



Modeling Japanese encephalitis: Characterization of JEV transmission dynamics & estimation of human exposure in Cambodia

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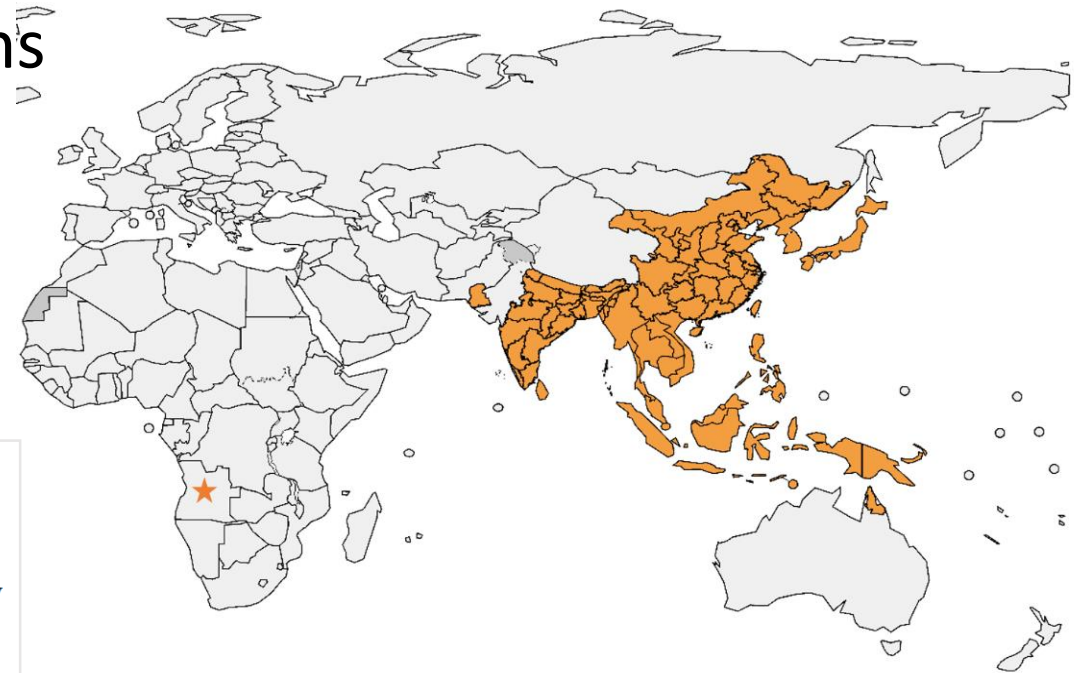
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JE distribution in 2018 (Source: WHO, 2018)

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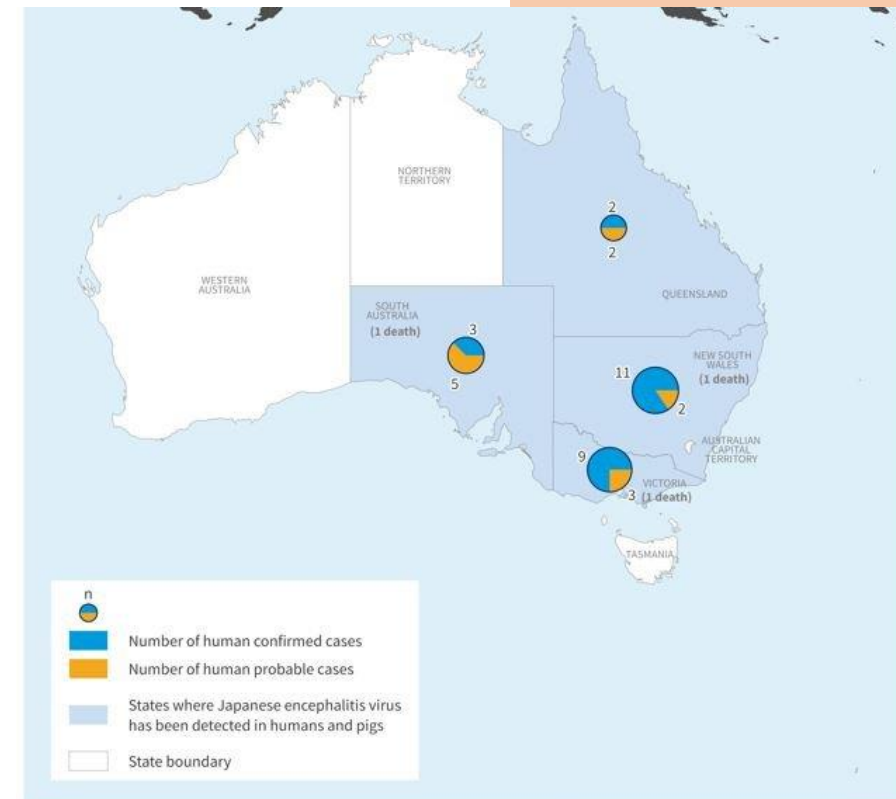


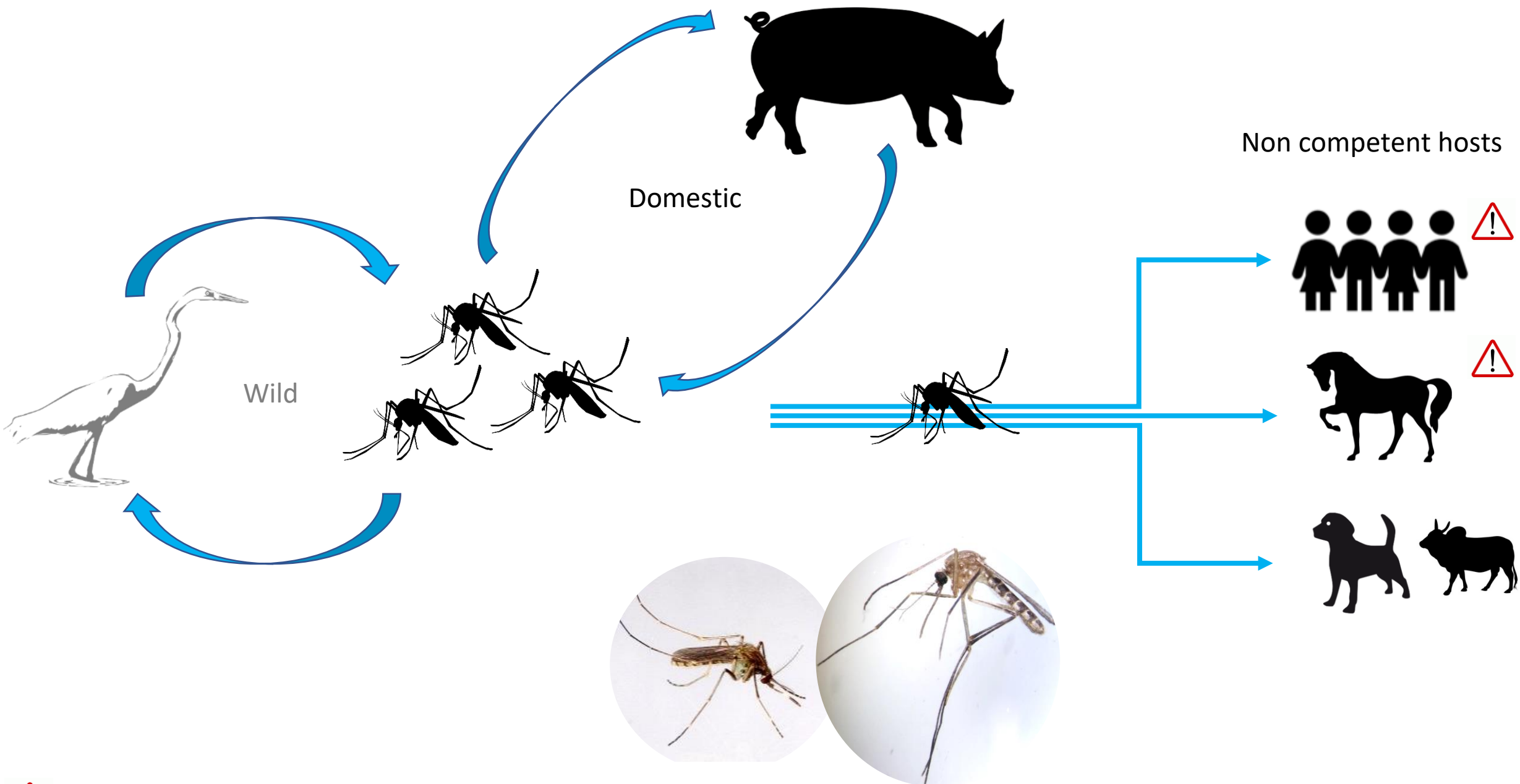
Disease Outbreak News

28 April 2022 | Japanese encephalitis - Australia

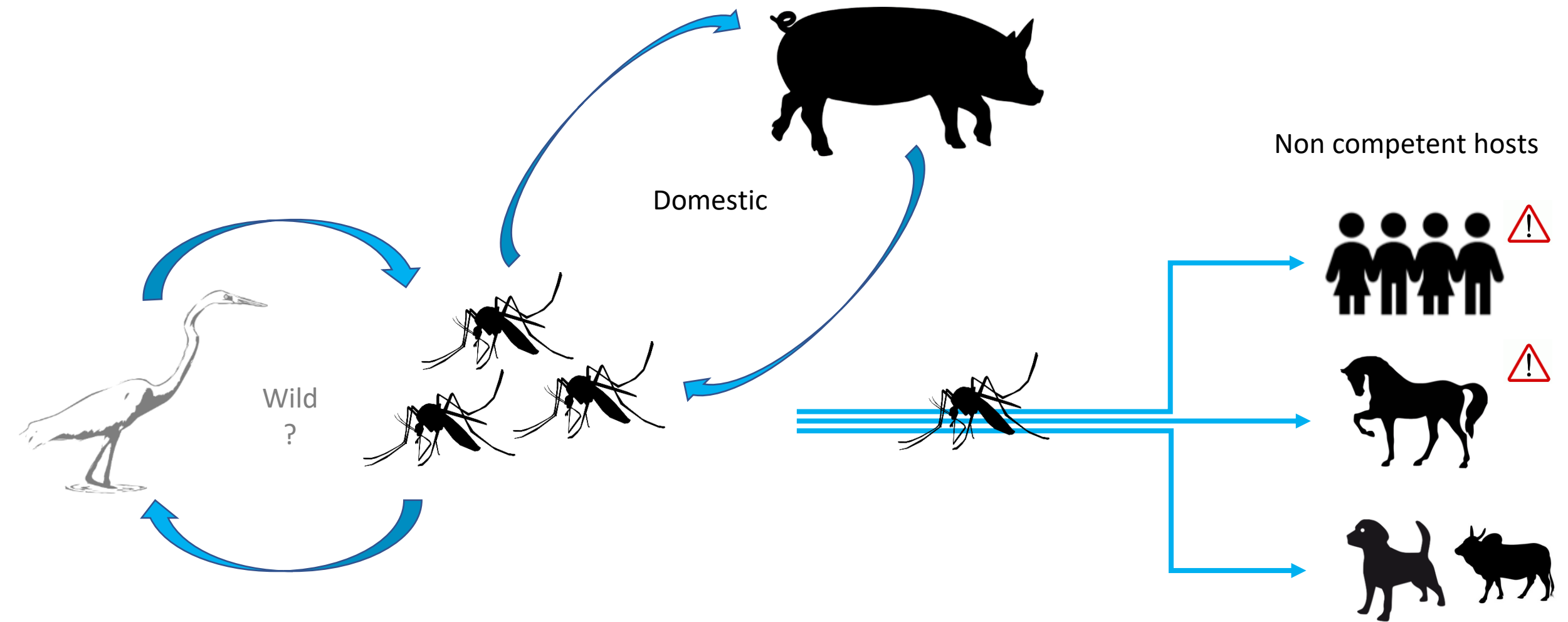
Distribution of confirmed (n=25) and probable (n=12) human cases and deaths (n=3) of Japanese encephalitis (JE) and states in which JE virus has been detected in pigs, Australia, 2022.

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! : risk of encephalitis



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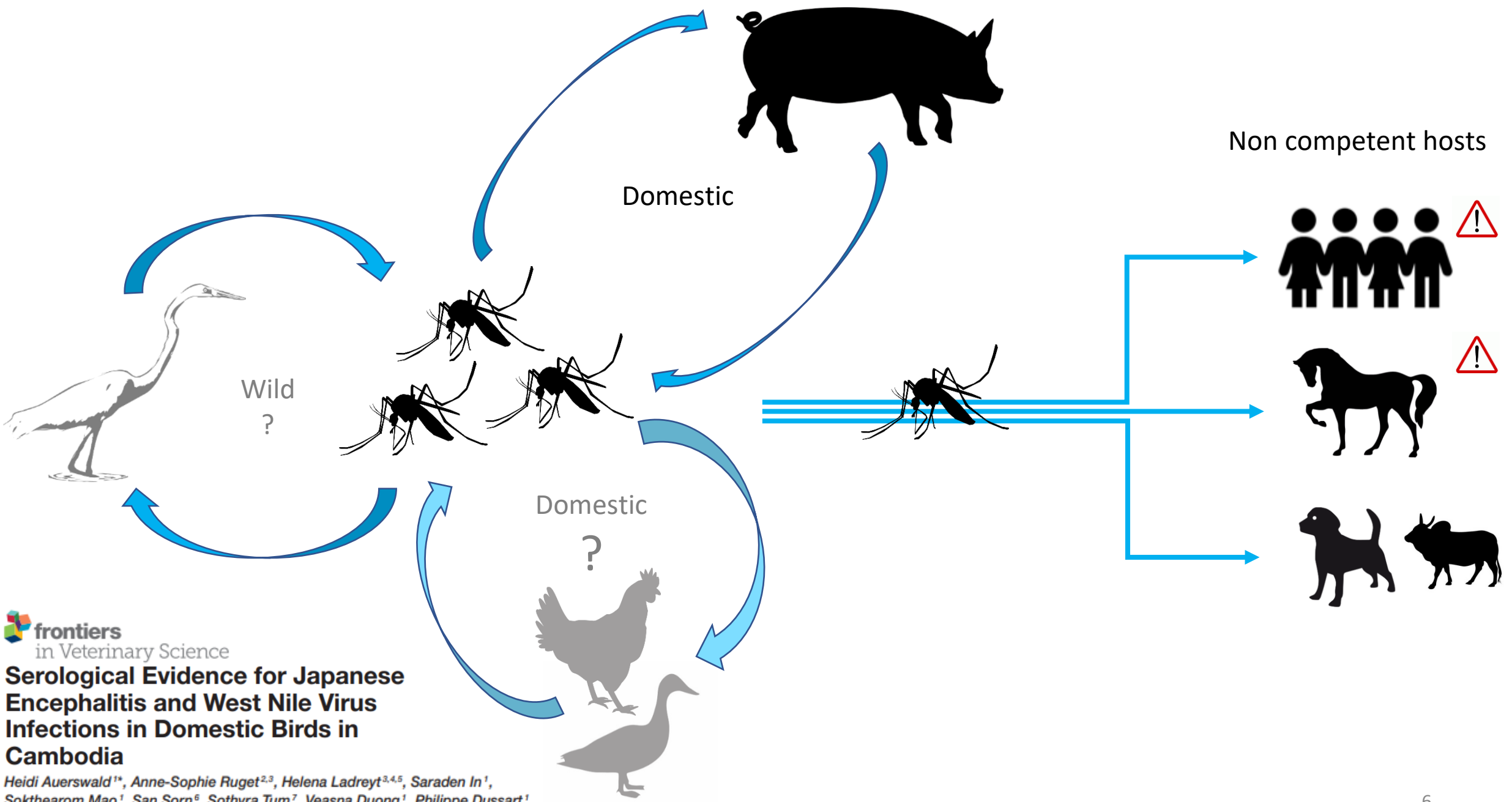
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Review

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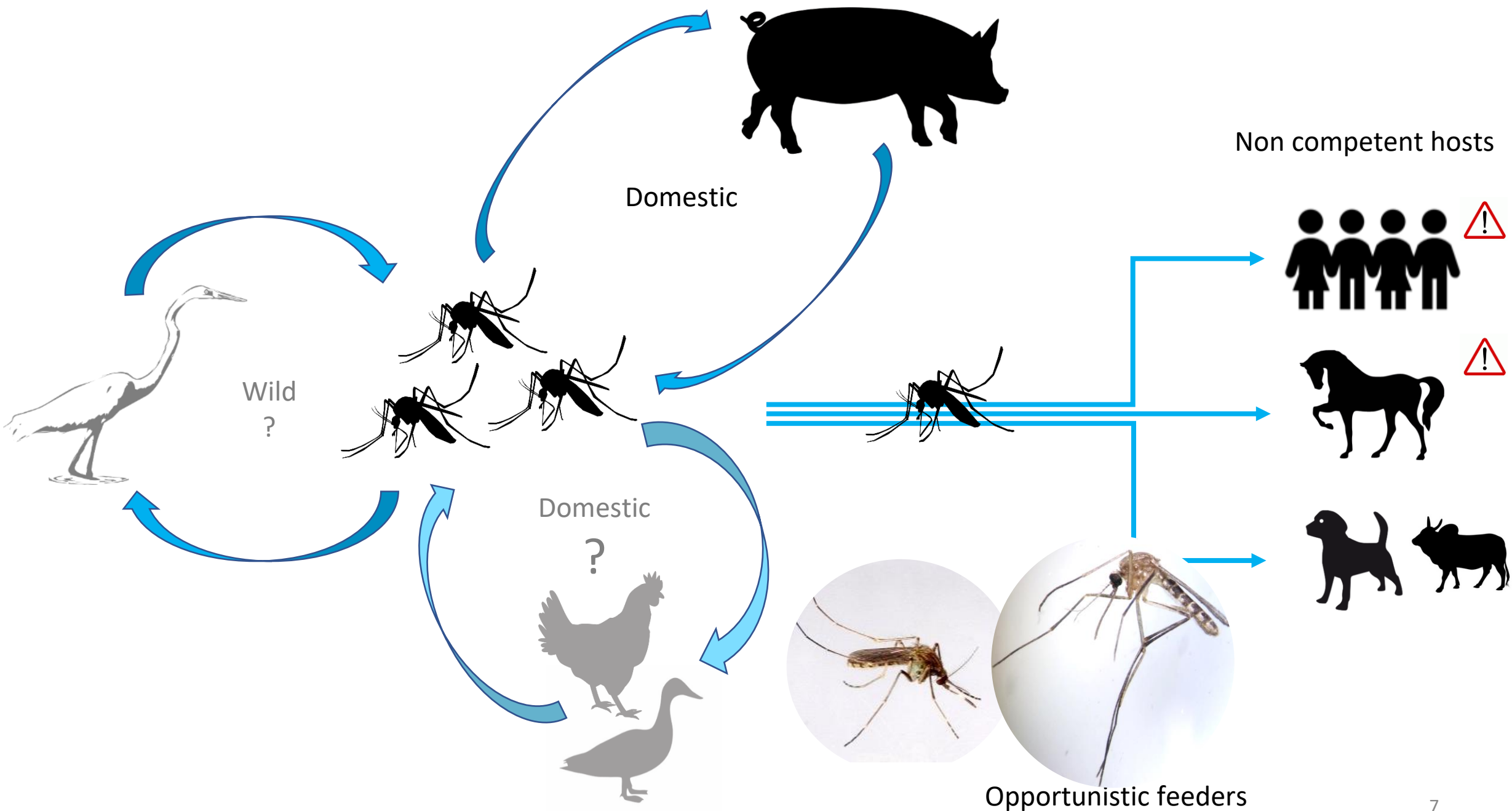
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Serological Evidence for Japanese Encephalitis and West Nile Virus Infections in Domestic Birds in Cambodia

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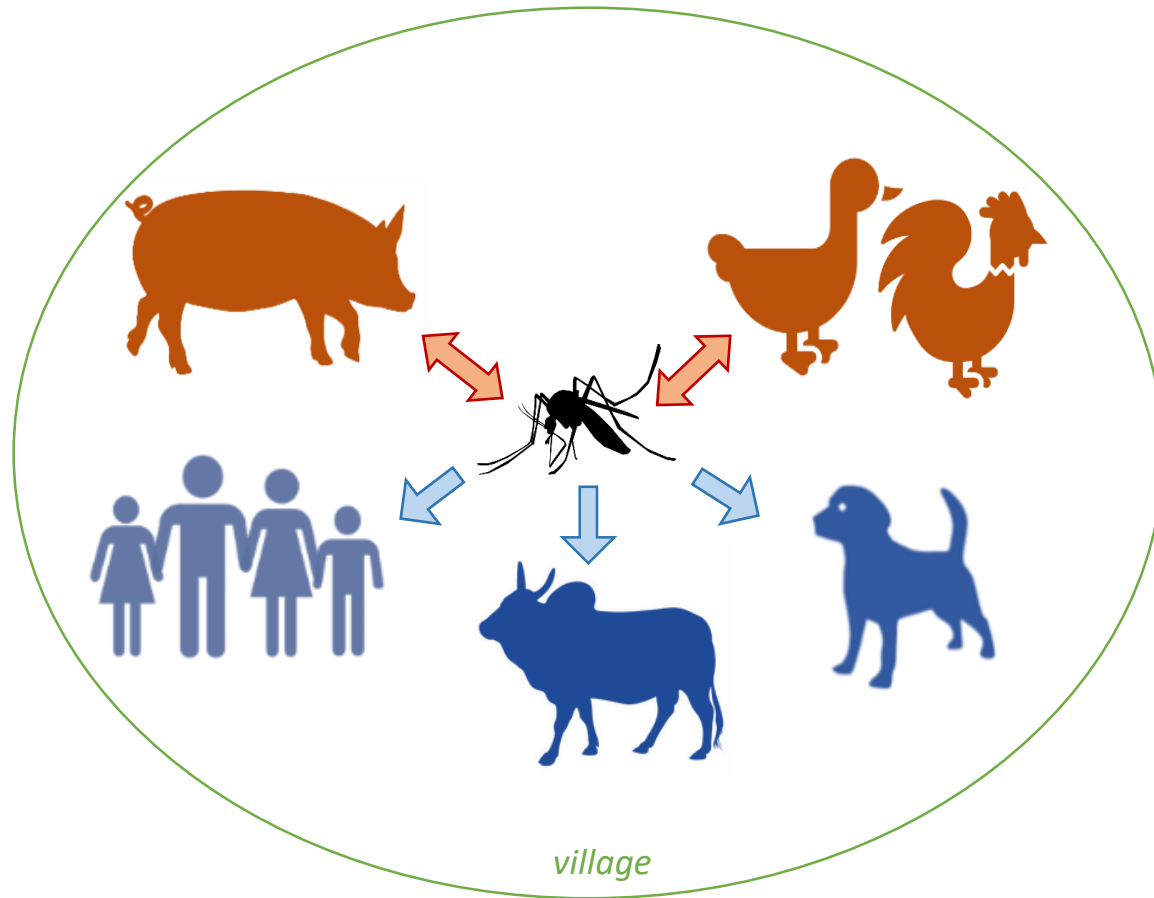
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But under-reporting/under-detection

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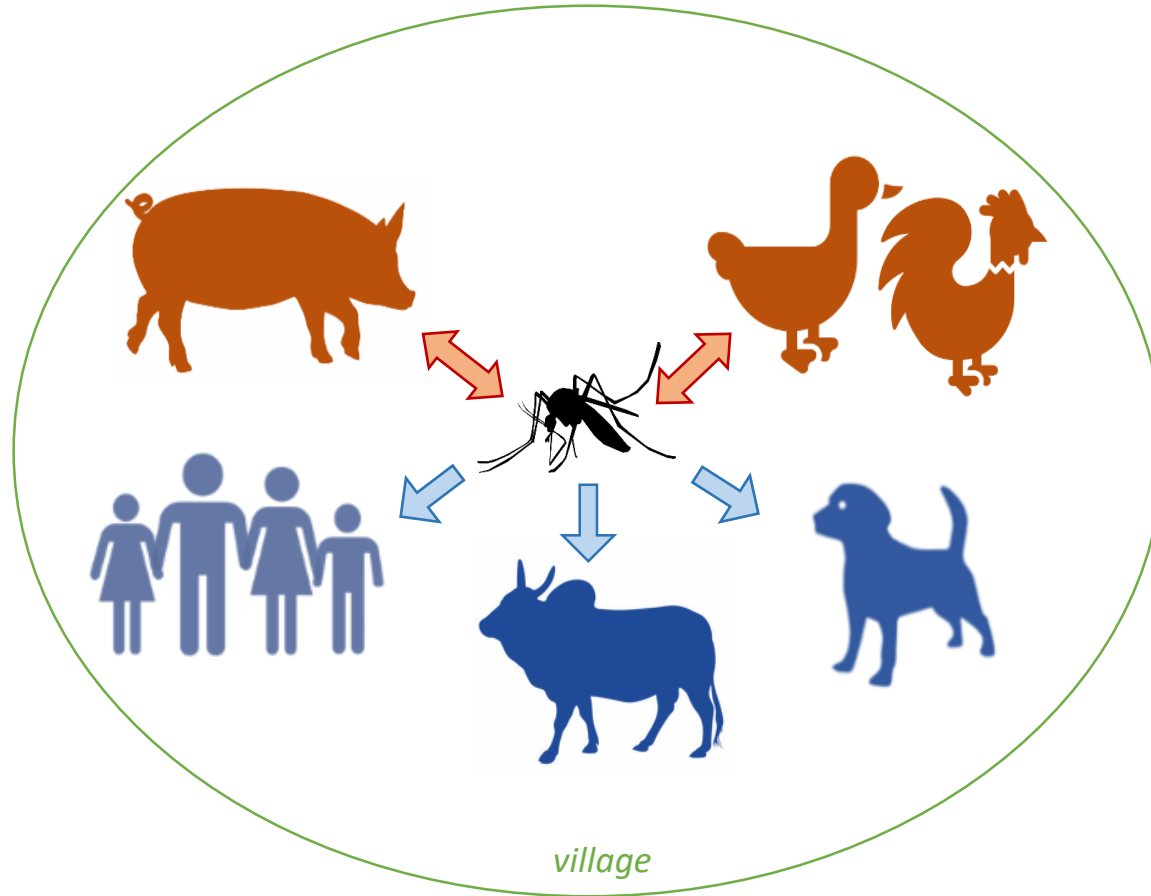
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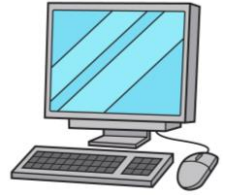
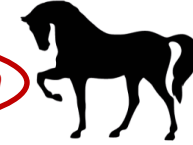
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Model structure & parameters

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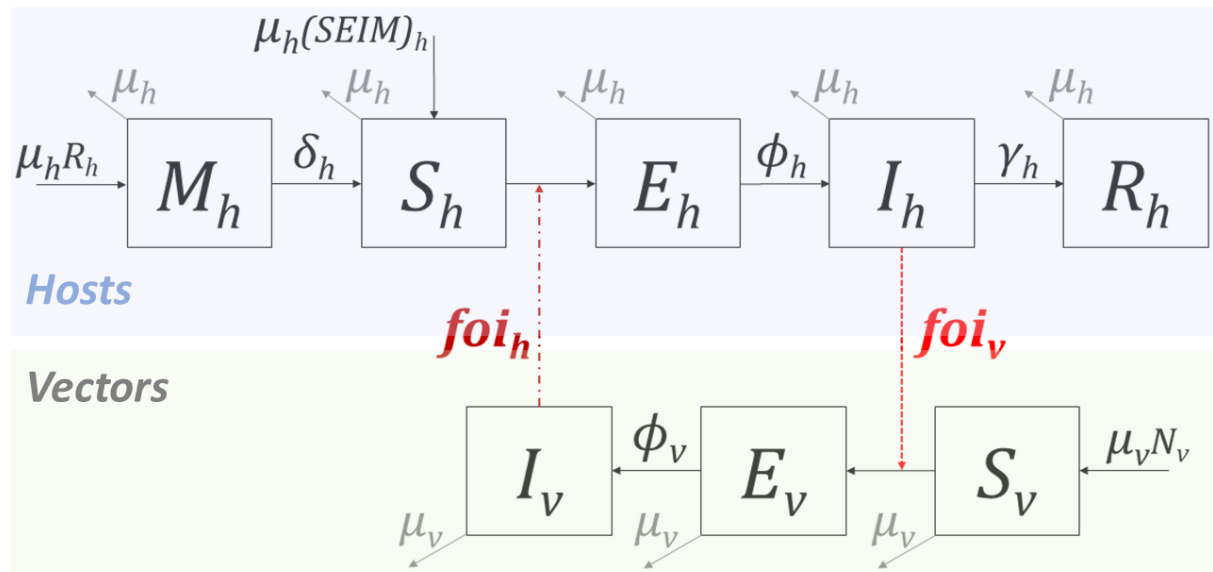
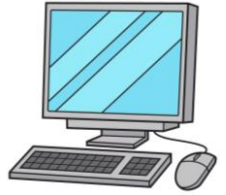
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S: sensitive, healthy

E: infected but non infectious (latent)

I: infected & infectious

R: immune



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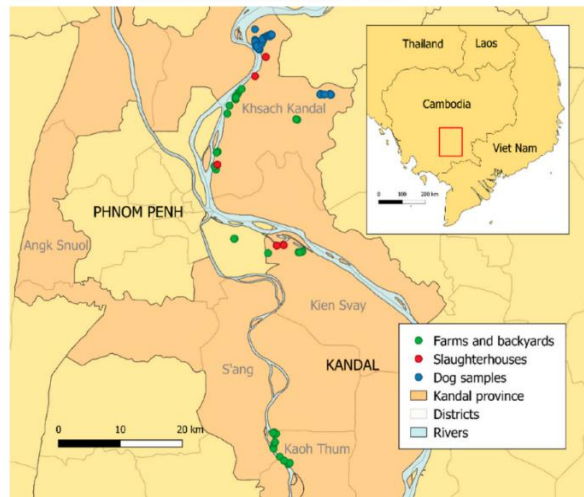
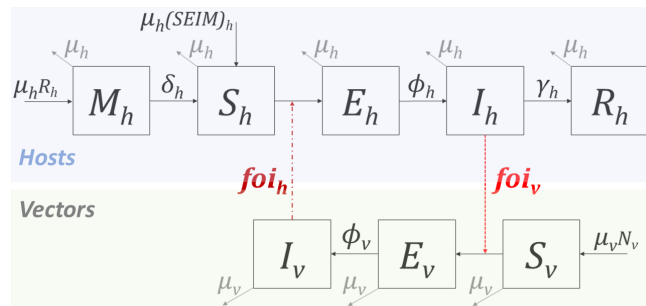
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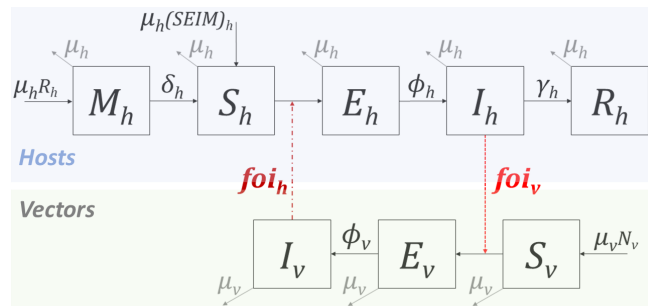
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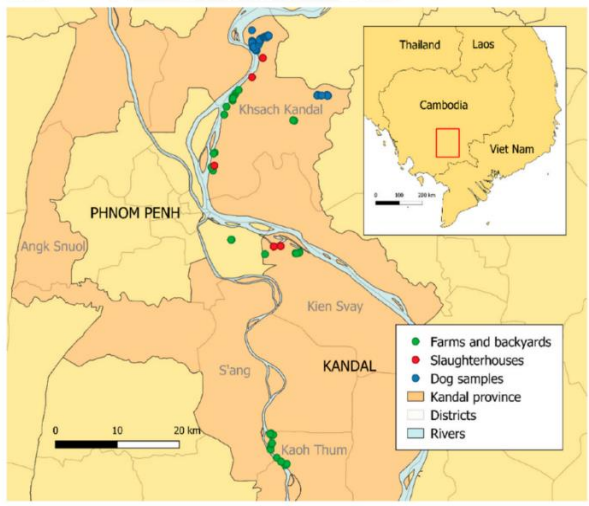
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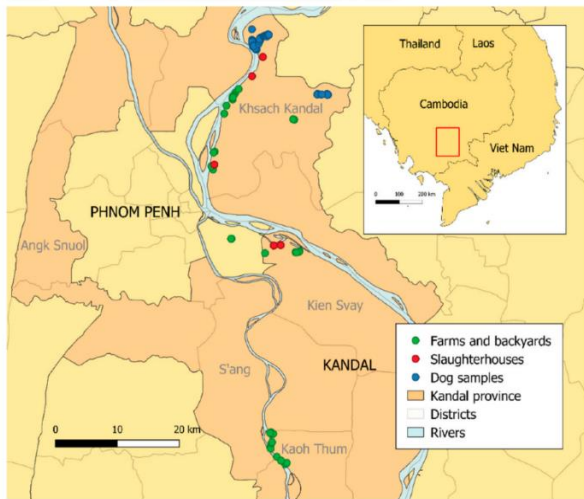


Predicted seroprevalences/species



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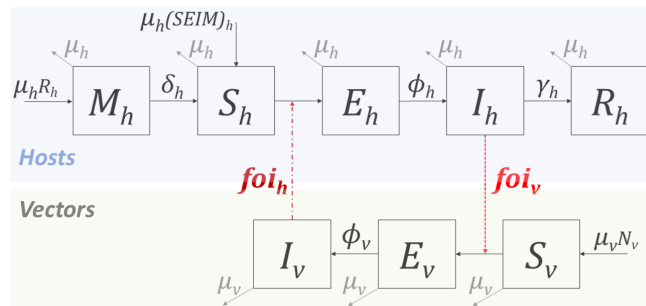
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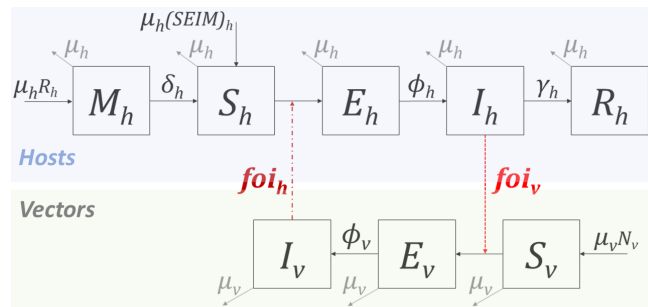
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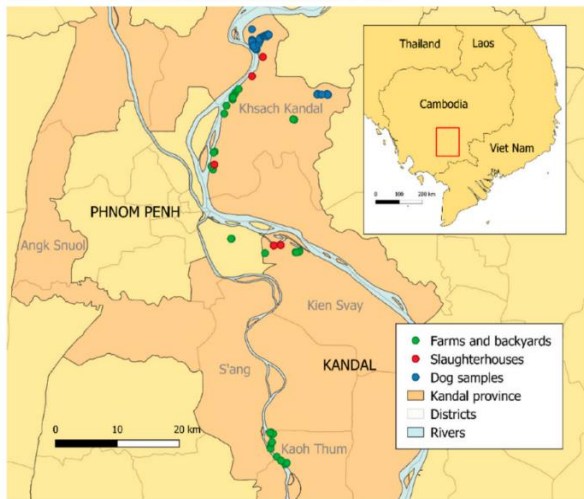
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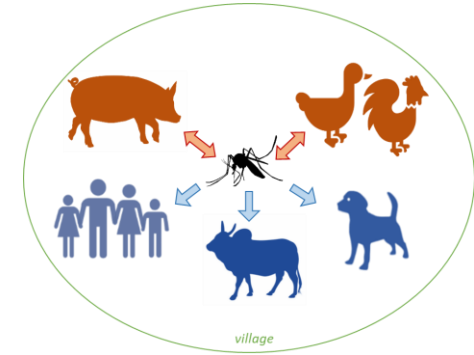
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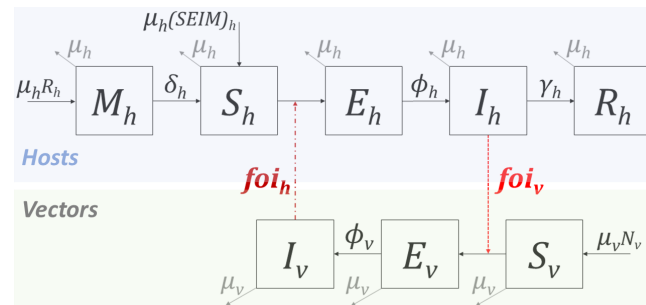
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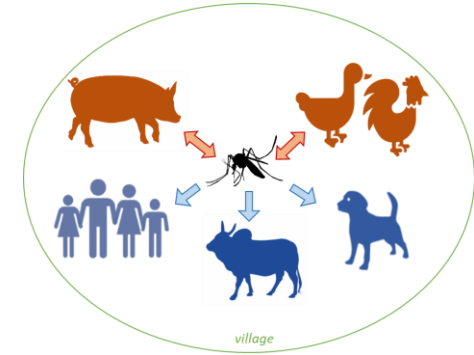


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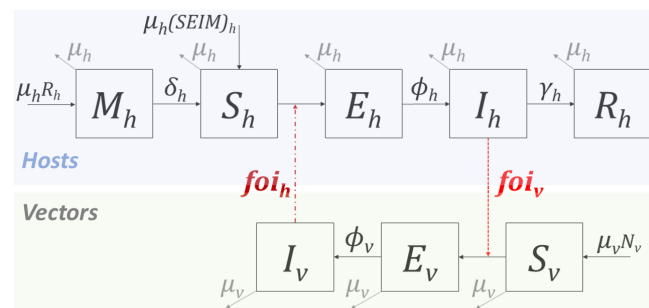
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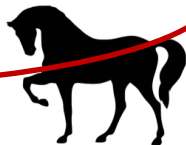


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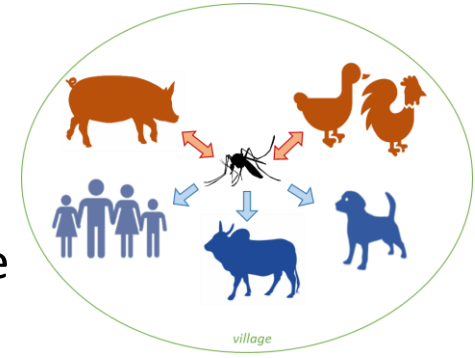
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Exposure indicators could be estimated for any other host



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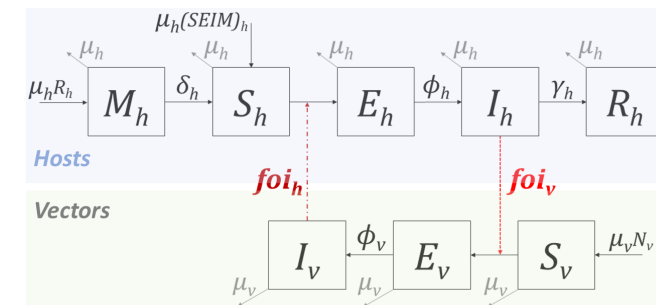
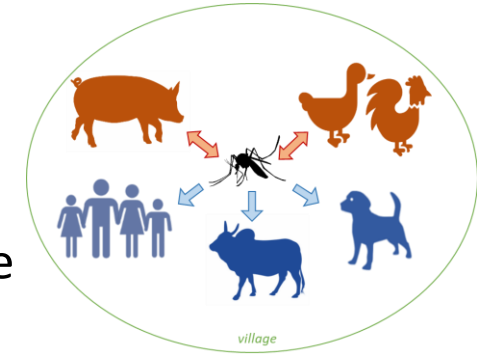


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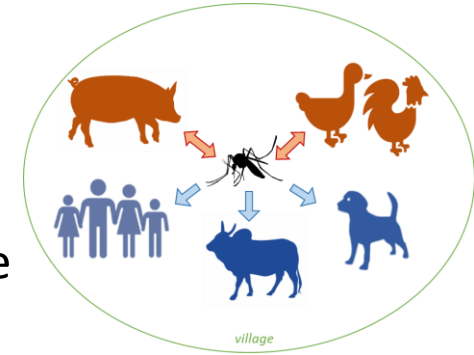
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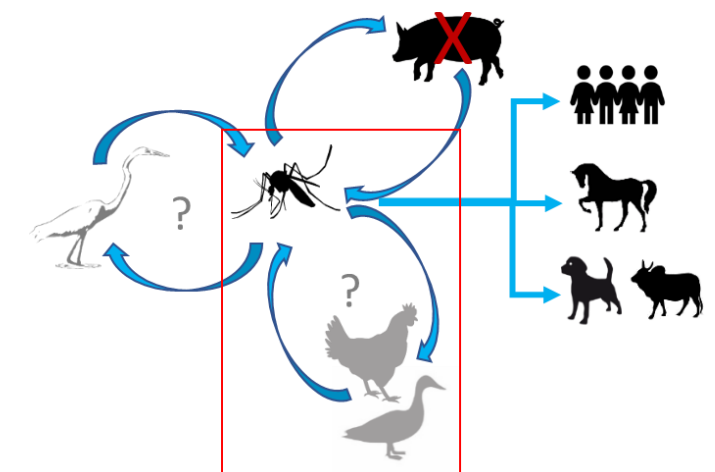
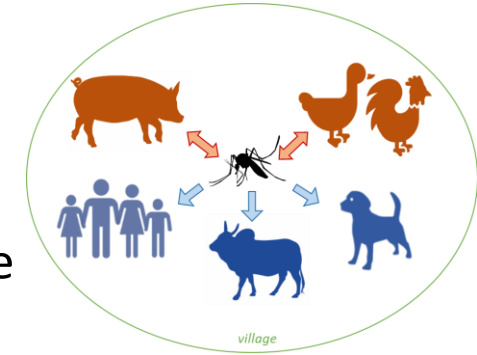
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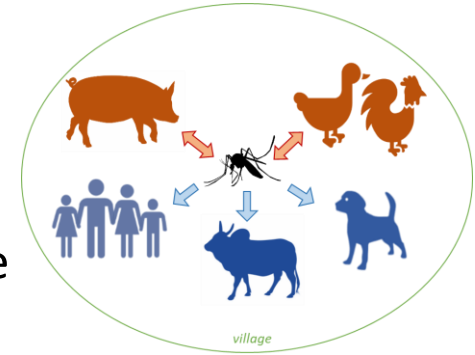
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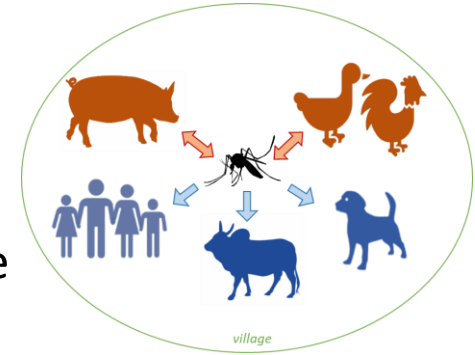
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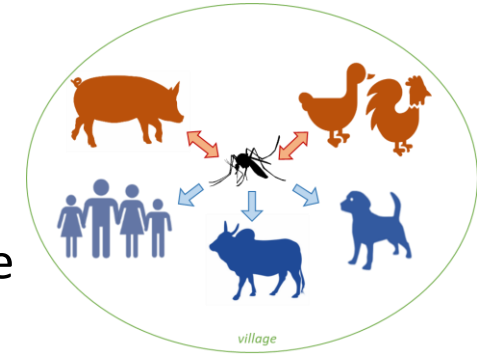


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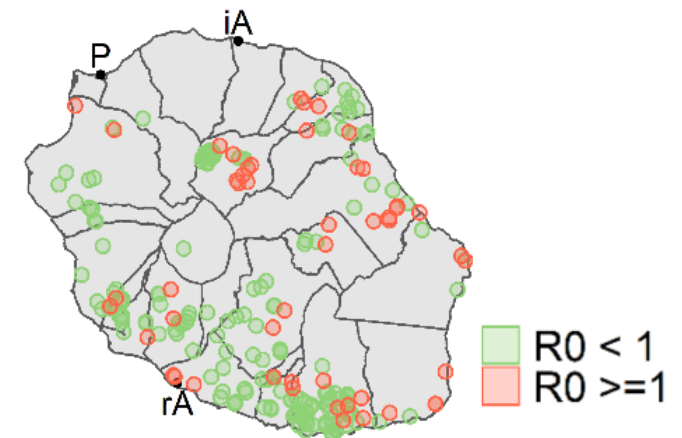
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- Run the model in disease-free context → Local circulation if JEV introduced?



Assumptions, local data/parameters

→ Need to set up surveillance?



Reunion Island, Indian Ocean



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