Was the positive tick attached for long enough to expose my dog to B. burgdorferi?
- < 24 hours - negligible risk
- 24-48 hours - questionable risk
- > 48 hours - significant risk

If my dog is exposed, will it test positive for antibodies?
- Most dogs will not but for at least 3-5 weeks

If my dog is exposed, will it get sick?
- 95% of dogs will not get sick

Was it the right kind of tick?
- Ixodes scapularis is the only vector of Borrelia burgdorferi in Ontario

Is it the right kind of tick?
- Varies by region, but overall in Ontario:
  - ~85% are negative
  - ~15% are positive*


Only **5%** of dogs

- Bitten by the right kind of tick
- Carrying the right bacterium
- Attached for the right amount of time

**WILL DEVELOP ANY SIGNS OF LYME DISEASE**