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Geographical and epidemiological characteristics of sporadic coronavirus disease 2019 outbreaks from June to December 2020 in China: an overview of environment-to-human transmission events

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Table 2 The analysis of COVID-19 pandemic between Wuhan and Beijing

|                      | COVID-19 pandemic in Wuhan                           | COVID-19 pandemic in Beijing                         |
|----------------------|--|--|
| The first identified | symptom onset on December 8, 2019, and               | symptom onset on June 9, 2020, and confirmed on      |
|                      | confirmed on December 10, 2019                       | June 11, 2020  |
| The possible source  | Huanan Seafood market                                | Xinfadi food/seafood market, in the Beijing city's   |
| _                    | Huanan Searood market                                |  |
| of epidemiological   |  | south-western Fengtai district                       |
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| Information of the   | Wuhan authorities informed the World Health          | National Health Commission and Beijing Health        |
| World Health         | Organization on December 31, 2019 about the          | Commission briefed WHO's China country office,       |
| Organization         | unknown, pneumonialike illness that would later      | to share details of preliminary investigations       |
|                      | be identified as COVID-19.                           | ongoing in Beijing on June 13, 2020.                 |
| Environmental        | SARS-CoV-2-positive                                  | SARS-CoV-2-positive                                  |
| samples from two     |  |  |
| markets              |  |  |
| Closing date of wet  | January 1, 2020                                      | June 13, 2020  |
| market               |  |  |
| Traced exposures     | there is a strong indication that untraced exposures | Only Xinfadi food Seafood/market                     |
|                      | other than the one in the epidemiologically linked   |  |
|                      | seafood market in Wuhan have occurred.               |  |
| Date of city         | Wuhan city shut down on January 23, 2020, and        | Xinfadi market and surrounding neighbourhoods        |
| lockdown             | another 15 cities down on January 24, 2020.          | had been adopted lockdown measures on June 13,       |
|                      |  | 2020.  |
| strict lockdown      | China's coronavirus outbreak was brought under       | The Fengtai district was in a "wartime emergency     |
| measures             | control through some of the world's strictest        | mode", and hundreds of police had entered the        |
|                      | lockdown measures after the disease was detected     | locked-down facility. Nearby transport links and     |
|                      | in the city of Wuhan.                                | schools had been closed. Right across Beijing        |
|                      |  | sport had been cancelled and major public            |
|                      |  | facilities were pulling down the shutters.           |
| COVID-19 testing     | Limited detection during early periods of COVID-     | When Beijing's second outbreak took off, the city    |
|                      | 19 pandemic  | immediately ramped up its COVID-19 testing.          |
| A messaging APP as   | Wuhan turned a messaging APP into a contact          | Local authorities across China have built programs   |
| contact tracer       | tracer during late stage of COVID-19 pandemic        | into the messaging app. It tracked your movements    |
|                      |  | and assigns you a color code based on where          |
|                      |  | you've been.   |
|                      |  | In parts of Beijing people could not enter buildings |
|                      |  | unless they had a green rating on China's contact    |
|                      |  | tracing APP. A green rating means you could move     |
|                      |  | around without restrictions. Anyone with an          |
|                      |  | orange or red rating was not allowed to travel.      |
| The possible source  | unknown  | It could have been hidden in imported frozen food    |
| of SARS-CoV-2        |  | products, or it was lurking in some dark and humid   |
|                      |  | environment such as Xinfadi market, with the         |
|                      |  |  |
|                      |  | environment not having been disinfected or           |

|         |  | sterilized.  |
|---------|--|--|
| Results | The tables have turned after February 11, 2020 | Since peaking on June 14 with 36 confirmed cases,    |
|         |  | the daily rise had been steadily dropping, with only |
|         |  | nine recorded on June 21.                            |