

The fourth part of this project focused on two studies conducted in rural areas of Burkina Faso. The cross-sectional study showed high prevalence of aflatoxin exposure, and the intervention study using education and manually picking-out moody ground nuts as tools to reduce exposure, as demonstrated in the other studies which showed relative efficacy.

Study population



Figure 1. Geographical distribution of villages in two studies

Cross-sectional study

Table 1. Description of diet & lifestyle between West & Central

Type of cereal-based meal (% Yes)	West	Central	Sig.
Maize	92.8	28.5	▲▲
Red Sorghum	13.4	3.6	▲▲
White Sorghum	94.6	21.8	▲▲
Millet	10.0	97.0	▲▲
Rice	85.1	69.1	▲▲
Groundnut paste (%)			▲▲
Yes	97.4	81.8	
No	2.6	18.2	
Alcohol consumption (Liquor) (%)			▼
Yes	11.57	3.63	
No	88.43	96.36	

▲▲ $p < 0.0001$; ▲ $p < 0.001$; ▼ $p < 0.01$

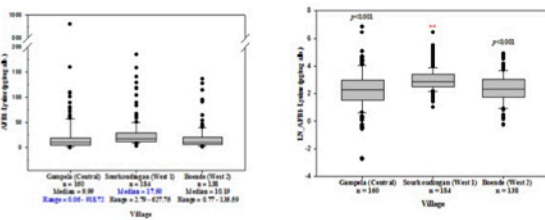


Figure 2. AFB-Lys levels among villages at phase 1 (Sep.-Oct. 2000)

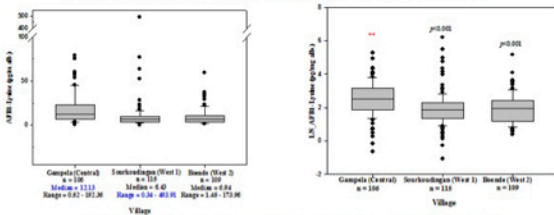


Figure 3. AFB-Lys levels among villages at phase 2 (Apr.-May 2001)

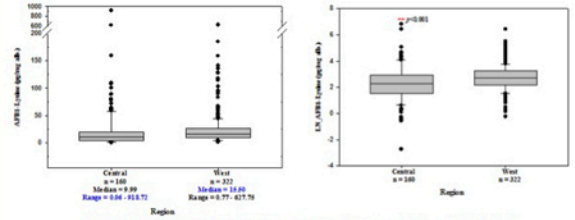


Figure 4. AF Exposure between regions at phase 1 (Sep.-Oct. 2000)

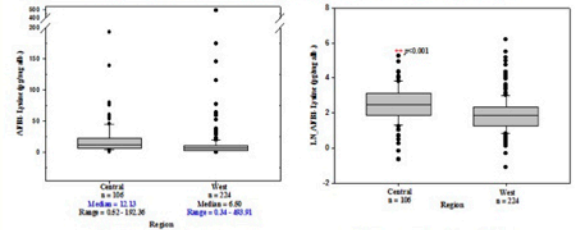


Figure 5. AF Exposure between regions at phase 2 (Apr-May 2001)

Intervention study

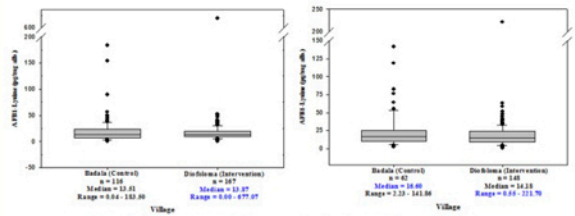


Figure 6. Comparison of AF exposures between villages & phases

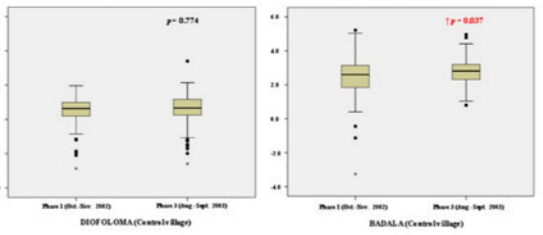


Figure 7. Comparison of AF exposure between phases (within villages)

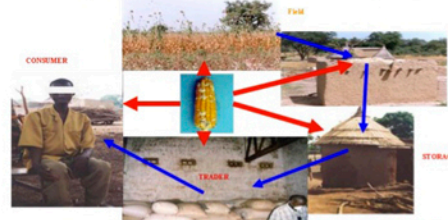


Figure 8. Corn as a potential culprit of intervention loss

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