Introduction to Wildlife Disease Risk Analysis. Health

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Introduction to Wildlife Disease Risk Analysis. Health

Part 1. Maximising impact Part 2. Understanding risk and our response to it. Part 3. The risk analysis process in relation to disease risk in the wildlife trade and what we have covered already in workshop 1.



Jakob-Hoff et al. 2014



Arnold et al. 2024



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Goal: Our species survival. A healthy biodiversity (wildlife) must have complexity and integrity to be resilient to challenges such as disease. This is critical not just for biosecurity but also for a liveable climate, breathable air, and drinkable water.

ie. human survival.





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Part 1. Maximising Impact – focus on the decisionmaking How to maximise our leverage over

events – wildlife trade example





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Event: Disease transmission from and between traded wildlife

Wildlife trafficker and trader behaviour

Poor wildlife welfare, poor biosecurity along trade route

Understand stakeholder motivations and mitigate accordingly



Note: * The original research uncovered a range of prices at each point in the supply chain. For graphical purposes, the study utilized the upper value for each segment of the supply chain.



State of the Apes Volume 4

Source: Clough and May (2018, pp. 8, 9, 25). C Global Financial Integrity 2018

Changing peoples minds: Motivation Vs Manipulation

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Perception

90% of people live here Go with your gut What you believe you see Where most decisions are made SUBJECTIVE



Perspective Must be learned – Analyse the risks Evidence-based What is there OBJECTIVE

Effective science communication: Emotional messaging used for a logical narrative

How do you feel about humanity's involvement in environmental degradation and an increase in poor health outcomes through issues such as poorly regulated wildlife trade ?



We can work together to reduce health risks by agreeing on a process and approach with proven quantifiable results.





5 reasons why many conservation/ environmental efforts fail:

- Lack of local buy-in
- Ignoring history
- Lacking of funding
- Lack of law and order
- Lack of clearly stated goals

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Part 2. Understanding risk and our response to it.

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Response to risk

- Repeated, poor responses
- Unintended consequences
- Overcoming our primate brains' psychological discomfort and confronting decision-making and uncertainty



https://www.ilri.org/news/seven-deadly-drivers-zoonotic-disease-pandemics

September 11's indirect toll: road deaths linked to fearful flyers

German professor estimates an extra 1,595 Americans died in car accidents in year after September 11 attacks



<u>https://www.theguardian.com/world/2011/sep/05/september-11-road-deaths</u> Poor decisionmaking skills as a species in a crisis

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HEALTH POLICY | VOLUME 377, ISSUE 9775, P1438-1447, APRIL 23, 2011

Priority actions for the non-communicable disease crisis

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Published: April 06, 2011 • DOI: https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(11)60393-0

<u>https://www.thelancet.com/article/S0140-6736%2811%2960393-0/fulltext</u>- systems approach to priority assessment of non communicable diseases in humans

Describing the problem: Disease emergence is an ecological process



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Changes in interactions between host, disease agents, and their environment



Natural selection disease agents adaptations



Global transport of people, animals, and goods



Severe impacts on global health, conservation and socioeconomics

Urbanization Population density

Encroaching into new environments

Poor social and sanitary conditions

Disease

emergence

Human-Livestock-Domestic

- Wildlife interactions

Climate change

A solution? One Health – systems thinking





WOAH/ IUCN Wildlife **Trade guideline** recommendation: Use a One Health approach that includes a multisectoral and multidisciplinary, consultative, collaborative and inclusive effort to inform all steps of the risk analysis and risk reduction process.

WOAH Regional Wildlife Health Network for Asia & the Pacific

Webinar on "Wildlife trade: addressing disease risks". 20 Dec 2023





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Two components:

the <u>likelihood</u>, or probability, of something happening and, if it does

the **consequences**, of the

deleterious activity





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Wildlife Health Risk Analysis (WHRA)

WHRA - collaborative process to



Agree on how to best respond



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•149 participants since 2022 •53 countries •From Governments (45), NGO's (50), Academic institutions (21).



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Picking up on vaccination efforts in species overseas against HPAI and reported back to employer that they were unaware of

LEARNING OUTCOMES

This course is designed to equip participants with an understanding of how to put the IUCN Guidelines for Wildlife Disease Risk Analysis into practice.

By the end participants will be able to:

- Recognize and justify situations where a WDRA process can contribute to a) wildlife conservation, b) domestic animal health care, and c) public health protection
- Explain how the principle of One Health and the science of epidemiology are applied to a WDRA
- Design a workshop to effectively engage multiple stakeholders in completing a WDRA

The training has greatly benefited my One Health advisor work globally especially with dog-mediated rabies elimination and spillover to other mammals and for management of snakes used or accessed for venom extraction and subsequent production of life saving snake antivenoms.





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> Engage with relevant experts and stakeholders in a way that will maximize the quality of analysis and the probability that the **recommendations** arising will be **implemented**



Influence and interest



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- We are not all equal

Key stakeholders:

High positive/negative impact on project

Could be either:

Primary stakeholders

Directly affected by and influence on the project (positively or negatively)

Secondary stakeholders

Indirectly affected by or influence on the project (positively or negatively)





From Live Bird supply chain group

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Stakeholder groups and organisations represented	Stakeholder/ Expert
Researchers	University, DNP, National research center, pet hospital, primate center staffs
Government departments	DNP, DLD, Local administrative organization (LAO), Custom department, Department of Public Works and Town & Country Planning (DPT), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, National Bureau of Agricultural Commodity and Food Standards, Zoological Park Organization (ZPO), Thailand Community Data (TCD), Police, Ministry of Interior
Captive Breeding	DNP, deer breeder association, Thailand Deer Cooperation, DLD, animal clinics and hospitals, Zoological Park Organization (ZPO), private owner, farm, private zoo, primate center, farm obtain permission from DNP
Indigenous communities	Local administrative organization (LAO), Head of village, spiritual leader, village located at close proximity to monkey habitat
Funding agencies	National Research Council, funding office, NGO, foreign universities, WHO, OIE, World Bank, government, international organizations, NGO, World Bank, GEF, GWP,, WOAH, WHA
Media	DNP website, FB, news agency, Youtube, radio station, social platform, village, broadcast, posters, public relations department, social media, press
Wildlife health expert participants	University (local and foreign), WOAH, international organizations and foundations, professional experts, DNP, DLD
Monitoring agencies	CITES, WHO, WOAH



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Communication Risks	Risk Mitigation Plan
Lack of interest and fear	Cultural considerations. Education.
Funds	Research grants (scholarships)
Distance	Involve local population
Access to information	Workshops. Posters, folders, flyers.
Fake news	Workshops, posters, folders, flyers.
Cultural barrier	Education. Involve local populations.

Example - KDRA - keys to success- communication!

- A strong project team, supported by a world expert in wDRA
- Appropriate funding and resourcing
- Consistent and transparent stakeholder engagement process
- The "right" people in the room broad and expert stakeholder representation
- Regular cross-checking for alignment to the wDRA process
- Effective use of collaboration tools eg Mural, Teams
- Excellent communication (an 'open door' policy for out-ofsession comments, the participation agreement, rigorous documentation of decisions and processes)
- Extensive input from Subject Matter Experts to assist in drafting Hazard Literature Reviews and reviewing Hazard Risk Assessments.













ASF communications pathways in the Philippines



Legend: Environment and Natural Resources Office (ENRO); Agricultural Office (AO); Veterinary Office (VO); Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI); Philippine Veterinary Medical Association (PVMA); Philippine College of Swine Practitioners (PCSP)

Figure 16: Communication pathway and modes of communication for ASF mitigation

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the WT guidelines

- Outline the background and context of the problem
- Identify the goal, scope, and focus of the WDRA
- Formulate the DRA **question(s)**
- State assumptions and limitations
- Specify the acceptable level of risk



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Pathogens do not know directions



Every new host encountered is an opportunity for pathogen adaptation



Task from workshop 1.

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Task	
What question(s) are you trying to answer?	
What is the goal or aim you are trying to achieve?	
What's the scope?	Setting boundaries. E.g. the analysis will be confined to relevant published and unpublished information on disease agent or process X and the population biology of species Y, combined with the input of relevant experts and stakeholders
What's the focus?	E.g. the long-term sustainability of species Y.
What level of risk is acceptable?	

Live bird

Task	Bird
What question(s) are you trying to answer?	From import of illegal wildlife trade 1.What are the diseases associated with illegal trade? 2.How can we detect diseases within illegal trade groups? 3.If unable to test for diseases, how can we enhance the surveillance system?
What is the goal or aim you are trying to achieve?	Early detection/early response
What's the scope?	 Species: illegal pet trade (birds) Place: border (sea, air, land), check point, market, hospital, farm Rescue center Online trade monitoring Long-term monitoring illegal trade
What's the focus?	Long term sustainability of pet bird species
What level of risk is acceptable?	Very low

Deer meat



Macaque Biomedical

Task	Monkey
What question(s) are you trying to answer?	Are there disease risks from illegal monkeys, eg, zoonotic disease, punishment for illegal trade, accidents during illegal trading?
What is the goal or aim you are trying to achieve?	¹ To do disease surveillance of monkeys in forest To provide disease risks awareness to villagers To implement punishments for illegal movement for wildlife
What's the scope?	Improve understanding on disease risks from monkeys and identify ways for disease surveillance, zoonotic PR media, focus on law enforcement, perform more surveillance in areas with high illegal capture of monkeys
What's the focus?	Reduce number of monkey capture in forest Push new policies to manage high population of monkeys
What level of risk is acceptable?	Level of risk acceptable: low



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KDRA – workshop stakeholders – getting to the problem





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- Stakeholder participant agreement
- 32 hours of online workshops
- Post Workshop evaluations
- 14 MURAL workspaces containing over 1000 sticky notes
- Feedback on 13 literature review chapters by 30 reviewers (many of whom reviewed multiple versions of more than one chapter)
- Review of 13 disease risk assessments by 23 subject matter experts







Identify all possible health hazards of

importance of each hazard within the

Establish criteria for ranking the

bounds of the defined problem

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An example of an ALL HAZARDS approach.





Klement 2020 - Covid-19 system analysis

(Council of Canadian Academies, 2011)





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For each selected hazard take into account:



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KDRA - hazard identification and refinement

- Disease = any disturbance in the health or function of an animal or human
- Hazard identification
 91 disease hazards
 - 56 Infectious diseases
 - 35 Non-infectious diseases
- 13 disease hazards identified as requiring detailed risk assessment





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KDRA: For each hazard...



- Detailed literature review
- Hazard pathway
- Critical control points
- Risk assessment
- Risk mitigation options
- Recommendations





WDRA Step 3 (section 2 of the

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To assess for **each hazard** of concern:

- the <u>likelihood</u> of release (introduction) into the area of concern;
- the likelihood that the species of interest will be exposed to the hazard once released;
- the <u>consequences</u> of exposure. On this basis, the hazards can be prioritized in descending order of importance

COVID-19 transmission and morbidity/mortality risk rating for orangutan rehabilitation and translocation scenarios

				Consequences				
				Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Significant	Catastrophic
		Species & ecosystem conservation consequences and likelihood		No expected risk to conspecifics, other taxa, or ecosystem	Low risk to conspecifics or ecosystem; possible risks to other taxa	Some risks for conspecifics and/or other taxa	Significant risk of possibly lethal effects in conspecifics and/or other local taxa; possible ecosystem effects	Lethal effects pose population or species risk; likely negative effects on other taxa or ecosystem
			Health & biosecurity consequences and likelihood	No health effect; little or no transmission risk	No long term health effect; little or no transmission risk	Some health effects, moderate transmission risk	Moderate risk of transmission and/or morbidity and mortality	High risk of transmission, morbidity / mortality, disease spillover
,	Near certain	Species or ecosystem effects often occur in OU releases	Transmission or disease in OU happens regularly					
Likelihood	Likely	Species or ecosystem effects have occurred multiple times in GA or OU releases	Transmission or disease in GA or humans working with GA has occurred multiple times			Reintroduction: Lower initial risk of disease presence due to mitigation. Opportunities for infection through captivity, release and post- release human proximity. Released OU populations susceptible and non-immune; other taxa may be also	Wild-to-wild translocation and reinforcement: Many people in contact/proximity to OU. Confirmed human- GA transmissibility; all wild OU susceptible and non- immune; other taxa may be susceptible	Tapanuli translocation: Infection, death and transmission could pose catastrophic species impact and effect ecosystem; disease spillover to other taxa and local human populations possible
	Possible	Species or ecosystem effects have occurred at least once in OU or other primate releases	Has happened at least once before in GA or other primates, or in humans involved in GA care		Captive OU: Lowered risk of disease presence due to mitigation; any active infection poses high risk to OU which are susceptible and non-immune			
	Unlikely	Species or ecosystem effects have occurred but not in primate releases	Has not happened in GA but has in other animals					
	Rare	Species or ecosystem	Possible; has not					



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KDRA-Risk estimates infectious diseases

	Chlamydia	KoRV	Cryptococcus	Sarcoptic mange	Actinomyces	Herpesvirus	Trypanosomes			
Overall risk	Overall risk estimates for koalas									
Koala population resilience & viability	High	High (north) Moderate (south)	Moderate	Low	Negligible	Negligible	Negligible			
Koala individual health & welfare	High	High (north) Moderate (south)	Moderate	Moderat e	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate			
Level of confi	Level of confidence in assessment									
	High	Low	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low			

Transparency

- Literature review
- Expert opinion
- Pooled knowledge of workshop participants
- Modeling scenarios





WHRA Step 4 (Section 2 of the

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- Review potential risk reduction or management options and evaluate their likely outcomes
- On this basis decisions and
 recommendations can be made to
 mitigate the risks associated with the
 identified hazards.

Evaluating Risk Management Options

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Is it Effective?

Is it Feasible?

https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2021/world/covid-vaccinations-tracker.html

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Establish Critical Control Points (CCPs)

Hazard transmission pathways and critical control points (CCPs) for pasteurellosis.

Hazard transmission pathways and critical control points (CCPs) for pollutants.

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- Formulate actions and contingency plans and establish a process and timeline for monitoring, evaluating, and reviewing risk management actions.
- The review may result in a clearer
 understanding of the problem and
 enable refinement of the WDRA

CALL TO ACTION

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Risk management action plan for botulism to wild birds at Port Phillip Bay (Western Shoreline) and Bellarine Peninsula

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Action target	Description	Lead	Collaborators/ Partners	Timeline	Indicators of success
Disease surveillance CCPO	Development and implementation of a comprehensive general surveillance program to detect and collect sick and dead birds in Ramsar wetlands for early detection of a botulism outbreak	Pam Whiteley Lee Berger	University of MelbourneParks VictoriaMelbourne WaterCMAsAgriculture VictoriaAustralian Centre forDisease Preparedness(ACDP)DELWPZoos Victoria, LeanneWicker, Healesville, PaulEden, WerribeeWildlife Health AustraliaCommunity groups,citizen science reportingInternational partners(e.g. USGS NationalWildlife Health Center,	Seek funds from DAWE in 2020 Implementation of the program by start of 2021.	 Funds secured Surveillance program developed for Victorian Ramsar sites Increased reporting of sick and dead birds Investigation of disease events, diagnosis, identification of agents Implementation of a systematic ongoing data collection process and reporting on pathogens and diseases a the Victorian Ramsar sites

Wildlife Health Risk Analysis: approach 'One Health' Π

Science based

Succession planning

Data gaps

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One Health Disease Surveillance: A Tool to Assist in the Conservation Management of Asian Apes

- 1. Wildlife Health Risk Analysis
- Restrospective study
- Medical record analysis

- 2. Detection strategy
- Fit-for-purpose
- Point-Of-Care dx tests

- 3. Design control measures
- Preventive
- Transmission
 containment

4. Template for a country-wide One Health Wildlife Disease Surveillance How to maximise our leverage over

events – wildlife trade example

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Event: Disease transmission from and between traded wildlife

Wildlife trafficker and trader behaviour

Poor wildlife welfare, poor biosecurity along trade route

Understand stakeholder motivations and mitigate accordingly

If you want to go fast, go

If you want to go far, go TOGETHER.

WDRA – collaboration, coordination, communication to capacity build One Health. Thank you for your attention

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An online tutorial in case you are new to this technology <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=delW1Jtoq_w</u>

https://padlet.com/sunwin401/describing-the-problem-what-are-the-main-drivers-ofdisease--gh6hrx2kxr9jkstg - from workshop 1.

Don't forget to discuss and input ASSUMPTIONS and LIMITATIONS