

Fig 1: Locations of Buenos Aires Province that sent the samples analyzed by PCR (orange) and serology (blue). The numbers indicate the number of samples

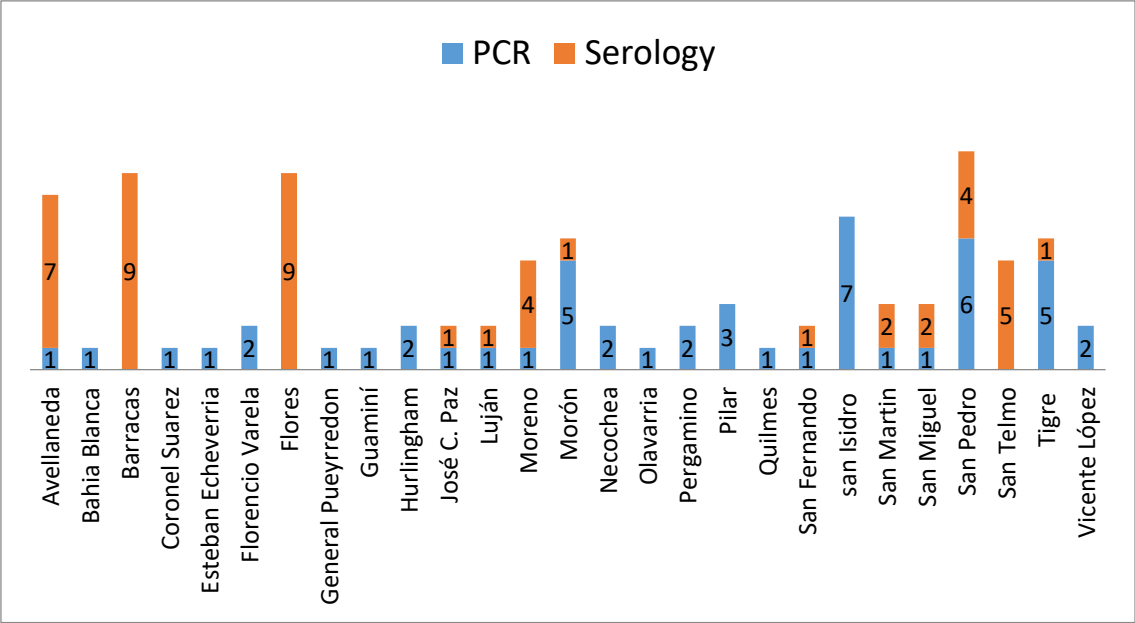


Figure 2: Distribution of different bat species in Latin America.

(*)Bat species in which leptospiral DNA was detected by molecular methods:

(*a)*L. weillii*, (*b)*L. noguchii*, (*c)*L. fainei*, (*d)*L. kirschneri*, (*e)*L. borgpetersenii* and

(*f)*L. interrogans*.

(•)Bat species in which anti-leptospiral antibodies were detected by MAT.

Tadarida brasiliensis and *Eptesicus furinalis* (new possible hosts of pathogenic strains of *Leptospira* spp. in Argentina) are highlighted in bold.

