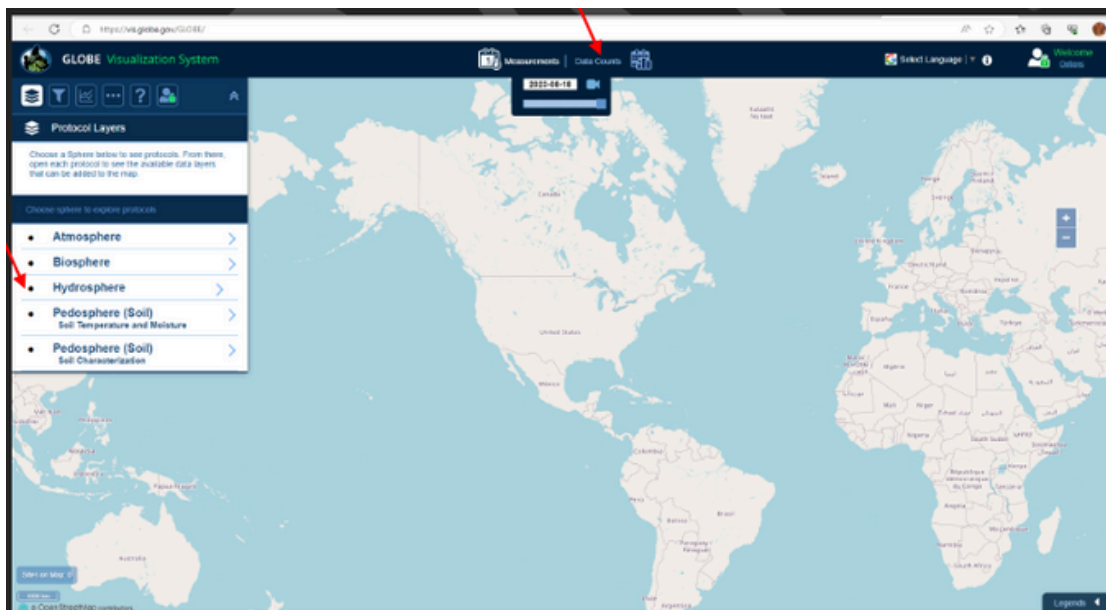
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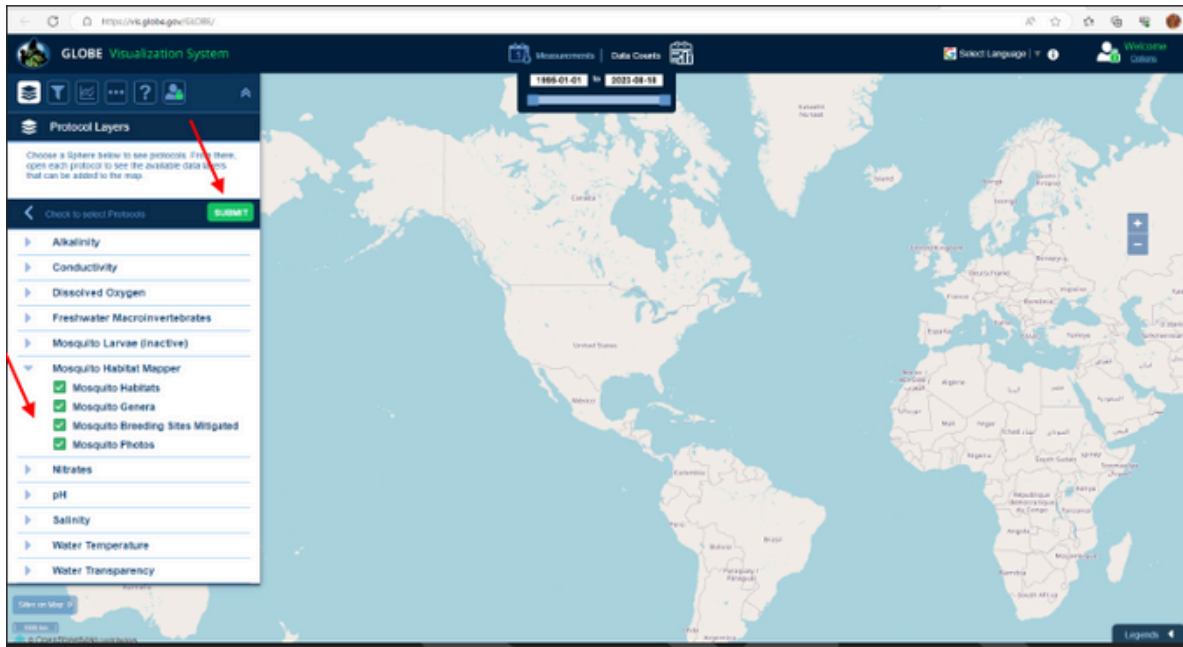


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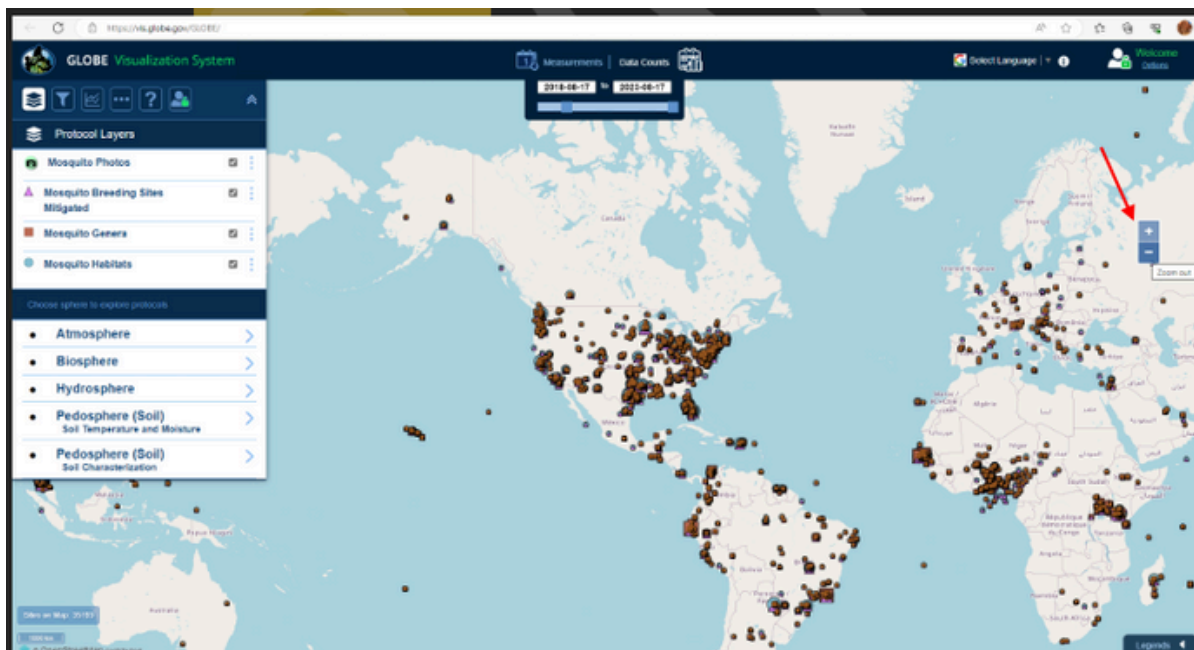


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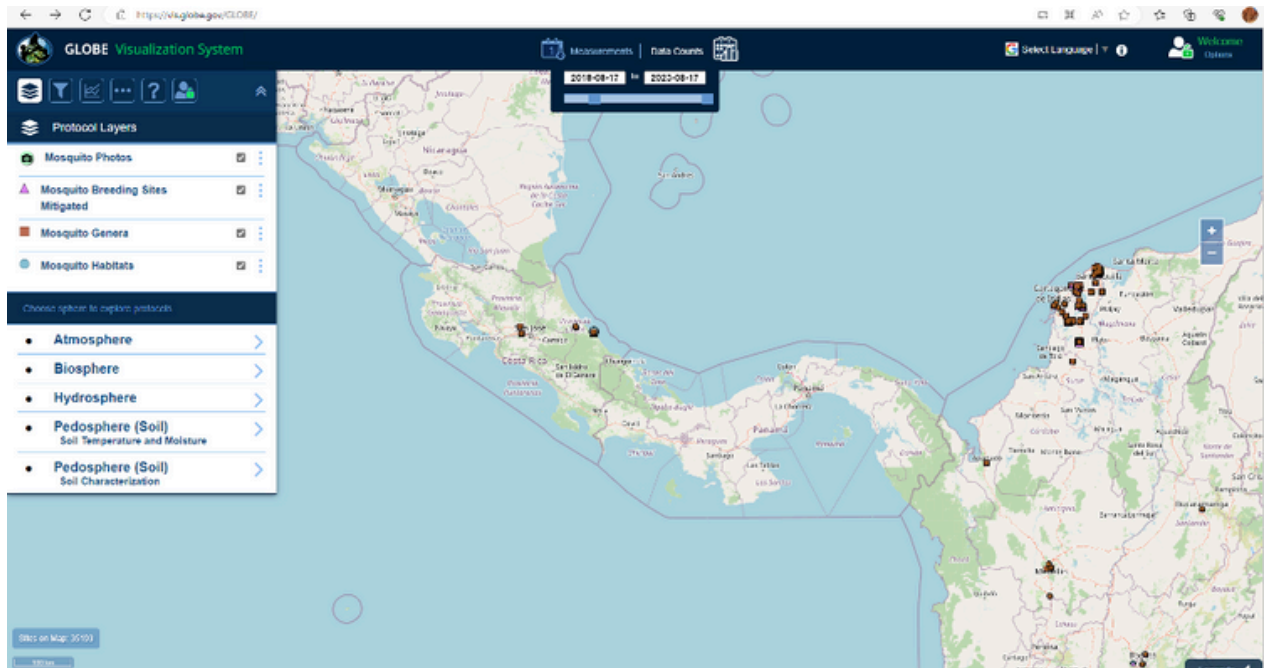
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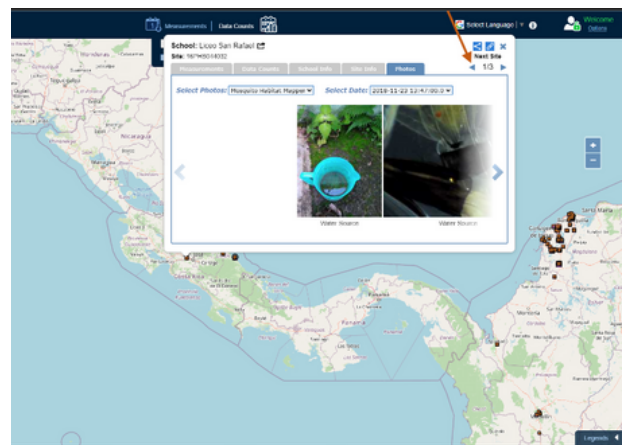
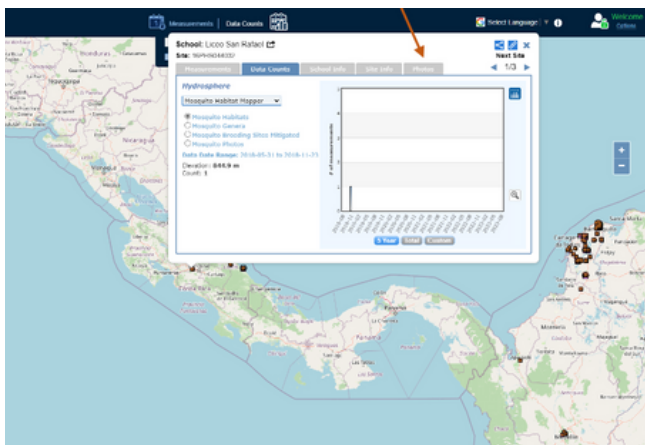
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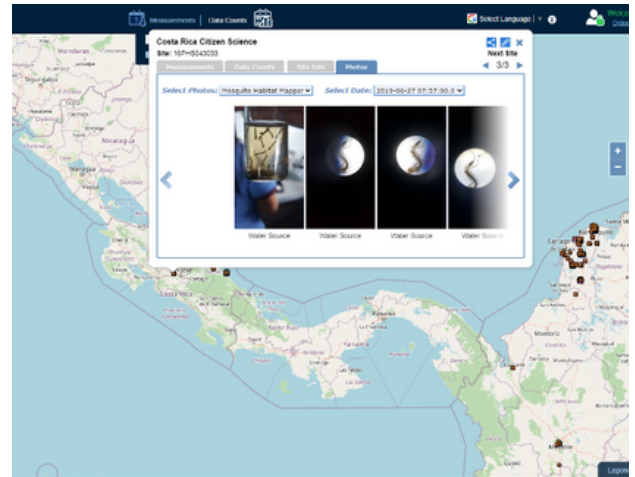
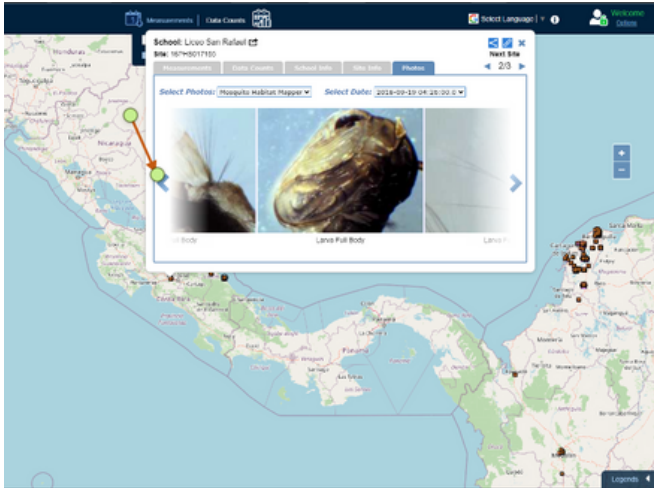
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Outside Activities

1. Go outside (of the school or on a field trip) and look for mosquito habitats.
 2. Go out in small groups. When you find habitat, put it on the map with the GLOBE app, you can watch a [video](#) on how to use the app. If you don't have a phone with the app, use the [Habitat Survey Page](#).
 3. You can continue to the 'Land Cover' page in the GLOBE app, after the 'Mosquito Habitat Mapper'.
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If you have built a mosquito trap or if you have a water sample with larvae, continue here.

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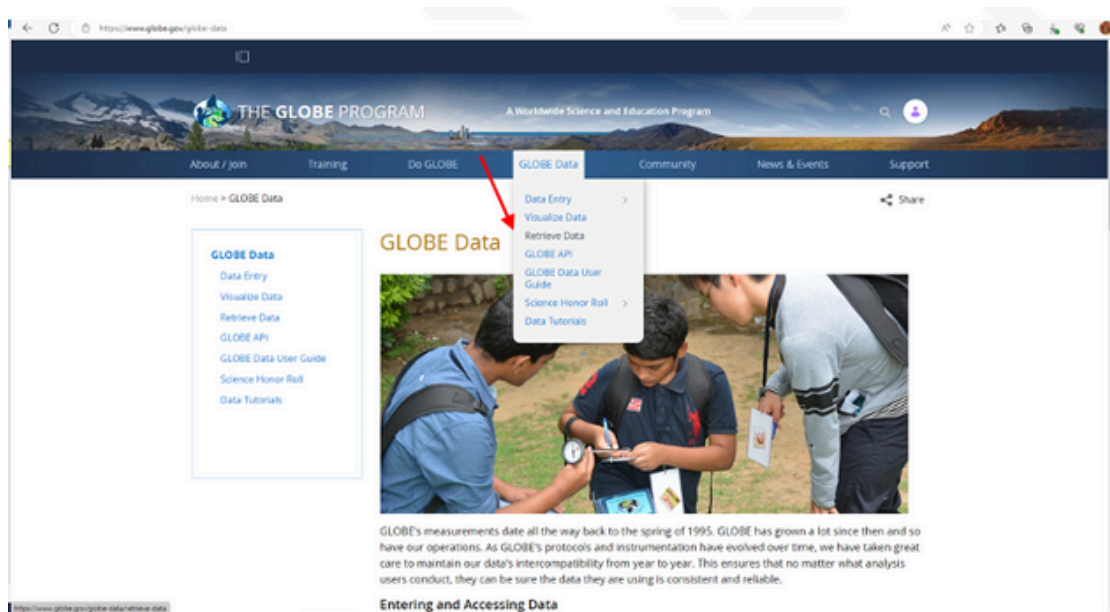
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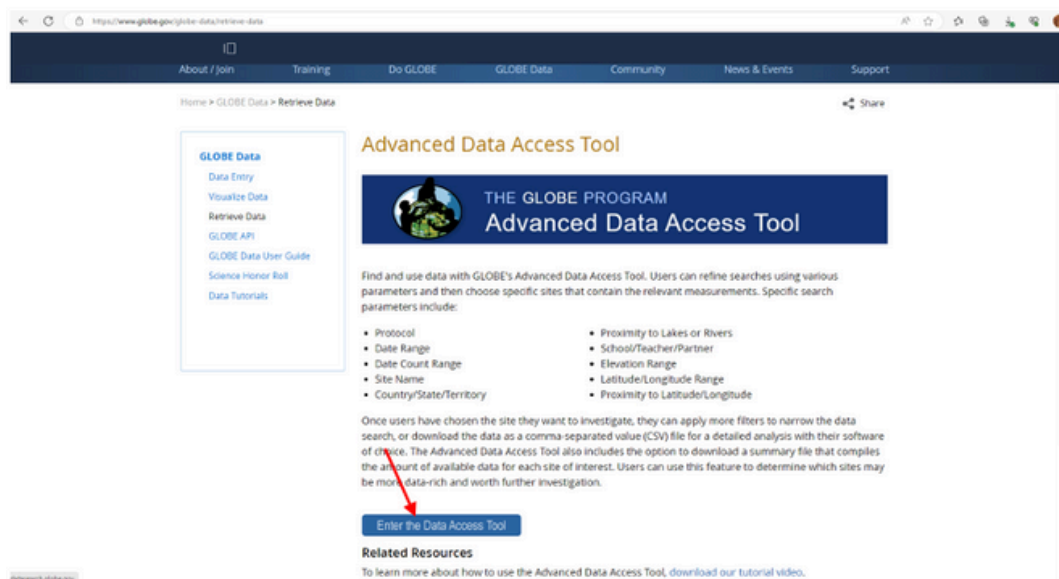
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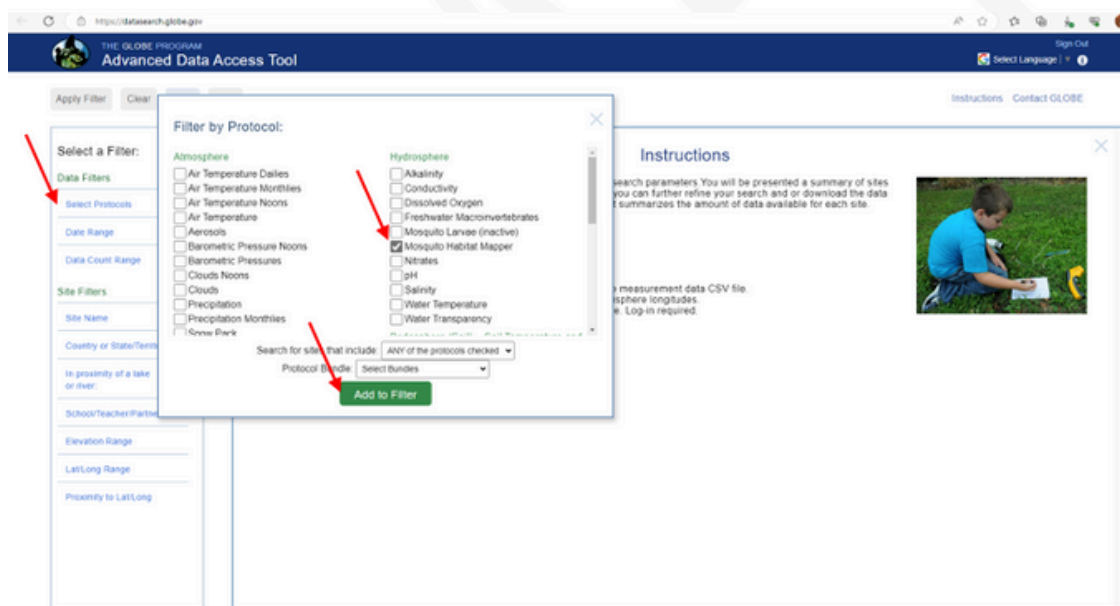


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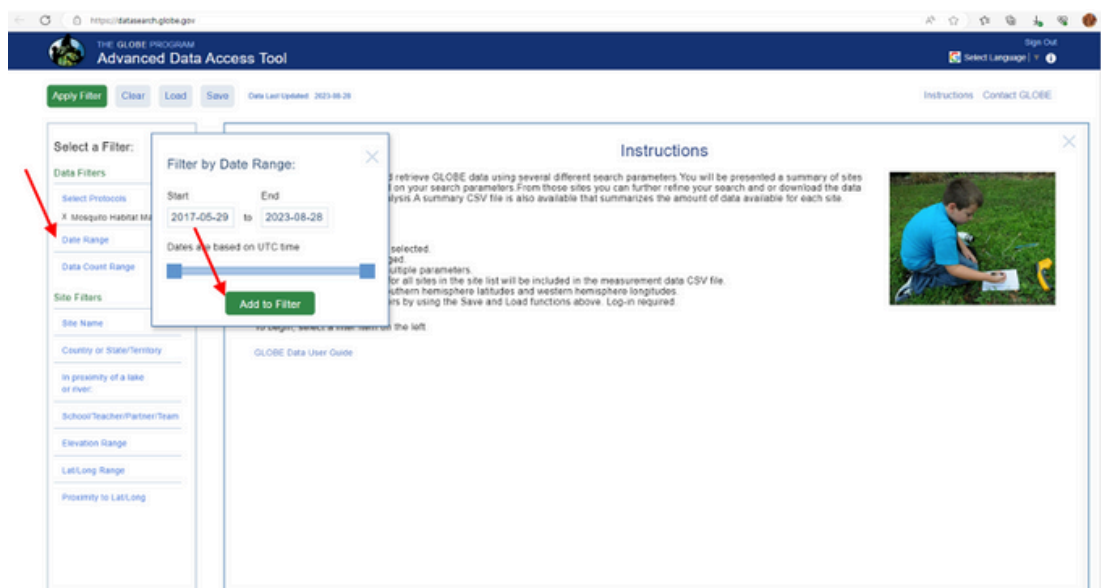
Contribute to Mosquito Habitat Map as a Citizen Scientist

Outside Activities

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Add a range of data, probably all the data that is available. Click 'Add to Filter'.



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Add a country. Enter a country and click 'Add to Filter'.

The screenshot shows the GLOBE Advanced Data Access Tool interface. On the left, there is a 'Select a Filter:' panel with various filter categories. A 'Filter by Location:' dialog box is open, showing a search for 'Costa Rica'. The 'Add to Filter' button is highlighted with a red arrow. An 'Instructions' panel is also visible on the right side of the interface.

Click on 'Apply Filter' and then on 'Obtain Measurement Data'.

The screenshot shows the GLOBE Advanced Data Access Tool interface after applying the filter. The 'Apply Filter' button is highlighted with a red arrow. The main content area displays '16 Sites Found' and a table of results. The 'Obtain Measurement Data' button is highlighted with a red arrow. The table lists site names, site IDs, latitudes, and elevations.

Site Name	Site ID	Latitude	Elevation
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Costa Rica Citizen Science	1790R44147	11.0715	43.3267
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Costa Rica Citizen Science	1790R760208	9.9922	43.0403
Costa Rica Citizen Science	1790R760209	9.9942	43.0404
Costa Rica Citizen Science	184R0145033	9.9815	44.2147
Lake San Rafael	184R0145032	9.9844	44.2147
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Lake San Rafael	184R0145034	9.9822	44.2139
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It may take a few minutes, especially if there is a lot of data. When you finish, click 'Download'. You can open or save the data.

The screenshot shows the GLOBE Program Advanced Data Access Tool interface. The page title is "THE GLOBE PROGRAM Advanced Data Access Tool". The interface includes a search bar, filters, and a table of 16 sites found. The table has columns for Site Name, Site ID, Latitude, Longitude, and Elevation. A red arrow points to the "Download Measurement Data (-34)" button, and another red arrow points to the "Ready for Download" button in the table.

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Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N09K2147	16.17575	-83.22097	32.0
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N09T9037	9.99633	-84.24498	53.3
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N09T5242			4.3
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N09T5403			4.5
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N09T9403			3
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Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N09T9306	9.94542	-83.34344	39.1
Costa Rica Citizen Science	18N40H0312	9.99825	-84.22475	843.3
Licos San Rafael	18N40H0312	9.99844	-84.22475	843.3
Licos San Rafael	18N40H4932	9.99844	-84.22361	844.9
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Licos San Rafael	18N40H1733	16.17576	-84.24748	1331.3
Licos San Rafael	17N09T9037	9.99632	-83.24498	53.4

Explore data.

- In small groups explore the data. What can you learn from the data? For example:
 - What is the most common life stage to find mosquitoes? (larvae, pupae, adults). Search in P-Q columns.
 - What are the most common genera, the most common species found in the selected area? (U-V columns)
 - What else can you learn about the data? Work in small groups and then present to the class.
 - Which data is the most useful, and which is not useful? Why?
 - You can also 'clean the data', for example you can delete data you don't want to use or change the titles (in the first two rows).

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Note: The first latitude and longitude data (columns E-F) are not very accurate, the values in columns AC-AB are more accurate, you should use these if you want to use latitude and longitude.

The screenshot shows the GLOBE Program Advanced Data Access Tool interface. On the left, there are filter options for 'Mosquito Habitat Mapper' and a date range of '2017-05-29 to 2020-06-28'. The main area displays '16 Sites Found' with a table of site information. A 'Downloads' window is open in the top right corner, showing options to 'Open' or 'Save as' the selected data.

School Name	Site Name	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation
Costa Rica Citizen Science	179N040380	10.38142	-83.34761	24.9
Costa Rica Citizen Science	179N040246	10.37468	-83.32488	24.4
Costa Rica Citizen Science	179N040247	10.37375	-83.33397	12.8
Costa Rica Citizen Science	179N070007	9.39633	-83.04240	63.3
Costa Rica Citizen Science	179N070290	9.39594	-83.05007	6.3
Costa Rica Citizen Science	179N070407	9.37622	-83.0488	4.1
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Litsea San Rafael	18N0037235	10.87079	-84.34748	1331.3
Litsea San Rafael	179N070007	9.39632	-83.04240	63.4

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with columns labeled F through U. The data includes mosquito habitat information such as 'mosquito habitat', 'mosquito mapper:larvae count', 'mosquito egg count', 'mosquito pupae', and 'mosquito adults'. It also includes columns for 'mosquito habitat mapper:larvae count', 'mosquito habitat mapper:egg count', 'mosquito habitat mapper:pupae', and 'mosquito habitat mapper:adults'. The spreadsheet contains multiple rows of data, including columns for 'longitude', 'elevation', 'measured on', 'mapper id', 'source', 'mapper:measure', 'mapper:water', 'mapper:larvae count', 'mapper:egg count', 'mapper:pupae', 'mapper:adults', 'mosquito habitat mapper:larvae count', 'mosquito habitat mapper:egg count', 'mosquito habitat mapper:pupae', and 'mosquito habitat mapper:adults'. The data is organized into columns for 'longitude', 'elevation', 'measured on', 'mapper id', 'source', 'mapper:measure', 'mapper:water', 'mapper:larvae count', 'mapper:egg count', 'mapper:pupae', 'mapper:adults', 'mosquito habitat mapper:larvae count', 'mosquito habitat mapper:egg count', 'mosquito habitat mapper:pupae', and 'mosquito habitat mapper:adults'.

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Outside Activities



Global opportunity for students - International Virtual Science Symposium:

The [International Virtual Science Symposium](#) is an opportunity for GLOBE students to showcase their research to the rest of the community. Projects are judged by prestigious scientists from dozens of GLOBE countries. Students are eligible to receive GLOBE stipends and badges.

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Learn About Mosquitoes and Their Habitat Classroom Activity

Look for Mosquitoes



Learning about mosquitoes and why they are important to people on a personal, local, and global level. Use the GLOBE app to collect data on potential mosquito habitat.

Information for teachers:

- [Mission mosquito: Larvae hunters guide](#)
- [Beyond the Bite: GLOBE mission mosquito disease guide](#)
- [Resources - Mission Mosquito - GLOBE.gov](#)

1. Read the GLOBE [Mosquito Mission's Beyond the Bite: Disease Guide](#).
2. Discuss as a class.
 - a. Question: What are your experiences with mosquitoes? What are the potential solutions for disease-carrying mosquitoes? Write or mention 3 things you know or think about mosquitoes. You can discuss in small groups or pairs and then as a whole class.
 - b. Examples: Mosquitos can transmit diseases, for example dengue, zika, chikungunya to humans.
 - c. Do you know that: There are more than 3,500 species of mosquitoes and ~200 of these bite. Adult mosquitoes eat nectar and are often pollinators. Adult females need blood for their eggs.
3. Small group research - What are people doing about mosquito transmitted illnesses?



Teachers: You can search for information about *Aedes aegypti* and *Wolbachia* – *Wolbachia* is a bacteria that can be introduced into *Ae. aegypti* populations. These bacteria can slow the spread of viruses (yellow fever, dengue, chikungunya) in mosquito populations.

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- You can also look for information on genetic modification of mosquitoes, for example in Panama.
- You can look up information about insecticides. How can the use of insecticides effect other parts of the environment? For example, water, agricultural areas?

Discussion

1. Remember: In what forms can you find mosquitoes?
 - a. Eggs, larvae, pupae, adults
 - b. Life Cycle – Figure 1 Mosquito Life Cycle – [Beyond the Bite: GLOBE Mosquito Mission Disease Guide](#)
2. Read [Proboscis Mosquito: Mechanics of a Bite](#)
 - a. Discuss with the class.
 - b. How does this adaptation work? What are other adaptations of animals or plants?
3. Remember: Where do mosquitoes live? What are their habitats?
 - a. Use the cards to play '[Mosquito Habitats and Hideouts](#)' and find the mosquito habitats (stagnant water).

Where can you find mosquitoes?

- Discuss the individuals, population, community, species, niche, ecosystem.
 - For example, there is a population in a city, on a river.
- What is the niche of some mosquito species, are there species that prefer some habitats?
 - For example, *Aedes* mosquitoes prefer containers, and *Anopholes* prefer puddles or other more natural habitats

Use GLOBE's [Beyond the Bite: Mosquito Mission Disease Guide](#) for more information.

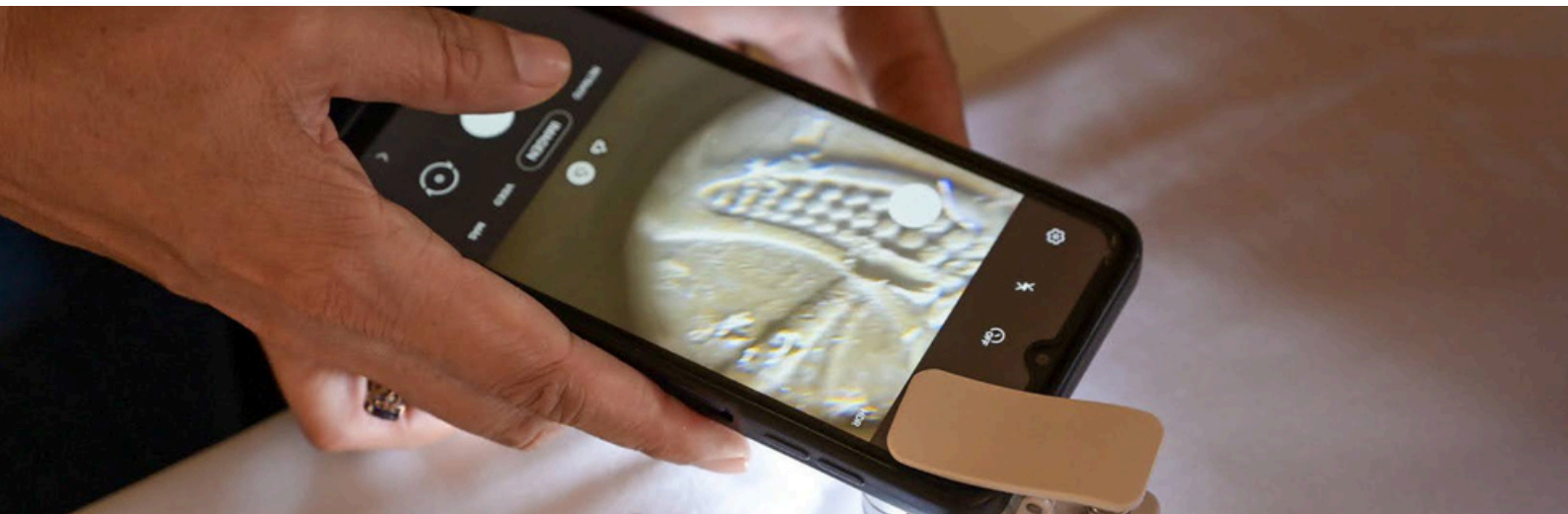
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Further Discussion

What can you do to prevent the spread of mosquitoes and the diseases they carry?

1. Put on insect repellent.
2. Eliminate standing water when possible.
3. Study and learn more and help scientists learn more about mosquitoes and their habitats.



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1. Remember magnification: Magnify that
 - a. Practice magnifying some things, you can use a hand lens, magnifying glass, or phone magnifier and take photos.
 - i. How to use a clip-on microscope (slide 86 in the Larvae Hunters Guide)
 - b. If you have mosquito larvae in your traps, you can count them and report the number in the GLOBE app (see upcoming activities).
2. Experiment: Build some mosquito traps in groups or individually and try to catch some larvae.
 - a. Use the guide - Let's build a mosquito larvae trap (slide 38 and 39 in the Larvae Hunters Guide) – to build a trap, you can leave the trap outside for a few days.
 - b. You can build traps at school and students can also build traps at home as an extension task.
 - c. What is your research question, your variables of interest?
 - i. For example, you can change the color of the trap (something dark, and something light).
 - ii. You can change the materials that are in the water (plants or grass, food, insect repellent).
 - iii. Where are you going to put your trap, in the sun, or in the shade.
3. Identify eggs, larvae, and pupae. Count the larvae, you can report the numbers in the GLOBE app.
 - a. Activities: Mosquito larvae Hunters Level 2



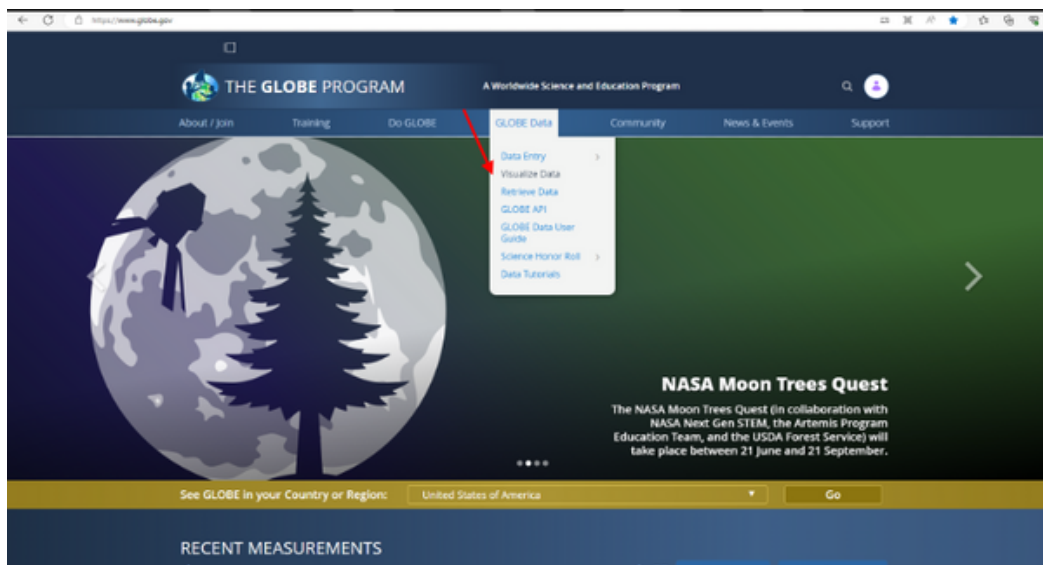
Note for teachers, if you don't have larvae in your trap after a week, you can use a black or dark colored bucket with a piece of wood between the water and the air (as a ramp so the female mosquitoes can stand on the ramp and lay their eggs in the water). Leave it open with grass in the water. Make sure you don't leave it for more than 5 days so you can ensure there are no adult mosquitoes.

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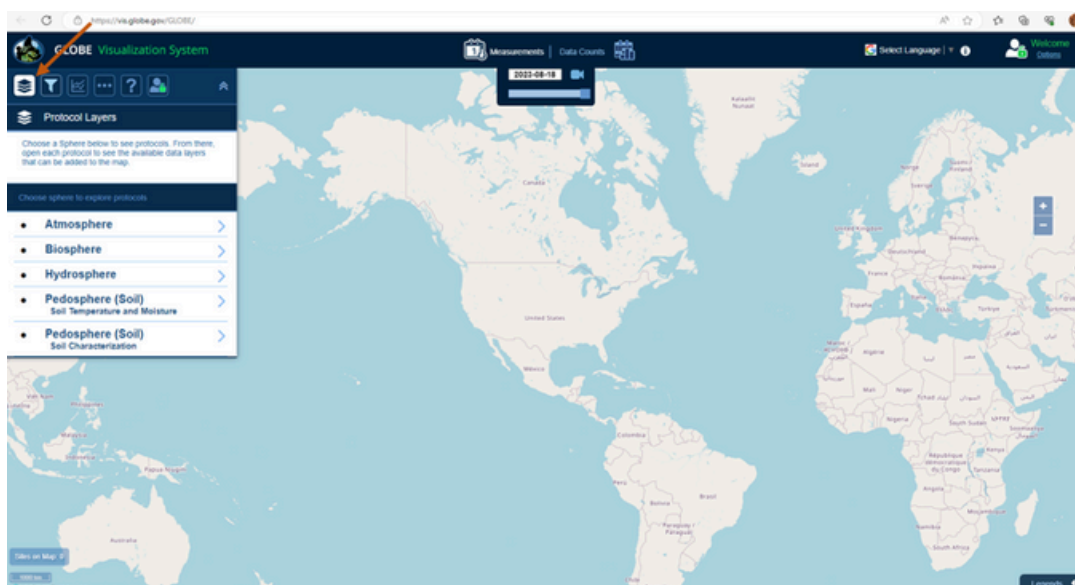
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Map scavenger hunt!

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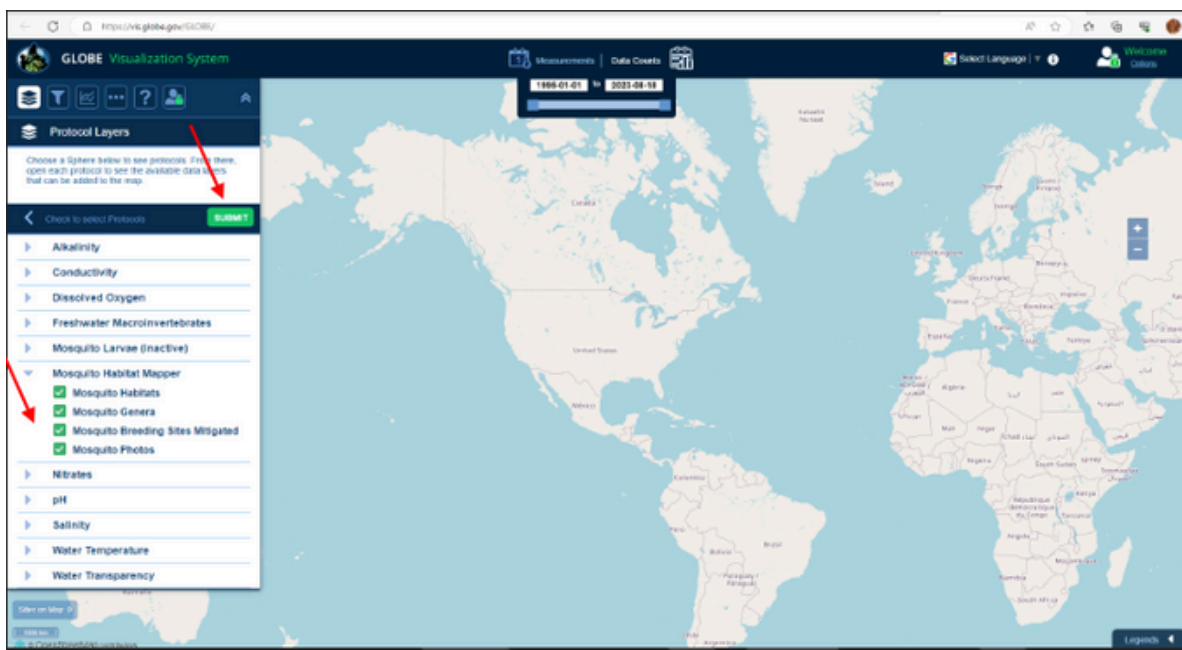
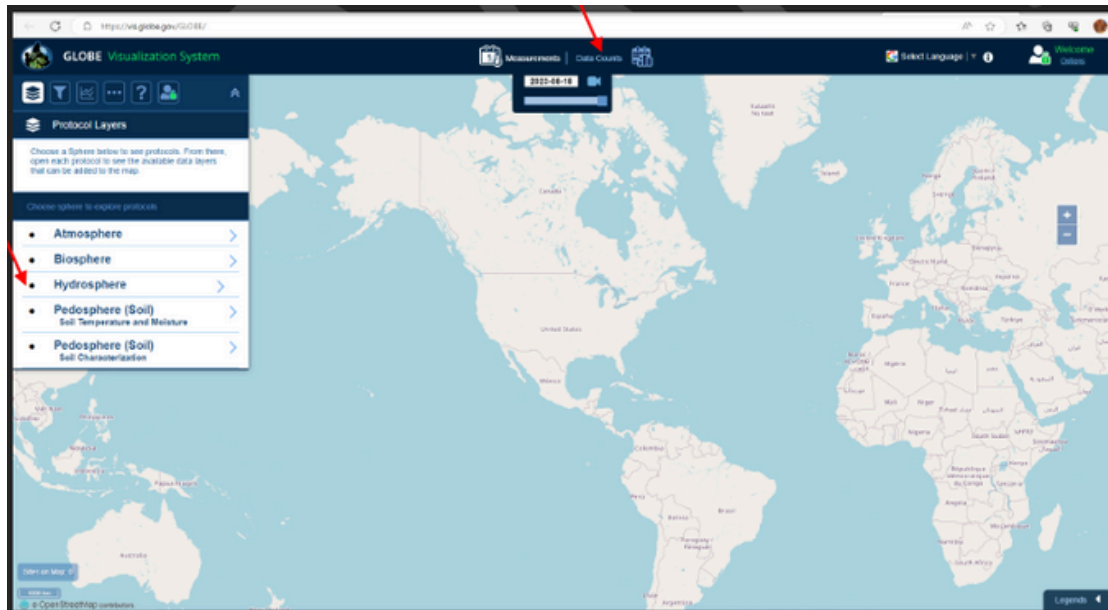
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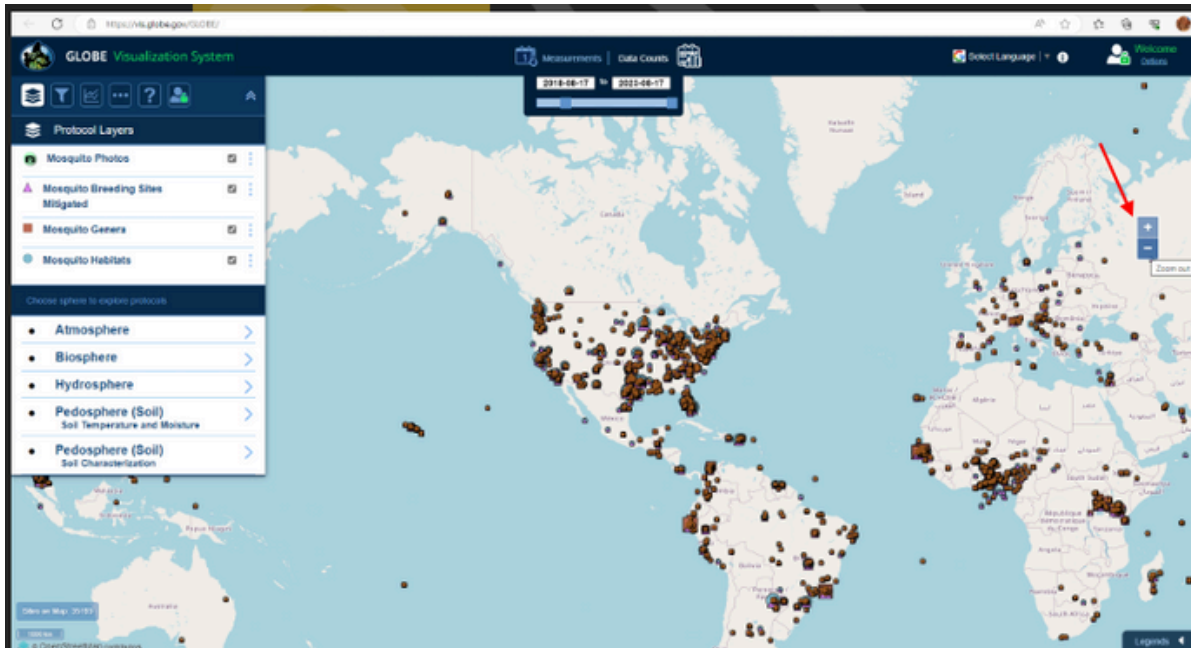
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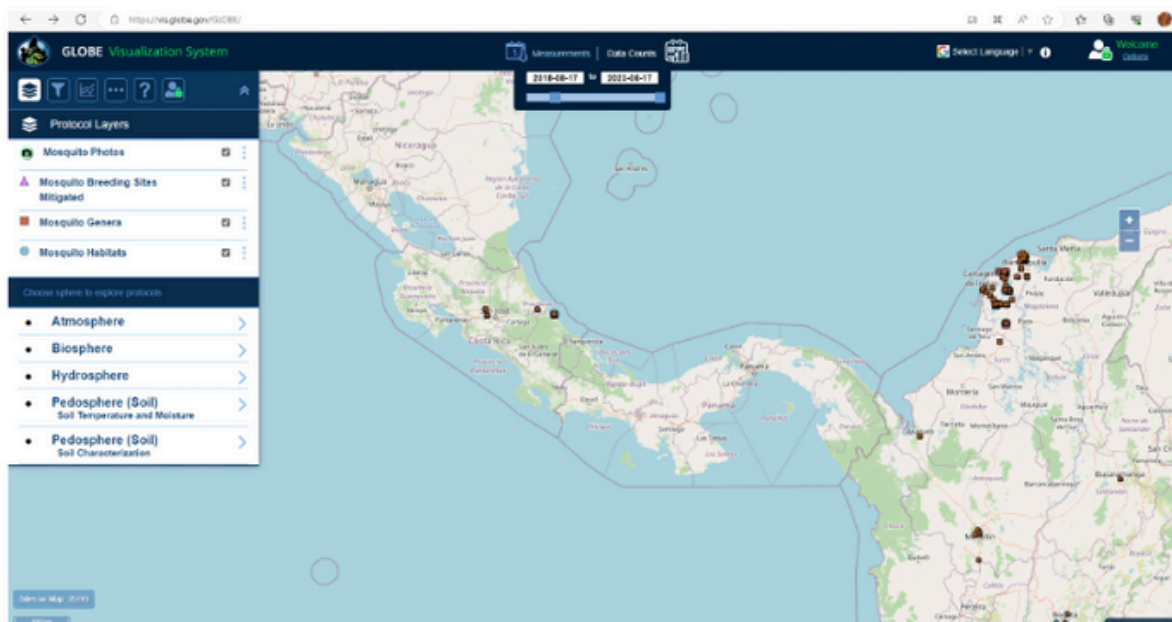
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Use zoom and the mouse to find your country.

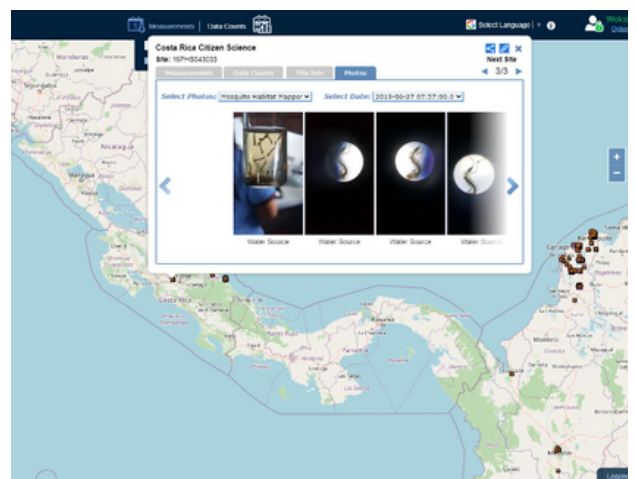
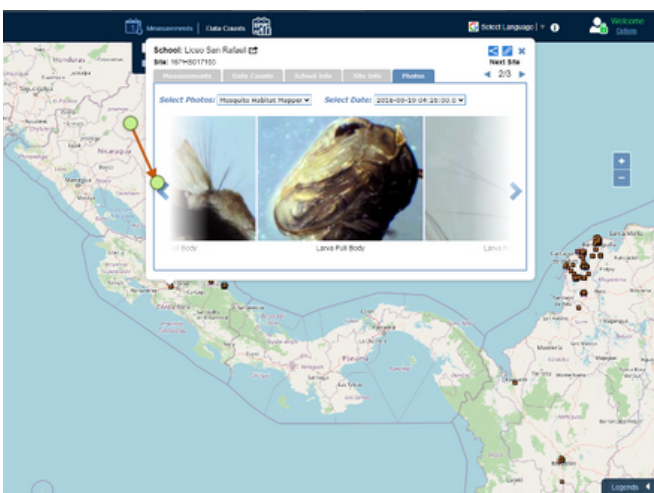
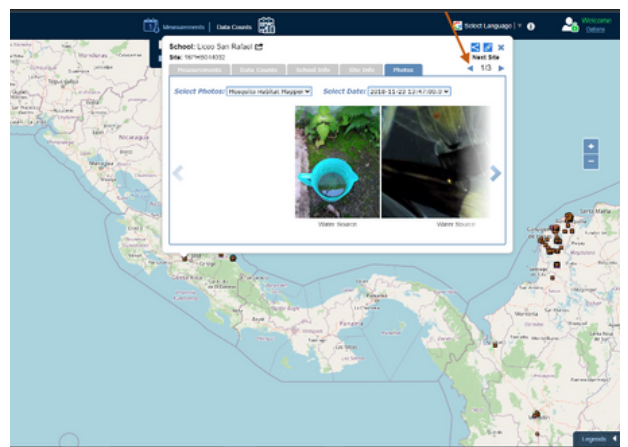
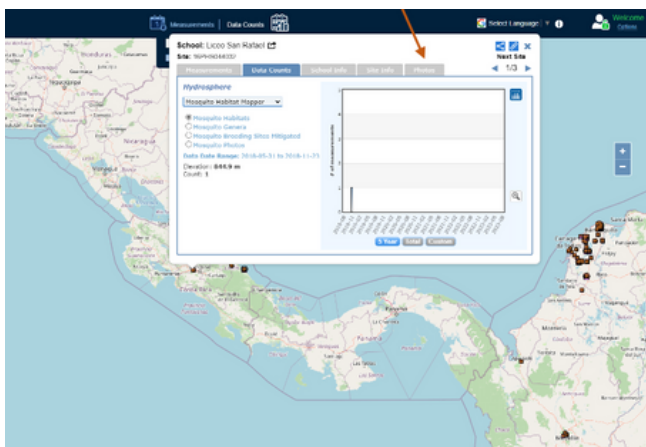


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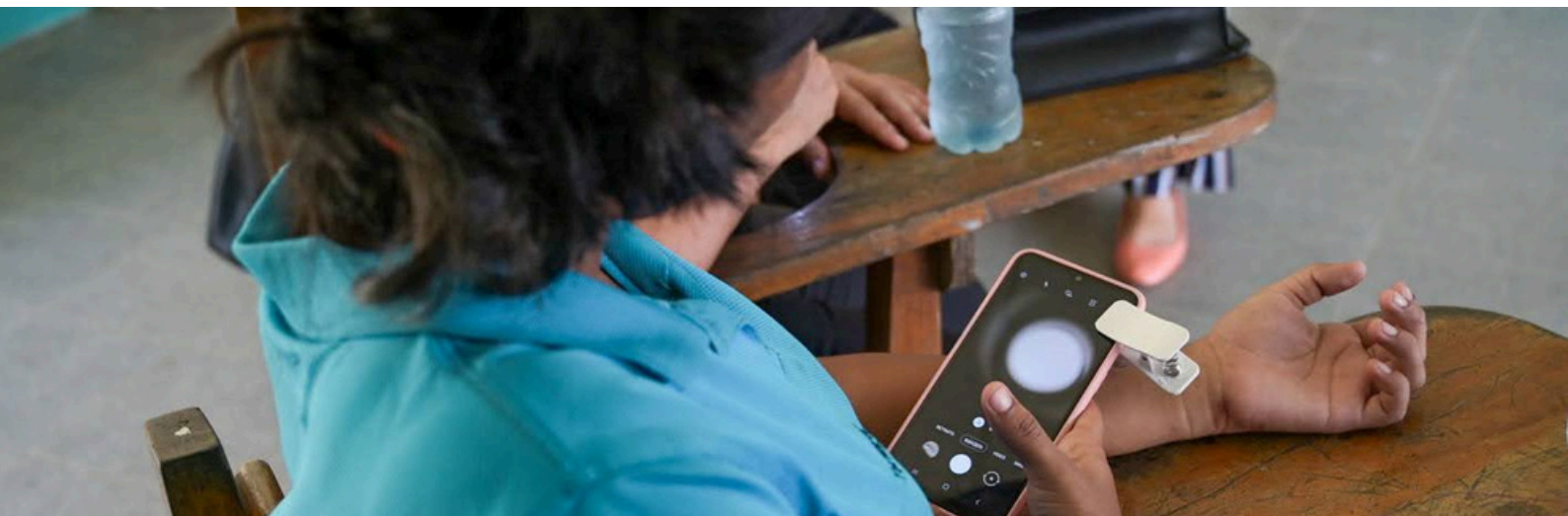


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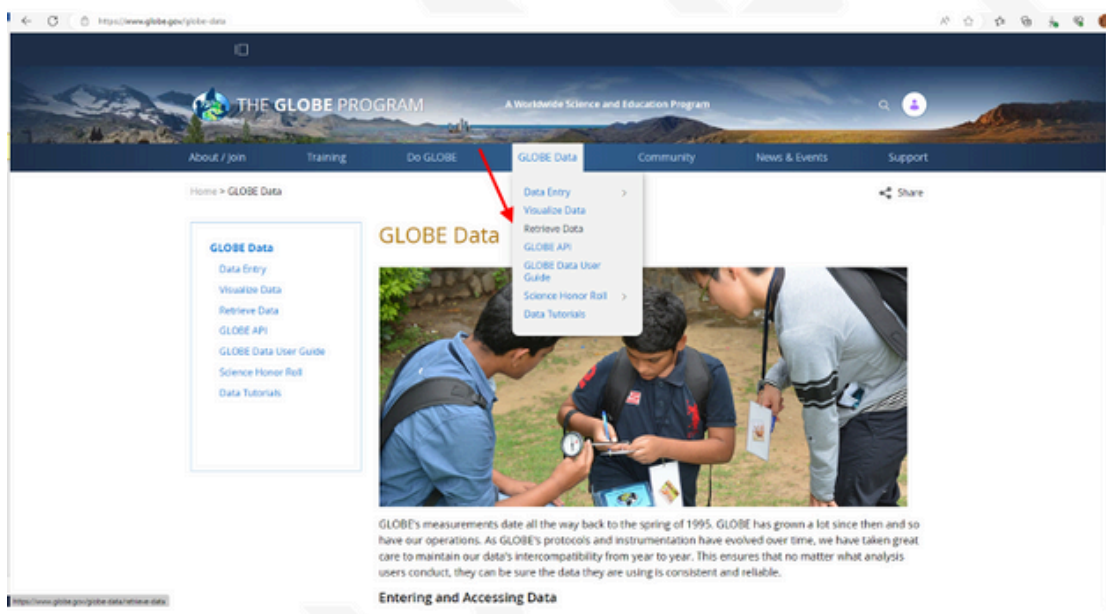


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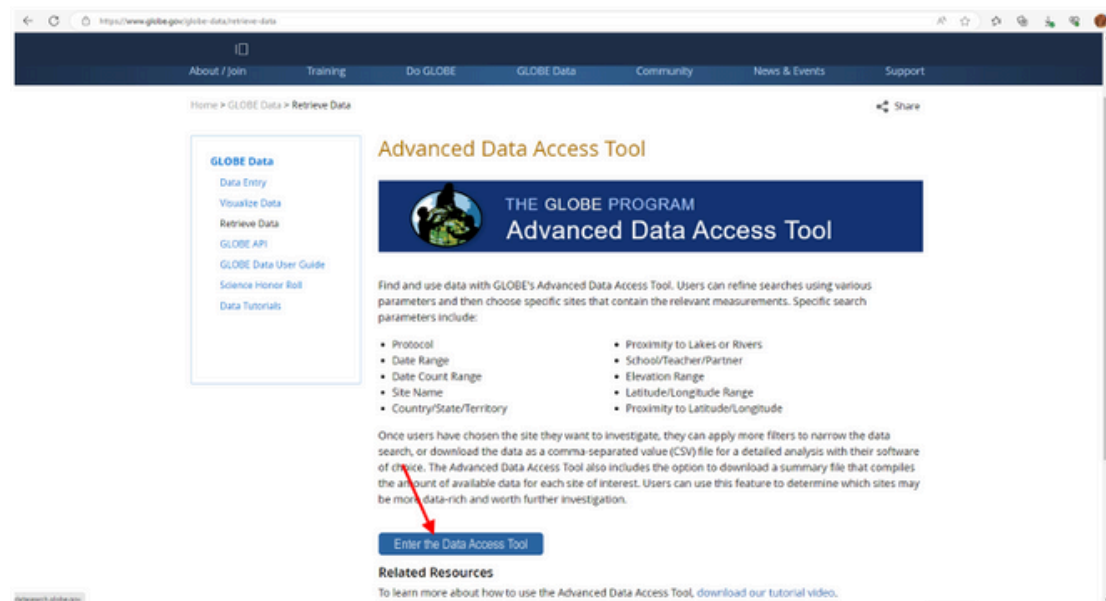
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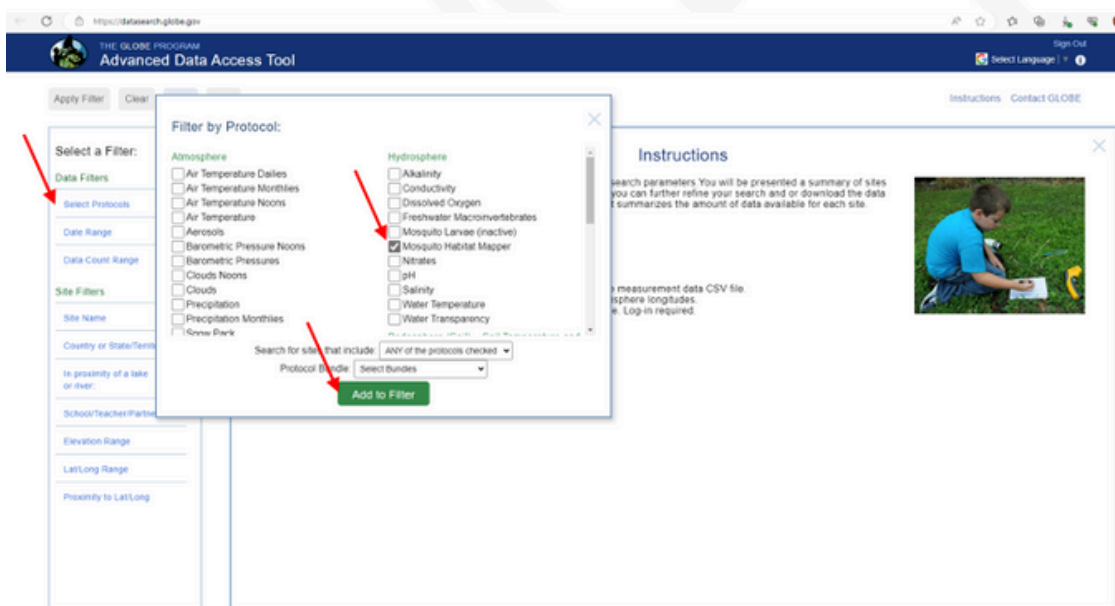


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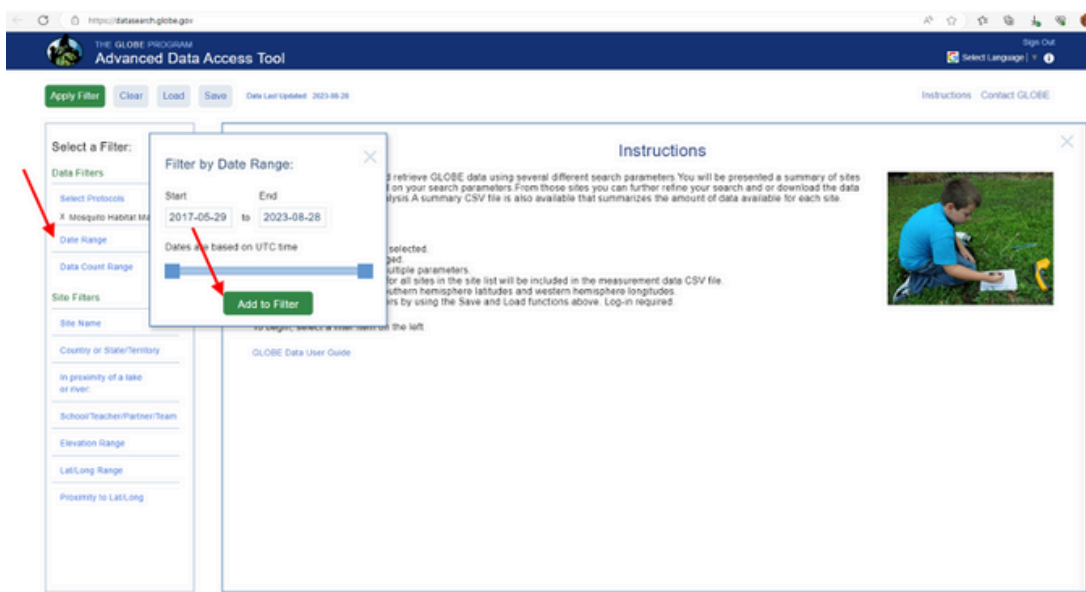
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Click on 'Apply Filter' and then on 'Obtain Measurement Data'.

The screenshot shows the results of the search. The 'Apply Filter' button is highlighted with a red arrow. The main panel displays '16 Sites Found' and a table of site information. The 'Obtain Measurement Data' button is highlighted with a red arrow.

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Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N04N1040	10.18742	-83.34561	34.9
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N08N1348	10.07884	-83.23488	34.4
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N08N1247	10.07578	-83.23297	32.0
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N07N1027	9.99633	-83.24248	63.3
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N07N1041			4.3
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N07N1402			5
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N07N1404			5
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N07N1608	9.39122	-83.24248	62.7
Costa Rica Citizen Science	17N07N1606	9.39542	-83.24248	59.1
Costa Rica Citizen Science	18N04Q1032	9.36826	-84.22472	842.3
Llano San Rafael	18N04Q1032	9.36844	-84.22472	842.3
Llano San Rafael	18N04Q1032	9.36844	-84.22388	844.9
Llano San Rafael	18N04Q1032	9.36833	-84.22388	845.2
Llano San Rafael	18N04Q1038	9.37207	-84.22388	826
Llano San Rafael	18N04Q17335	10.07578	-84.24748	1331.3
Llano San Rafael	17N07N1607	9.99632	-83.24248	63.4

You can open or save the data.

Explore data.

- In small groups explore the data. What can you learn from the data? For example:
 - What is the most common life stage to find mosquitoes? (larvae, pupae, adults). Search in P-Q columns.
 - What are the most common genera, the most common species found in the selected area? (U-V columns)
 - What else can you learn about the data? Work in small groups and then present to the class.
 - Which data is the most useful, and which is not useful? Why?
 - You can also 'clean the data', for example you can delete data you don't want to use or change the titles (in the first two rows).

Level 10-11 (12)

Contribute to Mosquito Habitat Map as a Citizen Scientist

Outside Activities



Global opportunity for students - International Virtual Science Symposium:

The International Virtual Science Symposium is an opportunity for GLOBE students to showcase their research to the rest of the community. Projects are judged by prestigious scientists from dozens of GLOBE countries. Students are eligible to receive GLOBE stipends and badges.

Links

GLOBE	https://www.globe.gov/
Video	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jh_chDc_HCE
International Virtual Science Symposium	https://www.globe.gov/news-events/meetings_symposia/virtual-conferences
Mosquito Habitats Resource Library - GLOBE Observer	https://observer.globe.gov/do-globe-observer/mosquito-habitats/resource-library#activities
Resources - Mission Mosquito - GLOBE.gov	https://www.globe.gov/web/mission-mosquito/overview/resources
Eyes on the Earth (nasa.gov)	https://eyes.nasa.gov/apps/earth/#/
Earth Map	https://earthmap.org/

Materials in Appendices

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Resources from IGES:

Note that these activities are also available as a collection titled [Mission Mosquito Larvae Hunters Guide](https://strategies.org/products/mosquito-larvae-hunters-guide). The guide is formatted as Google Slides, which can be copied and saved for offline use. That format allows creative customization. For example, work through the guide individually, in teams, or in small groups on separate computers. Display on an interactive whiteboard for large group collaboration. Selectively print, add, or hide pages not used. The guide is licensed under a [Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial 4.0 International License](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/4.0/). You are free to share and adapt this material as long as you follow the license terms, and link to the original source at: <https://strategies.org/products/mosquito-larvae-hunters-guide>

- **Mosquito Larvae Hunters**
 - Level 1 [Training \(PDF\)](#), [Badge \(PDF\)](#).
 - Level 2 ([Training \(PDF\)](#), [Badge \(PDF\)](#), [Certificate \(PDF\)](#))
 - Companion guide for parents/caregivers: in [Color](#), or in [Black-and-White](#)
- **Mosquito Habitat Survey:** Instructions and a paper data sheet to do a survey of mosquito habitats over several days.
- **Proboscis: Mechanics of a Bite:** An activity to teach how mosquitoes use their proboscis to bite, including a diagram, video, and poem.
- **How to Use a Clip-on Magnifier:** Tips with graphics on photographing mosquito larvae using a clip-on scope with a smart phone.
- **Build a Mosquito Larvae Trap:** Build a do-it-yourself mosquito trap using simple materials. The trap tricks mosquitoes into laying their eggs in a container that the larvae can't escape.
 - Report the larvae using the Mosquito Habitat Mapper tool in the GLOBE Observer app. [Video demonstrating how to build the trap](#)
- **Mosquito Habitats and Hideouts :** Play this game to learn the different habitats in the GLOBE Mosquito Habitat Mapper
- **Beyond the Bite:** GLOBE Mission Mosquito Disease Guide. Learn about eight of the most common Mosquito-borne diseases.
- **Resources from UCAR Center for Science Education**
 - Elementary GLOBE activity, [Magnify That](#)
 - [Zika Zine](#)

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- Mosquito larvae Hunters Level 2 - <https://strategies.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/1-MLH-SecondEntry-Final-7-27-2021.pdf>
- Habitat Survey Page - <https://strategies.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/HabitatSurveyPage-COLOR-FINAL-9-28-20-2.pdf>
- Mosquito Proboscis: Mechanics of a Bite – <https://strategies.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/1-HiRes-COLOR-Proboscis-Entry-FINAL-5-11-21.pdf>
- Magnify that - https://www.globe.gov/documents/348830/55942515/MagnifyThat_27July2018_FINAL.pdf/a40f605a-f86f-4293-8ff0-17d82f359f7e
- Mosquito Larvae Hunter: Level 1 - <https://strategies.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/MLH-5-10-2021.pdf>
- Mission mosquito: Larvae hunters guide - <https://strategies.org/products/mosquito-larvae-hunters-guide>
- How to use a clip-on microscope - https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1lb8pssP4nyvhsSwHY-g2-FUNHKwKE80Y85zxteu7YUE/view#slide=id.g14711c42f4e_1_27
- Let's build a mosquito larvae trap - <https://observer.globe.gov/documents/19589576/721d105e-5cd7-b0fa-5db5-172fd30993ab>
- Beyond the Bite: GLOBE mission mosquito disease guide - <https://strategies.org/products/beyond-the-bite>
- ZIKA ZINE - <https://scied.ucar.edu/zikazine>
- Mosquito Habitats and Hideouts - <https://strategies.org/products/mosquito-habitats-and-hideouts>