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Studying possible outcomes in a model of sexually transmitted virus (HPV) causing cervical cancer for Poland

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Agenda



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- **Problem: STI (sexual transmitted infections)**
- **Data**
- **Epidemiology of HPV and cervical cancer**
- **Model and simulations**
- **Possible future scenarios**



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Pathogens

- **viruses: HPV, HSV, HIV, HB(C)V;**
- **bacteria: Chlamydia, Gonorrhoea, Spirochetes;**
- **fungi: Saccharomycetes;**
- **other microorganisms: Trichomonas**



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Paths of infection

- **the main heterosexual population,**
- **sex workers,**
- **men who have sex with men**



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Data



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- **The main goal is the authoritative analysis of the costs and losses of potential epidemiological control strategies and identifies potential problems that health care will have to face in the future,**
- **Very little data about sexual contacts (sensitive data),**
- **There was no verified so far, working model of STI sexually transmitted infections dedicated to the Polish community.**



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Epidemiology of HPV



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- **Human papillomavirus, or HPV, is a sexually transmittable virus infection, which is not only the main, but also necessary risk factor for developing cervical cancer - second most common type of cancer in women.**
- **The infection is transmittable via sexual contact.**
- **The time between getting infected by HPV and developing a cancer can be twenty years or more, therefore a dynamic model of human behavior would be very useful, so that simulations can be made and different scenarios compared.**



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- **Among the oncogenic HPVs, the most severe one is type 16, present in about half of all cervical cancer cases.**
- **Recent studies have shown that the main safety precaution with respect to cervical cancer is going to be a combination of vaccination and screening - since only type specific vaccines are available and there are as many as 15 high risk HPVs.**



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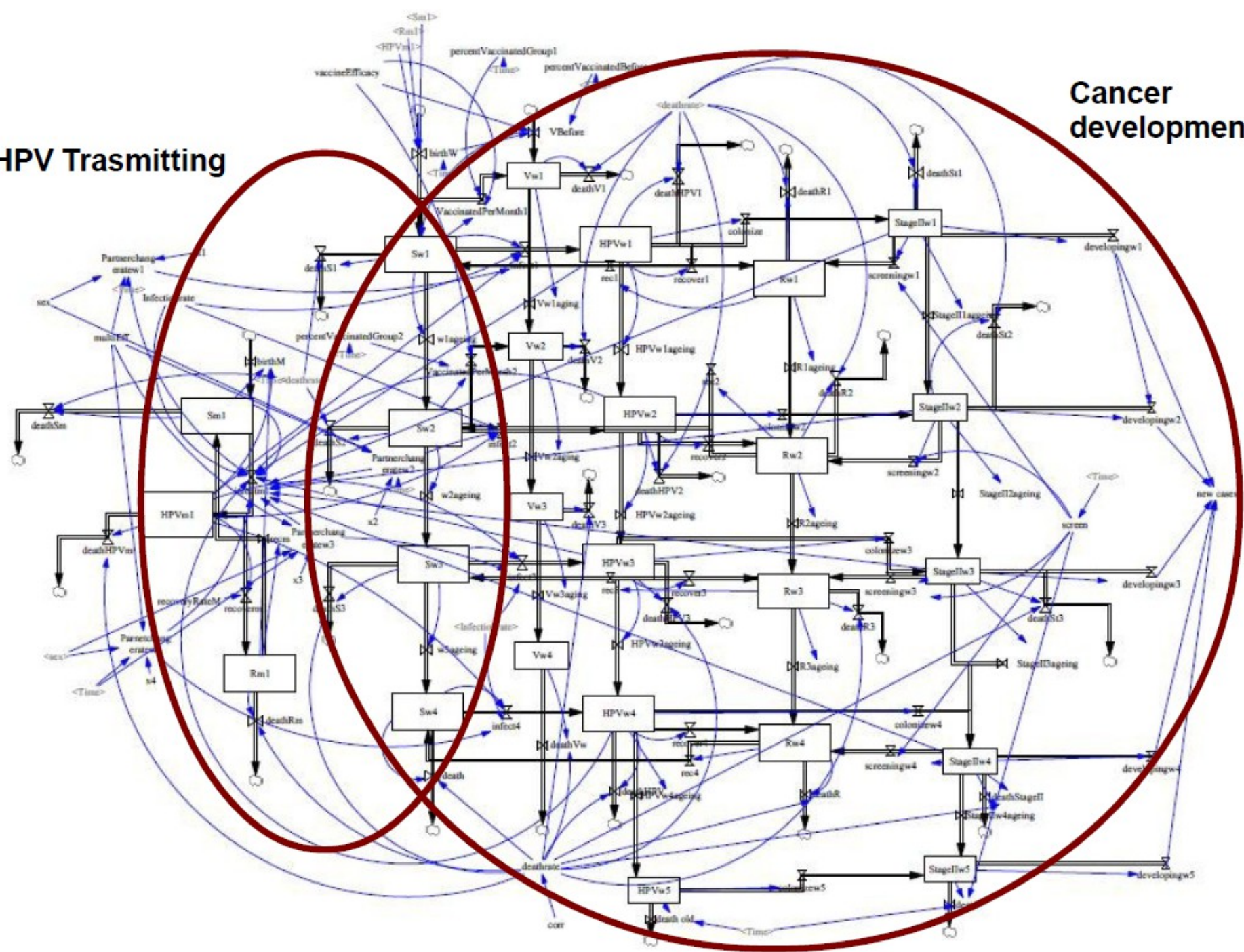


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- 2) 20-24 (most active sexual group)**
- 3) 25-34 (stabilization of sexual live)**
- 4) 35-64 (sexual stagnation and stronger susceptibility to cancer)**
- 5) <65 (no sexuality and cancer development)**

HPV Transmitting

Cancer development





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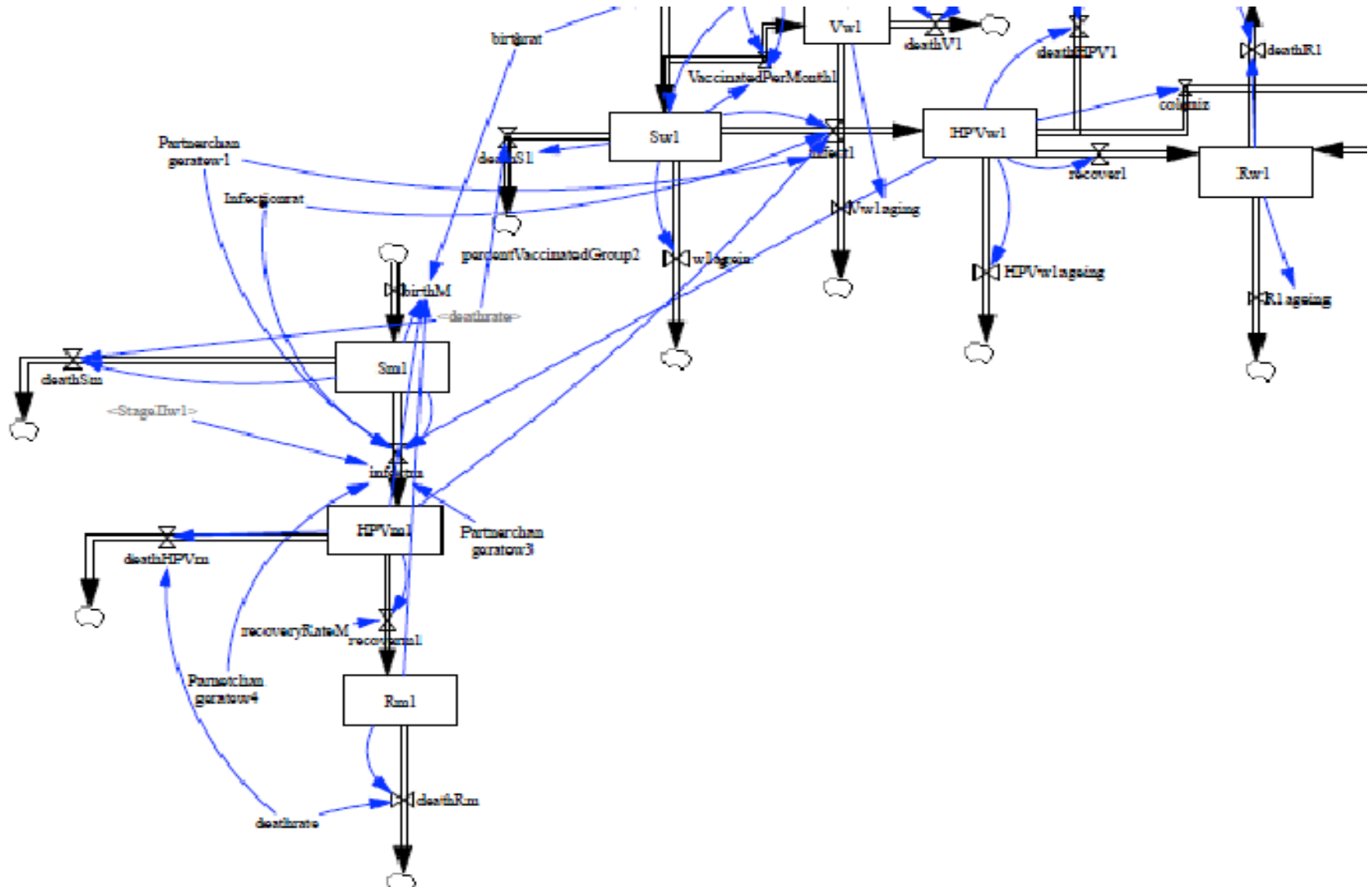


Age (years)	Highest activity	Moderately high activity	Moderate activity	Lowest activity
15 – 19	0.015	0.03	0.135	0.82
20 – 24	0.015	0.025	0.34	0.62
25 – 34	0.01	0.02	0.21	0.76
35 – 64	0.005	0.01	0.09	0.895

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15 – 19	15	3.50	1.34	0.48
20 – 24	17.5	0.96	0.38	0.14
25 – 34	15	0.67	0.21	0.08
35 – 64*	7.5	0.45	0.08	0.04



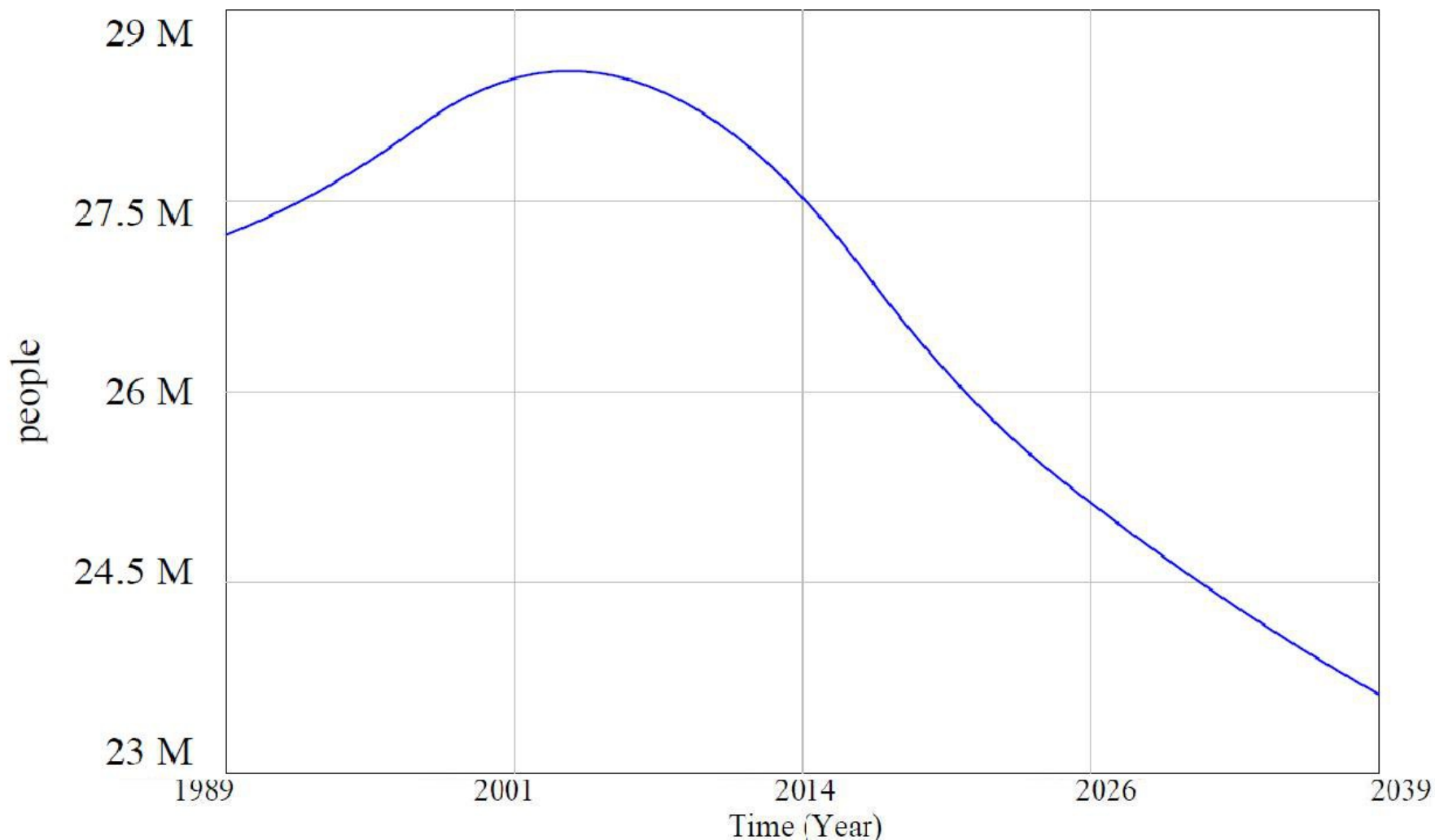
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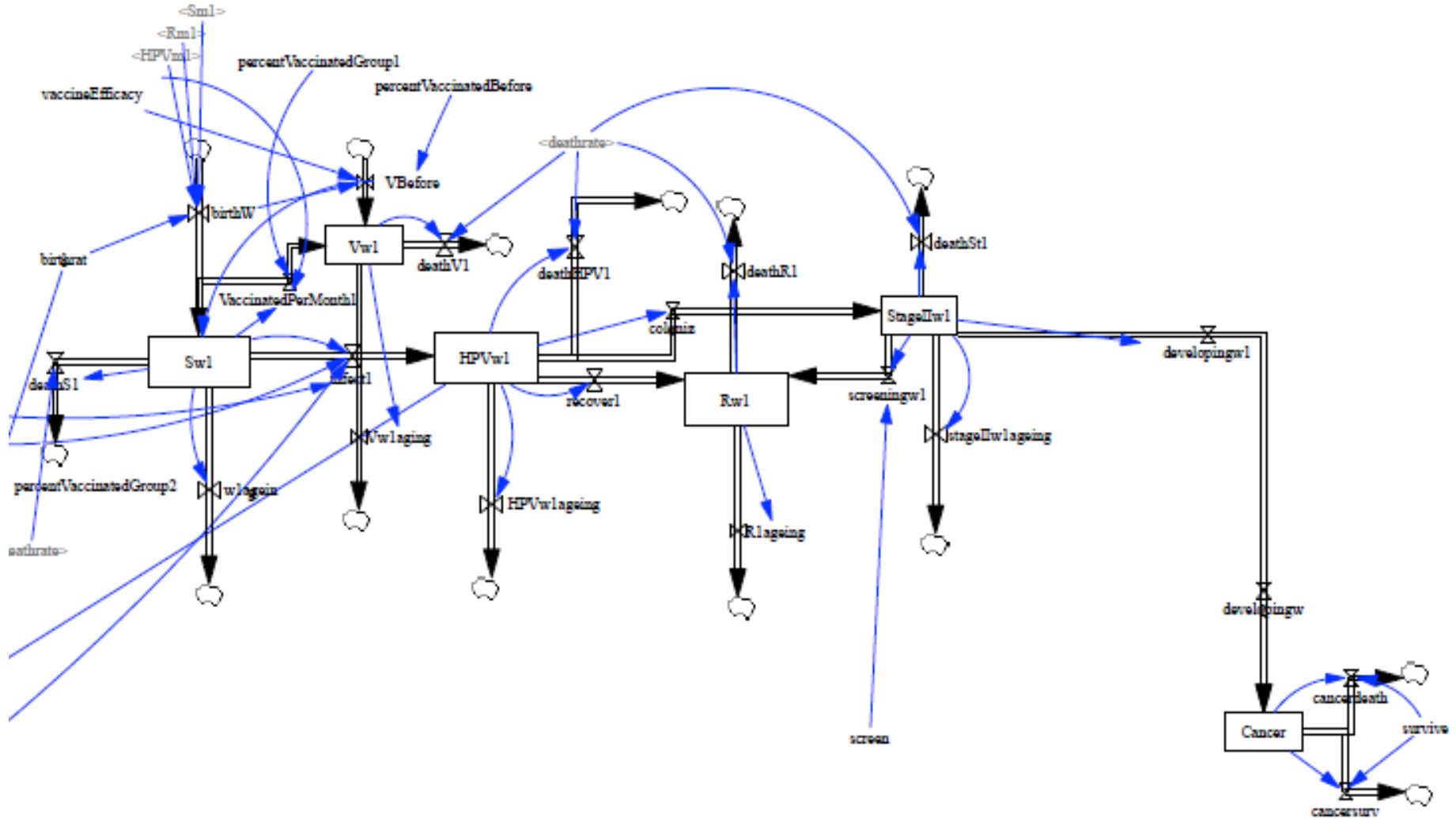
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Sexually active population





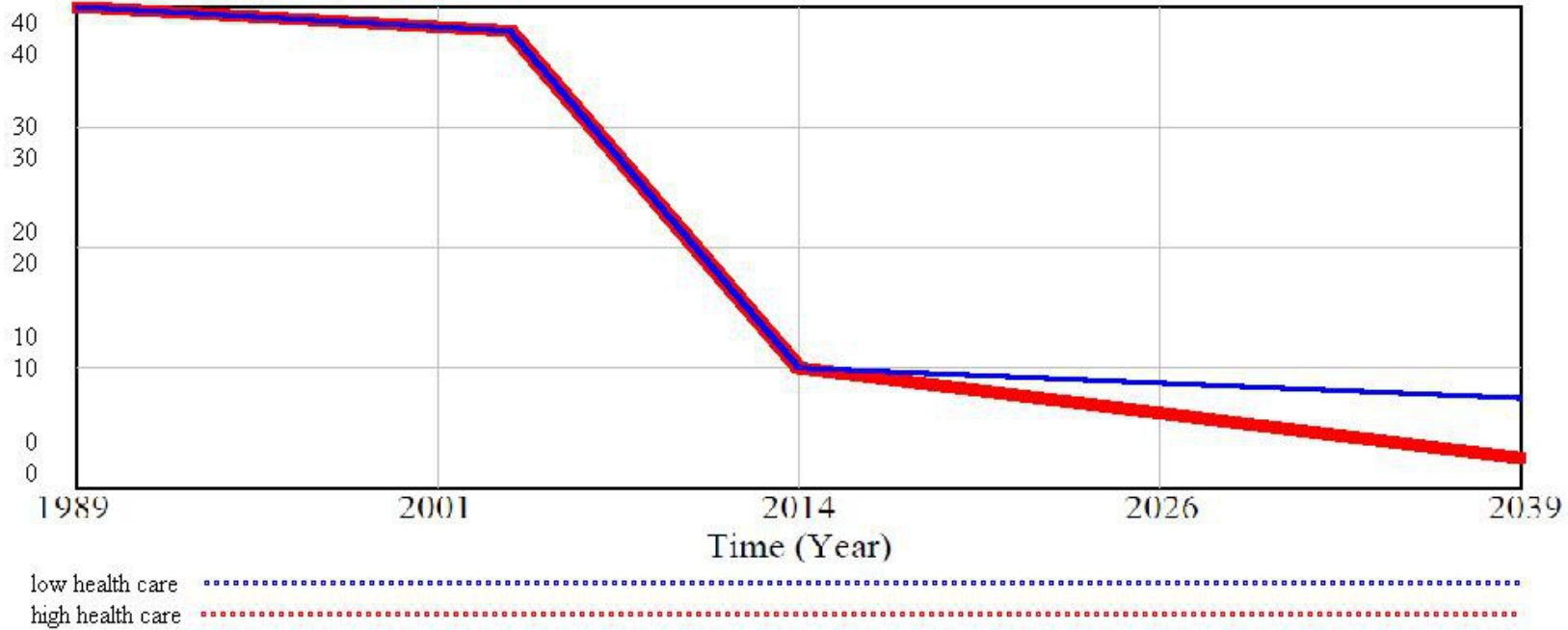
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Screening frequencies

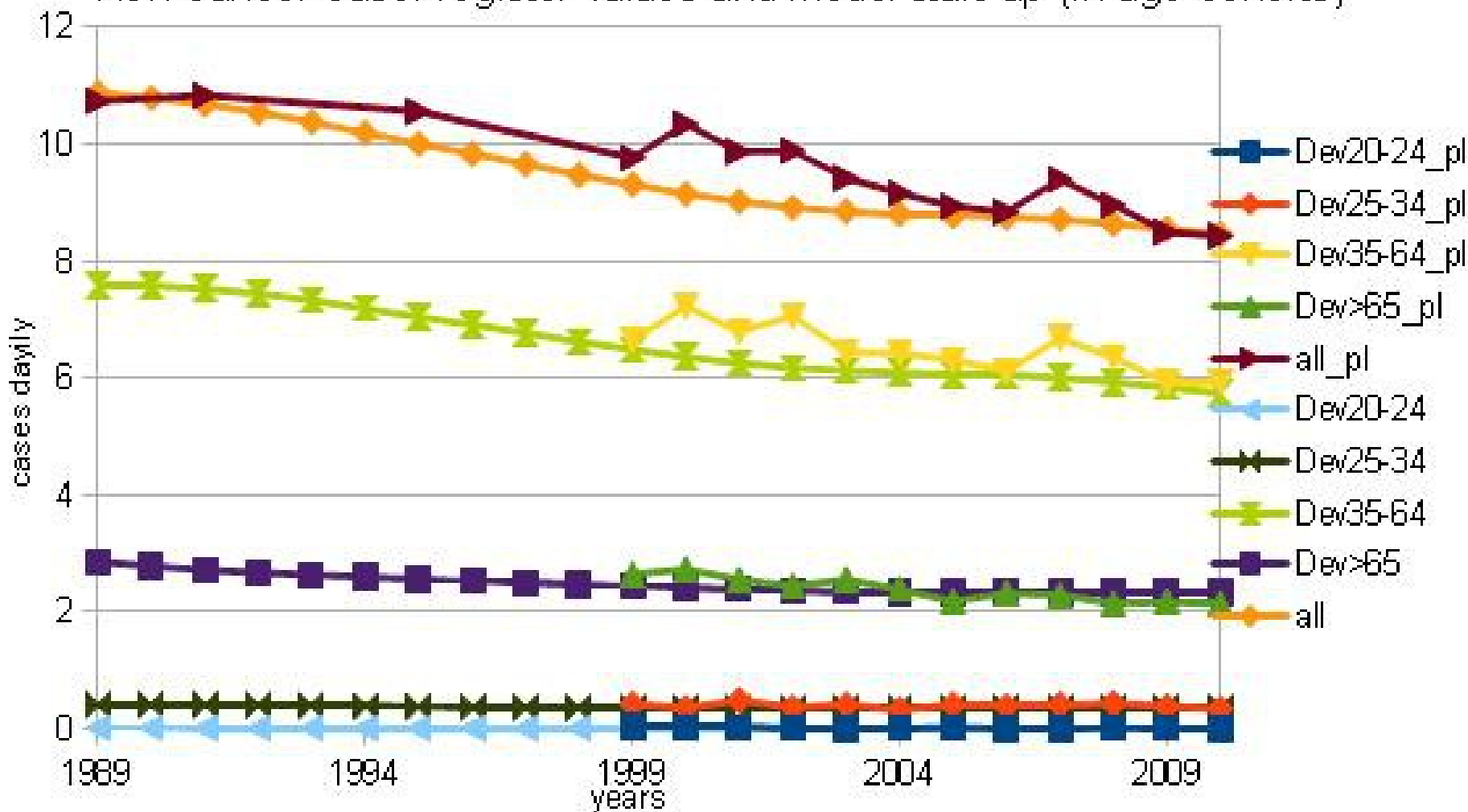




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New cancer case: register values and model start-up (in age cohorts)

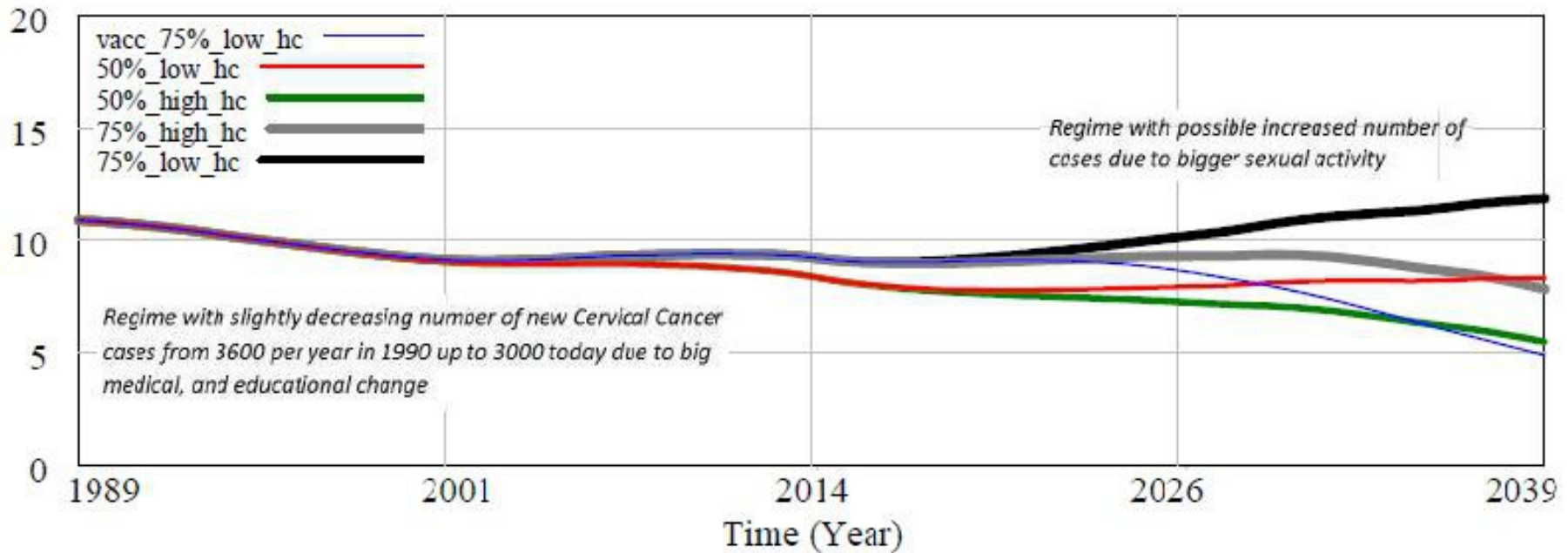




Possible future scenarios



new cases





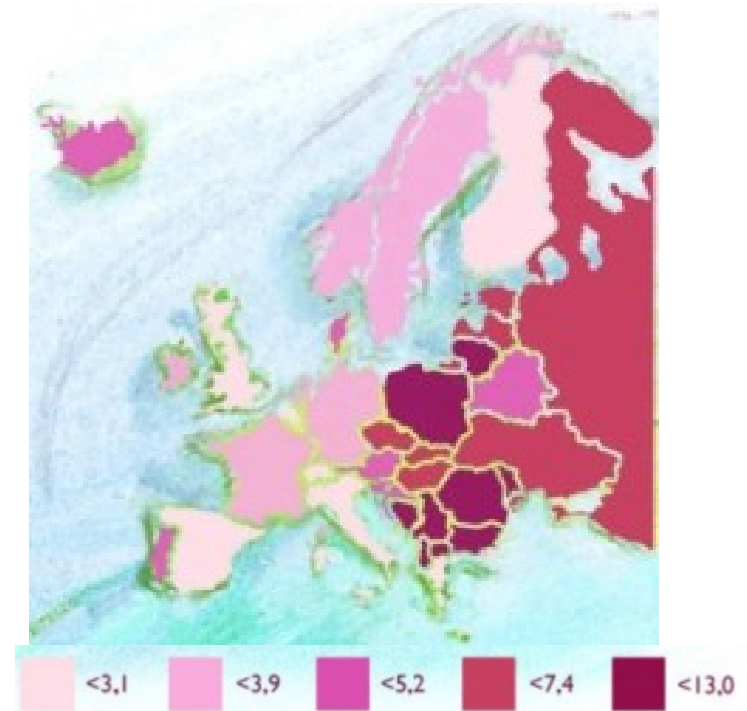
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