

Supplemental Material for Infanticide by females is a leading source
of juvenile mortality in a large social carnivore

1. Posthumous care by mother



Figure S1. A mother showing posthumous care for her cub that suffered infanticide. She defended it from others, moved it in and out of the den, and groomed it. Note the atypical way she is carrying her cub in panel A; cubs are typically carried by the nape of the neck, as in other carnivores. When observers left her, she was sleeping next to the body of her deceased cub (panel E).

2. Model detail for mortality ~ age at death

Here we used a multinomial model of mortality source as a function of age at death to understand the contribution of different mortality sources to overall juvenile mortality. This model was initialized with weak, uninformative priors, and four chains were run for 30000 iterations each (15000 warmup). To determine convergence, we visually examined rank plots of MCMC chains (not pictured) and confirmed that the potential scale reduction factor (R-hat) was less than 1.1 (in all cases R-hat < 1.001).

MODEL SPECIFICATION:
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## Family: multinomial
## Formula: y | trials(1) ~ 1 + age_at_death
## Number of observations: 66
## Samples: 4 chains, each with iter = 30000 ; warmup = 15000 ; thin = 1
##
## PRIORS:
##
## b_muhuman ~ (flat)
## b_muhuman_age_at_death ~ (flat)
## b_mulion ~ (flat)
## b_mulion_age_at_death ~ (flat)
## b_muother ~ (flat)
## b_muother_age_at_death ~ (flat)
## b_musiblicide ~ (flat)
## b_musiblicide_age_at_death ~ (flat)
## b_mustarvation ~ (flat)
## b_mustarvation_age_at_death ~ (flat)
## Intercept_muhuman ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_mulion ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_muother ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_musiblicide ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_mustarvation ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
##
## MODEL OUTPUT:
##
##               Estimate Est.Error 1-95% CI u-95% CI
## starvation_Intercept    -2.8829    0.8981  -4.7875  -1.2587
## lion_Intercept          -4.0220    1.0425  -6.2429  -2.1704
## siblicide_Intercept     -0.1496    0.7128  -1.5644   1.2389
## human_Intercept         -5.1478    1.4012  -8.1956  -2.7240
## other_Intercept         -1.0379    0.6870  -2.4335   0.2622
## starvation_age_at_death   0.6362    0.2286   0.2187   1.1211
## lion_age_at_death        0.9475    0.2358   0.5308   1.4510
## siblicide_age_at_death  -0.4732    0.3763  -1.2767   0.1894
## human_age_at_death       0.9693    0.2672   0.4898   1.5368
## other_age_at_death       0.1158    0.2485  -0.3829   0.6001
##
## MODEL DIAGNOSTICS:
##
##               Rhat Bulk_ESS Tail_ESS
## starvation_Intercept    1.0001    50801    39332
## lion_Intercept          1.0001    42895    37122
## siblicide_Intercept     1.0001    44791    47705
## human_Intercept         1.0001    40295    34513
## other_Intercept         1.0000    50117    44319
## starvation_age_at_death 1.0001    26098    29220
## lion_age_at_death       1.0000    25263    28857
## siblicide_age_at_death  1.0000    31527    31187
## human_age_at_death      1.0000    26122    28859
## other_age_at_death      1.0000    27555    33805

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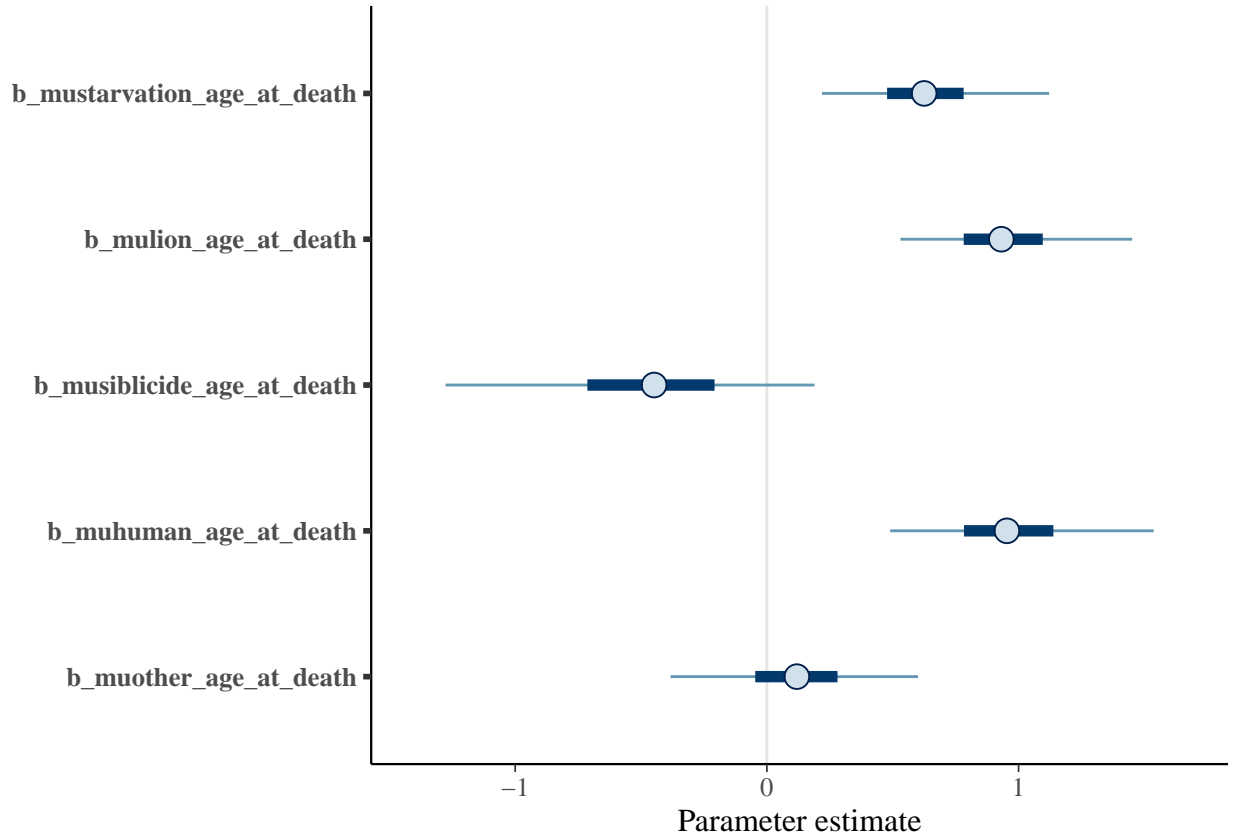


Figure S2. Interval plot showing parameter estimates and associated 50% and 95% credible intervals for the effect of age at death on the probability of different mortality sources. Infanticide is the reference level, so parameter estimates represent the log odds ratio of each mortality source relative to infanticide.

3. Model detail for mortality source ~ prey density

Here we used a multinomial model of mortality source as a function of prey density in the month before death. This model was initialized with weak, uninformative priors, and four chains were run for 30000 iterations each (15000 warmup). To determine convergence, we visually examined rank plots of MCMC chains (not pictured) and confirmed that the potential scale reduction factor (R-hat) was less than 1.1 (in all cases R-hat < 1.001).

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## MODEL SPECIFICATION:
##
## Family:    multinomial
## Formula:   y | trials(1) ~ 1 + prey_density
## Number of observations: 85
## Samples:   4 chains, each with iter = 30000 ; warmup = 15000 ; thin = 1
##
## PRIORS:
##
## b_mudeathofmother ~ (flat)
## b_mudeathofmother_preay_density ~ (flat)
## b_muhuman ~ (flat)
## b_muhuman_preay_density ~ (flat)
## b_mulion ~ (flat)
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## b_mulion_prej_density ~ (flat)
## b_muother ~ (flat)
## b_muother_prej_density ~ (flat)
## b_musiblicide ~ (flat)
## b_musiblicide_prej_density ~ (flat)
## b_mustarvation ~ (flat)
## b_mustarvation_prej_density ~ (flat)
## Intercept_mudeathofmother ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_muhuman ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_mulion ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_muother ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_musiblicide ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_mustarvation ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
##
## MODEL OUTPUT:
##
##               Estimate Est.Error 1-95% CI u-95% CI
## starvation_Intercept      -0.4076   0.7185  -1.8313  0.9738
## lion_Intercept             -1.0104   0.6744  -2.3649  0.2930
## siblicide_Intercept        -1.2770   0.7793  -2.8446  0.2077
## deathofmother_Intercept    0.4748   0.5222  -0.5440  1.5075
## human_Intercept            -1.4854   0.8284  -3.1754  0.0875
## other_Intercept            -1.5593   0.7111  -3.0135 -0.2205
## starvation_prej_density    -0.0014   0.0035  -0.0087  0.0052
## lion_prej_density          0.0031   0.0026  -0.0019  0.0082
## siblicide_prej_density      0.0018   0.0031  -0.0045  0.0077
## deathofmother_prej_density 0.0019   0.0023  -0.0023  0.0065
## human_prej_density          0.0019   0.0032  -0.0048  0.0080
## other_prej_density          0.0046   0.0025   0.0001  0.0098
##
## MODEL DIAGNOSTICS:
##
##               Rhat Bulk_ESS Tail_ESS
## starvation_Intercept    1.0000   37804   44911
## lion_Intercept          1.0001   32598   40397
## siblicide_Intercept     1.0001   36408   39729
## deathofmother_Intercept 1.0002   28327   38545
## human_Intercept         1.0001   35138   40542
## other_Intercept         1.0000   31631   38417
## starvation_prej_density 1.0002   24060   34203
## lion_prej_density        1.0002   21374   27639
## siblicide_prej_density   1.0001   23843   33687
## deathofmother_prej_density 1.0003   19311   24819
## human_prej_density       1.0002   23521   32649
## other_prej_density       1.0002   20326   25653

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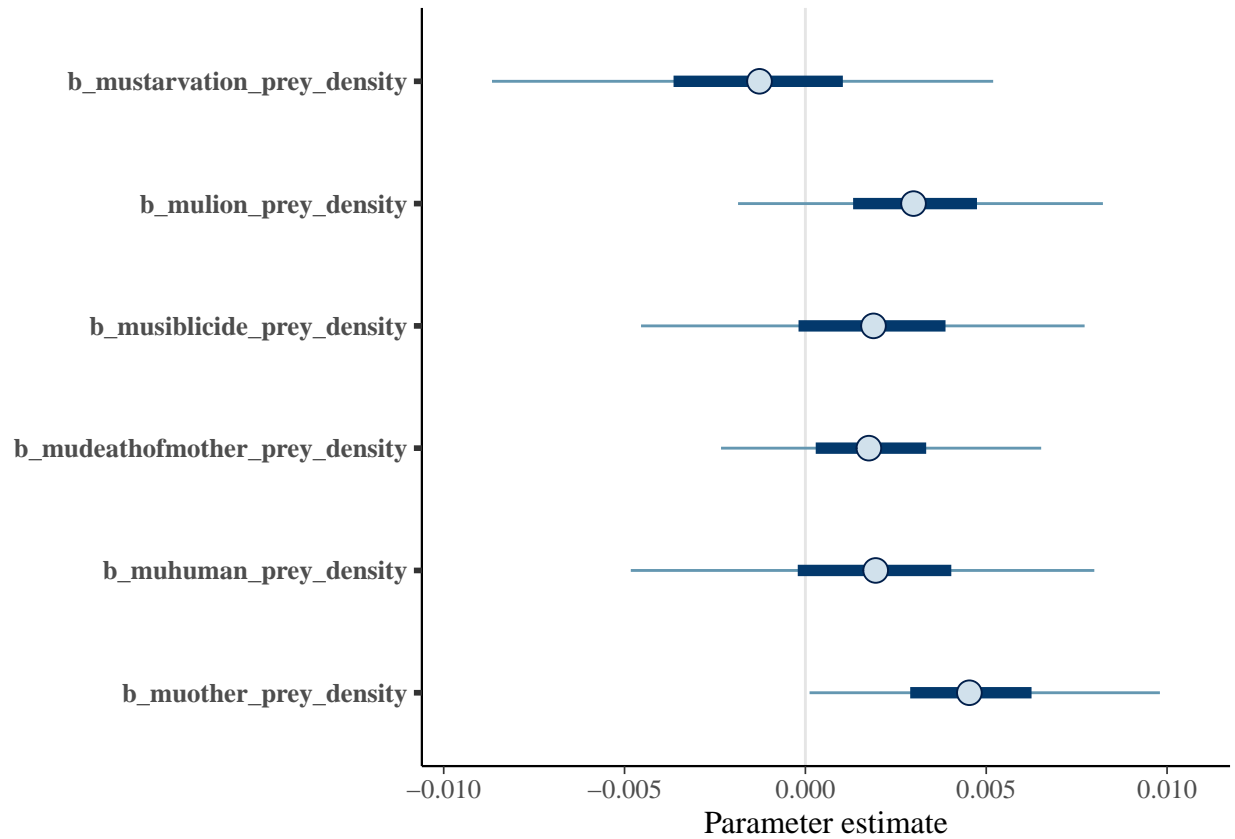


Figure S3. Interval plot showing parameter estimates and associated 50% and 95% credible intervals for the effect of prey density on the probability of different mortality sources. Infanticide is the reference level, so parameter estimates represent the log-odds ratio of each mortality source relative to infanticide.

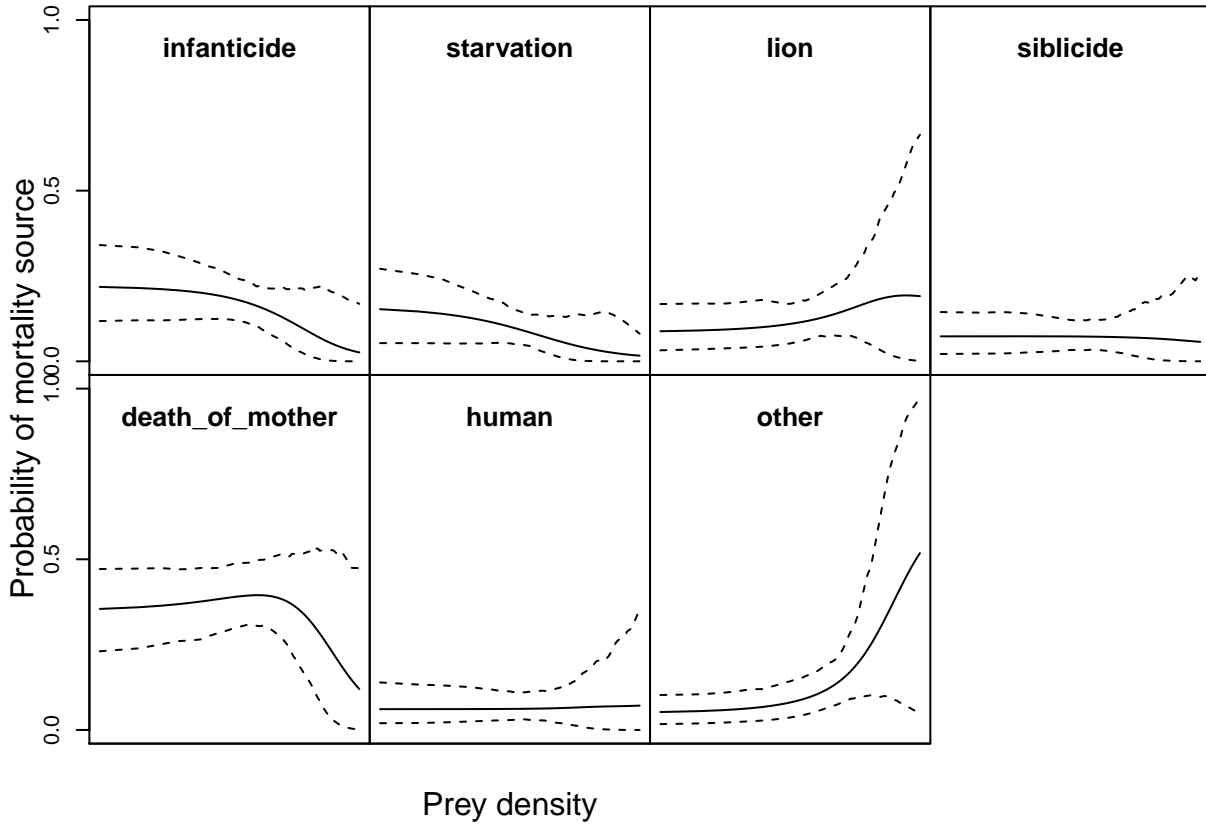


Figure S4. Predicted probability of mortality (with 95% prediction intervals) due to each mortality source as a function of prey density.

4. Model detail for mortality \sim cub density

Here we used a multinomial model of mortality source as a function of cub density at the communal den. This model was initialized with weak, uninformative priors, and four chains were run for 30000 iterations each (15000 warmup). To determine convergence, we visually examined traceplots of MCMC chains (not pictured) and confirmed that the potential scale reduction factor (R-hat) was less than 1.1 (in all cases R-hat < 1.001).

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## MODEL SPECIFICATION:
##
## Family: multinomial
## Formula: y | trials(1) ~ 1 + cub_associates
## Number of observations: 80
## Samples: 4 chains, each with iter = 30000 ; warmup = 15000 ; thin = 1
##
## PRIORS:
##
## b_mudeathofmother ~ (flat)
## b_mudeathofmother_cub_associates ~ (flat)
## b_muhuman ~ (flat)
## b_muhuman_cub_associates ~ (flat)
## b_mulion ~ (flat)
## b_mulion_cub_associates ~ (flat)
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## b_muother ~ (flat)
## b_muother_cub_associates ~ (flat)
## b_musiblicide ~ (flat)
## b_musiblicide_cub_associates ~ (flat)
## b_mustarvation ~ (flat)
## b_mustarvation_cub_associates ~ (flat)
## Intercept_mudeathofmother ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_muhuman ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_mulion ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_muother ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_musiblicide ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
## Intercept_mustarvation ~ student_t(3, 0, 2.5)
##
## MODEL OUTPUT:
##
##               Estimate Est.Error 1-95% CI u-95% CI
## starvation_Intercept      -1.5318    1.0682  -3.7175  0.5000
## lion_Intercept             -0.9073    0.9825  -2.8857  0.9842
## siblicide_Intercept        -1.2029    1.1414  -3.5104  0.9818
## deathofmother_Intercept    -1.0664    0.8347  -2.7194  0.5462
## human_Intercept            -1.7410    1.2329  -4.2693  0.5748
## other_Intercept            -0.9964    1.0836  -3.1835  1.0812
## starvation_cub_associates   0.2093    0.1898  -0.1612  0.5871
## lion_cub_associates         0.1372    0.1828  -0.2198  0.4994
## siblicide_cub_associates    0.0856    0.2161  -0.3451  0.5022
## deathofmother_cub_associates 0.3677    0.1511   0.0873  0.6797
## human_cub_associates        0.1529    0.2217  -0.2890  0.5829
## other_cub_associates        0.0775    0.2064  -0.3353  0.4775
##
## MODEL DIAGNOSTICS:
##
##               Rhat Bulk_ESS Tail_ESS
## starvation_Intercept    1.0001   36249   41304
## lion_Intercept          1.0000   35179   44034
## siblicide_Intercept     1.0001   37354   42779
## deathofmother_Intercept 1.0000   30108   40468
## human_Intercept         1.0001   41168   41901
## other_Intercept         1.0001   40039   45048
## starvation_cub_associates 1.0001   25021   33355
## lion_cub_associates     1.0000   23806   32515
## siblicide_cub_associates 1.0001   26009   36455
## deathofmother_cub_associates 1.0001   19926   25886
## human_cub_associates    1.0001   28946   34912
## other_cub_associates    1.0001   27125   36269

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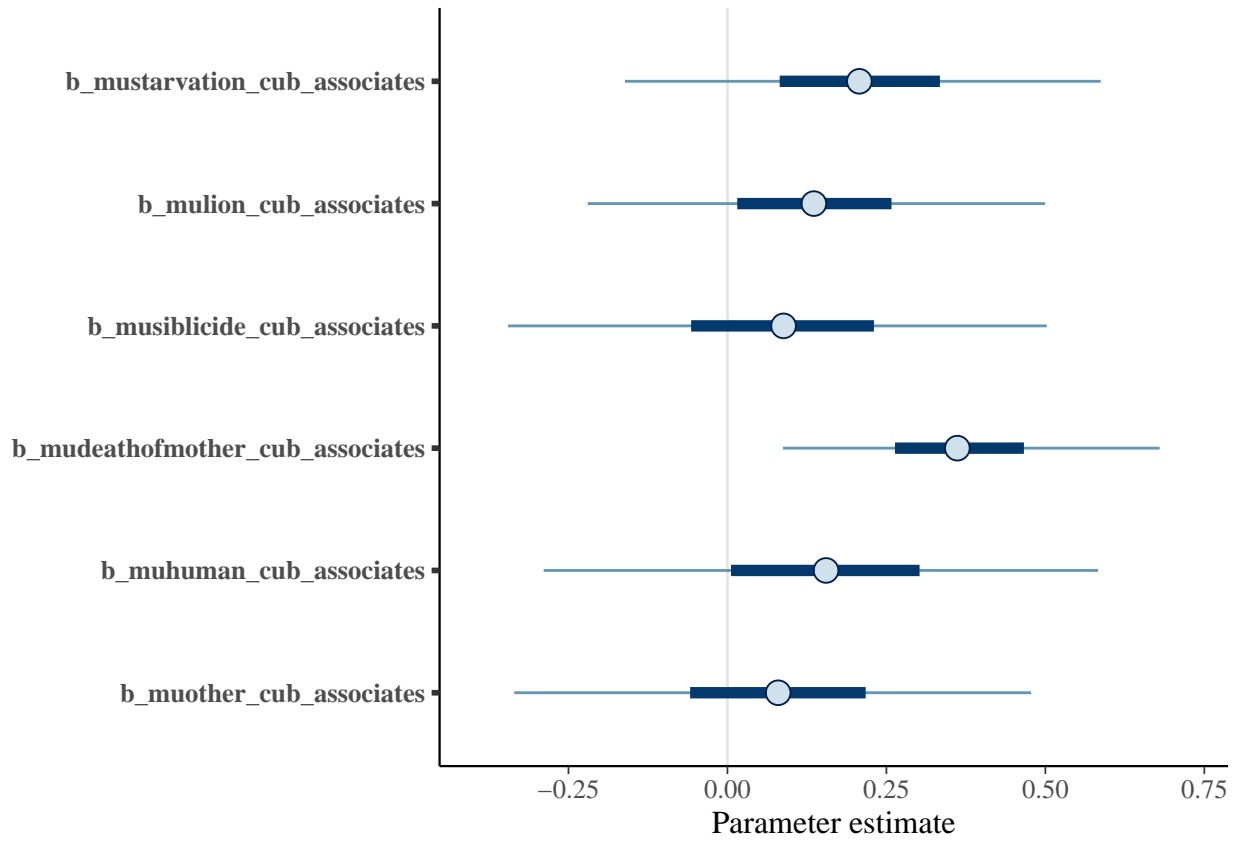



Figure S5. Interval plot showing parameter estimates and associated 50% and 95% credible intervals for the effect of cub density on the probability of different mortality sources. Infanticide is the reference level, so parameter estimates represent the log odds ratio of each mortality source relative to infanticide.

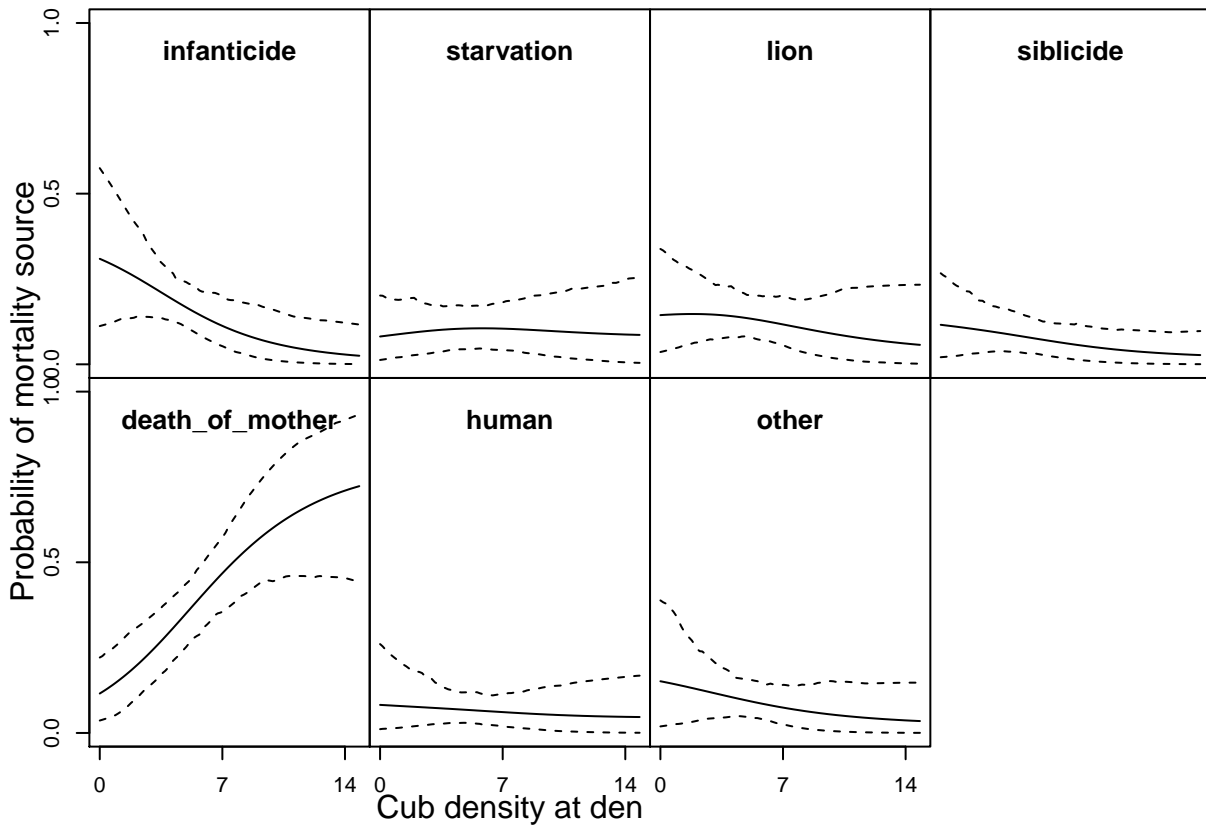


Figure S6. Predicted probability of mortality (with 95% prediction intervals) due to each source as a function of cub density.