**WT0AH Reference Laboratory Reports Activities 2023**

**Activities in 2023**

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**Laboratory Information**

| Name of disease (or topic) for which you are a designated WOAH Reference Laboratory: | Channel catfish virus disease |
| Address of laboratory: | PO Box 6100 |
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| E-mail address: | hanson@cvm.msstate.edu |
| Website: | https://www.vetmed.msstate.edu/clinics-locations/lab-system/diagnostic-and-aquatic-labs |
| Name (including Title of Head of Laboratory (Responsible Official)): | Larry A. Hanson, PhD Professor, Director of the Fish Diagnostic Laboratory |
| Name (including Title and Position) of WOAH Reference Expert: | Larry A. Hanson, PhD Professor, Director of the Fish Diagnostic Laboratory |
| Which of the following defines your laboratory? Check all that apply: | Academic institution |

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**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

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Diagnostic Test</th>
<th>Indicated in WOAH Manual (Yes/No)</th>
<th>Total number of test performed last year</th>
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<td>Indirect diagnostic tests</td>
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<td>Direct diagnostic tests</td>
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<td>Cell culture isolation</td>
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<td>qPCR</td>
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**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?

   Yes

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>TYPE OF REAGENT AVAILABLE</th>
<th>RELATED DIAGNOSTIC TEST</th>
<th>PRODUCED/ PROVIDE</th>
<th>AMOUNT SUPPLIED NATIONALLY (ML, MG)</th>
<th>AMOUNT SUPPLIED INTERNATIONALLY (ML, MG)</th>
<th>NO. OF RECIPIENT WOAH MEMBER COUNTRIES</th>
<th>COUNTRY OF RECIPIENTS</th>
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<td>cell line</td>
<td>cell culture isolation</td>
<td>Produced</td>
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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?
No

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?
No

**TOR5: COLLABORATIVE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL STUDIES**

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

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<th>Title of the study</th>
<th>Duration</th>
<th>PURPOSE OF THE STUDY</th>
<th>PARTNERS (INSTITUTIONS)</th>
<th>WOAH MEMBER COUNTRIES INVOLVED OTHER THAN YOUR COUNTRY</th>
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<tr>
<td>Improving Biosecurity: A Science-based Approach to Manage Fish Disease Risks and Increase the Socio-economic Contribution of the</td>
<td>3 years</td>
<td>Evaluate current Aquaculture practices and improve biosecurity in Nigerian Aquaculture and evaluate the cause of disease outbreaks in African catfish</td>
<td>World Fish (Malaysia), University of Ibadan (Nigeria)</td>
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13. In exercising your activities, have you identified any regulatory research needs* relevant for WOAH?
No

**TOR6: EPIZOOLOGICAL DATA**

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

IF THE ANSWER IS YES, PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF THE DATA COLLECTED:

As part of the research project in Nigeria, we helped teach field personnel in Nigeria about health management. They collected management and outbreak information which will be used in our biosecurity plan.

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

c) National conferences:

2


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

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 : 0
c) Hands-on training courses: 1
d) Internships (>1 month) 0

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<th>Type of technical training provided (a, b, c or d)</th>
<th>Country of origin of the expert(s) provided with training</th>
<th>No. participants from the corresponding country</th>
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TOR8: QUALITY ASSURANCE

18. Does your laboratory have a Quality Management System?

Yes

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<th>Quality management system adopted</th>
<th>Certificate scan (PDF, JPG, PNG format)</th>
<th>Accreditation body</th>
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<tr>
<td>ISO 17025</td>
<td>PDF</td>
<td>American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians</td>
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19. Is your quality management system accredited?

Yes

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<th>Test for which your laboratory is accredited</th>
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<td>Cell culture and virus isolation</td>
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20. Does your laboratory maintain a “biorisk management system” for the pathogen and the disease concerned?

Yes

All labs in the system are AAVLD accredited and have approved biorisk management protocols and internal auditing.
**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?
   Not applicable (only WOAH Reference Laboratory designated for the disease)

24. Do you network (collaborate or share information) with other WOAH Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen?
   Not applicable (Only WOAH Reference Laboratory designated for the disease)

25. Did you organise or participate in inter-laboratory proficiency tests with WOAH Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen?
   Not applicable (Only WOAH Reference Laboratory designated for the disease)

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?
   Not applicable (Only WOAH Reference Laboratory designated for the disease)

**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?
   No

**TOR12: EXPERT CONSULTANTS**

28. Did your laboratory place expert consultants at the disposal of WOAH?
   No

29. Additional comments regarding your report:
   No