



# **15. Years of Research in Industrial Dipterology at IZ SAS**

## **15. rokov výskumu priemyselnej dipterológie na ÚZ SAV**

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# Beginning



- Assessment of the Commercial Feasibility of a Sterile Insect Mass Rearing Facility in the Slovak Republic

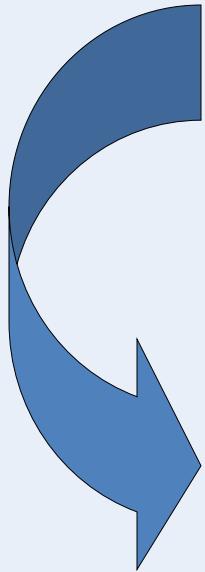
# **SIT and eradication of tse-tse flies**

**IAEA - UZSAS Contract No. 2002-  
1049**

**The provision of services for mass  
rearing and supply of tse-tse flies in  
support of area wide intergrated  
campaigns**

*(Vybudovanie záložnej kolónie na podporu tse-  
tse eradikačných programov v Afrike)*

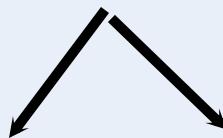
# The Problem



Trypanosomes – protozoa



Human African Trypanosomosis



Animal African Trypanosomosis

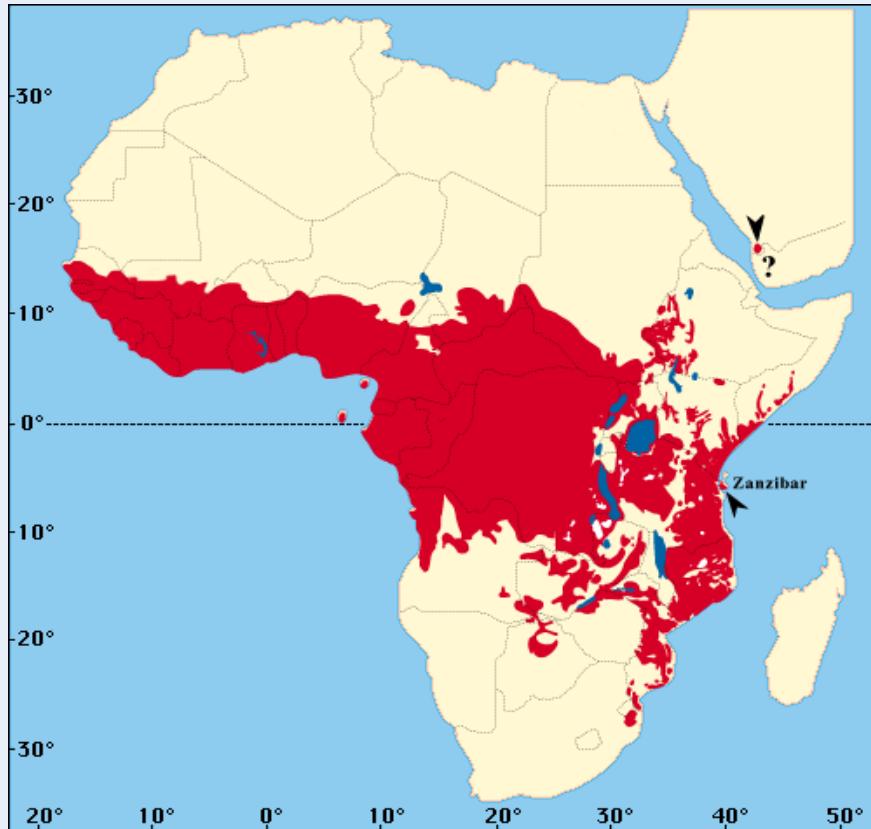


*T. b. rhodesiense* and *T. b. gambiense*

*Trypanosoma brucei brucei*

# The problem

Distribution of *Glossina* spp in Africa



- The Tsetse fly - Africa's Bain
- 36 countries - 10 million km<sup>2</sup>
- 50 million cattle at risk
- Direct losses: US\$ 0.6 - 1.2 billion EACH YEAR
- 165 million cattle in Africa  
only 10 million in tsetse infested areas
- Responsible for separation of crop farming and livestock production
- 45,000 new cases of Human African Trypanosomosis

# Facility at IZ SAS



Corridor

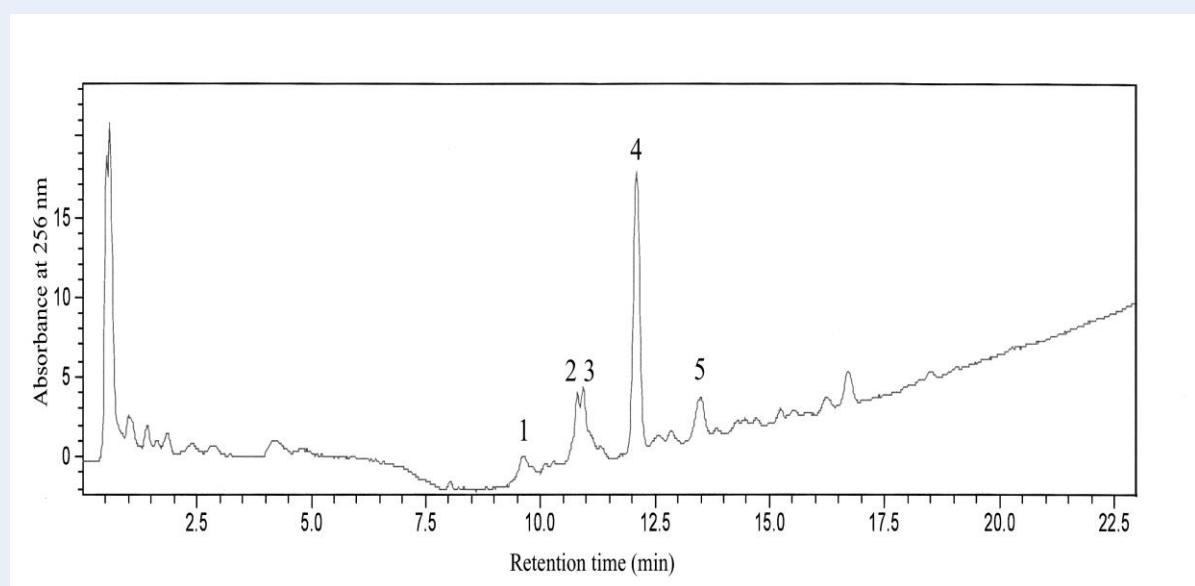
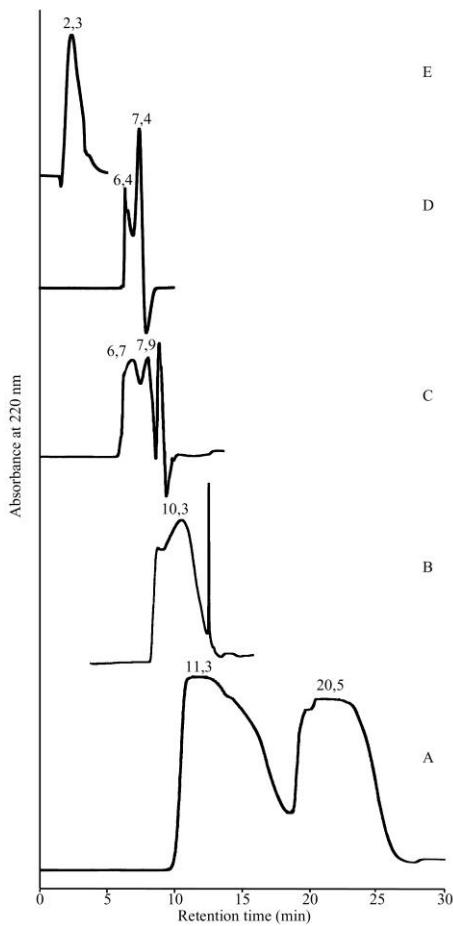


Rearing rooms



Feeding room

# Tse-tse Reproduction Research



- HPLC-MS TIC chromatogram showing the main components of the active fraction from the last RP-HPLC purification step. (The numbers indicate the peaks used for AA sequence analyses.)

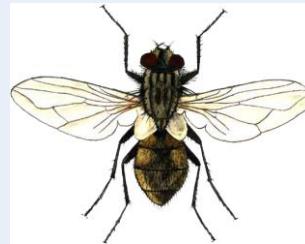
# **ECODIPTERA (EC – LIFE)**

**Implementation of a management model  
for the ecologically sustainable  
treatment of pig manure**

*(Likvidácia biologických odpadov s využitím  
lariev hmyzu)*

# ECODIPTERA (EC – LIFE)

*Musca domestica*



Spoločné biotechnologické zariadenie  
EÚ - SAV - PD Úsvit

(Pracovisko Alžbetin Dvor)



Joint biotechnological facility  
EU - SAS - PD Úsvit

(Working place Alžbetin Dvor)



# ECODIPTERA (EC – LIFE)



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# Maggot Debridement Therapy

## Mechanism of Action

- Enzymatic debridement of necrotic tissue
- Antimicrobial molecules produced by larvae
- Cytokins and growth factors
- Improvement of blood circulation
- Metabolic action of *Proteus mirabilis*

# Maggot Debridement Therapy

## Indications

- Broad spectrum of non healing wounds
- Neuropatic and ischemic ulcers
- Pressure ulcers
- Venous ulcers
- Traumatic non-healing wounds
- Burnings

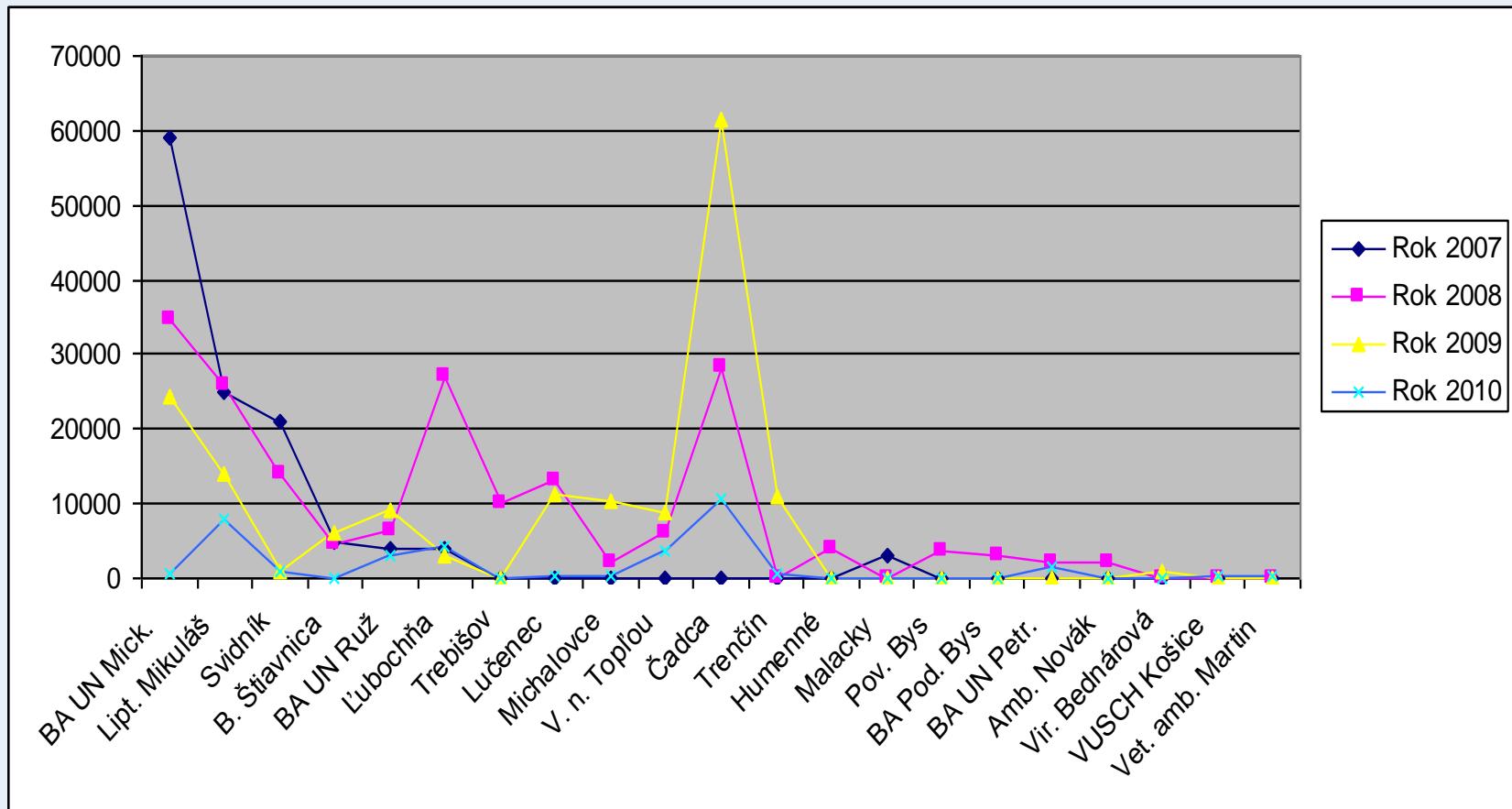
# Clinical Facility in Military Hospital in Bratislava



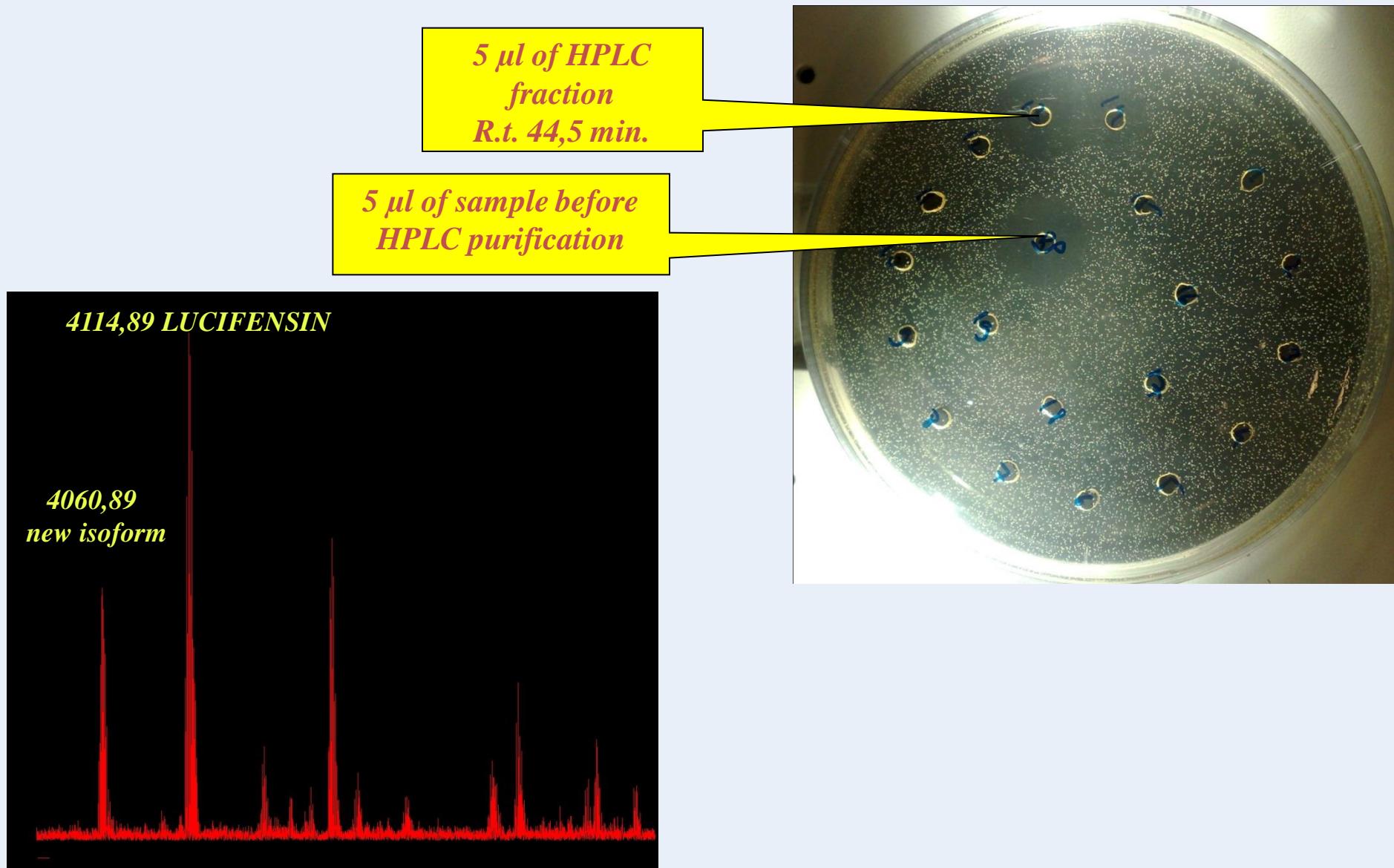
# Maggot Debridement Therapy



# Cooperating Hospitals in SR



# Biomolecules from saliva of L. sericata



# Transfer of biotechnologies based on industrial dipterology in Kenya

- Extension of KARI-TRC tse-tse mass rearing facility producing sterile males for tse-tse eradication programs in Kenya (SlovakAid)
- Introduction of MDT to medical and veterinary clinical praxis in Kenya (SlovakAid)

# Tse-tse facility





## Some of the patients in the mission hospital



# Current status

- Capacity for production of sterile maggots exists.
  - 2 other members of staff have been trained locally
- Market for the sterile maggots exists.
- Inquiries are coming into the lab



New cages in the insectary



Fridge and freezers in the washroom.



Hood in the sterile maggot preparation room

# Commissioning of MDT Facility



# Industrial Dipterology – Challenges

- The research of new ways of using flies in biotechnologies
- New methods of mass production
- New products and their derivatives
- Development of new strains for special production purposes

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*Thank you for your attention*

