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Highlights

- Despite the fact that many arboviral diseases share the same vectors and often coexist,
 previous studies have focused on mapping the distribution of one or two diseases
 separately.
- In the present study, we have compiled and spatially mapped a large amount of data from publicly available sources on the occurrence of major arboviral diseases (Zika, dengue fever, chikungunya, yellow fever and Rift Valley Fever).
- The risk mapping showed multiple occurrences of arboviral diseases in which 49.2% (123/250) of the countries/territories reported two or more diseases in common.
- Our risk maps include data on vector suitability and diseases occurrence and we
 believe that decision makers will be better able to consider coordinated programmes
 informed by a more complete picture of these diseases.
- Recognizing that arboviral diseases have common vectors and transmission features,
 the risk maps in our study can be used to set up combined interventions against the
 diseases in more cost-effective ways.

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