

Modeling foot-and-mouth disease dissemination in Brazil

Evaluating the effectiveness of control measures

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Background and introduction



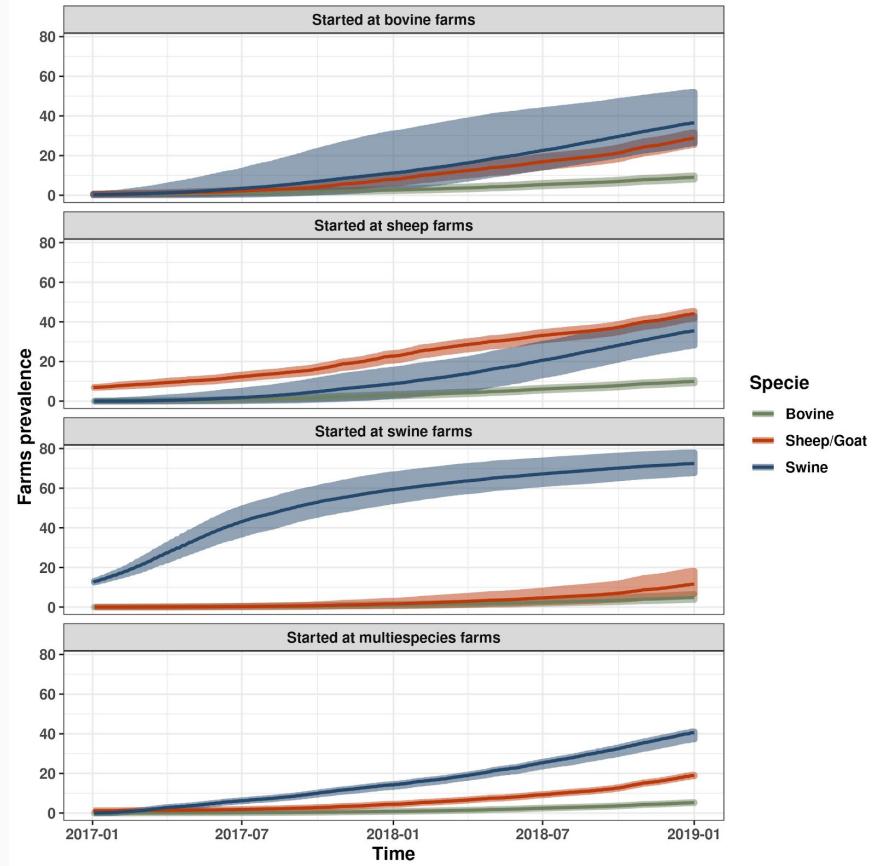
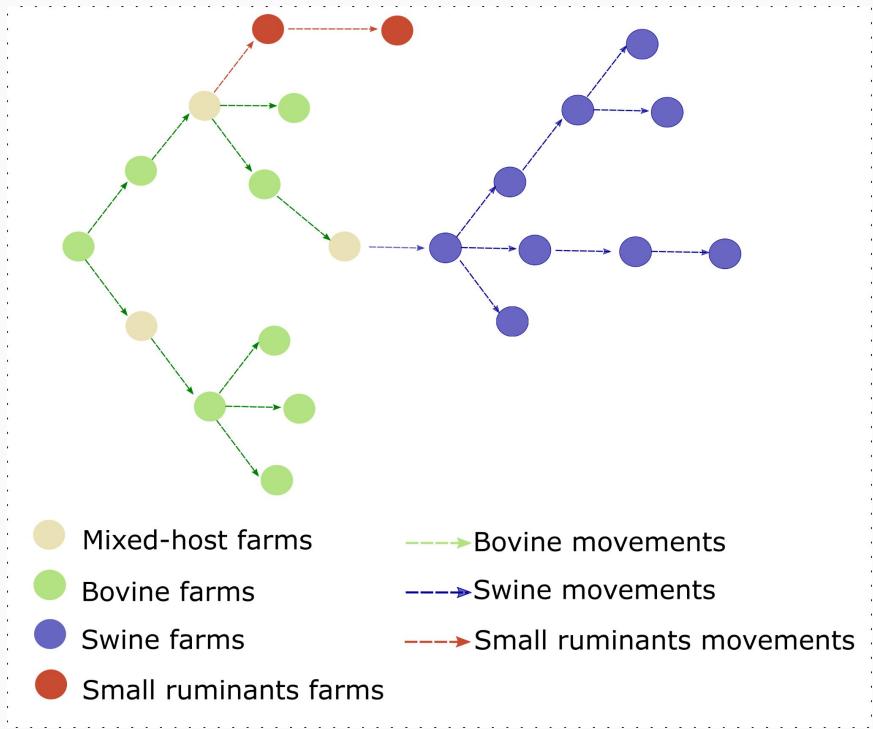
Free of FMD without vaccination since 2020.

Need to be prepared for possible outbreaks:

- Know epidemic potential.
- Potential effect of control actions.

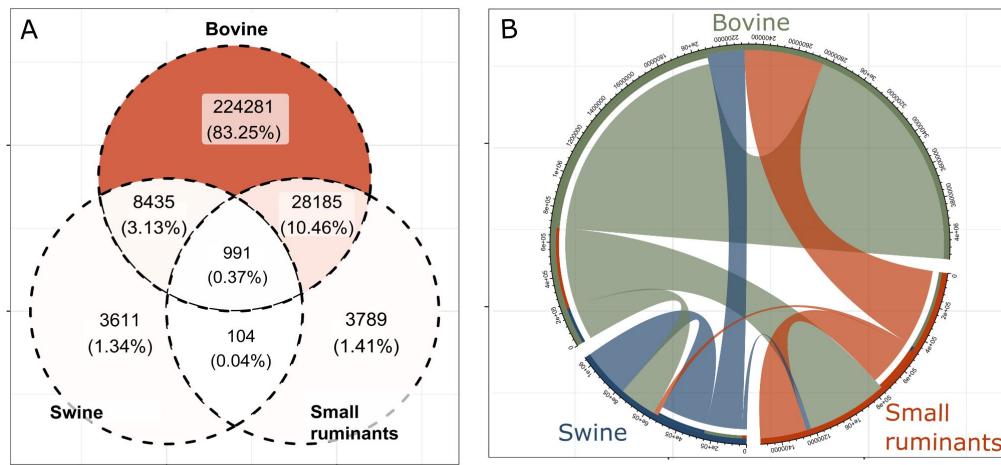
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Why more than one species is really essential ?



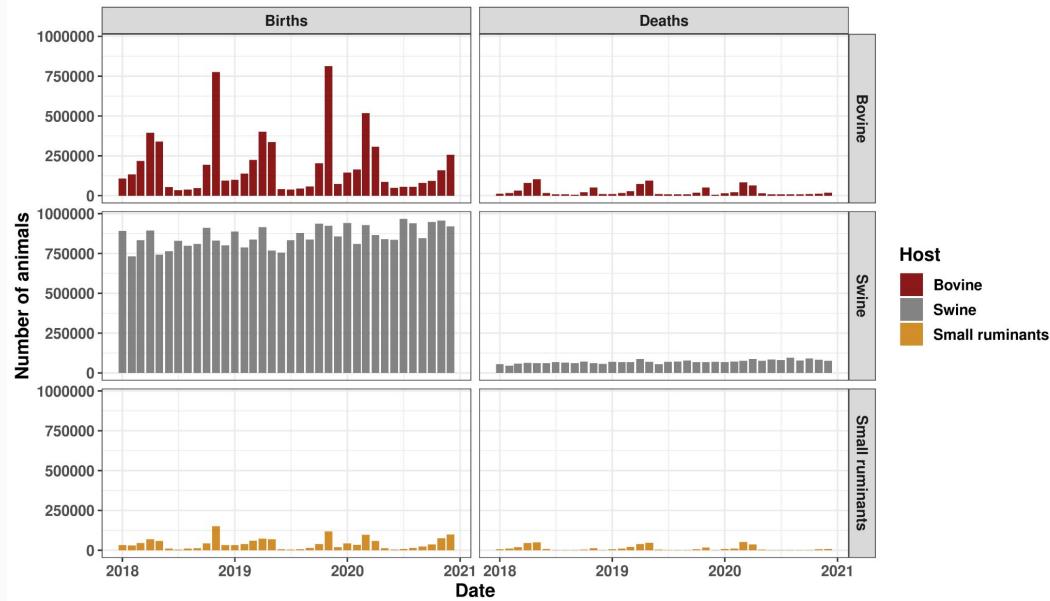
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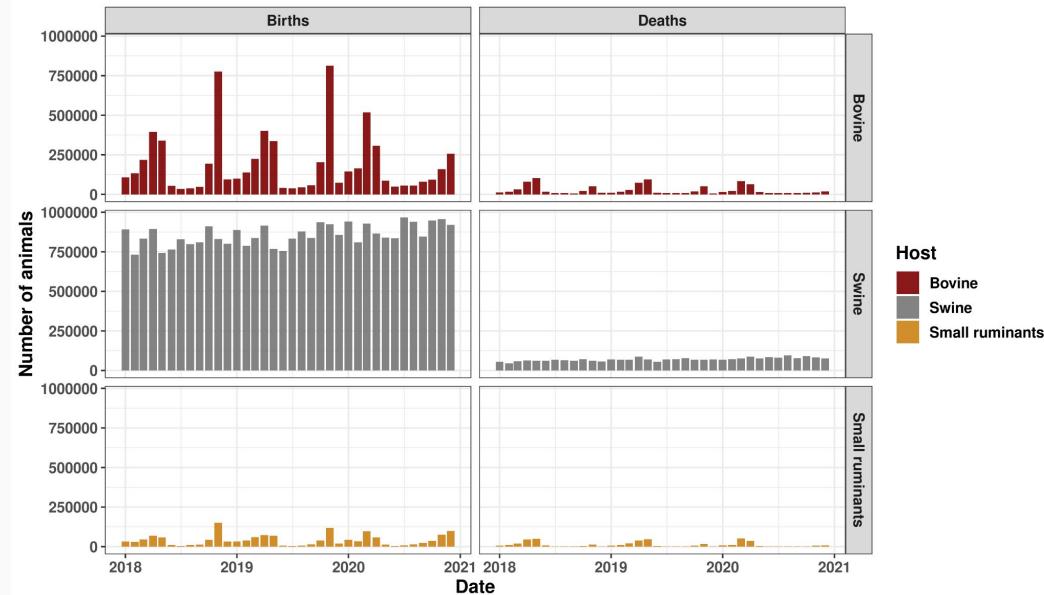
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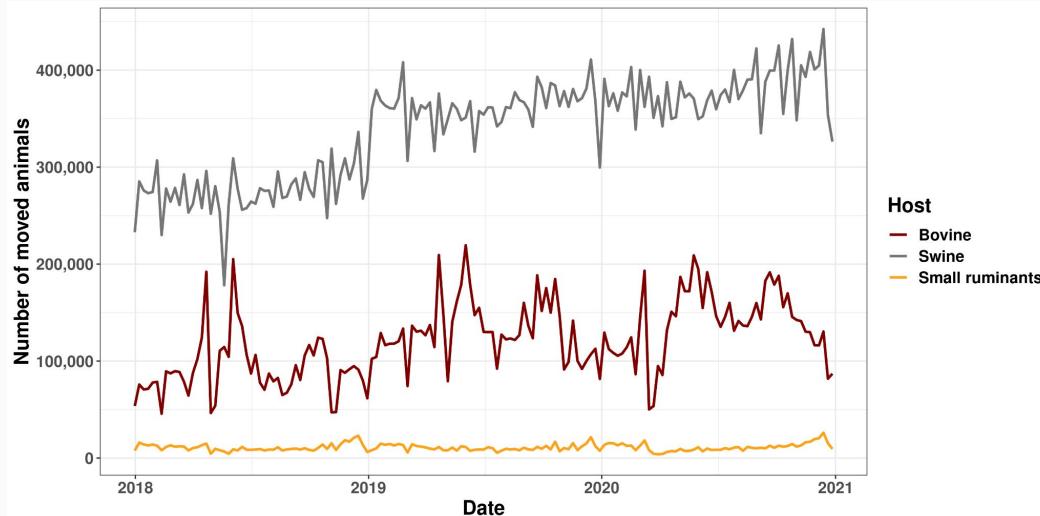
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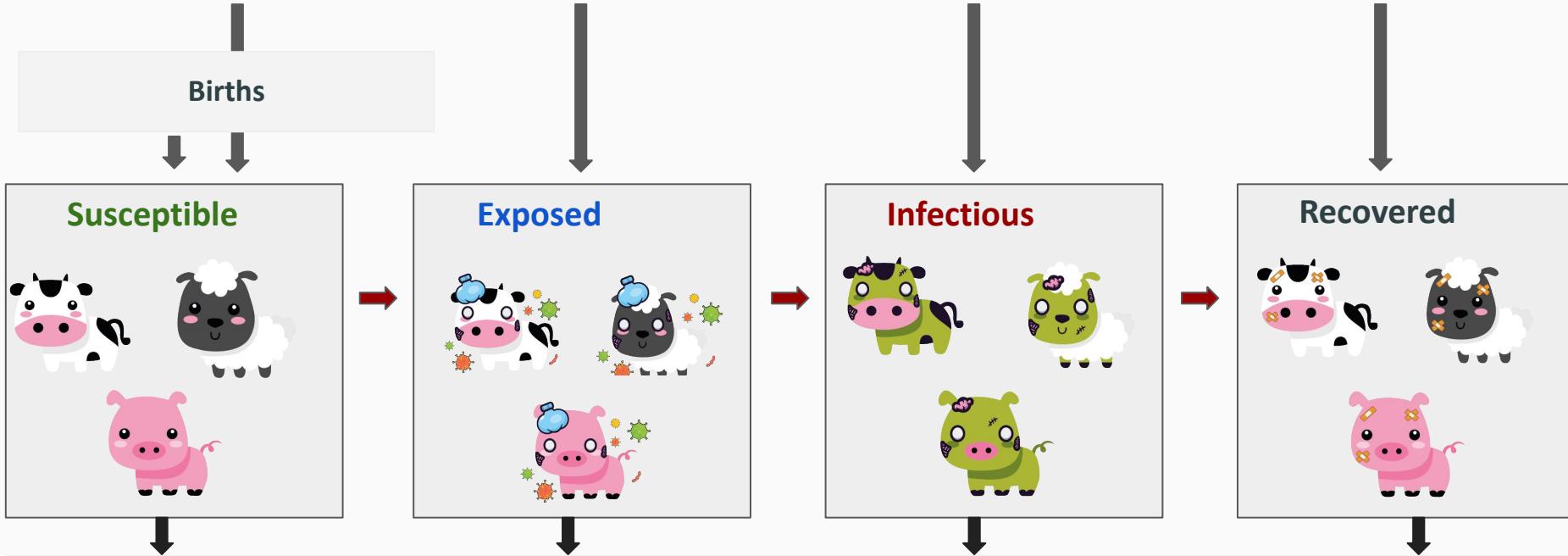
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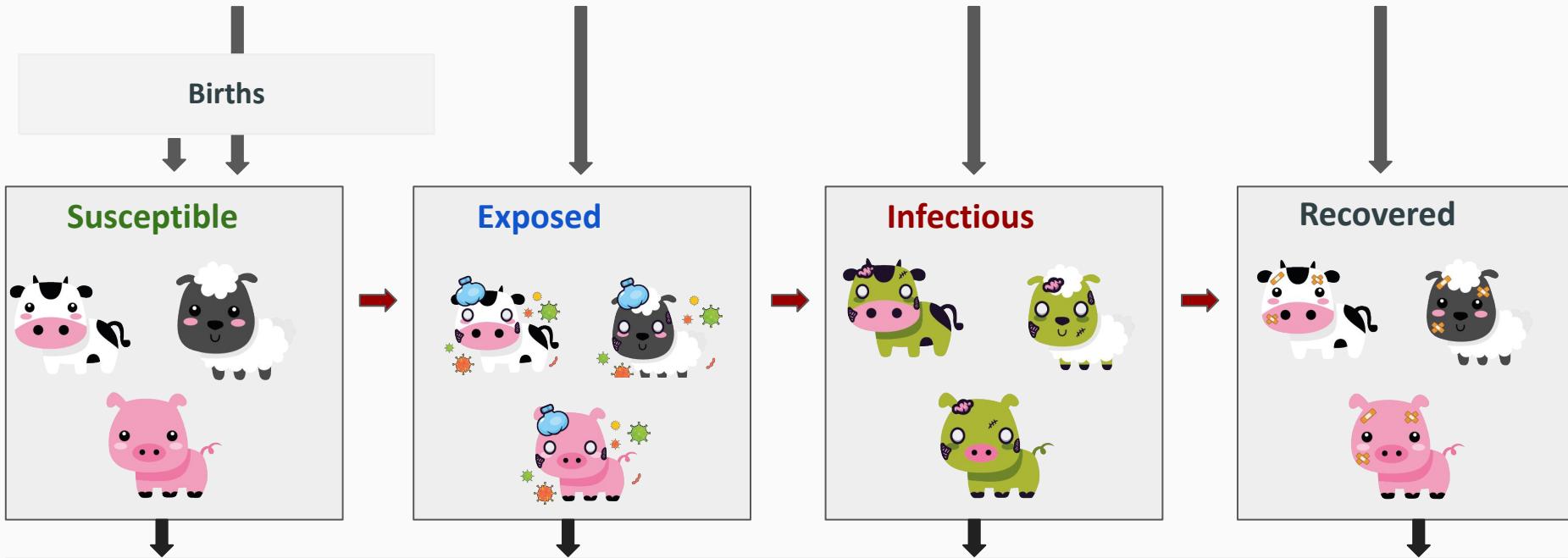
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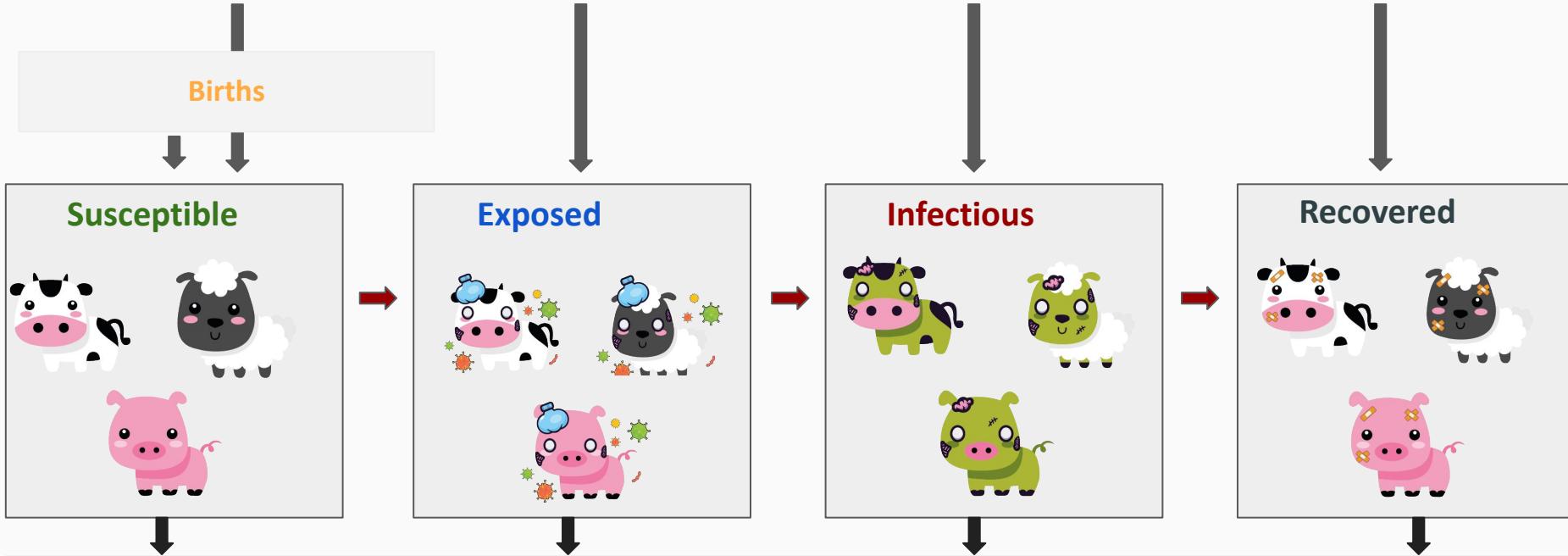
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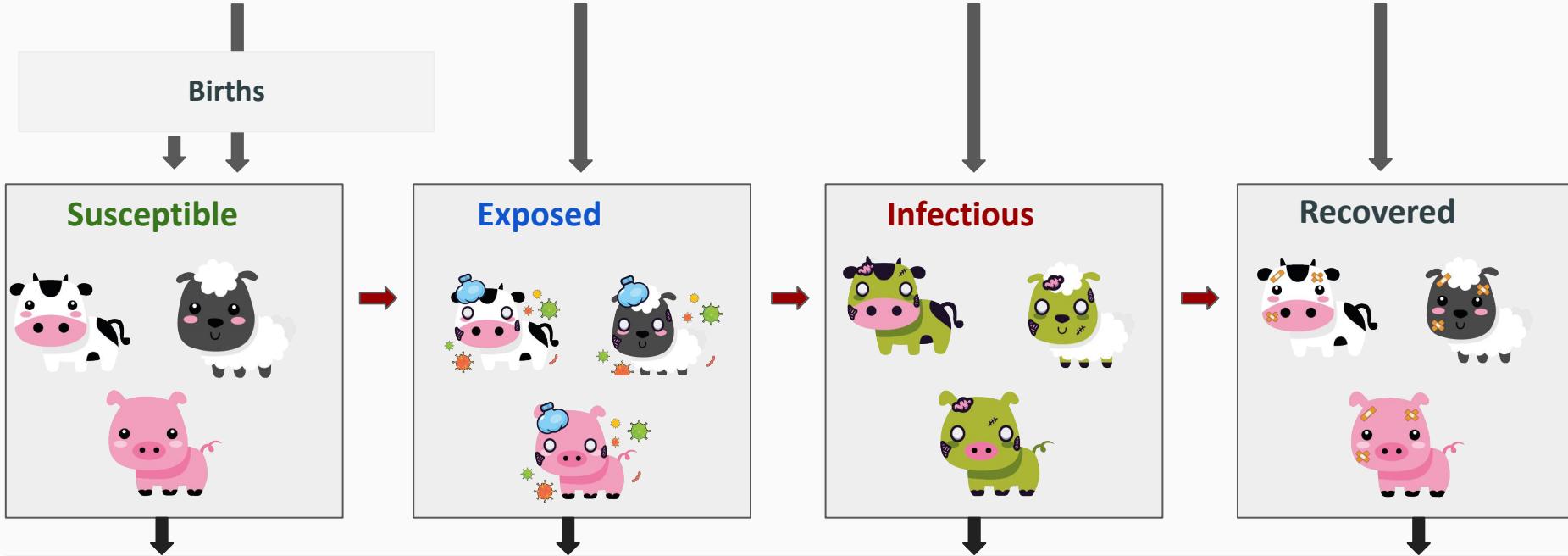
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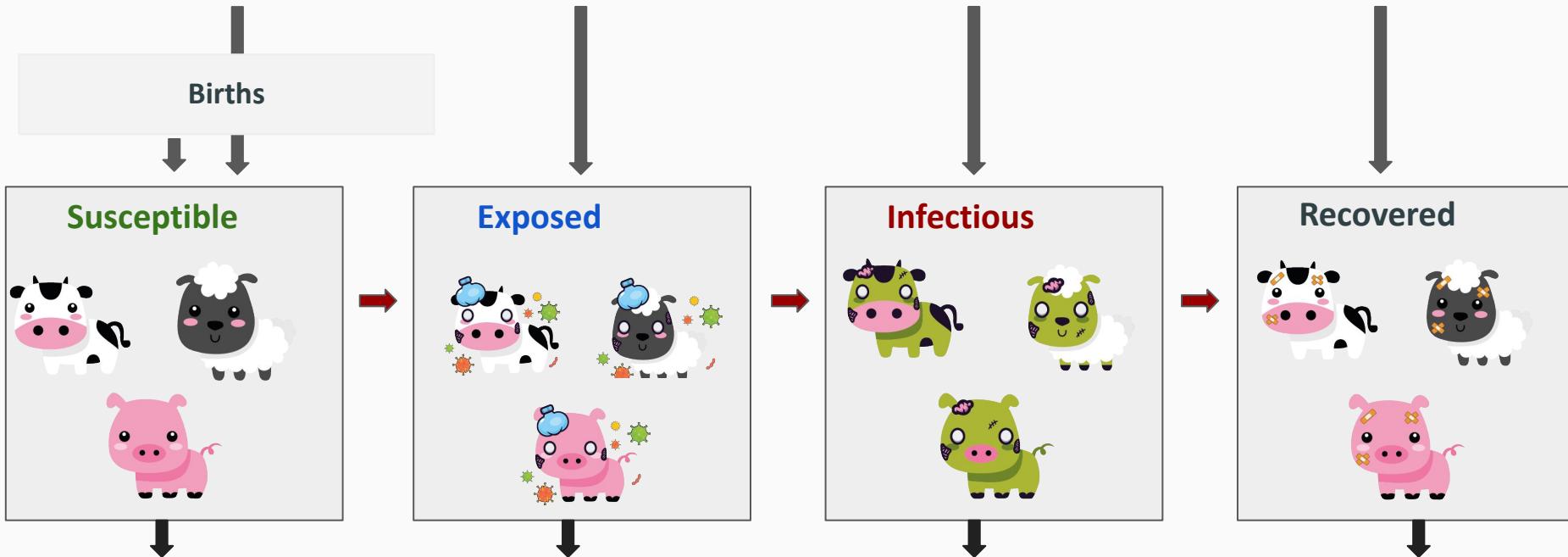
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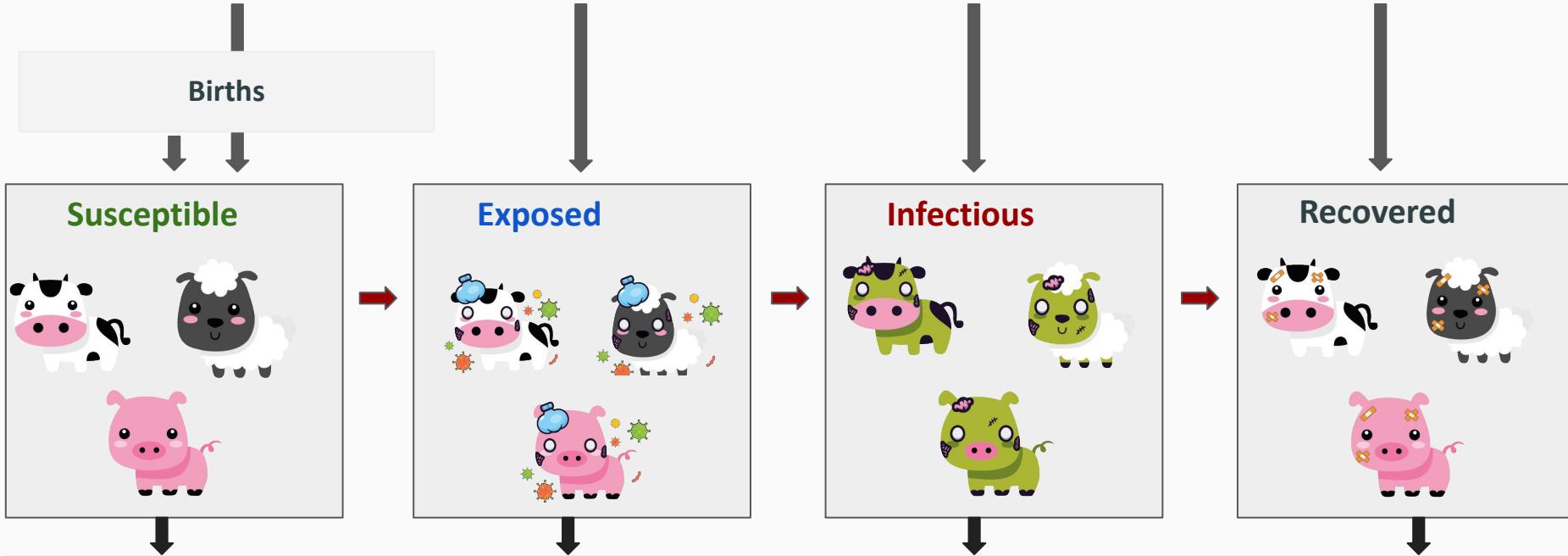
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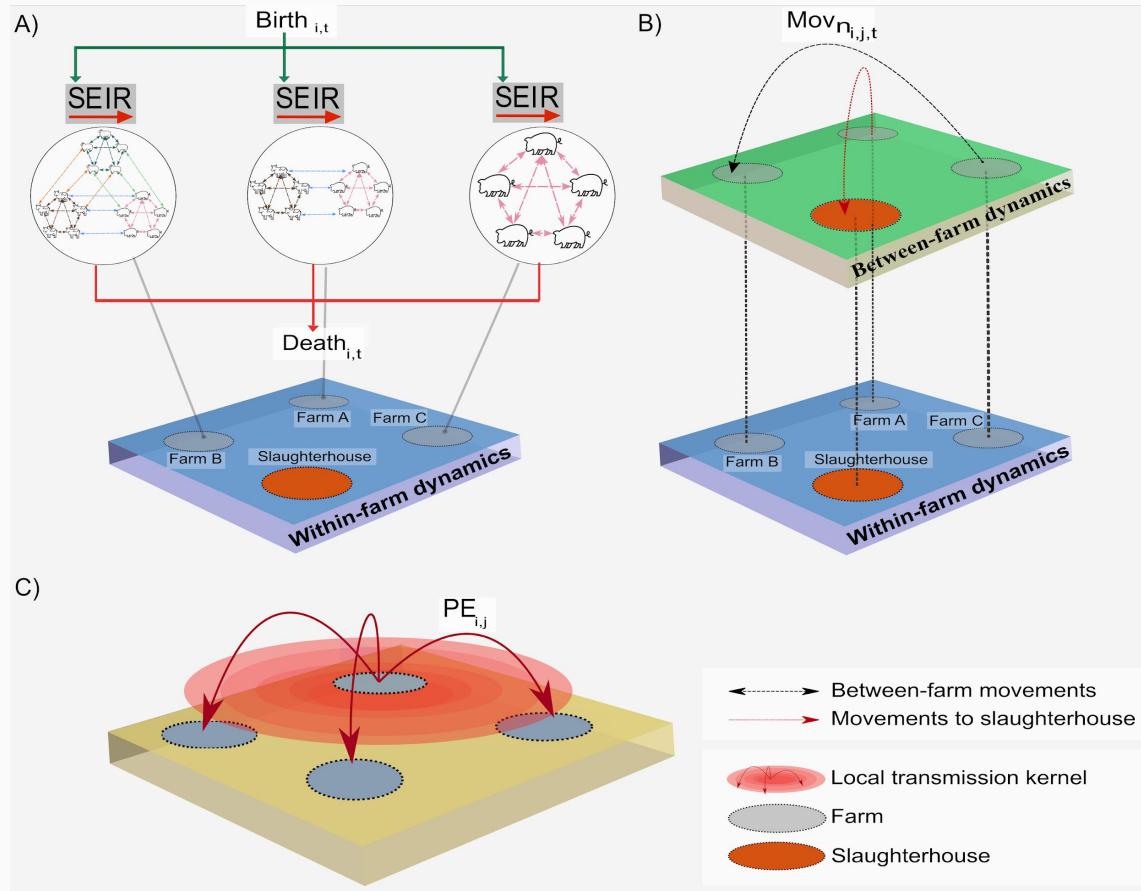
Outgoing animal movements, **deaths**, and movements to slaughterhouses

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Material and methods: Initial Conditions

Initial infections in **15,721** farms:

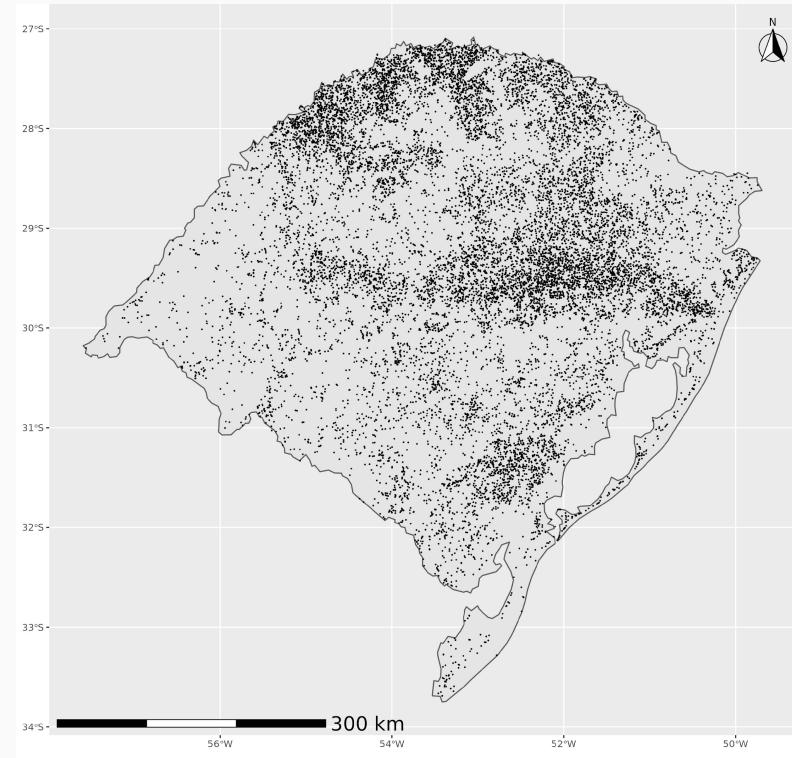
- **10,473** (cattle and/or buffalo)
- **5,179** (swine)
- **69** (small ruminants).

All animals considered fully susceptible.

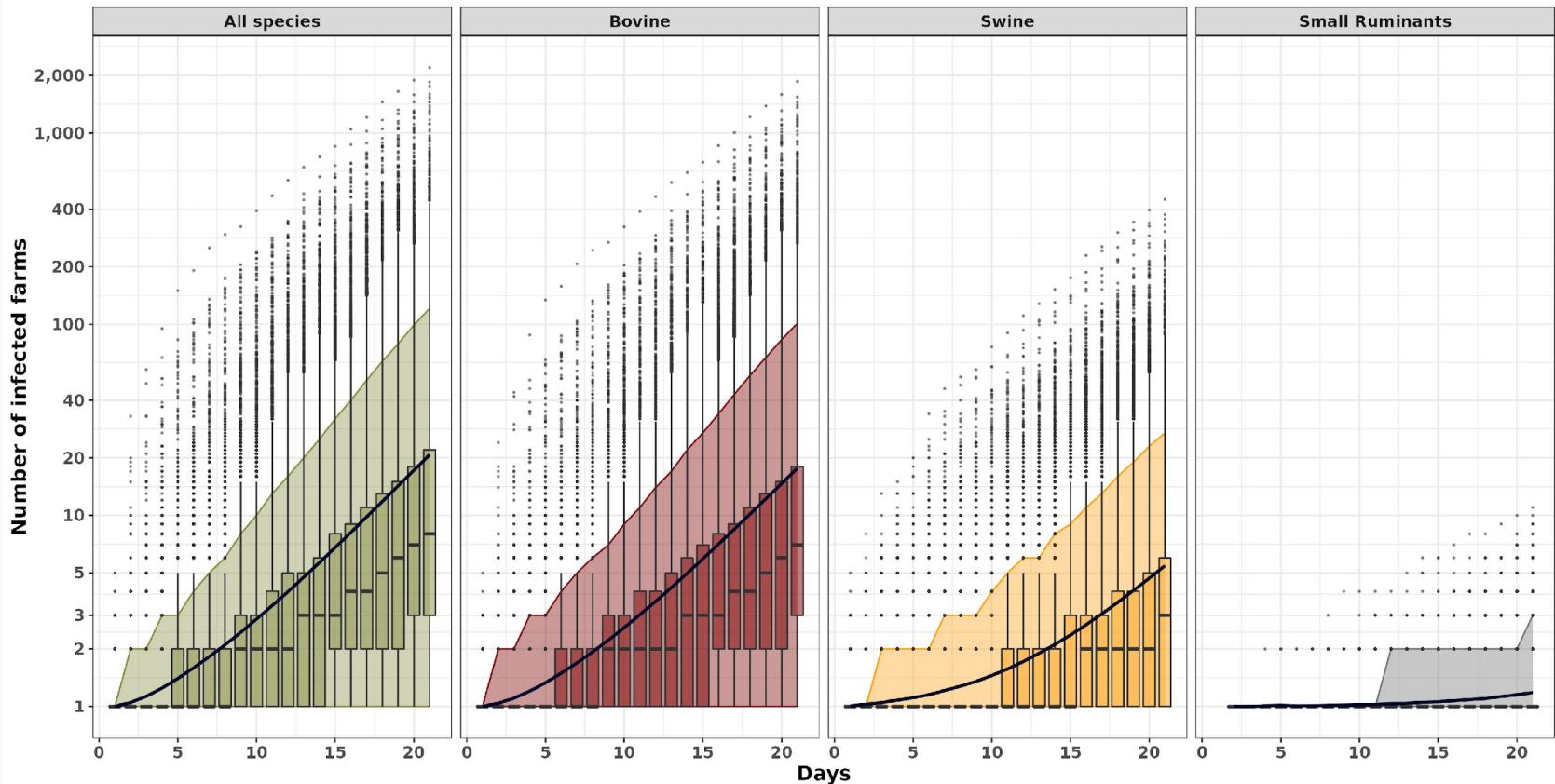
Initial infection of **one** animal.

10 repetitions per farm (seeded randomly at any day between 2018-2020).

20 days of silent spread.

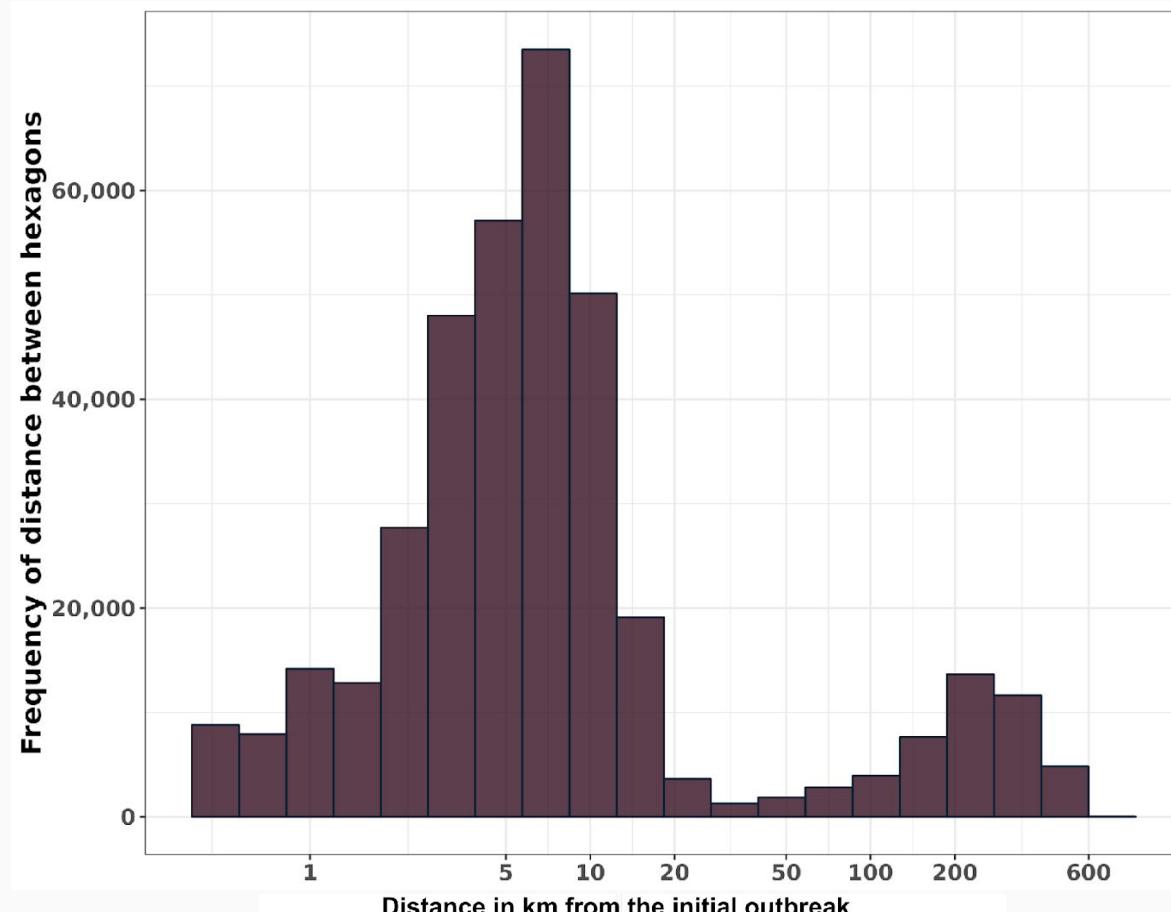


Results: Epidemic trajectories

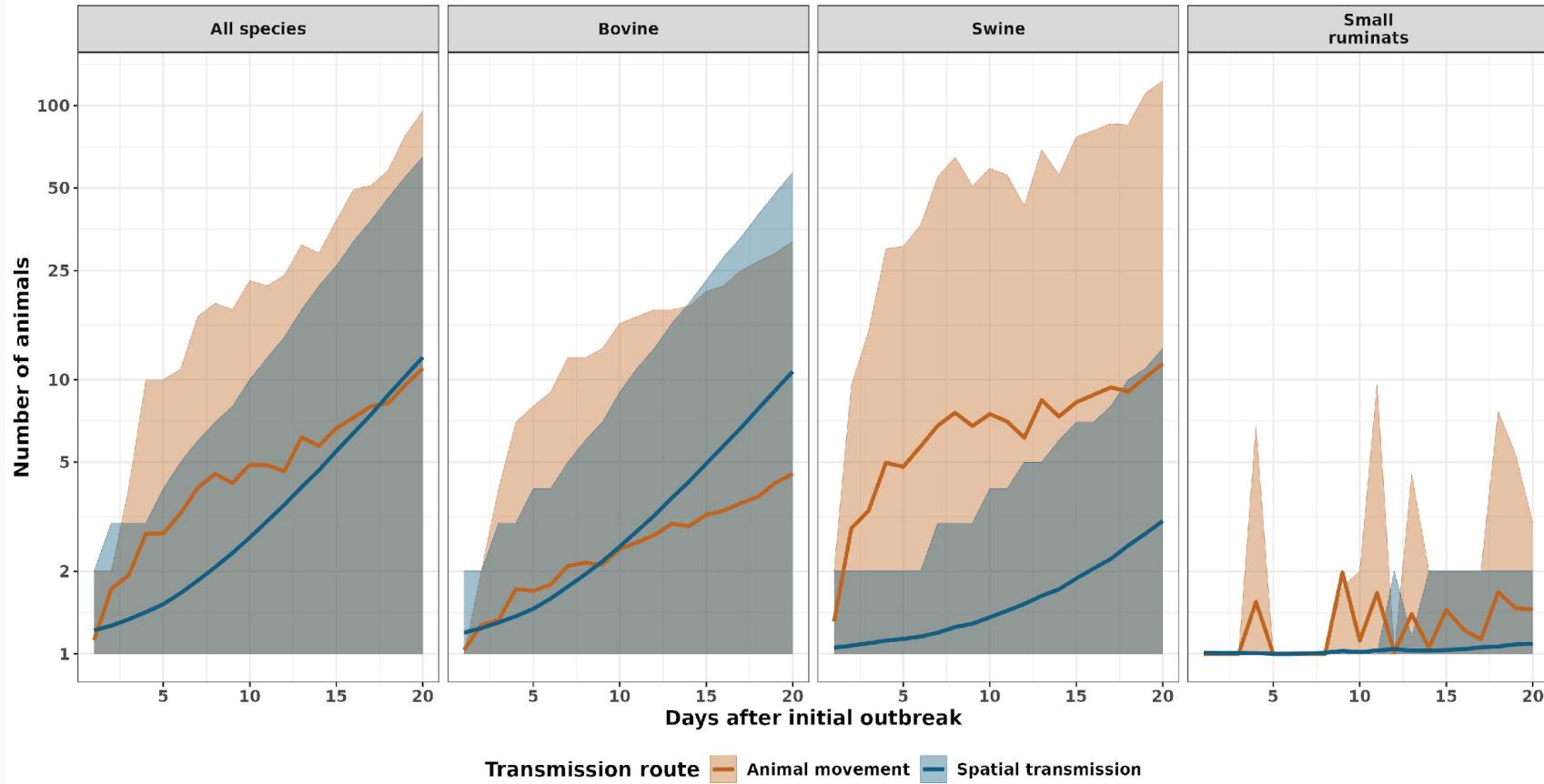


Transmission routes

Results: Distance in km from the initial infected farm



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Control action modelling

Control and eradication simulations

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Control and eradication simulations: control definition

We defined **400** farms as the maximum number of farms that the Official Veterinary Service could manage.

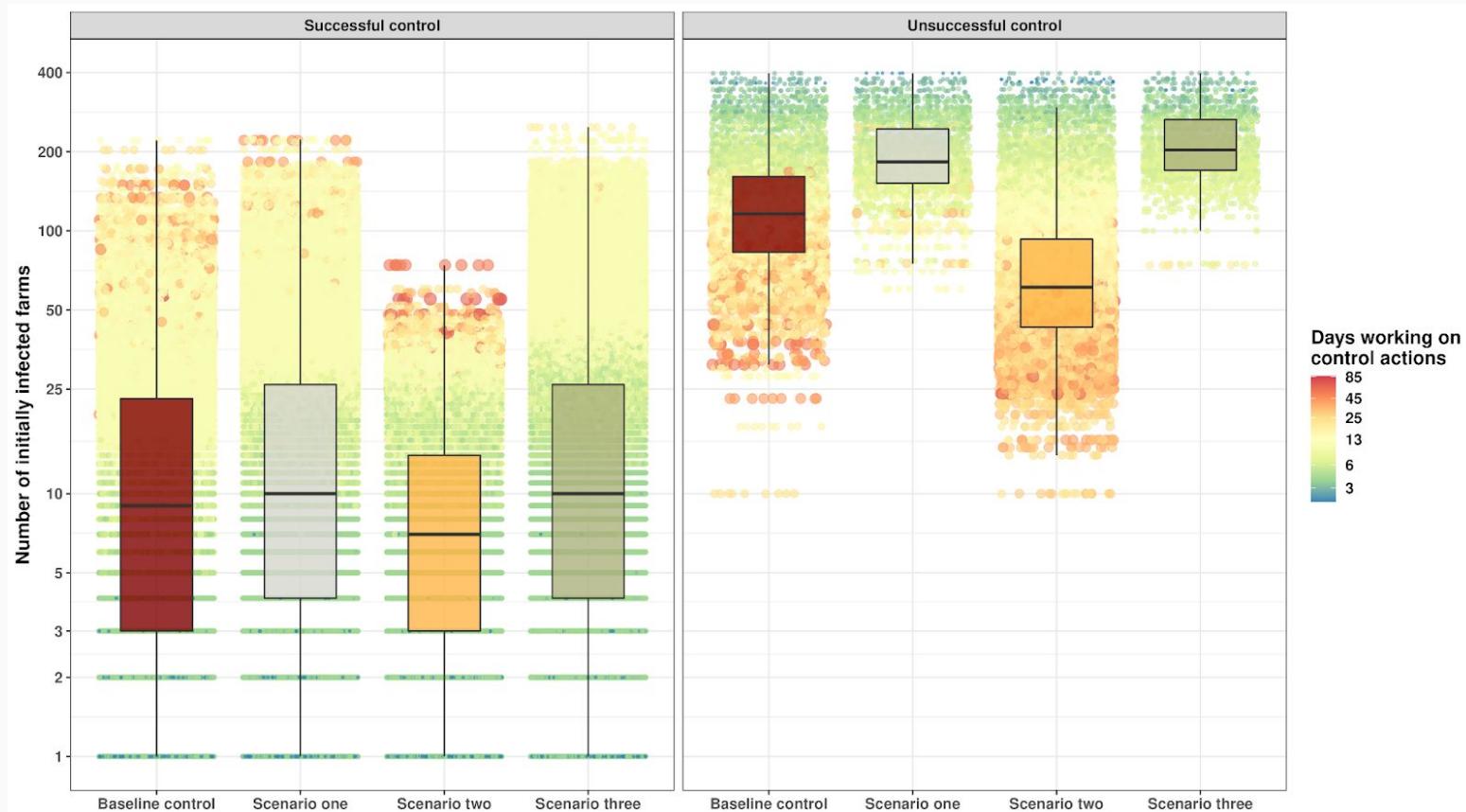
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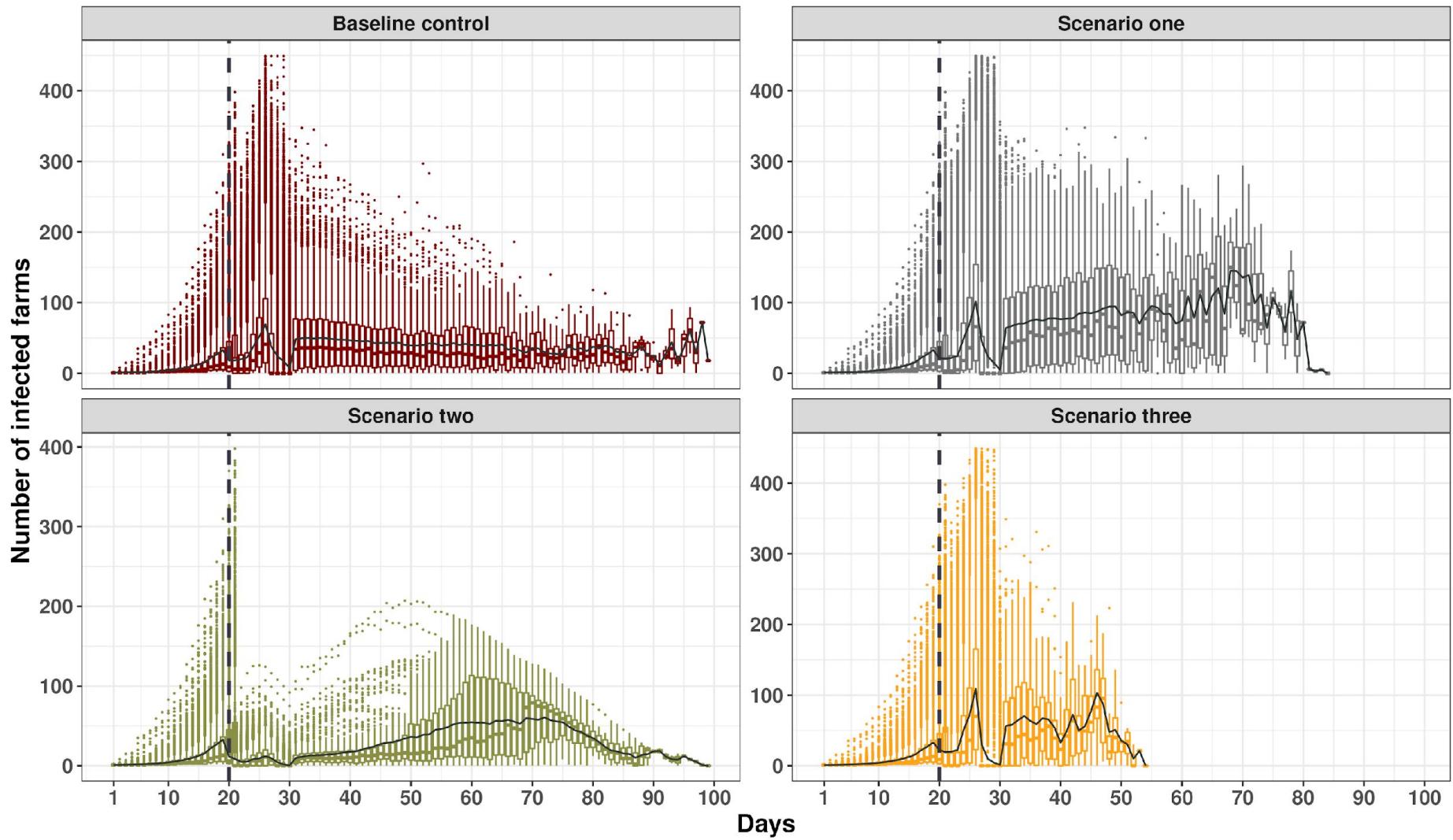
- When no more infected farms were present.

Unsuccessful

- When infected farms were present after 100 days of control action.
- And/or more than 400 farms were infected.

Control and eradication simulations





Further remarks

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- This package includes:
 1. SEIR stochastic compartment model.
 2. Multilevel model.
 - Farm level (meta-population).
 - Between farm.
 - Spatial.
 - Movement.
 3. Multiple species.
 4. Front end dashboard.
 5. MHASpread can be used with large datasets.





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