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## Supplemental Material

# Expansion of the Lyme Disease Vector *Ixodes scapularis* in Canada Inferred from CMIP5 Climate Projections.

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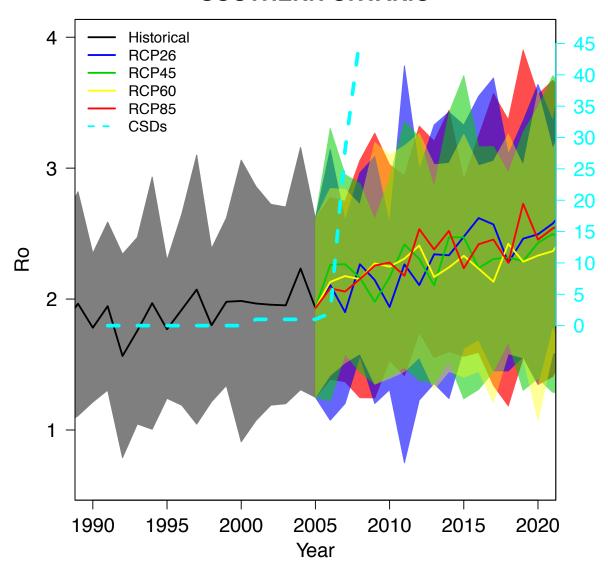
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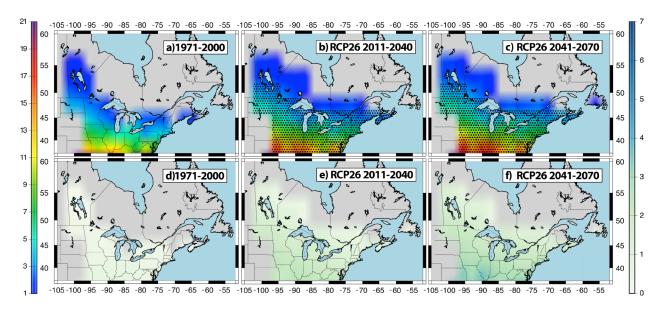
### **NOVA SCOTIA** Historical RCP26 RCP45 RCP60 RCP85 **CSDs** В Year

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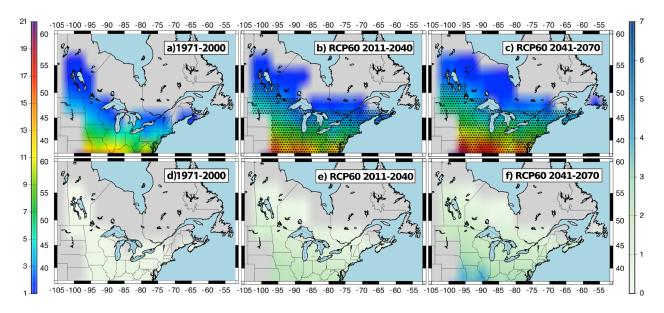
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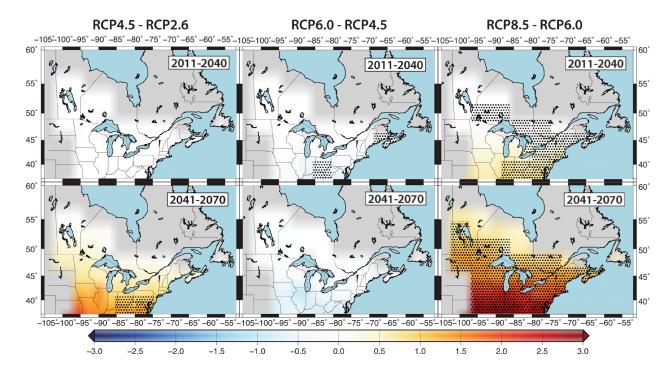
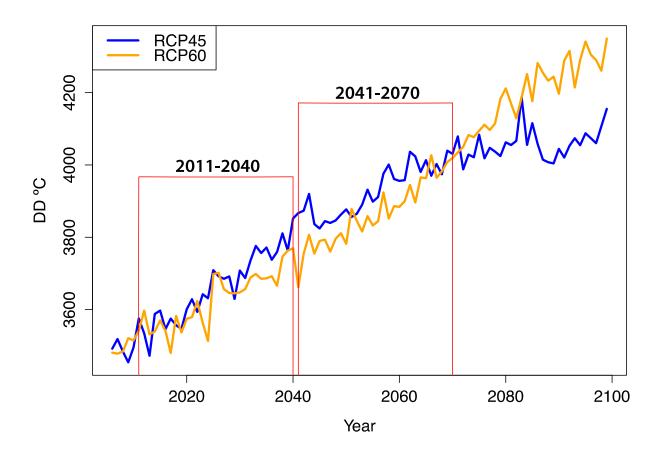


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