#### 1 Exclusion Part I (abstract screening)

- 1.1 A paper is outside the scope of our search if it is not related in any way to within-host or between-host infection dynamics. If this is the case, the paper should be rejected. Is the paper outside the scope of our search?
  - (a) No
  - (b) Yes
- 1.2 We also reject any review papers. Is the paper a review?
  - (a) No
  - (b) Yes
- 1.3 A paper should be kept if it includes a linked within-host between-host model that uses data. Otherwise, it should be rejected. Does the paper need to be further analyzed to make this determination?
  - (a) Yes
  - (b) No, it can be rejected from the abstract alone

## 2 Study Properties (Paper Screening)

- 2.1 The focal host is the main species studied. What is the focal host species type?
  - (a) Human
  - (b) Non-human mammal
  - (c) Reptile/Amphibian/Fish
  - (d) Invertebrates (Insects/snails/worms/etc)
  - (e) Birds
  - (f) Plants
  - (g) Other
- 2.2 State the focal host species scientific name.
- 2.3 Are there other species included in the study?
  - (a) Yes
  - (b) No
- 2.4 If other species are included (2.3a), state the name(s) of the other species that are included.
- 2.5 What is the type of infection studied?
  - (a) Fungal
  - (b) Bacterial
  - (c) Viral
  - (d) Protozoa (Malaria parasite/etc)
  - (e) Macroparasite (Worms/ticks/etc)
  - (f) Other
  - (g) Multiple
- 2.6 State the scientific name(s) of the infection(s).
- 2.7 If possible, state the main result of the paper.

#### 3 Exclusion Part II (paper screening)

- 3.1 A paper should be kept if it includes a linked within-host between-host model that uses data. Otherwise, it should be rejected. Once the paper has been further analyzed (3.3a), should it be kept or rejected?
  - (a) Keep
  - (b) Reject
- 3.2 If the paper is rejected (3.3b or 3.1b), what is the main reason why it is rejected?
  - (a) No data
  - (b) No model
  - (c) No within-host component
  - (d) No between-host component
  - (e) Other

3.3 If the paper is rejected for another reason (3.2e), state the reason the paper should be rejected.

## 4 Model Properties (included papers)

- 4.1 How is infection transmission modeled?
  - (a) Direct contact
  - (b) Indirect contact
  - (c) Multiple
- 4.2 Are the results primarily strategic (used to understand underlying dynamics) or tactical (used to make predictions)?
  - (a) Strategic
  - (b) Tactical
  - (c) Both
- 4.3 What is the primary focus of the main result?
  - (a) Impact of the within-host dynamics on the between-host dynamics
  - (b) Impact of the between-host dynamics on the within-host dynamics
  - (c) Impact of the linking mechanism on the overall dynamics
  - (d) Other
- 4.4 If the main result has another focus (4.3d), state the focus of the main result.

### 5 Model Type (included papers)

- 5.1 What type of within-host model is used?
  - (a) Deterministic
  - (b) Statistical
  - (c) Stochastic
  - (d) Individual-based

- (e) Other
- 5.2 If another type of within-host model is used (5.1e), state the type of within-host model that is used.
- 5.3 What type of between-host model is used?
  - (a) Deterministic
  - (b) Statistical
  - (c) Stochastic
  - (d) Individual-based
  - (e) Other
- 5.4 If another type of between-host model is used (5.3e), state the type of between-host model that is used.
- 5.5 How are the models linked?
  - (a) The within-host model is linked to the between-host model
  - (b) The between-host model is linked to the within-host model
  - (c) Both (a) and (b)
  - (d) Linking occurs at more than one level
- 5.6 Traits refer to parameters such as pathogen growth rate, while states refer to the dynamics of the system, such as pathogen load. What linking mechanisms are used?
  - (a) Traits
  - (b) States
  - (c) Both

### 6 Within-Host Linking Mechanisms (included papers)

- 6.1 Is the pathogen growth rate used as a within-host linking mechanism?
  - (a) Yes
  - (b) No
  - (c) Maybe

6.2 Is the pathogen load used as a within-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) Maybe

6.3 Is the pathogen death rate used as a within-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) Maybe

6.4 Is the immune response used as a within-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No

(c) Maybe

6.5 Are symptoms used as a within-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) Maybe

6.6 State any other within-host linking mechanisms used.

#### 7 Between-Host Linking Mechanisms (included papers)

7.1 Is the pathogen transmission rate used as a between-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) Maybe

7.2 Is the host recovery rate used as a between-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) Maybe

7.3 Is the host death rate used as a between-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) Maybe

7.4 Is the pathogen virulence used as a between-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) Maybe

7.5 Is the frequency of strains used as a between-host linking mechanism?

- (a) Yes
- (b) No
- (c) Maybe

7.6 State any other between-host linking mechanisms used.

# 8 Data (included papers)

- 8.1 Is data used at the within-host level?
  - (a) Yes
  - (b) No
  - (c) Maybe
- 8.2 If data is used at the within-host level (8.1a), is data top-down (fitting states) or bottom-up (fitting traits)?
  - (a) Top-down
  - (b) Bottom-up
  - (c) Both

8.3 If data is used at the within-host level (8.1a), which fitting method is used?

- (a) Least squares
- (b) Maximum likelihood
- (c) Bayesian inference
- (d) Other
- 8.4 If another fitting method is used (8.3d), state the fitting method that is used.
- 8.5 Is data used for the linking mechanism?
  - (a) Yes
  - (b) No
  - (c) Maybe
- 8.6 If data is used for the linking mechanism (8.5a), is data top-down (fitting states) or bottom-up (fitting traits)?
  - (a) Top-down
  - (b) Bottom-up
  - (c) Both
- 8.7 If data is used for the linking mechanism (8.5a), which fitting method is used?
  - (a) Least squares
  - (b) Maximum likelihood
  - (c) Bayesian inference
  - (d) Other
- 8.8 If another fitting method is used (8.7d), state the fitting method that is used.
- 8.9 Is data used at the between-host level?
  - (a) Yes
  - (b) No
  - (c) Maybe

- 8.10 If data is used at the between-host level (8.9a), is data top-down (fitting states) or bottom-up (fitting traits)?
  - (a) Top-down
  - (b) Bottom-up
  - (c) Both

8.11 If data is used at the between-host level (8.9a), which fitting method is used?

- (a) Least squares
- (b) Maximum likelihood
- (c) Bayesian inference
- (d) Other

8.12 If another fitting method is used (8.11d), state the fitting method that is used.