

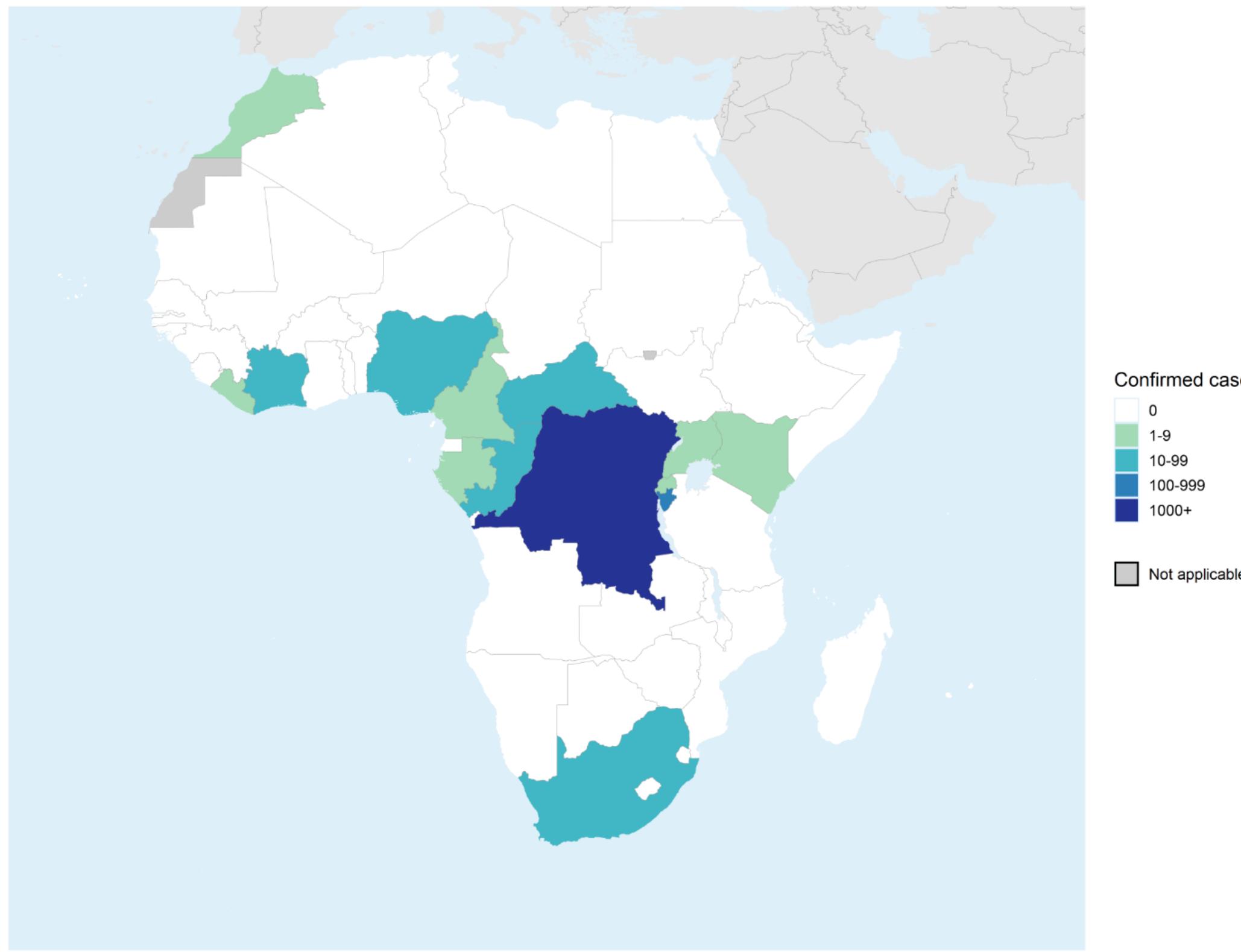
# Common analytics tasks and available R tools/packages

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# Context: Mpox as of 01 September

Mpox cases in 2024, Africa  
from 01 Jan 2024, as of 01 Sep 2024



Summary of Laboratory confirmed mpox cases

Country	Total cases	Total deaths	Case fatality ratio (%)	As of 01 Sep 2024			Deaths in the past four weeks <sup>2</sup>	Clades detected in country	Date of last report
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Democratic Republic of the Congo	4,489	27	1	3,244	25	47	0	Clades Ia and Ib	1 September 2024
Burundi	313	0	0	313	0	273	0	Clade Ib	1 September 2024
Nigeria	909	9	1	48	0	10	0	Clade II (a+b)	25 August 2024
Central African Republic	92	2	2	45	1	2	0	Clade Ia	18 August 2024
Côte d'Ivoire	28	1	4	28	1	22	1	Clade II (a+b)	18 August 2024
South Africa	29	3	10	24	3	0	0	Clade II (a+b)	18 August 2024

# Context (cont'd)

The screenshot shows a dark-themed website for Epiverse, powered by data.org. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for News, Use, Learn, Contribute, and About. The main title of the page is "2024 mpox outbreak: common analytics tasks and available R tools". Below the title are several category buttons: EPIVERSE-TRACE, MPOX, OUTBREAK, OUTBREAK-ANALYTICS, and DOI. The main content area displays author information (James Azam, Hugo Gruson, Adam Kucharski), a publication date of July 4, 2024, and a DOI link.

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Source: <https://epiverse-trace.github.io/posts/mpox-preparedness/>

# The epidemiological modelling R tools ecosystem

Many R packages & individual/community developers

**CRAN Task View: Epidemiology**

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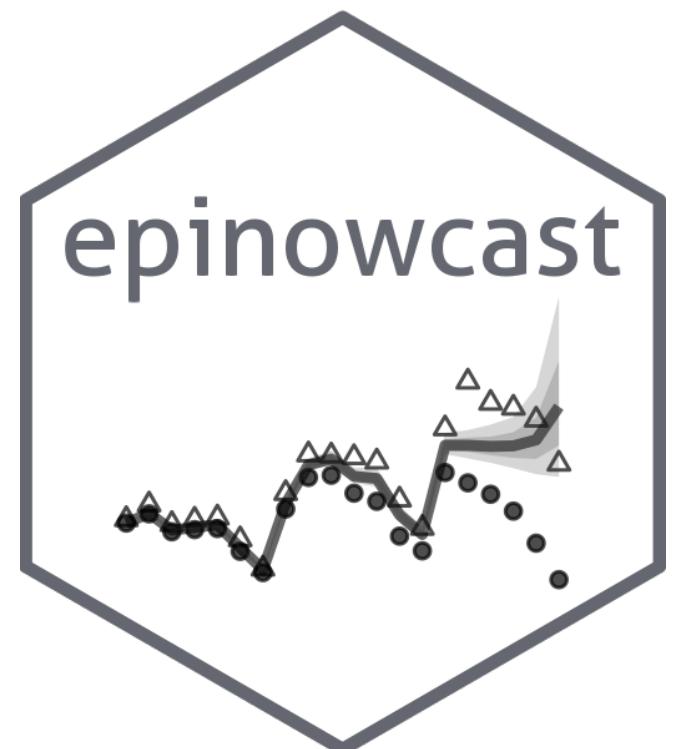
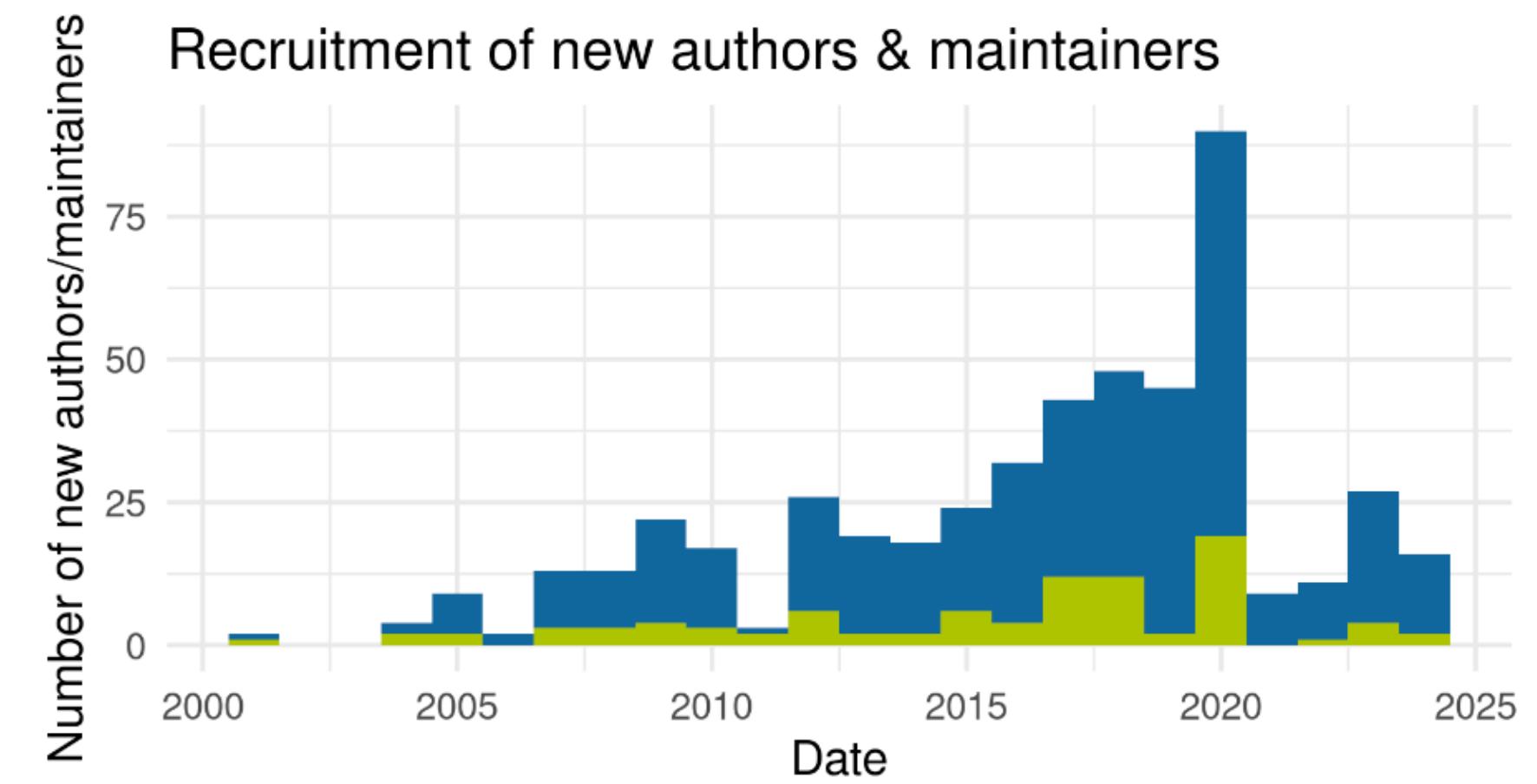
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**Installation:** The packages from this task view can be installed automatically using the `ctv` package. For example, `ctv::install.views("Epidemiology", coreOnly = TRUE)` installs all the core packages or `ctv::update.views("Epidemiology")` installs all packages that are not yet installed and up-to-date. See the [CRAN Task View Initiative](#) for more details.

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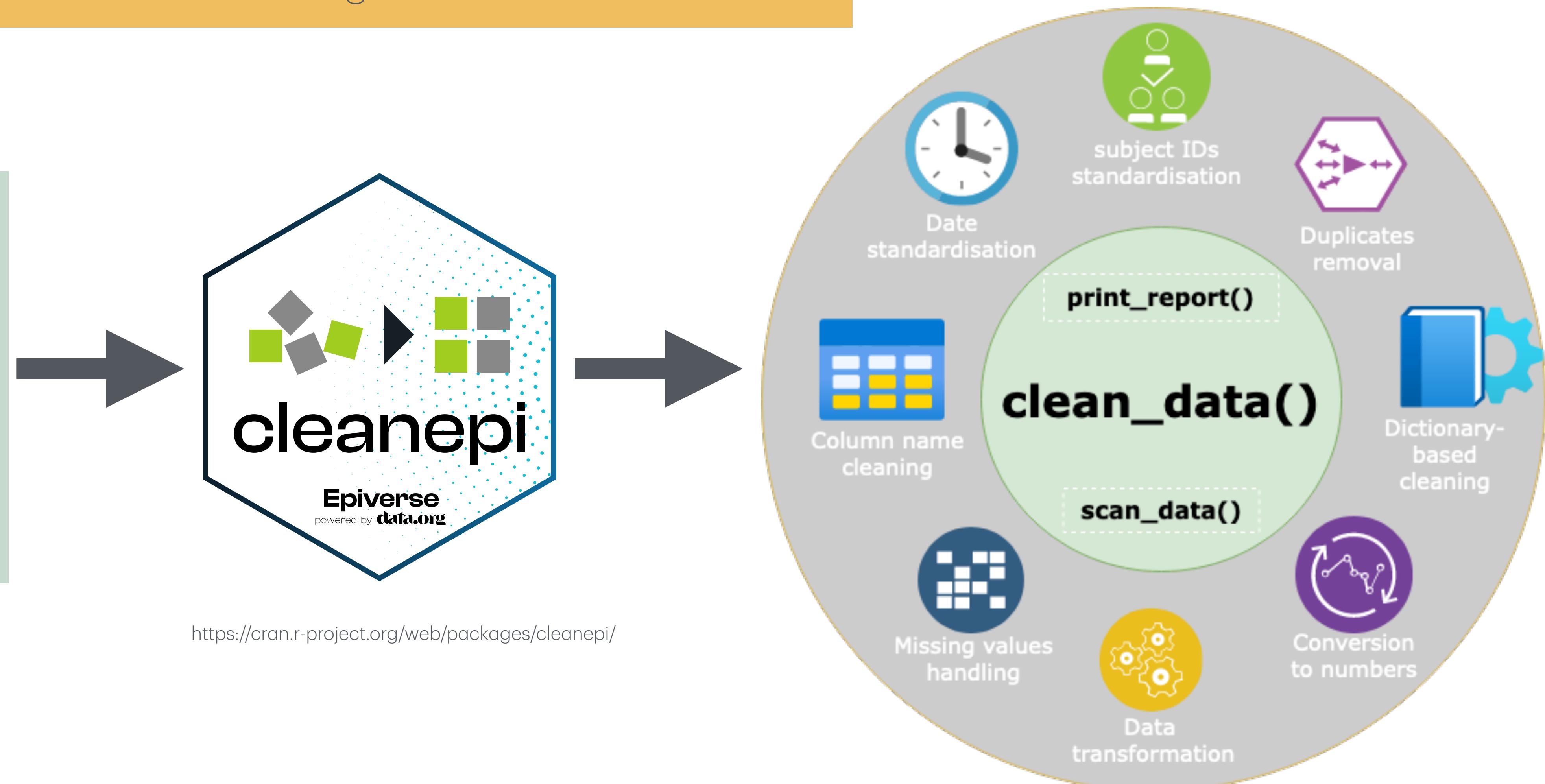
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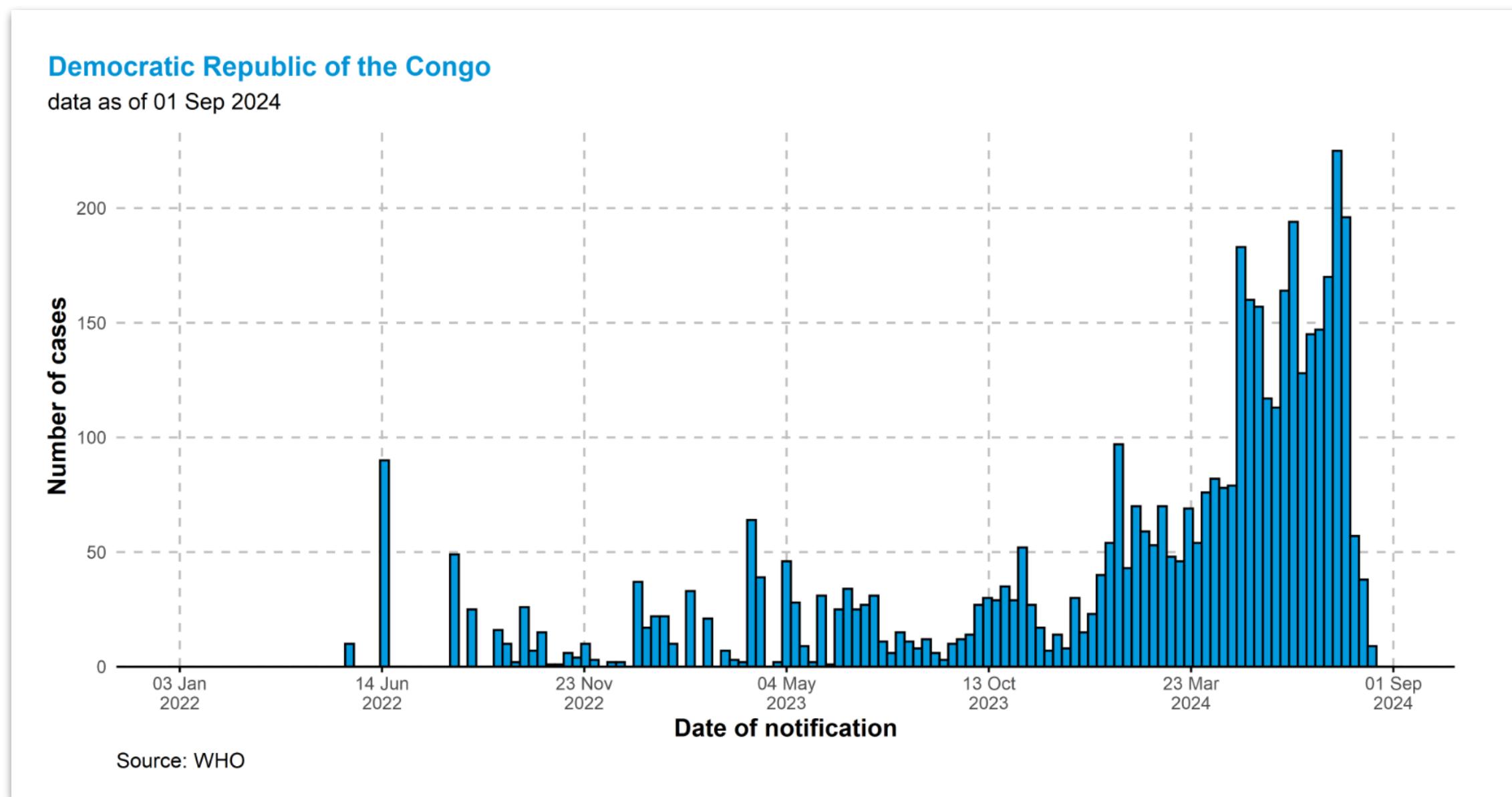
# Task 1: data cleaning

An R package for modular data cleaning

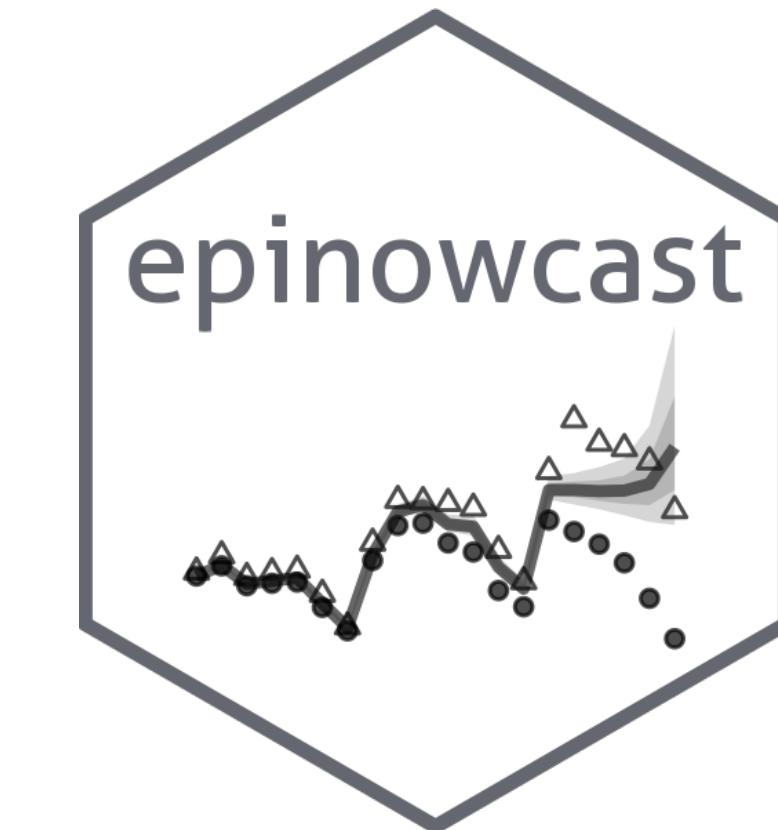
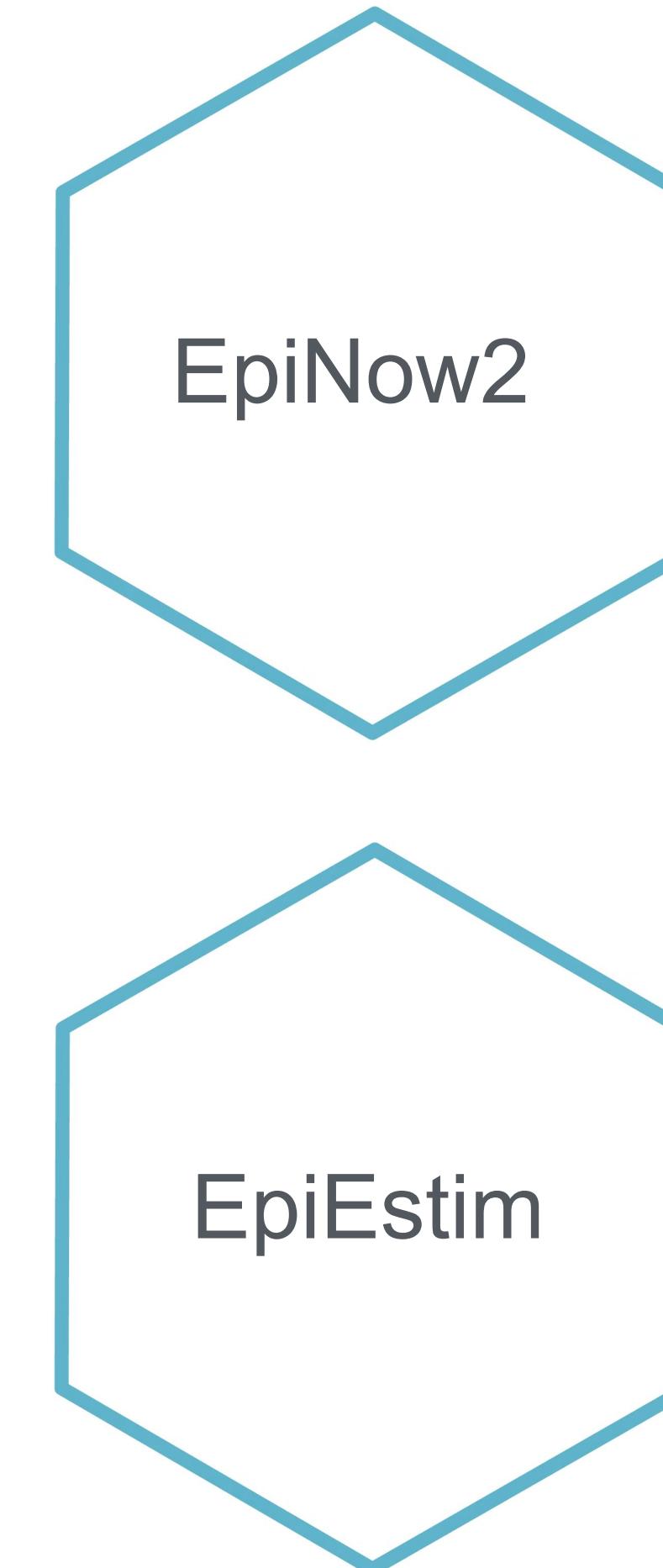
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- lubridate
- matchmaker
- numberize
- snakecase



# Task 2: estimating transmissibility ( $R_t$ )



Source: [https://worldhealthorg.shinyapps.io/mpx\\_global/](https://worldhealthorg.shinyapps.io/mpx_global/)



# Task 3: Get epidemiological parameters

**epiparameter**

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{epiparameter} is an R package that contains a library of epidemiological parameters for infectious diseases as well as classes and helper functions to work with the data. It also includes functions to extract and convert parameters from reported summary statistics.

Epiverse epiparameter 0.2.0.9000 Get started Reference Articles ▾ Changelog

Hygiene and Tools

Current database

Source: vignettes/database.Rmd

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## Returning 122 results that match the criteria (99 are parameteri
## Use subset to filter by entry variables or single_epiparameter t
## To retrieve the citation for each use the 'get_citation' functio
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Show 50 entries Search: mpox

Disease	Pathogen	Distribution	Reference
Mpox	Monkeypox Virus	offspring distribution	Lloyd-Smith et al. (2005), DOI: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1038/nature04153">10.1038/nature04153</a>
Mpox	Mpox Virus	incubation period	Miura et al. (2022), DOI: <a href="https://doi.org/10.2807/1560-7917.ES.2022.27.24.2200448">10.2807/1560-7917.ES.2022.27.24.2200448</a>
Mpox	Mpox Virus	incubation period	Charniga et al. (2022), DOI: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.06.22.22276713">10.1101/2022.06.22.22276713</a>
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<https://epiverse-trace.github.io/epiparameter/>

# Collaboratory

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## EpiParameter Community

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Overview

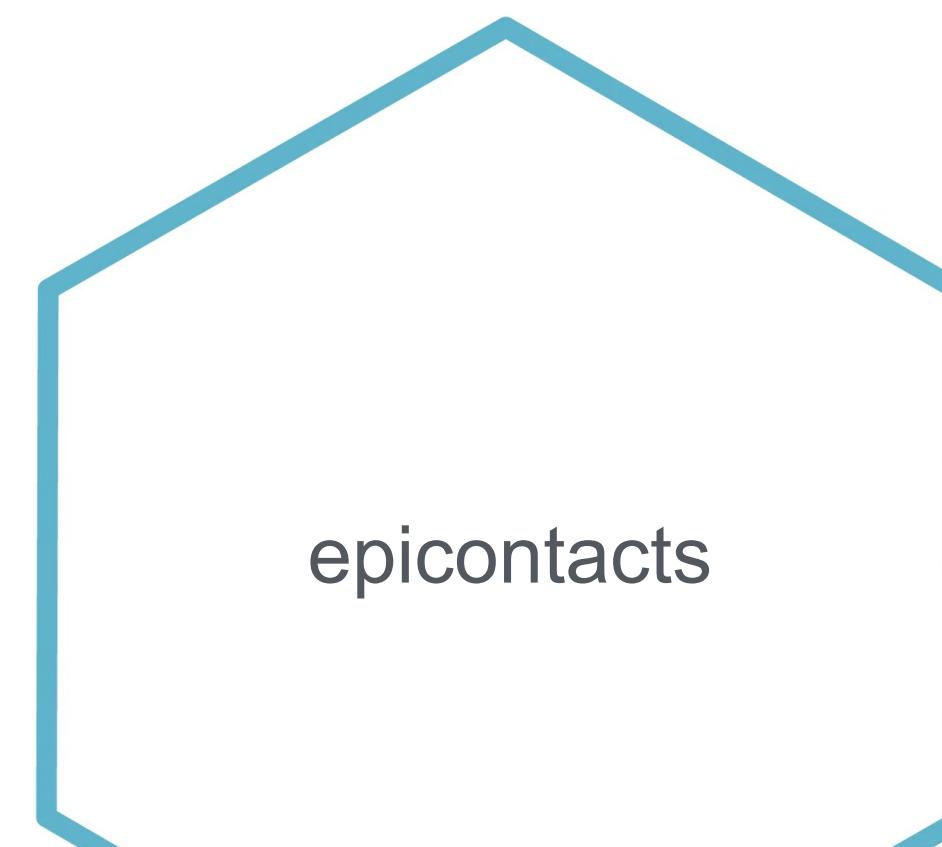
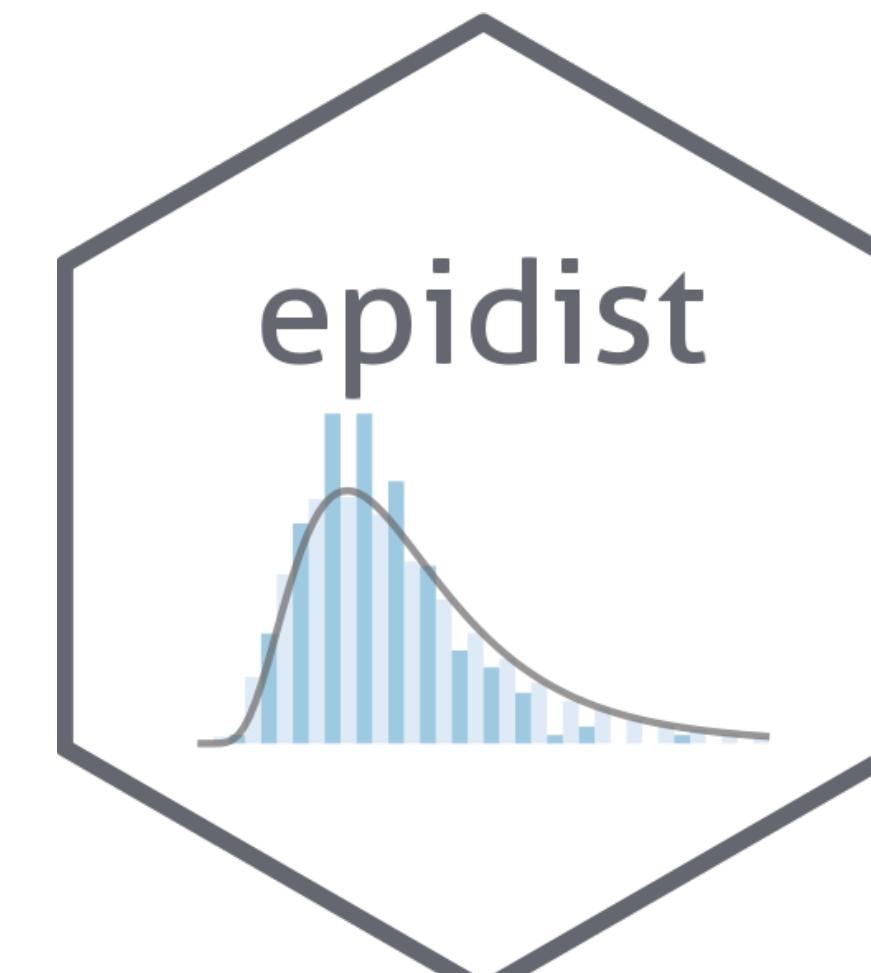
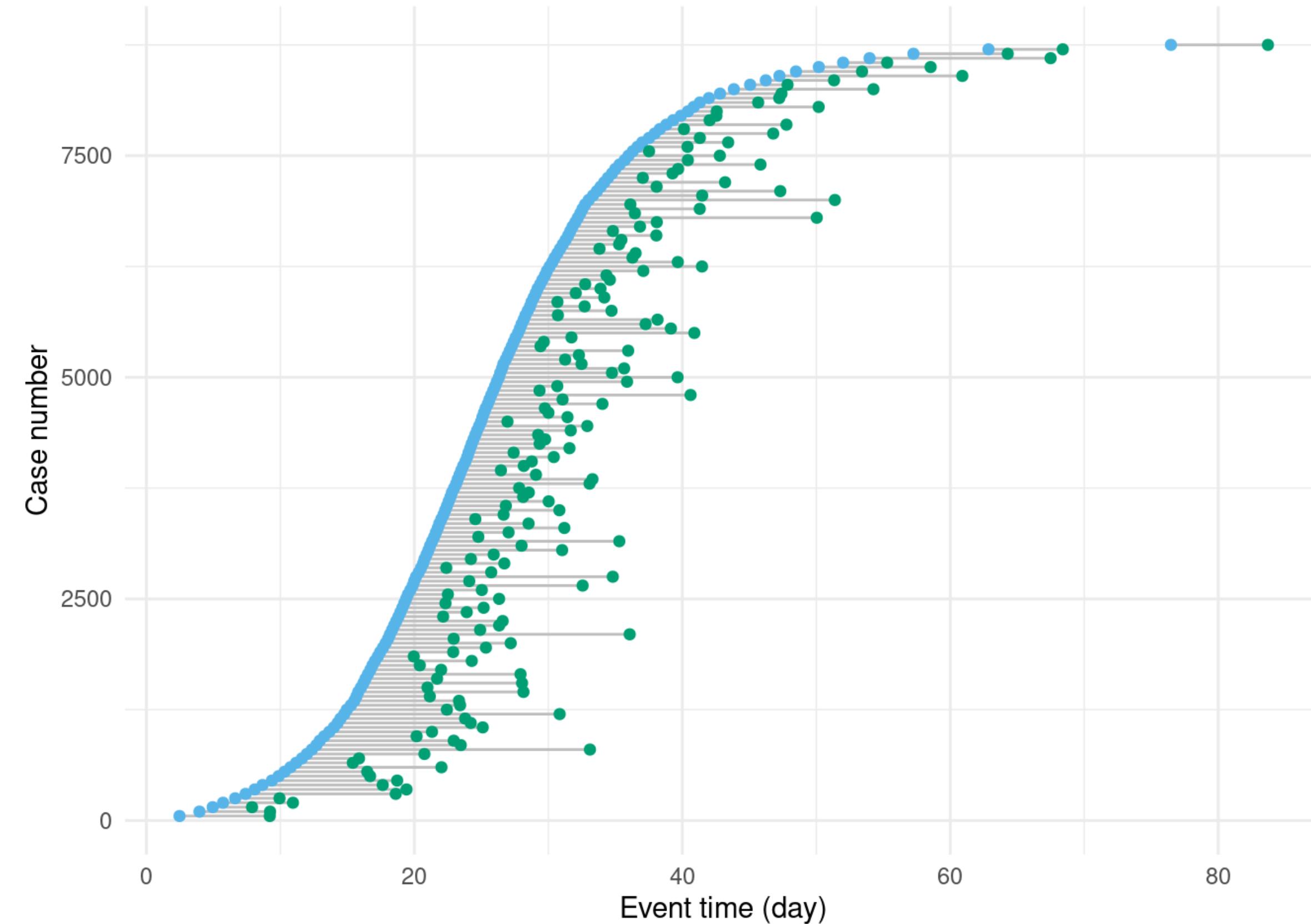
The epidemiological parameters community consist of a global collaborative working group coordinated by WHO, which aims to develop a global repository of epidemiological parameters. This repository will be publicly accessible by modellers, epidemiologists, subject matter experts and decision makers to inform mathematical models and public health response.

Epidemiological parameters are used by mathematical models that are critical to understand the transmission dynamics of pathogens and to determine the potential impact of outbreaks in terms of morbidity, mortality, and geographical spread over time.

Therefore, by enabling faster and more transparent insight generation at the beginning and during an outbreak, the global epidemiological parameter repository will serve as an essential global public good to inform and guide public health interventions designed to mitigate the spread of diseases and reduce their impact on affected populations.

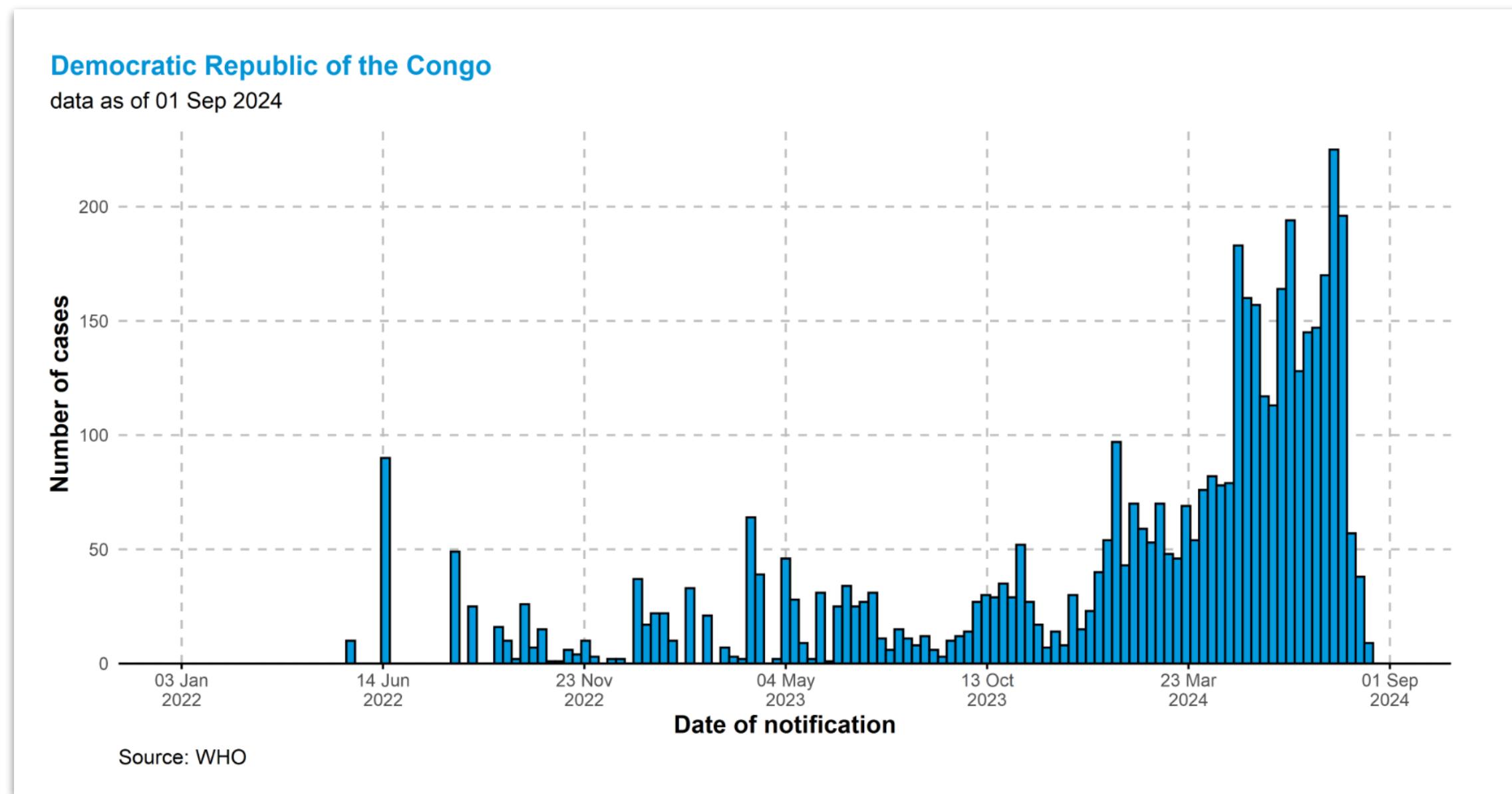
<https://who-collaboratory.github.io/collaboratory-epiparameter-community/#/>

# Task 4: estimate delays



A hypothetical linelist showing the time between primary and secondary event.  
Source: epidist Getting Started vignette

# Task 5: nowcast & forecast mpox infections



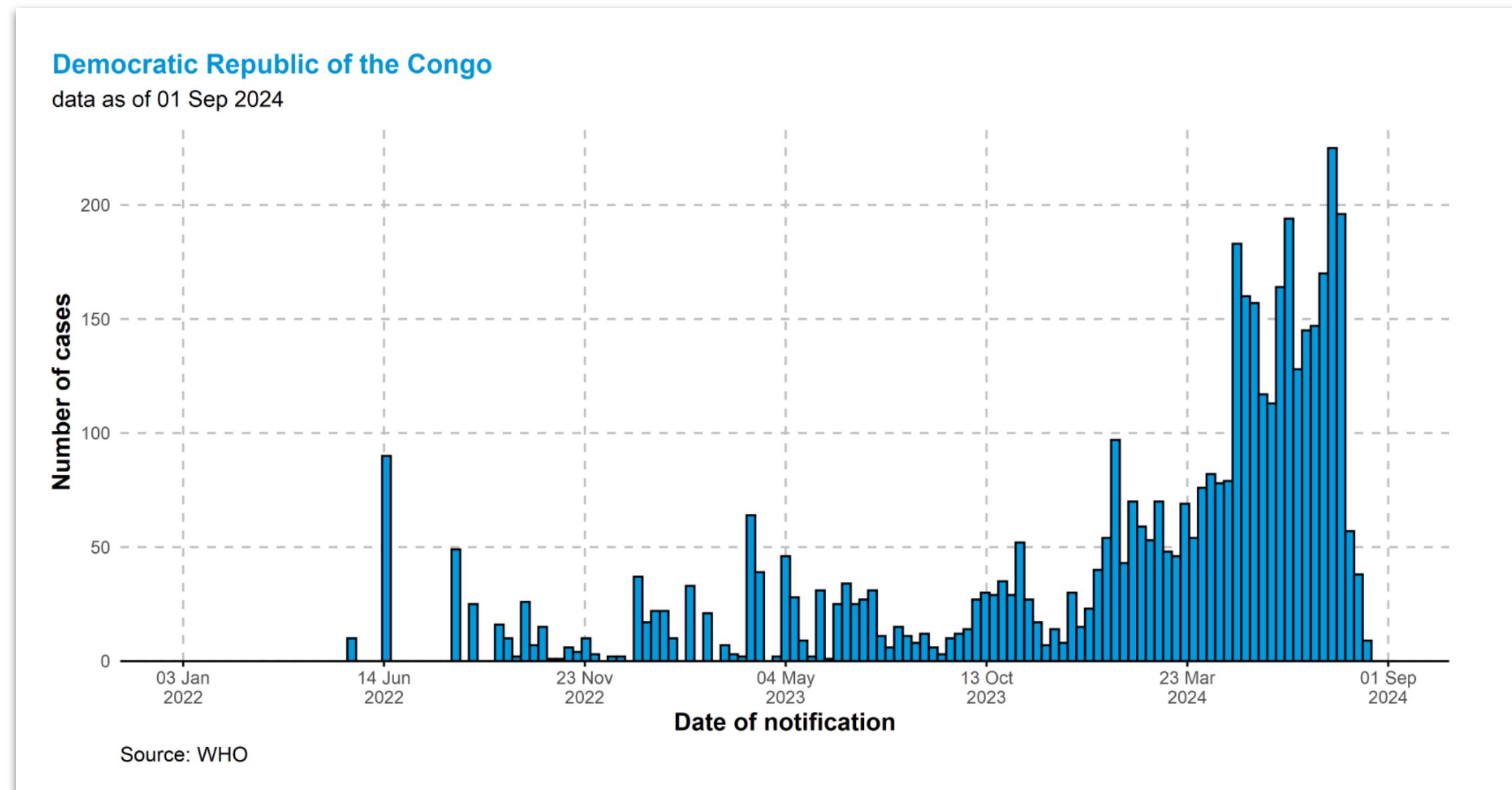
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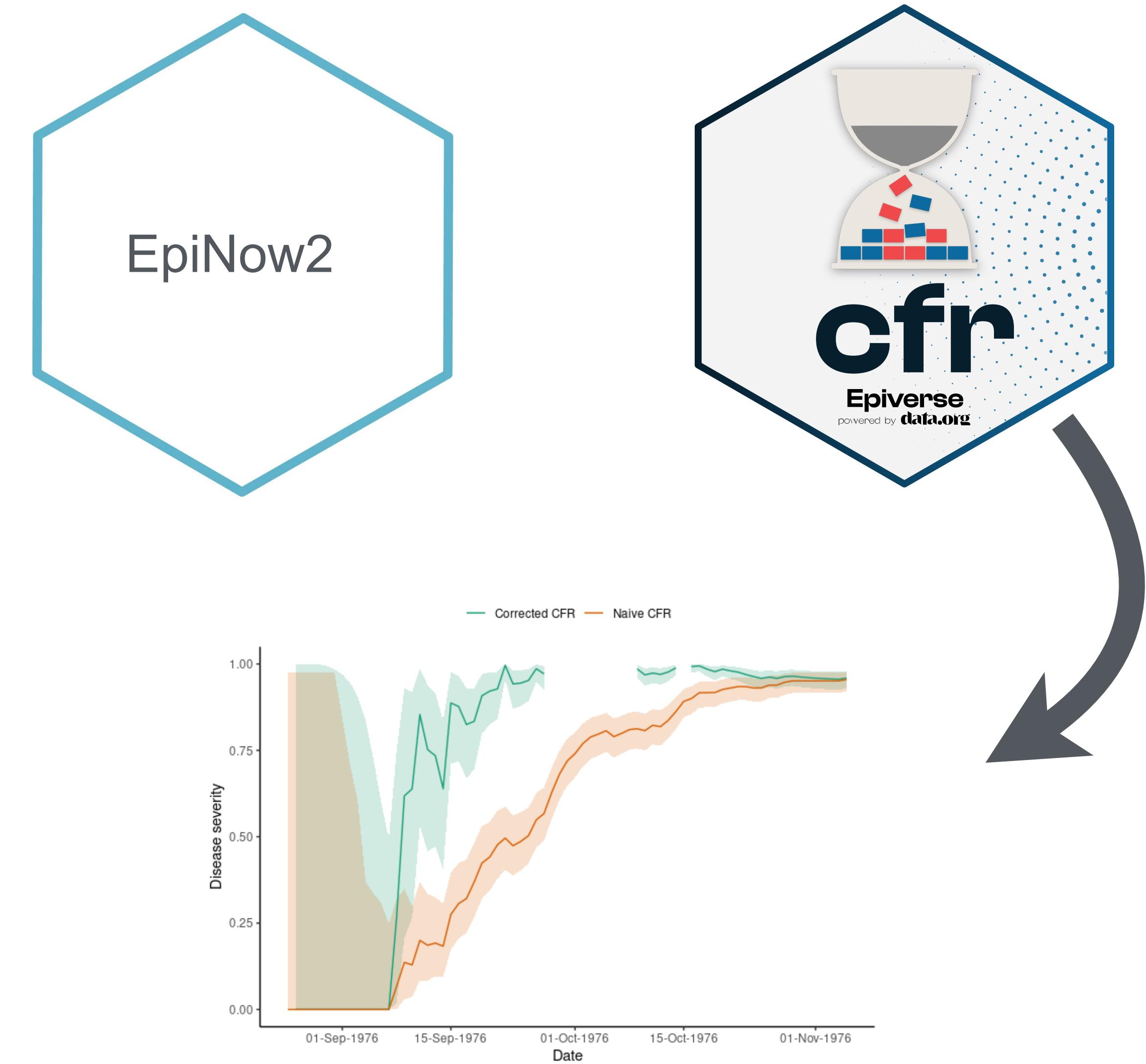
See end-to-end  
nowcasting example:

- EpiNow2
- epinowcast

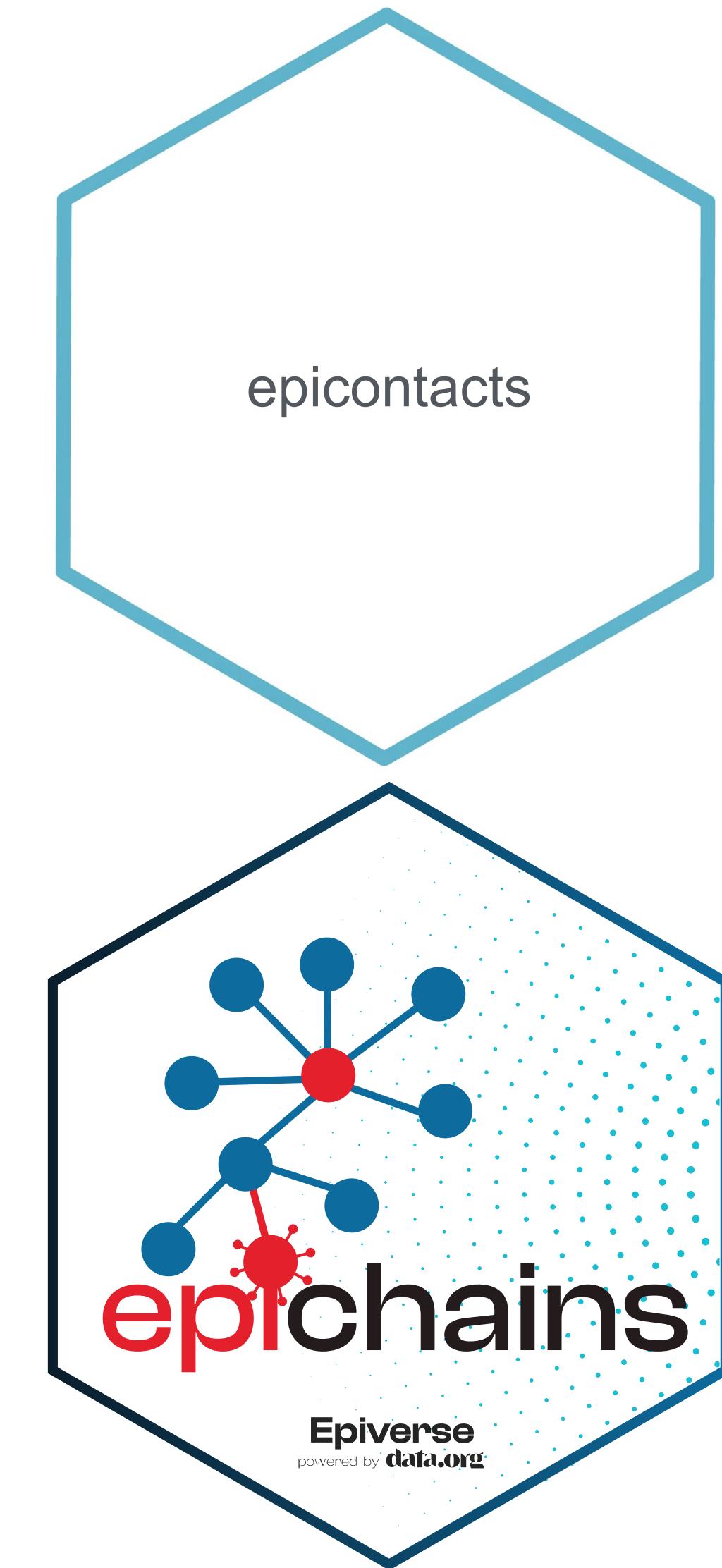
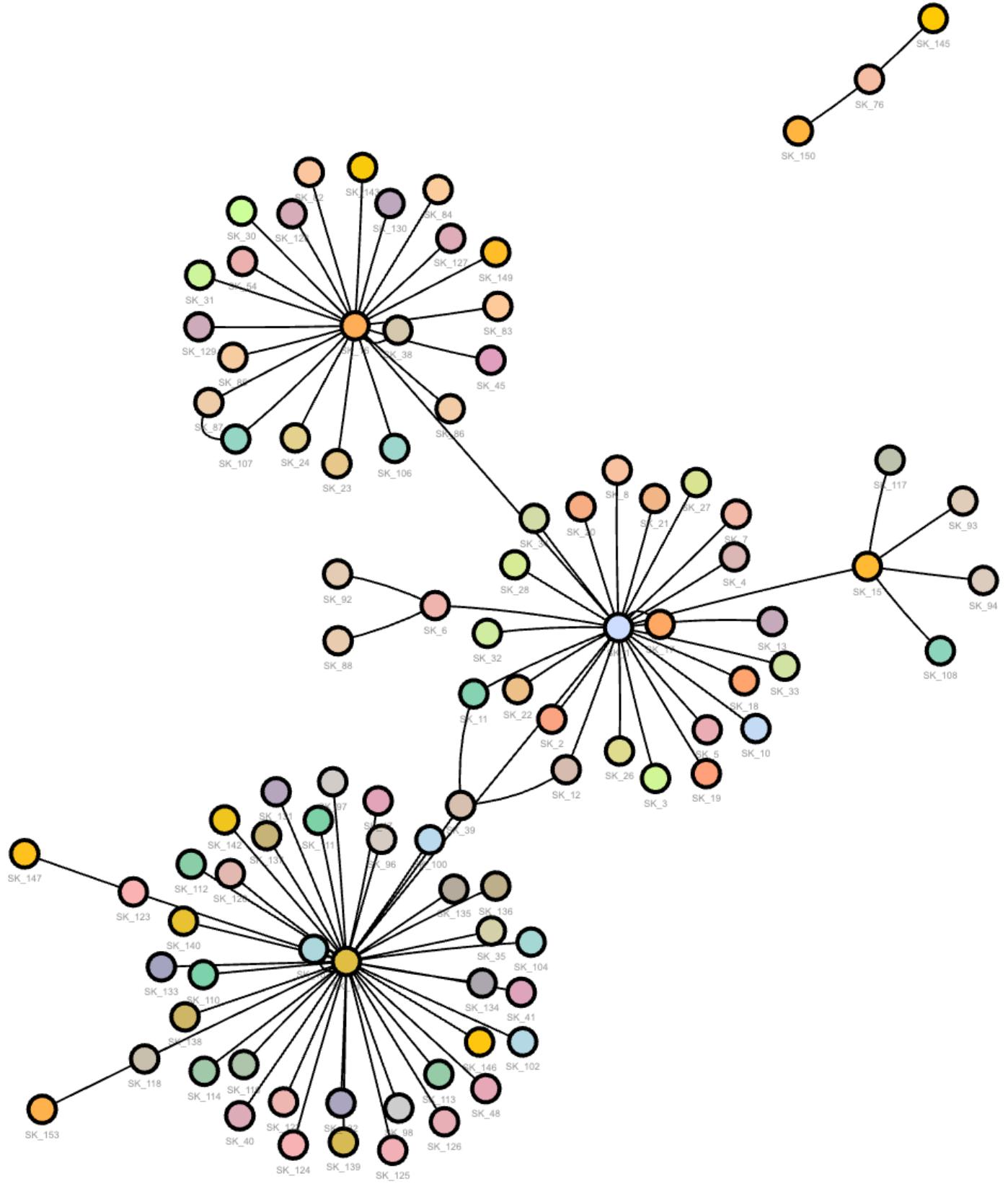
# Task 6: estimate severity (cfr, etc)



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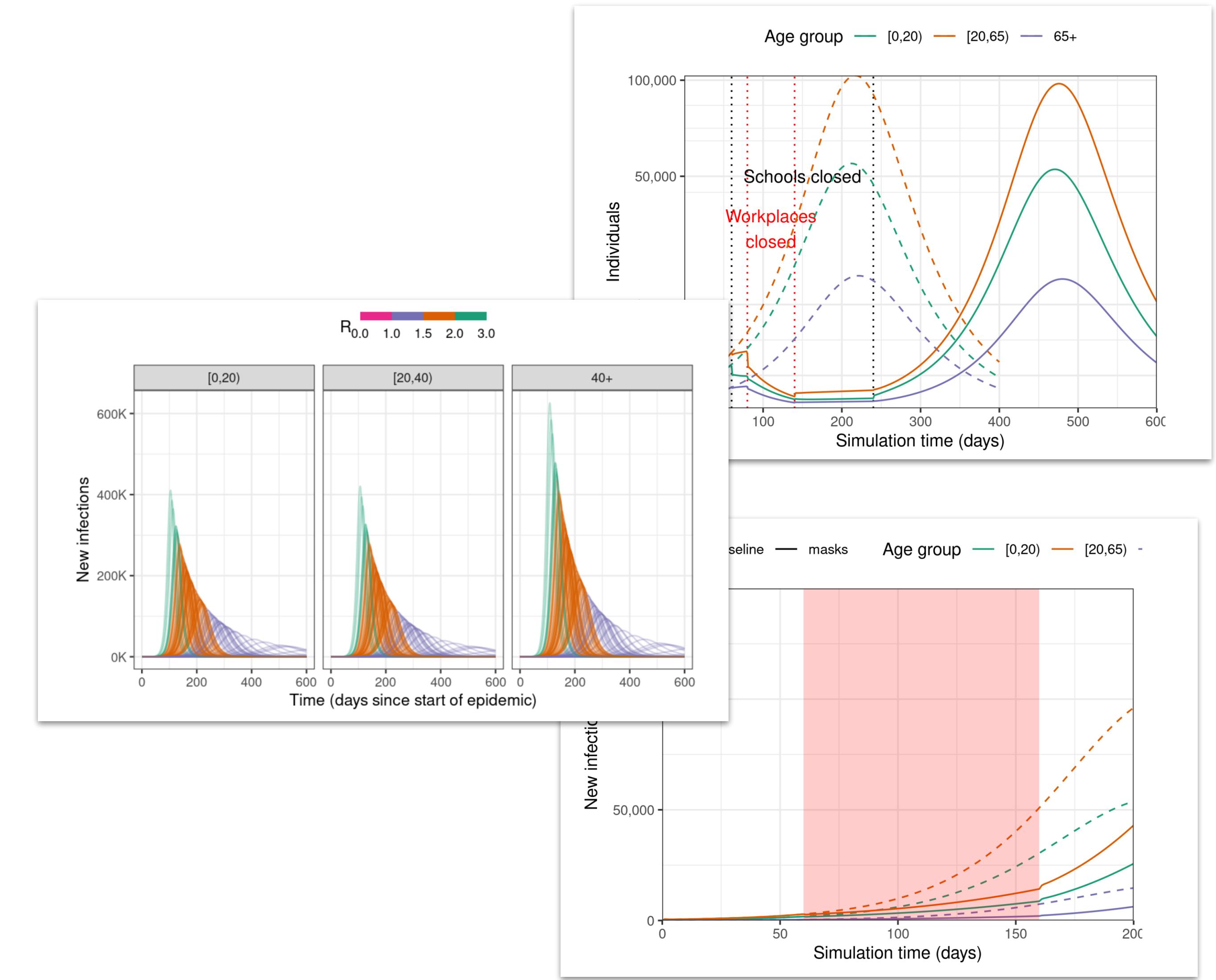
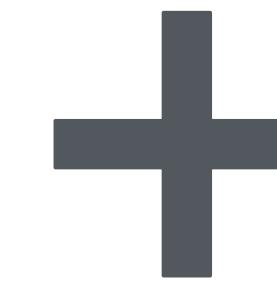


# Task 7: analyse transmission chains + contact data



- Visualise and explore
- Estimate serial interval
- Cluster size distributions and contact degrees
- Estimate R<sub>0</sub> and k
- Fit to data using branching processes

# Task 8: Analyse long term dynamics and scenarios



Source: epidemics R package vignettes

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# Which R package should I use?

PLOS Computational Biology

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## Ten simple rules for finding and selecting R packages

Caroline J. Wendt, G. Brooke Anderson 

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Rule 1: Consider your purpose

Rule 2: Find and collect options

Rule 3: Check how it's shared

Rule 4: Explore the availability and quality of help

Rule 5: Quantify how established it is

Rule 6: Seek evidence of peer acceptance and review

Rule 7: Find out who developed it

Rule 8: See how it's developed

Rule 9: Put it to the test

Rule 10: Develop your own package

# Summary

- Mpx 2024 outbreak is growing
- Here, provided overview of some analytics tasks that can be anticipated
- Showcased existing and emerging R tools to tackle common tasks
- Try out with emerging data and share ideas, findings, frustrations, etc with the developer community for enhancements.

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- RECON
- Everyone, really!
  - R package developers & contributors
  - Methods developers
  - User community

# Questions

- Are there any packages for incorporating phylogenetic data into reconstructing transmission chains?
- Answer: outbreaker2, TransPhylo, phybreak