## Mathematical and statistical epidemiology of COVID-19 in Belgium used to inform decision making

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**Abstract:** In this presentation, I will give an overview of the work that was done by the SIMID group (www.simid.be) to inform policy makers on how the COVID-19 pandemic spread(s) in Belgium. During my presentation, I will highlight the importance of collecting data and proper use of statistical and mathematical methodology, ie doing research in a crisis situation.