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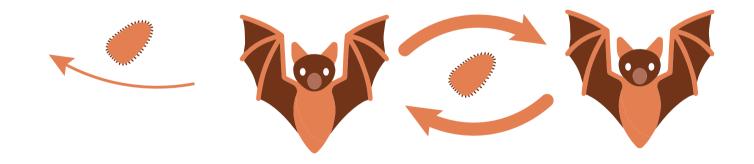
Urban rabies

- In many Asian and African countries, especially near people
- Globally the most important cycle with the most (human) fatalities
- Reservoir: stray dogs, rarely cats
- Not found in Switzerland; risk: illegally imported dogs/cats!



Silvatic rabies

- Circulates among wild animals (Latin silva = forest)
- Reservoir: varies according to country and region, in Europe mainly red fox
- Eradicated in Switzerland since 1999



Bat rabies

- Probably occurs worldwide, but rarely detected
- Reservoir: certain species of bat, specific bat rabies viruses
- Very rarely detected in Switzerland



