

# Zoonotic pathogens of wild Asian primates in different habitats : A systematic review

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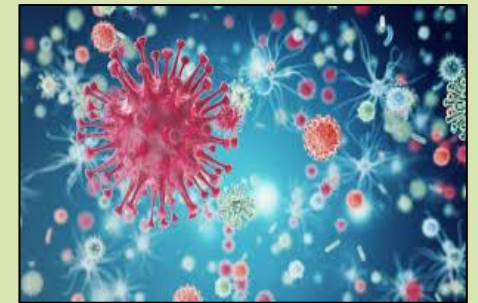




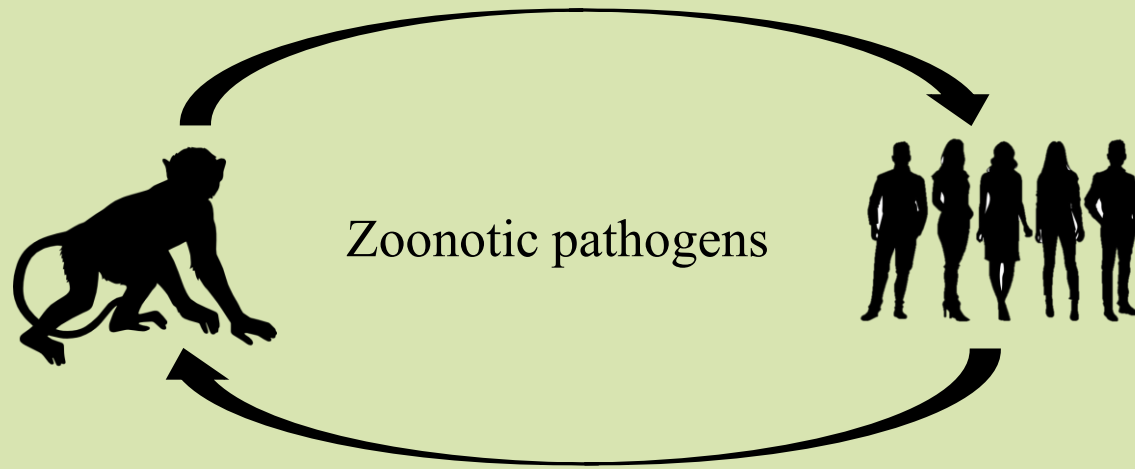
**Dynamic of interactions**  
humans/non-human primates  
(NHPs) **have been modified**

Habitats **overlap** → **increase**  
**conflicts** and **contacts** (direct  
or indirect)

Contacts →



**Zoonotic pathogens**



- Zoonotic pathogens spread by **international travel and commerce** → new **naïve hosts**
- Alteration of **pathogens distribution patterns** + **↑ geographical proximity**  
→ **emergence** of new infectious zoonotic diseases



**Emerging infectious disease (EIDs) = 75% animal origin**

Recent epidemics/pandemics

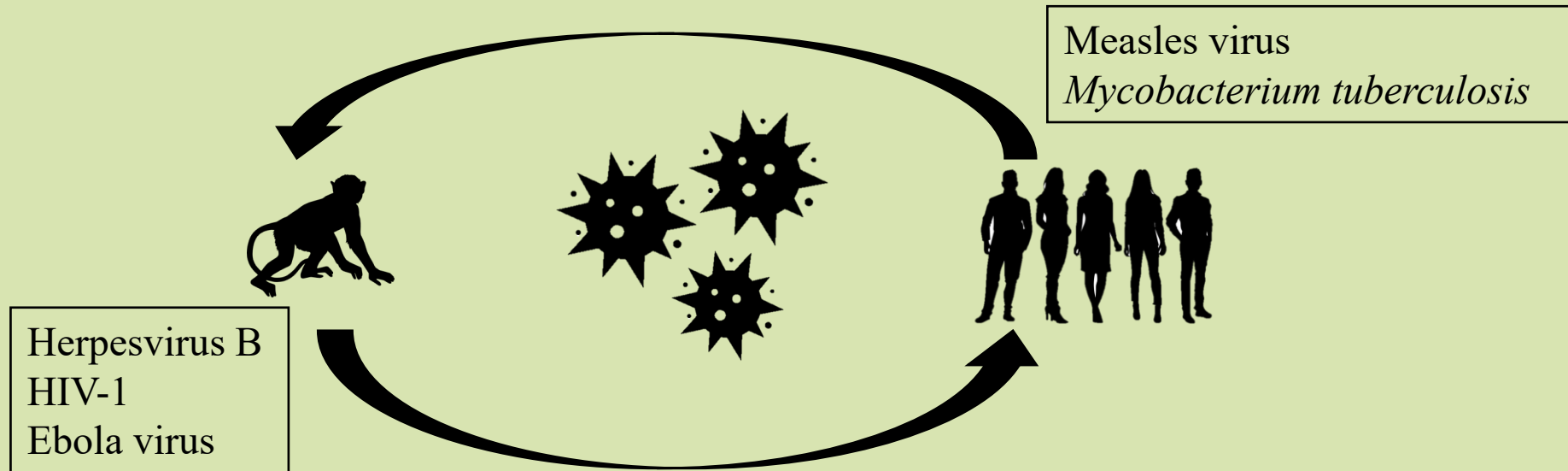
e.g. : **SARS-CoV-2**, Severe acute respiratory syndrome (**SARS**)



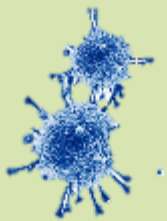
**Necessity to understand, prevent and control**  
the emergence of zoonotic diseases



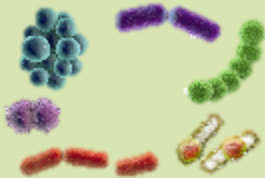
**NHPs → Genetic proximity to humans, sensitive to identical pathogens**



**Shared zoonotic pathogens (27.5%)**



**Viruses**



**Bacteria**



**Parasites**



**Fungi**

**Different routes of transmission:**

- Respiratory
- Body fluid contact
- Faecal/oral
- Vector borne



Human/ NHPs interfaces → **different degrees of landscape anthropisation**



Forested



Rural



Urban



**Multiple social and environmental factors**  
→ **likelihood** of interspecies transmission of zoonotic pathogens



**Asia**



## **Current gaps in knowledge :**

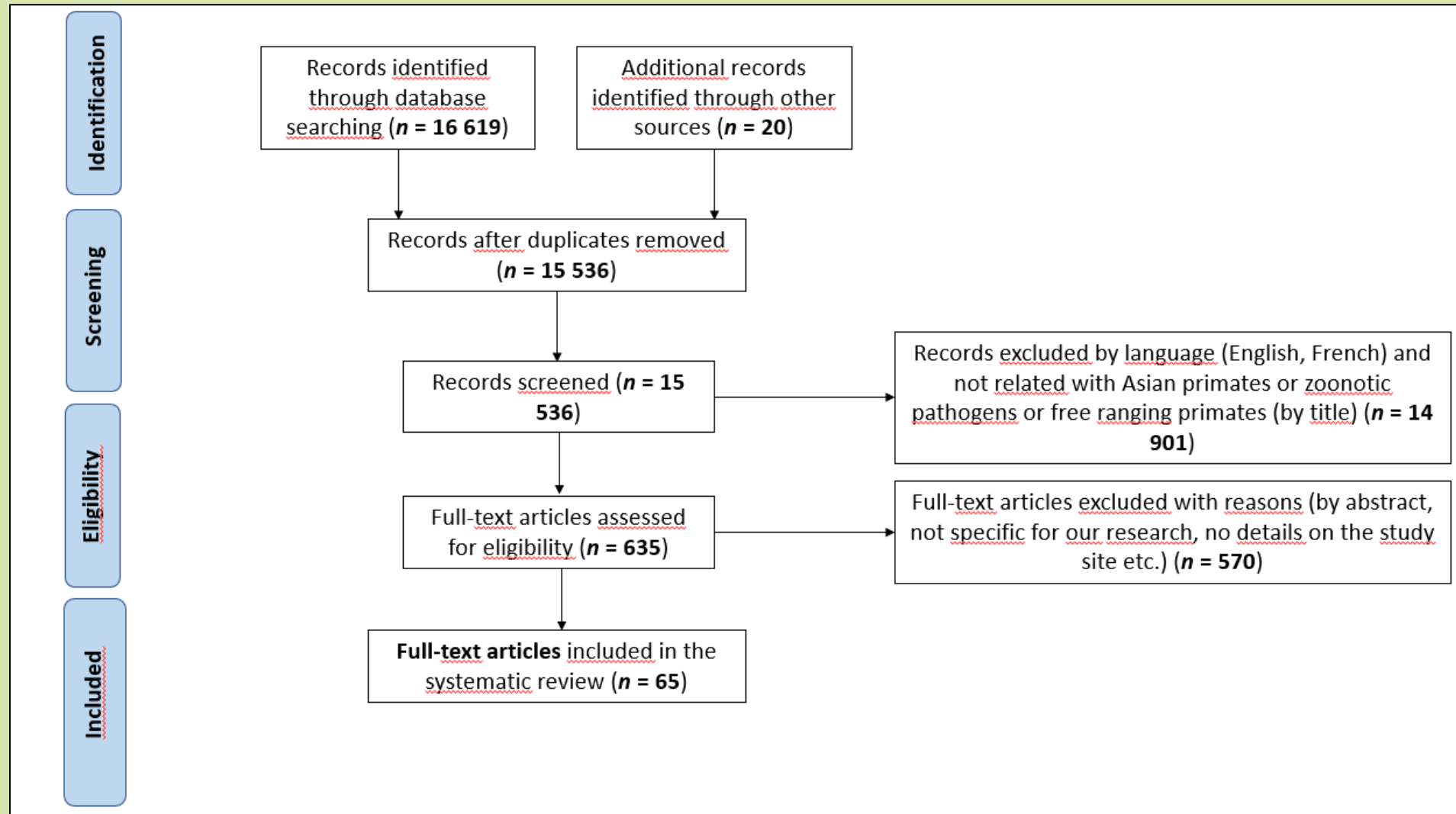
- **Limited zoonotic pathogens inventory** in NHPs living in Asia
- **Zoonotic infection risks** influenced by the **type of habitat ?**





- **Inventory of zoonotic pathogens** and their transmission routes in **wild Asian NHPs**
- Assessing the zoonotic pathogens **frequency** in **different types of habitats**





PRISMA (Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses) method

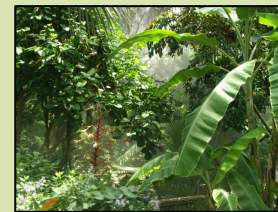
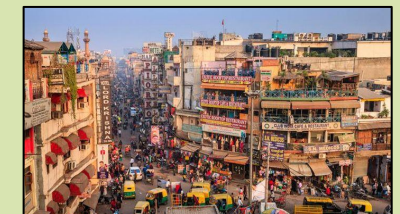
Informations collected from each study:

- Host primate species
- Zoonotic pathogen species
- Pathogen transmission route
- Country of the study
- Type of habitat
- Diagnostic method

- 5 groups of zoonotic pathogens

**Viruses****Bacteria****Protozoa****Fungi****Gastrointestinal  
parasite**

- **Classification:**

**Forested****Rural****Urban****Low****High****Anthropisation**

Zoonotic pathogens diversity **between habitat types :**

- **Control of potential biases due to effort sampling  
→ weighted % of species occurrence**
- **Method of extrapolation and accumulation curves of species richness\***

\*Gotelli and Colwell (2001)





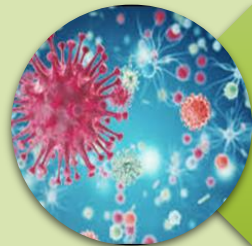
**65 articles** selected from 1965 to 2021  
(35 urban, 18 rural, 48 forested)



**12 Asian countries**



**9 genus** asian primate host  
**25** asian primate host **species**



**131 zoonotic pathogen species** identified

	Urban habitat	Rural habitat	Forested habitat	Transmission route	References
Adult T-cell Leukaemia			<i>Macaca fascicularis</i>	Body Fluid Contact	Hayami and al, 1983
Cercopithecine herpesvirus 1	<i>Macaca mulatta/Macaca thibetana</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2006/Yong and al, 2013
Epsteinbarr			<i>Pongo sp</i>		Kilbourn and al, 2003
Foamy Virus			<i>Pongo sp</i>		Kilbourn and al, 2003
Mumps			<i>Pongo sp</i>		Kilbourn and al, 2003
Rhesus cytomegalovirus	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2006
Simian Foamy Virus	<i>Macaca fascicularis/Macaca mulatta/Macaca thibetana</i>		<i>Macaca mulatta</i>		Jones-Engel and al, 2005/Jones-Engel and al, 2006/Feeroz and al, 2013/Yong and al, 2013
Simian Pox Virus	<i>Macaca thibetana</i>				Yong and al, 2013
Simian Retrovirus	<i>Macaca thibetana</i>				Yong and al, 2013
Simian type D retrovirus	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2006
Simian virus 40	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2006
Simian T-cell Lymphotropic Virus	<i>Macaca mulatta/Macaca thibetana</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2006/Yong and al, 2013
Adenovirus			<i>Pongo sp</i>	Respiratory	Kilbourn and al, 2003
Influenza A	<i>Macaca tonkeana</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2001
Measles Morbivirus	<i>Macaca tonkeana</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2001
Parainfluenza 1	<i>Macaca tonkeana</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2001
Parainfluenza 2	<i>Macaca tonkeana</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2001
Parainfluenza 3	<i>Macaca tonkeana</i>				Jones-Engel and al, 2001
Respiratory syncytial			<i>Pongo sp</i>		Kilbourn and al, 2003
Coxsackie B-4			<i>Pongo sp</i>	Fecal/Oral	Kilbourn and al, 2003
Enterovirus	<i>Macaca mulatta/Semnopithecus entellus/Trachypithecus pileatus</i>		<i>Macaca mulatta/Semnopithecus entellus/Trachypithecus pileatus</i>		Oberste and al, 2012
Hepatitis A	<i>Macaca thibetana</i>		<i>Macaca fascicularis</i>		Yong and al, 2013/ Burke and al, 1984
Parechovirus	<i>Macaca mulatta/Semnopithecus entellus/Trachypithecus pileatus</i>		<i>Macaca mulatta/Semnopithecus entellus/Trachypithecus pileatus</i>		Oberste and al, 2012
Rotavirus SA11			<i>Pongo sp</i>		Kilbourn and al, 2003
Chikungunya virus			<i>Macaca fascicularis/Macaca leonina/Macaca arctoides</i>	Vector Borne	Tongthainan and al, 2020
Dengue virus		<i>Pongo sp</i>	<i>Macaca fascicularis/Macaca leonina/Macaca arctoides/Macaca sinica/Pongo sp</i>		Tongthainan and al, 2020/De Silva and al, 1999/Kilbourn and al, 2003/Wolfe and al, 2001
Japanese encephalitis		<i>Pongo sp</i>	<i>Pongo sp</i>		Kilbourn and al, 2003/Wolfe and al, 2001
Kyasanur Forest Disease			<i>Macaca radiata/Semnopithecus entellus/Trachypithecus pileatus</i>		Patri and al, 1989/Mouryat and al, 2013/
Sindbis		<i>Pongo sp</i>	<i>Pongo sp</i>		Kilbourn and al, 2003/Wolfe and al, 2001
Tembusu		<i>Pongo sp</i>	<i>Pongo sp</i>		Kilbourn and al, 2003/Wolfe and al, 2001
West Nile virus			<i>Macaca fascicularis</i>		Ain-Najwa and al, 2020
Zika virus		<i>Pongo sp</i>	<i>Macaca fascicularis/Macaca leonina/Macaca arctoides/Pongo sp</i>		Tongthainan and al, 2020/Kilbourn and al, 2003/Wolfe and al, 2001

## Viruses :

Respiratory route and contact with body fluids

→ mainly **urban habitat**

Vector-borne transmission

→ mostly **rural** and **forested habitats**

Other types of pathogens

→ **no qualitative differences** between habitats

Bacteria			
Interface	Number of studies	% of species founded	% of species founded corrected
Urban	7	49	38
Rural	2	9	25
Forested	6	42	38
Total	15	100	100
Gastrointestinal Parasite			
Interface	Number of studies	% of species founded	% of species founded corrected
Urban	16	26	31
Rural	14	26	35
Forested	26	47	34
Total	56	100	100
Protozoa			
Interface	Number of studies	% of species founded	% of species founded corrected
Urban	17	32	30
Rural	8	19	38
Forested	25	49	31
Total	50	100	100
Virus			
Interface	Number of studies	% of species founded	% of species founded corrected
Urban	6	35	29
Rural	1	9	46
Forested	11	56	26
Total	18	100	100

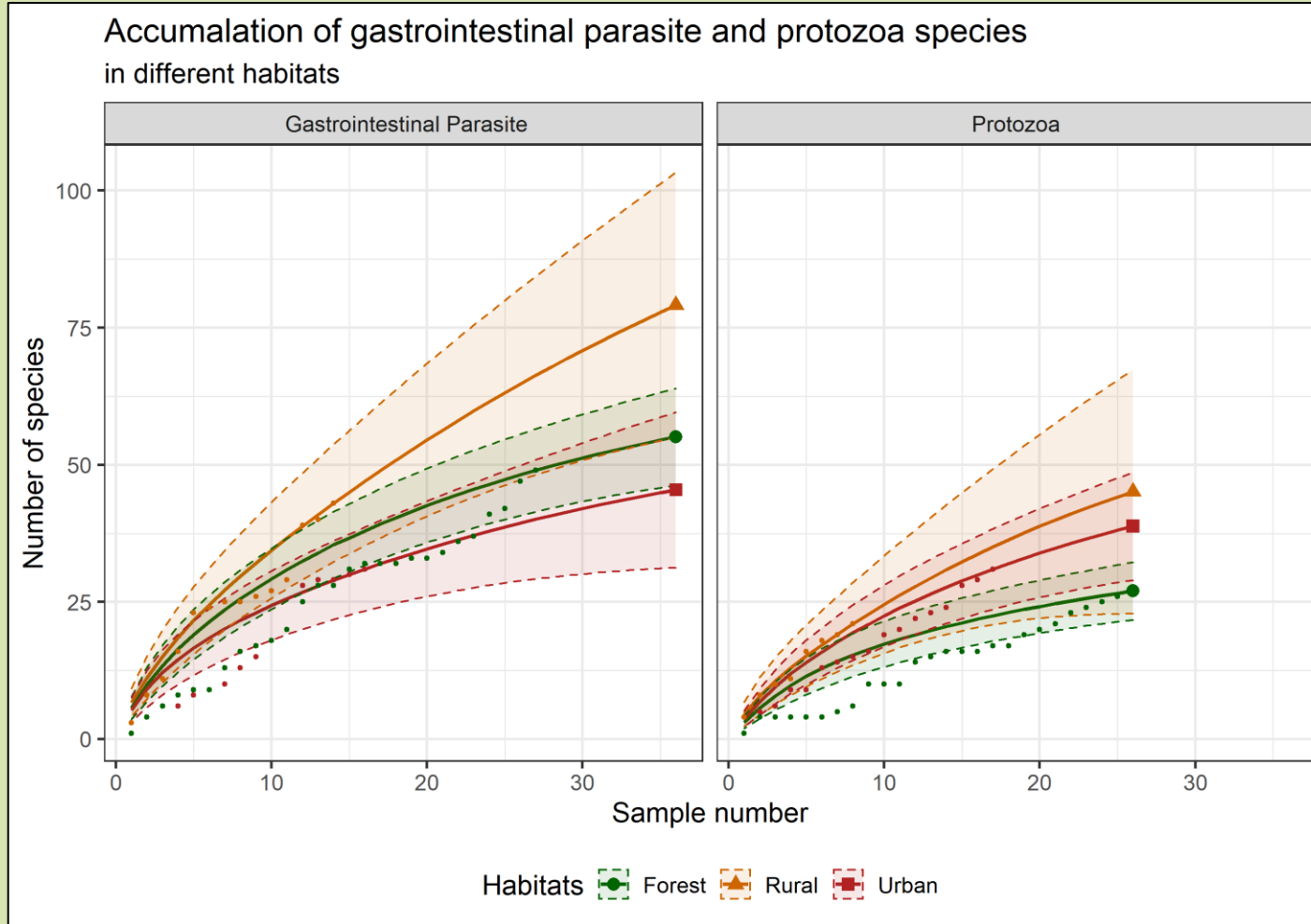
### Weighted % of species occurrence:

**Bacteria → urban and forest habitats**

**Viruses → rural habitats**

**Gastrointestinal parasites and protozoa  
→ similar in the 3 types of habitats**





Dotted line: accumulation curve

Solid line: rarefaction curve

### Extrapolation and accumulation curves of species richness

Comparison of habitats

→ **Overlap** of confidence intervals

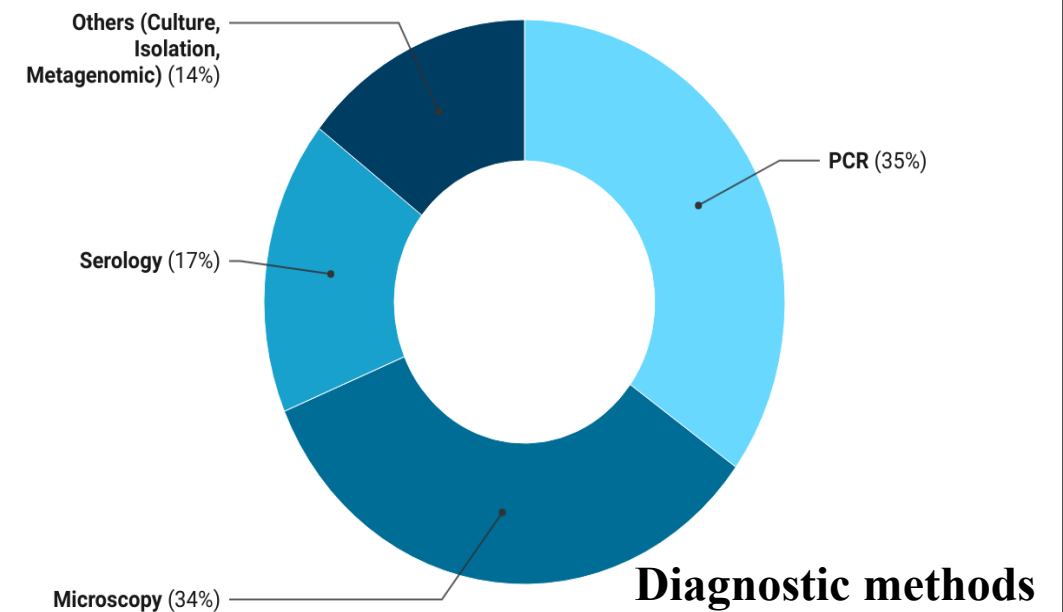
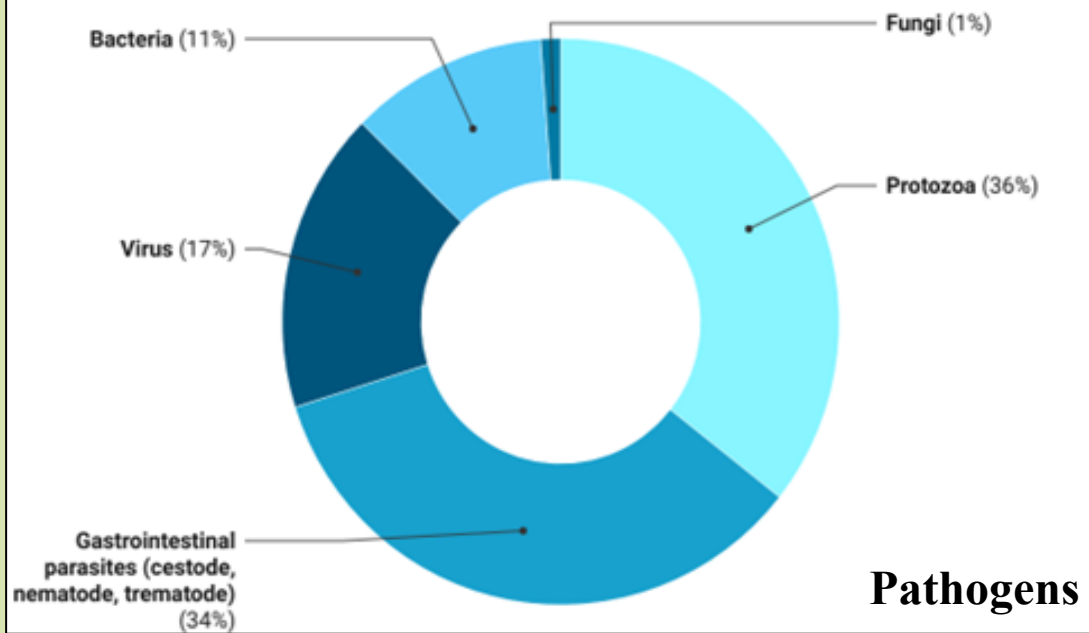
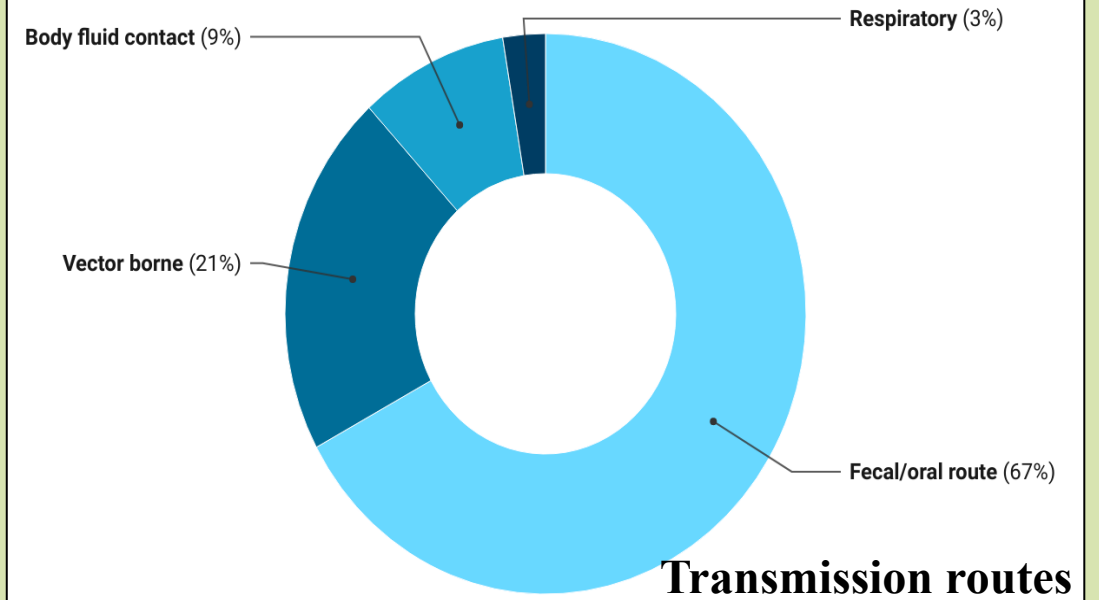
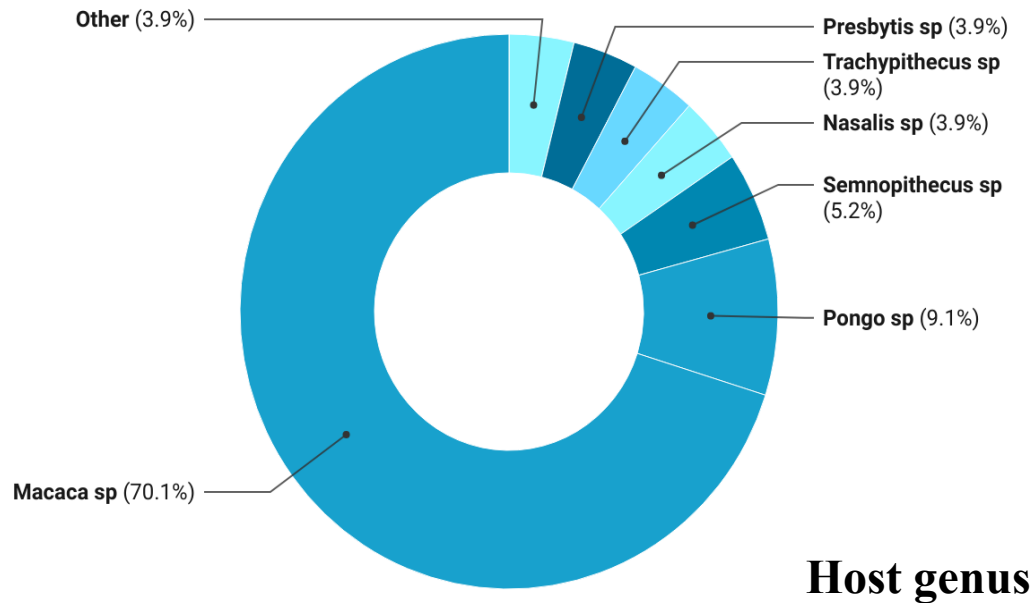
→ **No difference between habitats**

Impossible to conclude

→ Threshold not reached

→ **Need to continue sampling**

## Gaps ?



Several **gaps identified & biases** in studies

→ **Inventory** of zoonotic pathogens and **diversity** representation in different habitats **influenced**



### NHPs host

- Asian NHPs less study compare to African NHPs
- Geographic and distribution range



### Zoonotic pathogens

- Types of samples
- Link with the transmission route



### Diagnostic methods

- Specific vs Generic
- Generic = discovery zoonotic pathogens BUT expensive



## Take home message:

- Zoonotic pathogens & transmission routes  
→ **common** in some habitats BUT some are also **specific**
- BUT **gaps** in studies on zoonotic pathogens  
→ need for **additional** studies

International and multidisciplinary **collaborations**  
→ **preventives** or **reactionary** measures



Thank you for your attention !

## Zoonotic pathogens diversity **comparison between habitats :**

- **Control potential biases due to effort sampling → weighted % of species occurrence**

Sampling effort on the **group of pathogens/transmission routes studied :**

For each group of pathogens/transmission routes → **weighting factor** = (total number of studies carried out on **all the groups** of pathogens/**all transmission routes** / total number of studies carried out on a **specific** pathogen group/a **specific** transmission route)

Sampling effort on the **habitat type :**

For each group of pathogens → **weighting factor** = (total number of studies carried out on the group of pathogen **in all habitats** combined / total number of studies carried out on the pathogen group **in a specific habitat**)

- **Method of extrapolation and accumulation curves of species richness (Gotelli and Colwell, 2001)**

**Quantify and statistically measure the differences in diversity of zoonotic agent species between habitat types, EstimateS software**



Weighted % of species occurrence:

Pathogens	Number of studies	% of species found	% of species found corrected
Gastrointestinal parasite	56	54.3	36.1
Bacteria	15	7.0	17.3
Protozoa	50	29.7	22.2
Virus	18	8.9	18.4
Fungi	1	0.2	6.0
Total	140	100.0	100.0

Across all the studies, **gastrointestinal parasites** is the type of pathogen **the most detected** in studies

Transmission Route	Number of studies	% of species found	% of species found corrected
Fecal/oral	80	83.9	42.0
Respiratory	2	1.0	19.1
Vector borne	20	11.6	23.3
Body fluid	9	3.5	15.6
Total	111	100.0	100.0

Across all the studies, **Fecal/oral route** is the transmission route **the most detected** in studies