# WOAH 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:	Glanders		
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Which of the following defines your laboratory? Check all that apply:			

## **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
CFT		11	159
ELISA		1	399
Direct diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
real-time PCR Complexe B. pseudomallei		0	48
real-time PCR B. mallei		0	48

# 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

TYPE OF REAGENT AVAILABLE	RELATED DIAGNOSTIC TEST		AMOUNT SUPPLIED NATIONALLY (ML, MG)	AMOUNT SUPPLIED INTERNATIONALLY (ML, MG)	NO. OF RECIPIENT WOAH MEMBER COUNTRIES	COUNTRY OF RECIPIENTS
Glanders positive serum	CFT	produced	-	500 μL	1	HUNGARY,

#### 4. Did your laboratory produce vaccines?

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?

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

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

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

#### No

Yes

# **TOR4: DIAGNOSTIC TESTING FACILITIES**

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

NAME OF WOAH MEMBER COUNTRY SEEKING ASSISTANCE	DATE	WHICH DIAGNOSTIC TEST USED	NO. SAMPLES RECEIVED FOR PROVISION OF DIAGNOSTIC SUPPORT	NO. SAMPLES RECEIVED FOR PROVISION OF CONFIRMATORY DIAGNOSES
MALTA	2023-09-01	CFT, ELISA, PCR	44	0

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

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No
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# 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	

Title of the study	Duration	PURPOSE OF THE STUDY	PARTNERS (INSTITUTIONS)	WOAH MEMBER COUNTRIES INVOLVED OTHER THAN YOUR COUNTRY
New antigens for glanders diagnosis	2022-2024	Search for new diagnosis antigens	Gratz University	AUSTRIA
Investigation around a melioidosis case in a goat farm	2023-2024	Comparison of serological tools/characterisation of the strain	DAVAR	NEW CALEDONIA
Serological screening of domestic animals: for melioidosis detection	2023-2024	to collect preliminary data	DAAF	FRANCE - FRENCH GUIANA

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?

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

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:

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Singha H, Tuanyok A, Elschner M, Laroucau K, Mukhopadhyay C. Editorial: Glanders and melioidosis: one health model. Front Vet Sci. 2023 Oct 13;10:1303556. doi: 10.3389/fvets.2023.1303556. eCollection 2023.PMID: 37901106 Free PMC article. No abstract available.

Wagner GE, Berner A, Lipp M, Kohler C, Assig K, Lichtenegger S, Saqib M, Müller E, Trinh TT, Gad AM, Söffing HH, Ehricht R, Laroucau K, Steinmetz I. Protein Microarray-Guided Development of a Highly Sensitive and Specific Dipstick Assay for Glanders Serodiagnostics. J Clin Microbiol. 2023 Jan 26;61(1):e0123422. doi: 10.1128/jcm.01234-22. Epub 2022 Dec 21.PMID: 36541753

b) International conferences:

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Laroucau K, Wernery U. Glanders Epidemiology. International Horse Movement in Asia and the Pacific - Webinar on Glanders, 30 August 2023 Laroucau K, Wernery U. Diagnostic tests for glanders & role of WOAH Reference Laboratories. International Horse Movement in Asia and the Pacific - Webinar on Glanders, 30 August 2023

Laroucau K, Wernery U. Melioidosis - a disease to consider. International Horse Movement in Asia and the Pacific - Webinar on Glanders, 30 August 2023

c) National conferences:

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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?

### No

### TOR8: QUALITY ASSURANCE

18. Does your laboratory have a Quality Management System?

#### Yes

Quality management system adopted	Certificate scan (PDF, JPG, PNG format)	
ISO17025	Accreditation by COFRAC	

19. Is your quality management system accredited?

Yes

Test for which your laboratory is accredited	Accreditation body
CFT	COFRAC
ELISA	COFRAC

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

Yes

B. mallei and B. pseudomallei are covered by the French regulation ANSM (Highly Pathogenic Microorganisms and Toxins)(biosafety and biosecurity) - Inspections. Work in level 3 confined areas under the supervision of a risk manager (safety and security).

### **TOR9: SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS**

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

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

Yes				
Title of event	Date	Location	Role (speaker, presenting poster,	Title of the work

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	(mm/yy)		short communications)	presented
Webinar on Glanders - International Horse Movement in Asia and the Pacific	2023-08-30	visioconférence	Speaker	Glanders Epidemiology
Webinar on Glanders - International Horse Movement in Asia and the Pacific	2023-08-30	visioconférence	Speaker	Diagnostic tests for glanders & role of WOAH Reference Laboratories
Webinar on Glanders - International Horse Movement in Asia and the Pacific	2023-08-30	visioconférence	Speaker	Melioidosis – a disease to consider

# 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. Do you network (collaborate or share information) with other WOAH Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen? No

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

#### Yes PURPOSE OF THE PROFICIENCY TESTS: ROLE OF YOUR REFERENCE LABORATORY (ORGANISER/ PARTICIPANT) NO. PARTICIPANTS PARTICIPATING WOAH REF. LABS/ ORGANISING WOAH REF. LAB. inter-laboratory study to further validate serological diagnostic capacity of ID Screen Glanders Double Antigen Multispecies ELISA (GLANDA ELISA) in comparison with CFT Participant 7 FLI/Germany (organising WOAH ref lab) Anses/France (participating WOAH ref lab) CVRL/UAE(participating WOAH ref lab)

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
Alternative/Complementary CFT methods for glanders	To develop and/or validate alternative/complementary CFT	Anses/France (WOAH ref lab) FLI/Germany
diagnosis	methods by sharing reagents and/or data	(WOAH ref lab) CVRL/UAE(WOAH ref lab)

# 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	Name of the Test	WOAH Member Countries
Proficiency test organised by Vetqas (CFT)	participant	15	CFT	

# TOR12: EXPERT CONSULTANTS

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

No

29. Additional comments regarding your report:

No