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## Wildlife Translocation: Demographic, Genetic, Disease and Ethical Considerations

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Translocation is a growing component of wildlife management. For threatened species, translocation has been a fundamental part of reintroduction into suitable parts of their former geographic range, and is increasingly becoming part of assisted colonisation by introducing wildlife species into novel ranges in anticipation of climate change and other anthropogenic threats. Translocation is also applied to the management of exotic pests and overabundant native species, relieving pressure on their current range by relocating animals to unoccupied or more resilient habitats. Regardless of its purpose, translocation raises a number of considerations about the effectiveness and ethical integrity of management. Among these are: source (wild or captive) of animals for release; size, demographic composition and genetic diversity of release groups; release site selection and threat mitigation; soft versus hard release protocols; demographic and genetic risks to source populations; genetic and disease risks for recipient sites; and animal welfare factors involved in capture, transport and release.



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