### Appendix S1: Pseudo-code for livestock as sentinels for wildlife disease

- I. Set the distribution parameters from which to draw random variates of model parameters for each iteration of the model
  - A. Number of iterations (*iter*)
  - B. Sampling period (e.g. annual from 2000 2014)
    - 1. Calculate number of periods (*nPeriods*)
  - C. Beta parameters (a, b) for the prior of the probability of no disease in wildlife (eq. 9 and 10)
  - D. Beta parameters (c, d) for the annual probability of new incursion into the area
  - E. Spatial resolution of grid cell system for analysis (*resol*; e.g. 100 m)
  - F. The design prevalence  $(P^*; eq. 6 \text{ and } 8)$
  - G. The rate of increase of the design prevalence
  - H. Mean and variance parameters for  $\sigma^2$  ( $\mu$ ,  $\varepsilon^2$ ; eq. 2)
  - I. Beta parameters (e, f) for the disease diagnostic tests
  - J. Beta parameters (g, h) for the  $I_{max}$  parameter (eq. 1 and 2)

## II. Import the data

- A. Spatial data delimiting the area over which disease eradication will be declared (e.g. shapefile or raster)
  - 1. Mask out un-suitable habitat that will not contain homerange centers of possums
- B. Herd surveillance data (e.g. \*.csv file)
- C. Spatial data on farm boundaries for all farms (e.g. shapefile or raster)
  - 1. Mask out areas where livestock cannot move (e.g. fenced off areas or very dense vegetation)
- D. Spatial data on the relative risk of disease infection (e.g. raster; eq. 8)

#### III. Pre-process the spatial data

- A. Loop through each farm
  - 1. For each farm, create an empty raster the size of the full extent

- 2. Loop through grid cells
  - a) Identify grid cells within and adjacent to the farm where possums could live but livestock cannot access
  - b) Apply the distance decay function  $exp\left(-\frac{d_{jk}^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$  for each grid cell (eq. 2)
  - c) Populate the farm-specific raster with the results of distance decay function
- B. Make a design prevalence array
  - 1. Make an empty array with the length of the number of sampling periods (e.g. number of years)
  - 2. Populate the first position with the design prevalence (I.F. above)
  - 3. Subsequent entries are a function of the rate of increase (I.G. above)
- C. Calculate the *EPIAve* for year sampling period (eq. 7)
  - 1. Use the relative risk map (II.D. above; eq. 8)
  - 2. Use the herd testing data (II.B. above) to identify grid cells that will be searched

#### IV. Process the data

- A. Loop through the iterations (I.A. above)
  - 1. Make an empty raster of dimensions of the full extent in which to store the  $SeU_i$  values.
  - 2. Draw random variates for all model parameters from distributions specified in I. (except *iter*, *resol*,  $P^*$ , and rate of increase of  $P^*$ , which are constant for all iterations).
  - 3. Loop through the *nPeriods* (I.B.)
    - a) Loop through the grid cells in (all columns and rows)
      - (1) If a grid cell is in the extent of interest, loop through all farms, and calculate the  $SeU_{ik}$  (eq. 1-4)
      - (2) Calculate  $SeU_i$  (eq. 5)
    - b) Calculate the *SeUAve* and *SSe* (eq. 6 or 7)
      - (1) Record the *SSe* in a 2-dimensional storage array [*iter*, *nPeriods*]
    - c) Calculate the  $P(free|S^-)_t$  (eq. 10 or 11)

(1) Record the  $P(free|S^-)_t$  in a 2-dimensional storage array [iter, nPeriods]

# B. Make table of results

- 1. Calculate the mean and 95% CI of SSe for each sampling period
- 2. Calculate the mean and 95% CI of  $P(free|S^-)_t$  for each sampling period