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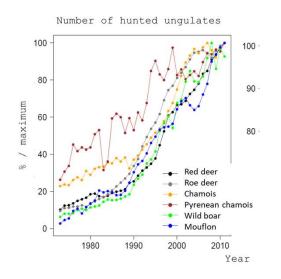


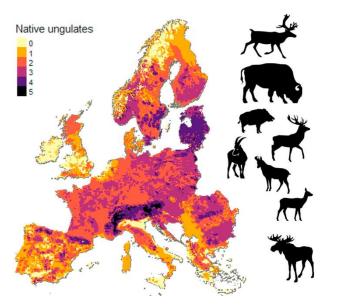
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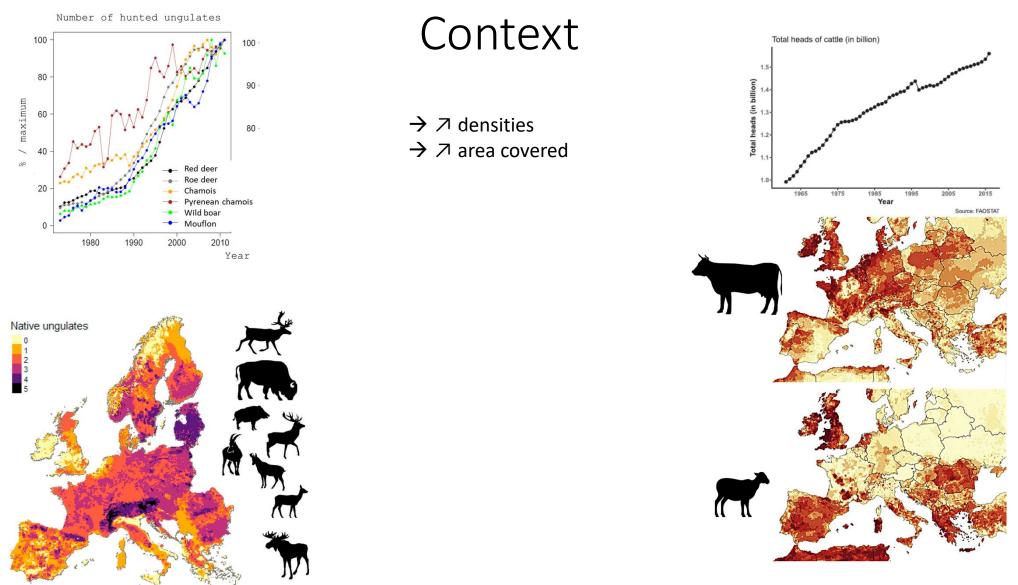


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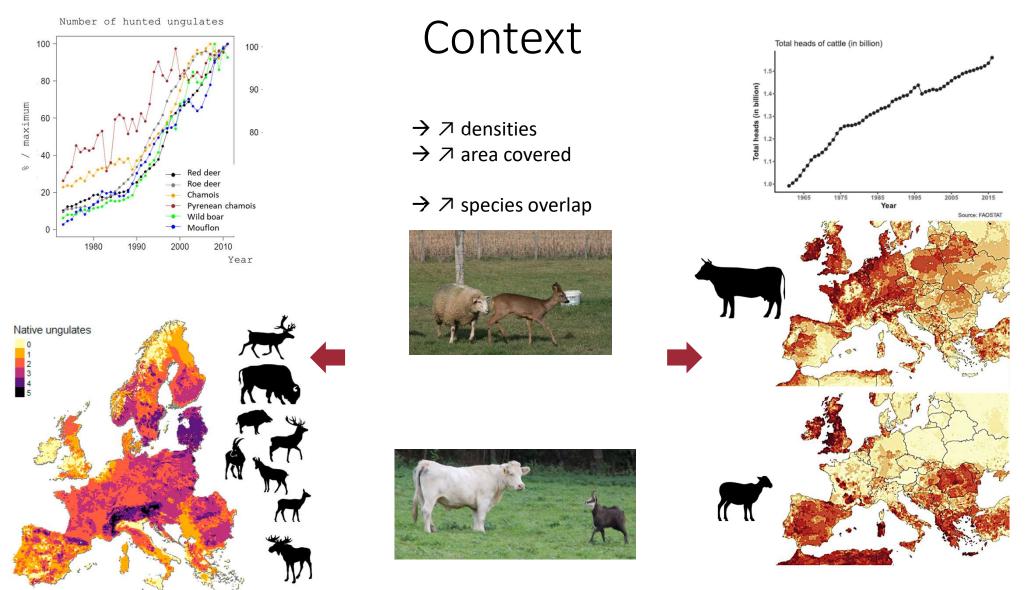
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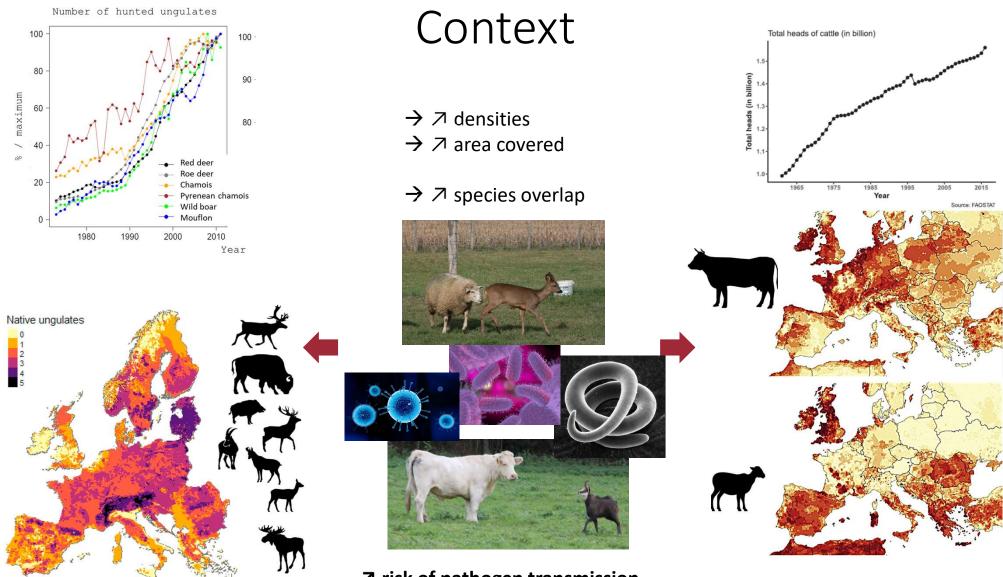
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↗ risk of pathogen transmission

Context

• Resistance to anthelmintics in wild populations in contact with livestock

Detection of GIN resistant to benzimidazoles in wild roe deer and feral goats in contact with livestock

Wild deer as potential vectors of anthelmintic-resistant abomasal nematodes between cattle and sheep farms

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Benzimidazole resistance within red deer, roe deer and sheep populations within a joint habitat in Hungary

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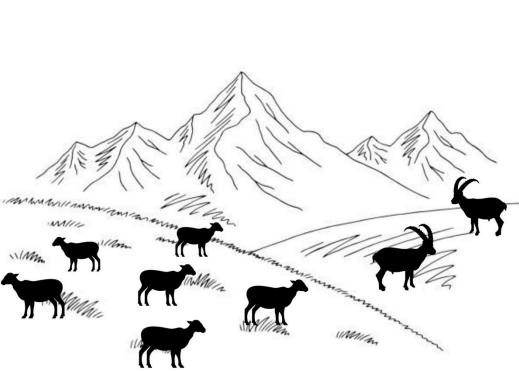




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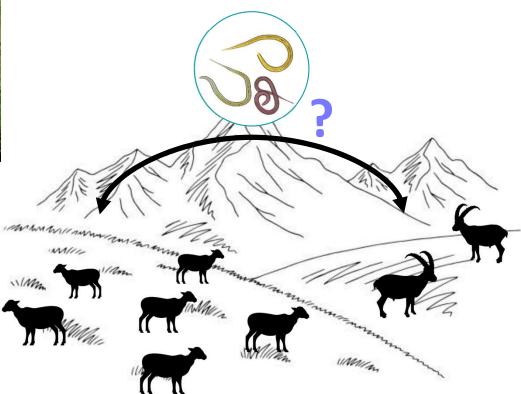
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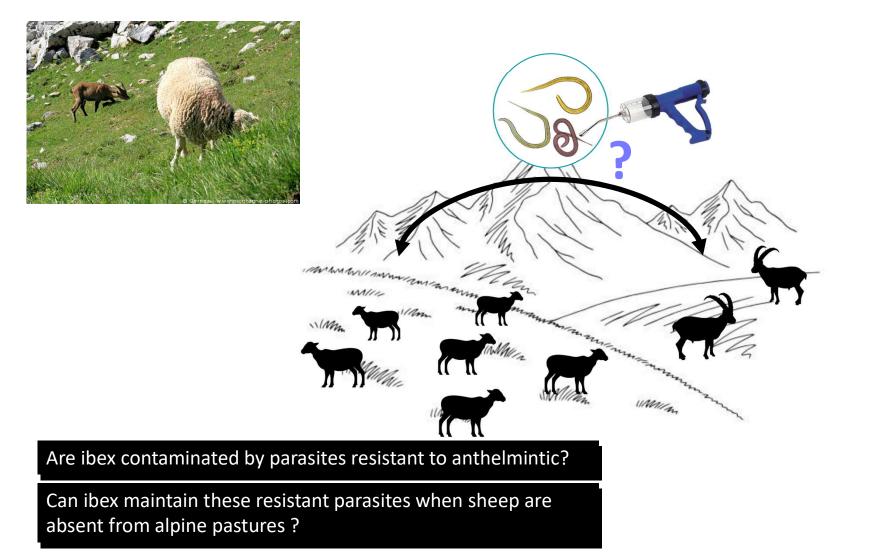
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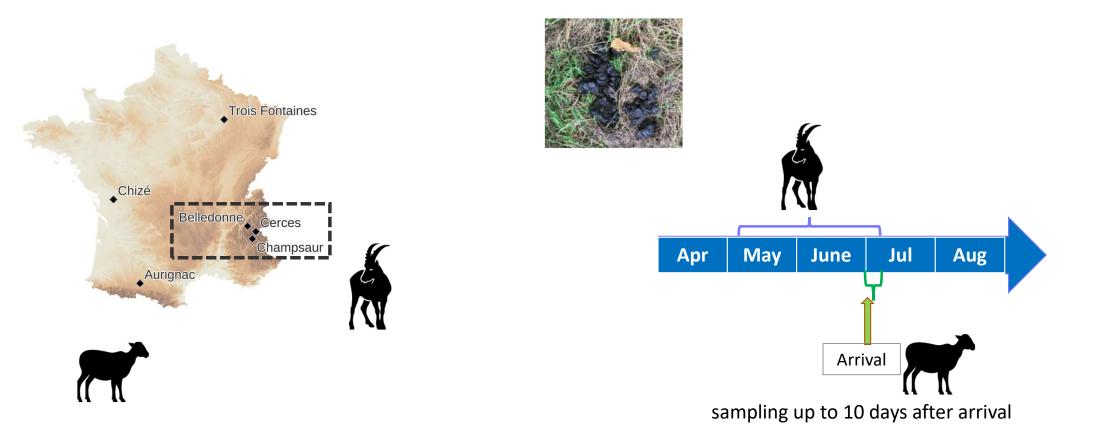


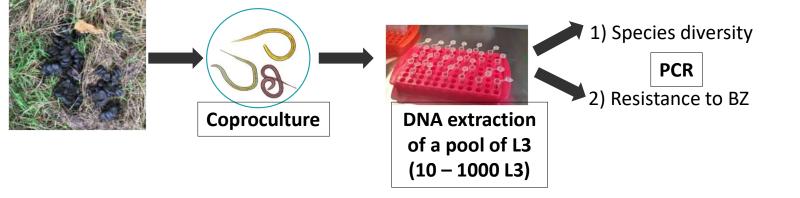
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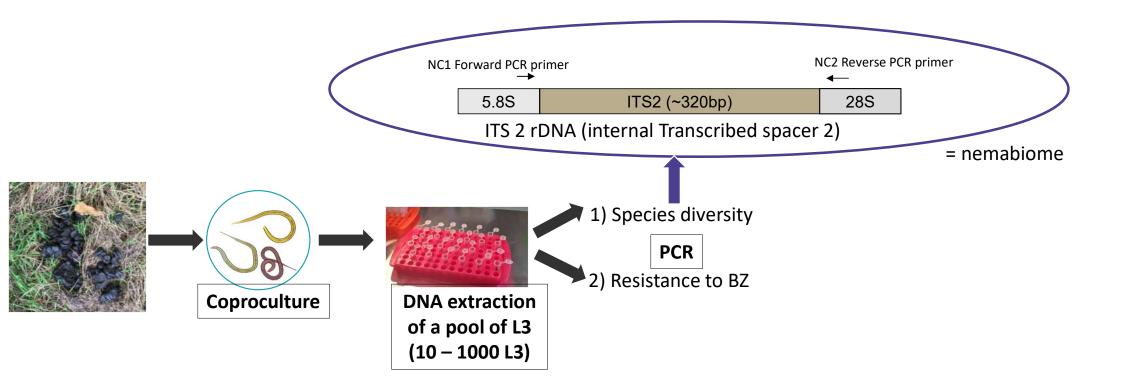
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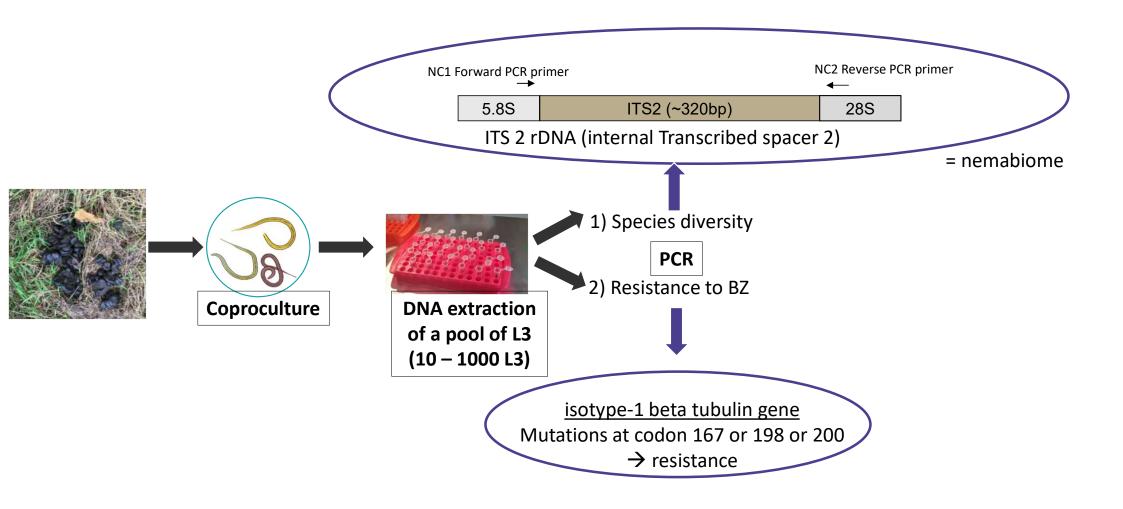


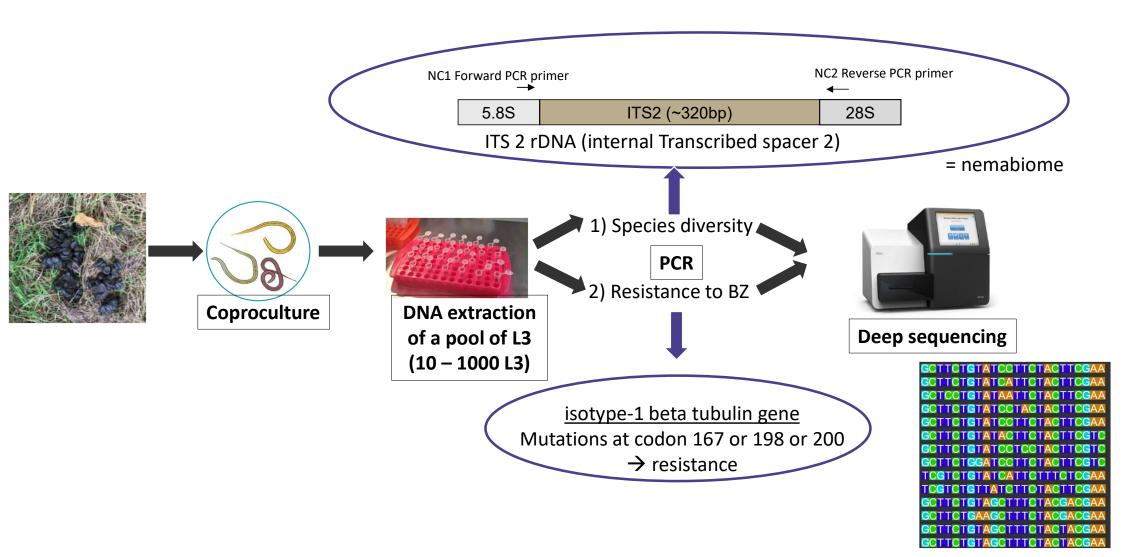
Material & Methods





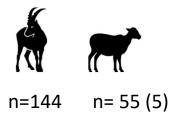


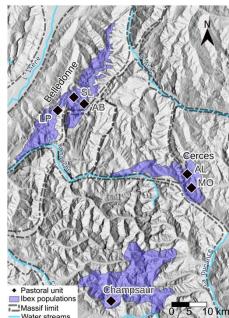




Results

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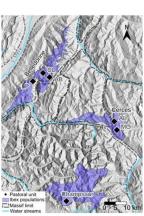


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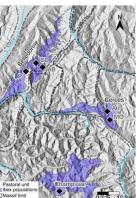
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\rightarrow 13 species
\rightarrow 2 genus



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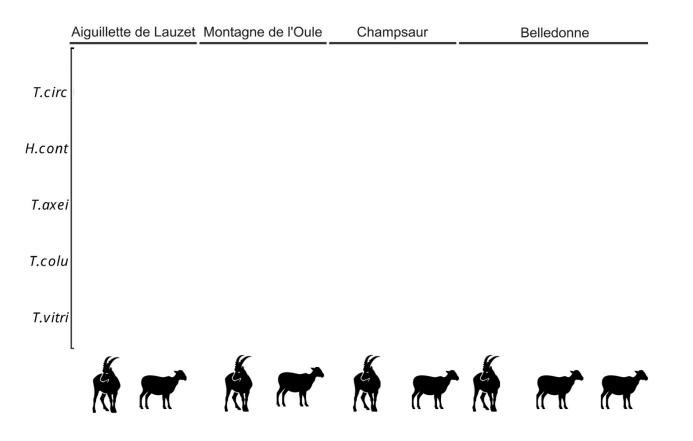
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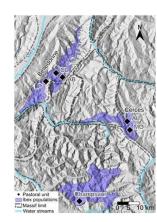
Cooperia spp.

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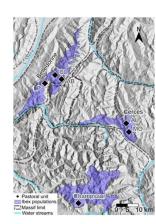
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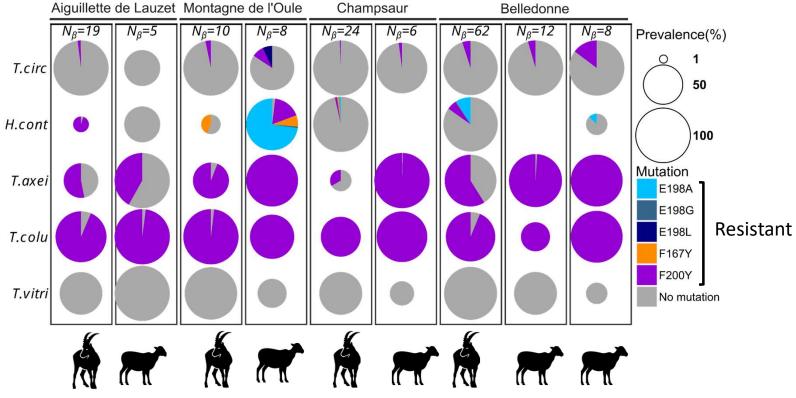


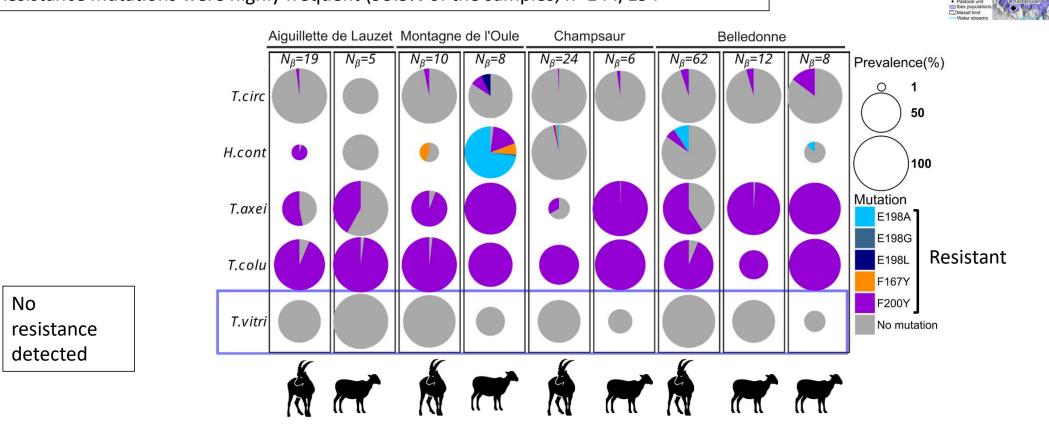


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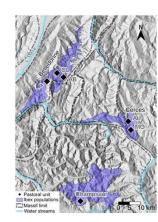
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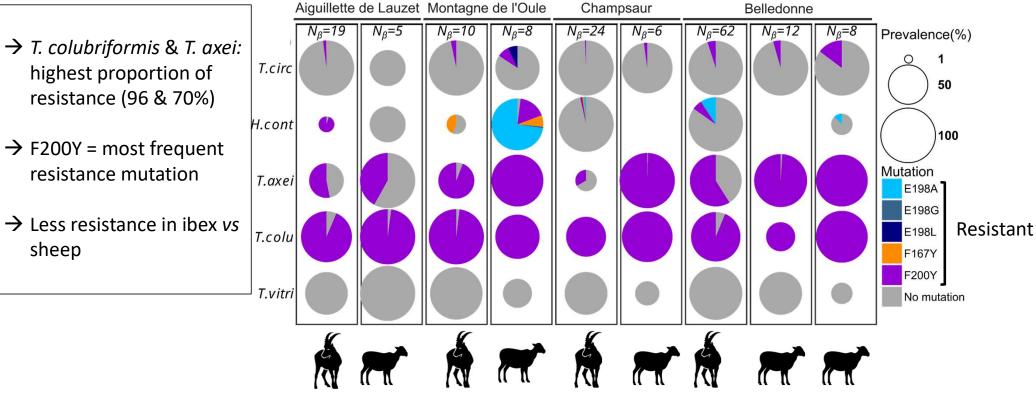
Resistance mutations were highly frequent (93.5% of the samples; n=144/154

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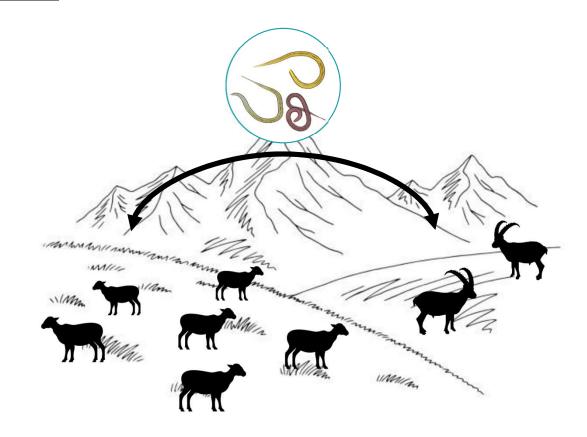




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Are ibex contaminated by parasites resistant to anthelmintic?

Can ibex maintain resistant parasites when sheep are absent from alpine pastures ?

- ightarrow Ibex never treated ightarrow contaminated by sheep
- → Ibex shed eggs of resistant nematodes despite no sheep >8-10 months
- → Relative contribution of each species in the dynamic of parasites?

