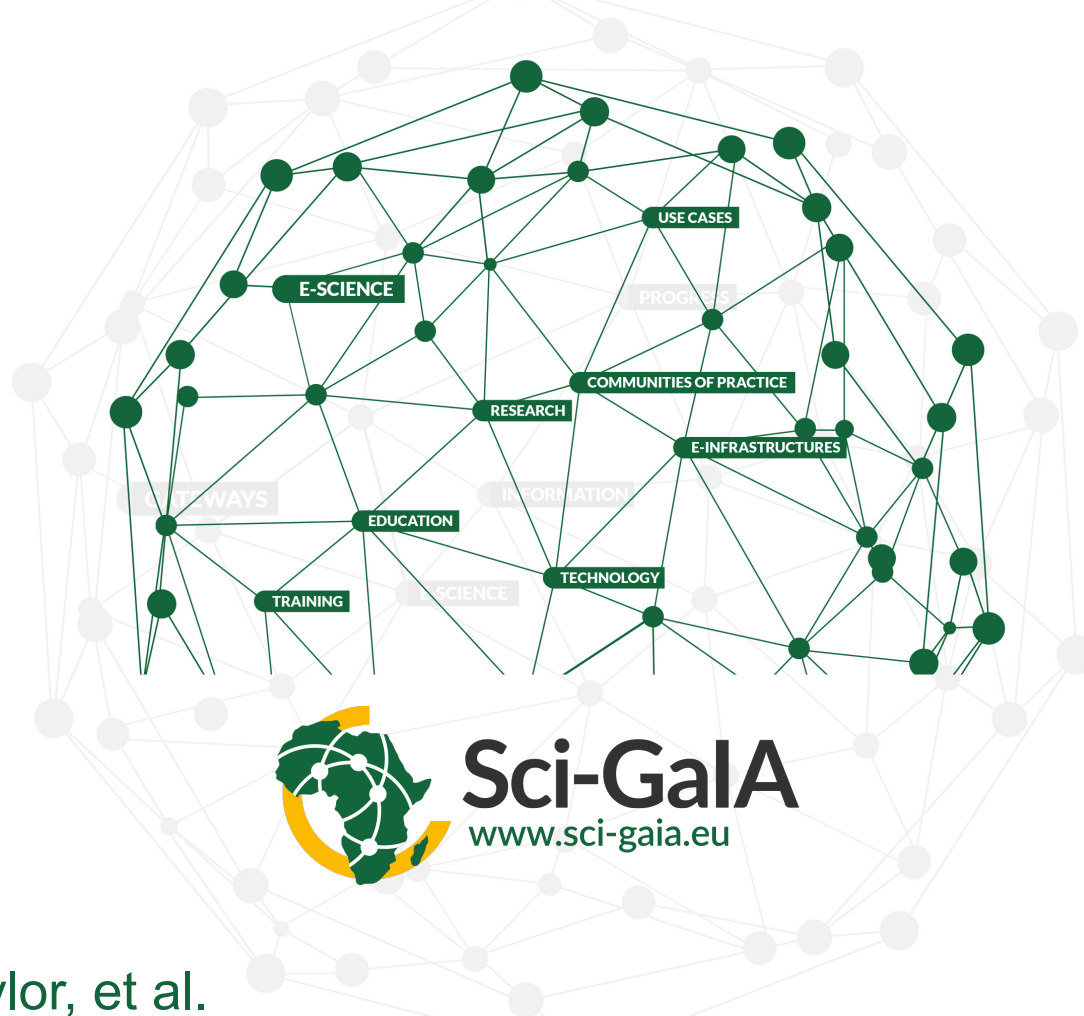


# A Case Study of Open Science The REPAST Infection Model



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# Aim

- To show how ICT can be used to support Open Science
- Case study
  - A group of researchers have developed an agent-based simulation of an infection network in REPAST SIMPHONY
  - They publish an article paper with the results of their work
  - They would like to have all the software and results of their work available so that other scientists can verify their results and then built on them
  - Case study is simulation but this could be potentially any algorithm, software, etc.

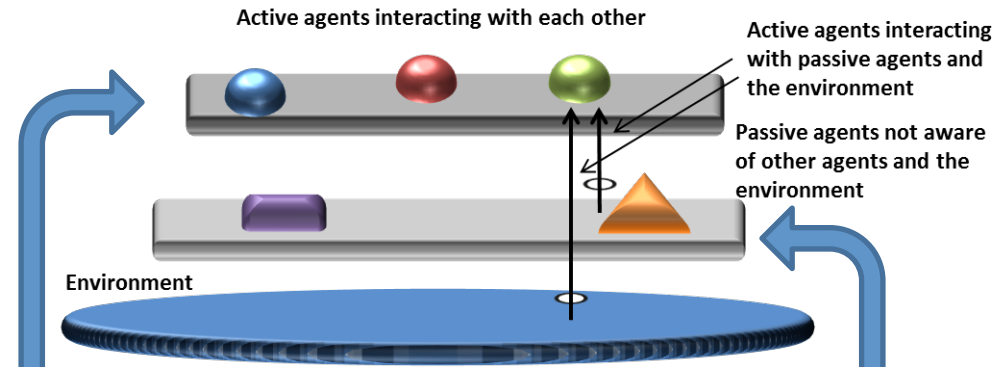
# Agent-Based Modelling and Simulation

- Originated from Cellular Automata (CA) and Complex Adaptive Systems (CAS)
  - Network of autonomous agents that interact, adapt and learn
- ABMS studies the behaviour of individual and autonomous agents and their interactions
- Characteristics
  - Autonomy, locality, decentralisation
- State
  - Each agent has its own state with clearly defined boundaries
  - Model state is the collection of agents' states and environment state
- Many application areas
- Many open source tools (REPAST SIMPHONY)

# Agent-Based Modelling and Simulation

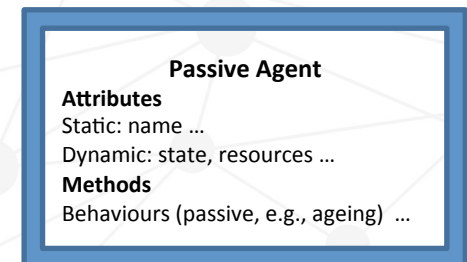
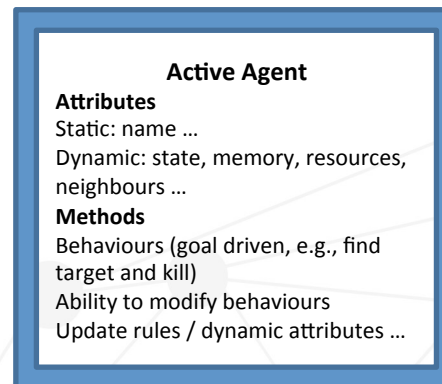
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- Agents
  - Active
  - Passive
- Environment



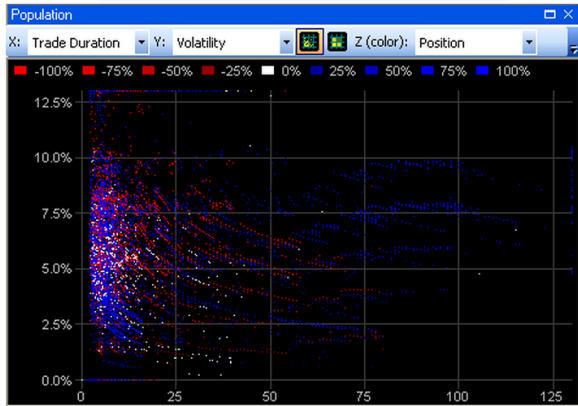
## ❖ Agents characteristics

- Attributes
- Behaviours
- Rules



# ABMS Examples

- Aspatial
  - Stock market



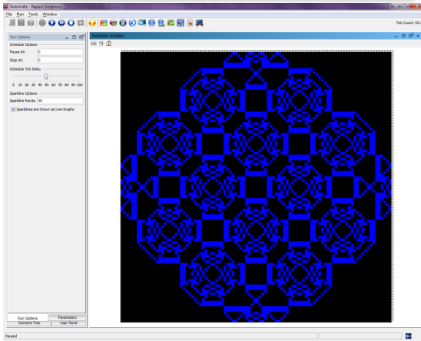
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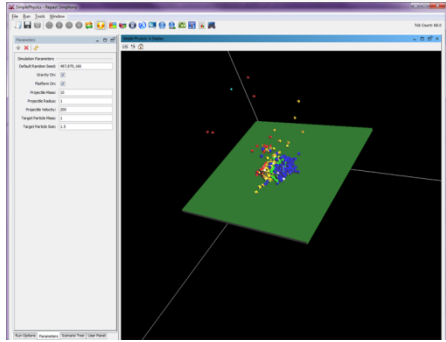
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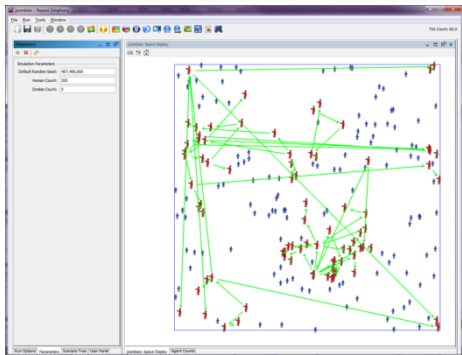
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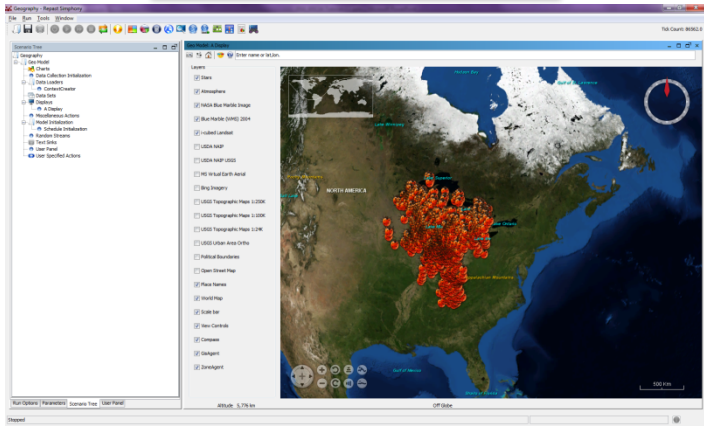
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  - JZombies

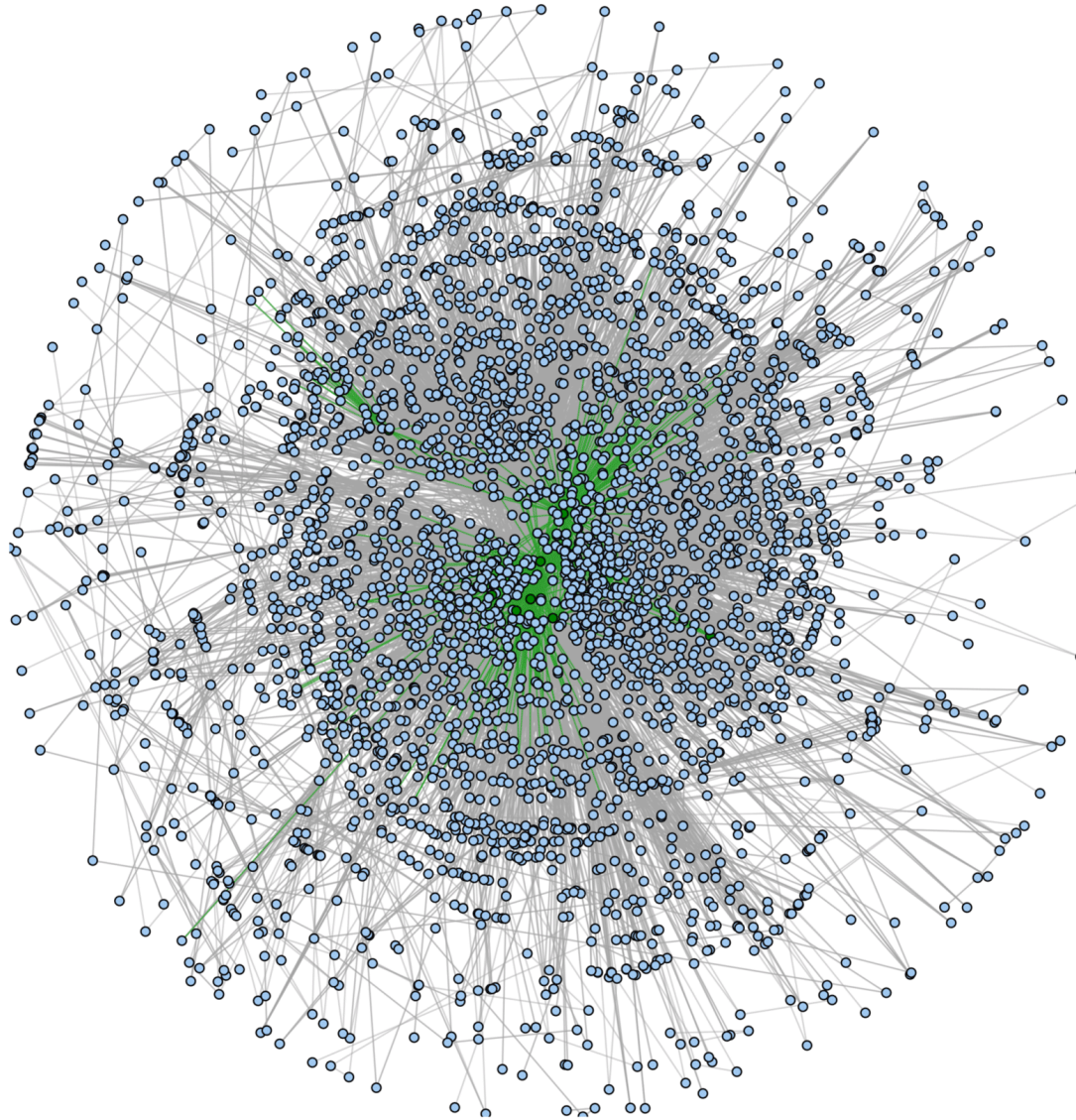


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# Concept Paper

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## INVESTIGATING INFECTION NETWORKS USING AGENT-BASED MODELING & SIMULATION WITH REPAST

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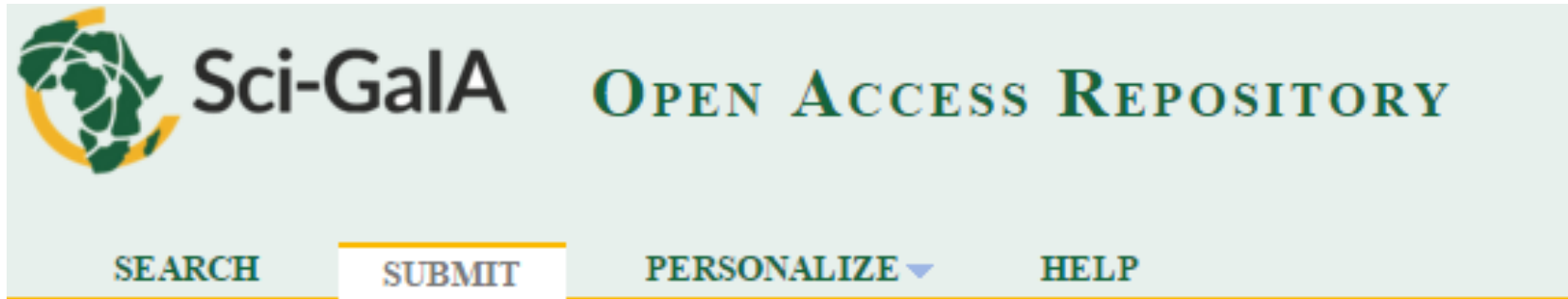
Infection modelling studies the spread of disease across a population in a region. Agent-based modelling & simulation (ABMS) has emerged from research into Complex Adaptive Systems. It allows models and simulations to be built that capture the behaviour and interactions of individuals. REPAST SIMPHONY<sup>¶</sup> (Recursive Porous Agent Simulation Toolkit) is a widely used ABMS system. Open science aims to promote open access to research presented in academic works. Ideally, the software, data and results presented in a scientific article should be available for other scientists to use, validate and build upon for their own research. Using an Infection Model case study created in REPAST, this article shows how Open Access Data Repositories and Science Gateways can be used to support Open Science by making the simulation model and results freely available without the need for potentially complex local implementation. ¶



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The output of the simulation is the number of each population, i.e. Healthy, Infected and Susceptible population for each simulation time unit.

Please fill the following form and then press the 'SUBMIT' button to launch this application.  
Requested inputs are:  
**Simulation Parameters**

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Simulation Period (years)	Simulation Period ...
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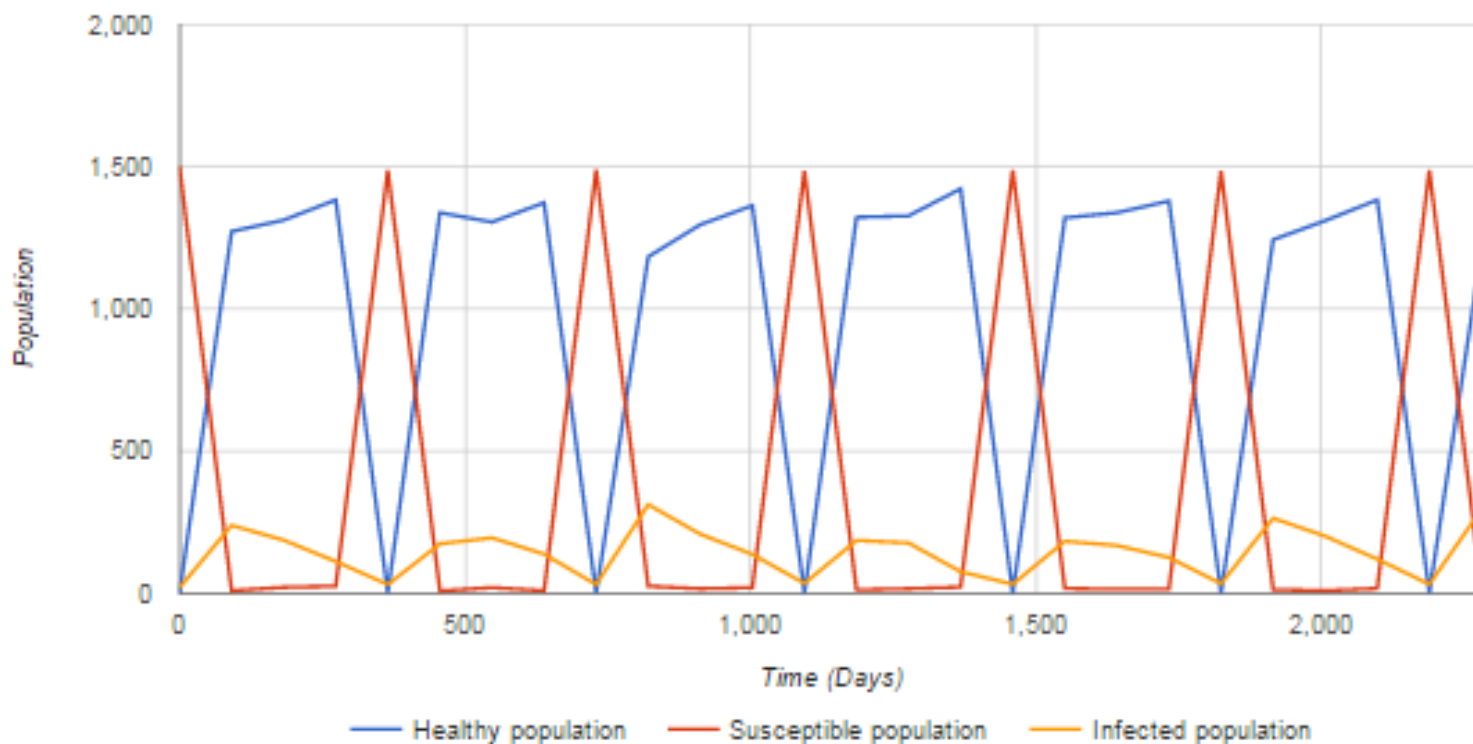
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The Repast Infection Model: Annual Outbreak



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- Used Agent-based simulation as a case study
- Think about your own data and software – can this approach support Open Science for you?

## Any questions?