WOAH Reference Laboratory Reports Activities 2022

Activities in 2022

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Laboratory Information

Name of disease (or topic) for which you are a designated WOAH Reference Laboratory:	Rabies
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Which of the following defines your laboratory? Check all that apply:	Governmental

TOR1: DIAGNOSTIC METHODS

1. Did your laboratory perform diagnostic tests for the specified disease/topic for purposes such as disease diagnosis, screening of animals for export, surveillance, etc.? (Not for quality control, proficiency testing or staff training)

Yes

Diagnostic Test	Indicated in WOAH Manual (Yes/No)	Total number of test performed last year	
Indirect diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
Virus Neutralization test	Yes	332	
Direct diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
Direct fluorescence assay	Yes	3	

TOR2: REFERENCE MATERIAL

2. Did your laboratory produce or supply imported standard reference reagents officially recognised by WOAH? No 3. Did your laboratory supply standard reference reagents (nonWOAH-approved) and/or other diagnostic reagents to WOAH Members? No

4. Did your laboratory produce vaccines?

No

5. Did your laboratory supply vaccines to WOAH Members?

No

TOR3: NEW PROCEDURES

6. Did your laboratory develop new diagnostic methods for the designated pathogen or disease?

No

7. Did your laboratory validate diagnostic methods according to WOAH Standards for the designated pathogen or disease?

No

8. Did your laboratory develop new vaccines for the designated pathogen or disease?

Yes

NAME OF THE NEW VACCINE DEVELOPED	DESCRIPTION AND REFERENCES (PUBLICATION, WEBSITE, ETC.)
Rabies bait vaccine using ERAGS-GFP	Korean Society of Virology, 109

9. Did your laboratory validate vaccines according to WOAH Standards for the designated pathogen or disease?

No

TOR4: DIAGNOSTIC TESTING FACILITIES

10. Did your laboratory carry out diagnostic testing for other WOAH Members?

No

11. Did your laboratory provide expert advice in technical consultancies on the request of an WOAH Member?

Yes

NAME OF THE WOAH MEMBER COUNTRY RECEIVING A TECHNICAL CONSULTANCY	PURPOSE	HOW THE ADVICE WAS PROVIDED
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	prevention of rabies in wild animals	sharing my published paper related to oral rabies vaccine with e-mail
GERMANY	list of diagnositc method	providing published papers associated with rapid diagnositc kit by e-mail

TOR5: COLLABORATIVE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL STUDIES

12. Did your laboratory participate in international scientific studies in collaboration with WOAH Members other than the own?

No

TOR6: EPIZOOLOGICAL DATA

14. Did your Laboratory collect epidemiological data relevant to international disease control?

No

15. Did your laboratory disseminate epidemiological data that had been processed and analysed?

No

16. What method of dissemination of information is most often used by your laboratory? (Indicate in the appropriate box the number by category and list the details in the box)

a) Articles published in peer-reviewed journals:

- 0
- _

b) International conferences:

- 0
- 0
- _

c) National conferences:

5

1) Development of rabies bait vaccine strain named as ERAGS-GFP using reverse genetic system (The Korean Society of virology)

- 2) Strategies for developing rabies and Japanese encephalitis vaccine in animals (Konkun University)
- 3) Technique transfer about rabies antibody test (blocking ELISA) (Median diagnostic Ltd Company & Basic science Ltd company)
- 4) Current status and prospects of bait vaccine development for wild animals (Seoul National University)

5) Laboratory preparation and training for internationally recognized rabies serology (Neodin Ltd company)

d) Other (Provide website address or link to appropriate information):

- 0
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TOR7: SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL TRAINING

17. Did your laboratory provide scientific and technical training to laboratory personnel from other WOAH Members?

Yes

- a) Technical visit : 0
- b) Seminars : 1
- c) Hands-on training courses: 0

d) Internships (>1 month) 0

Type of technical training provided (a, b, c or d)	Country of origin of the expert(s) provided with training	No. participants from the corresponding country
b	Malaysia	2
b	Kazakhstan	5

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b	Philippines	10
b	Sri Lanka	4
b	Viet Nam	2

TOR8: QUALITY ASSURANCE

18. Does your laboratory have a Quality Management System?

Yes

Quality management system adopted	Certificate scan (PDF, JPG, PNG format)	
ISO 17025	jpg	2020.10.20 ISO17025 certificate (YangDK).jpg

19. Is your quality management system accredited?

Yes

Test for which your laboratory is accredited	Accreditation body
DFA	KOLAS
RT-PCR	KOLAS
FAVN	KOLAS
ELISA	KOLAS

20. Does your laboratory maintain a "biorisk management system" for the pathogen and the disease concerned?

Yes

According to the ISO/IEC 17025, we manage the biorisk.

TOR9: SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

21. Did your laboratory organise scientific meetings related to the pathogen in question on behalf of WOAH?

No

22. Did your laboratory participate in scientific meetings related to the pathogen in question on behalf of WOAH?

No

TOR10: NETWORK WITH WOAH REFERENCE LABORATORIES

23. Did your laboratory exchange information with other WOAH Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen or disease?

Yes

24. Are you a member of a network of WOAH Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen?

Yes

PURPOSE OF THE PROFICIENCY TESTS: 1	ROLE OF YOUR REFERENCE LABORATORY (ORGANISER/ PARTICIPANT)	NO. PARTICIPANTS	PARTICIPATING WOAH REF. LABS/ ORGANISING WOAH REF. LAB.
RABLAB	paricipants	10	whole reference lab

25. Did you organise or participate in inter-laboratory proficiency tests with WOAH Reference Laboratories designated for the same

pathogen?

No

26. Did your laboratory collaborate with other WOAH Reference Laboratories for the same disease on scientific research projects for the diagnosis or control of the pathogen of interest?

Yes

TITLE OF THE PROJECT OR CONTRACT	SCOPE	NAME(S) OF RELEVANT WOAH REFERENCE LABORATORIES
RABLAB zoom meeting	Eradicate dog-mediated rabies	whole reference laboratories for raibes worldwide

TOR11: OTHER INTERLABORATORY PROFICIENCY TESTING

27. Did your laboratory organise or participate in inter-laboratory proficiency tests with laboratories other than WOAH Reference Laboratories for the same pathogen?

Yes			
Purpose for inter-laboratory test comparisons1	Role of your reference laboratory (organizer/participant)	No. participating laboratories	Region(s) of participating WOAH Member Countries
preparation for rabies serological proficiency test	organizer	1	Asia and Pacific

TOR12: EXPERT CONSULTANTS

28. Did your laboratory place expert consultants at the disposal of WOAH?

No

29. Additional comments regarding your report:

Yes

As you may know, it was hard to visit to WOAH member countries due to the continuous pandemic situation of COVID-19. Instead of the visit or participate the international conferences, we provided web-seminar to WOAH member countries. Also, we had planned to provide reference reagent(Non-WOAH approved, DFA positive control) to Brunei, but it was impossible as the direct flights disappeared due to COVID-19.

When it comes to rabies vaccine, 6 Korean biologic companies have been produced rabies vaccine and provided it to vet clinic. So, my lab has focused on development of new rabies vaccine.

When it comes to laboratory proficiency test, rabies serology proficiency test was performed by ANCES in France until 2 years ago. However, the ANCES is no longer conducting the test. Therefore, the rabies serology proficiency test cannot be recognized. To my knowledge, IAEA is schedulted to conduct the test, but no announcement has been made yet.