

WOAH Reference Laboratory Reports Activities 2024

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LABORATORY INFORMATION

| *Name of disease (or topic) for which you are a designated WOAH Reference Laboratory: | Foot and mouth disease |
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| *Which of the following defines your laboratory? Check all that apply: | Governmental Academic institution |

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)

| Diagnostic Test | Indicated in WOAH Manual (Yes/No) | Total number of test performed last year | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Indirect diagnostic tests | | Nationally | Internationally |
| LPB-ELISA (Type O) | Yes | 3035 | 0 |
| LPB-ELISA (Type A) | Yes | 3035 | 0 |
| NSP-3ABC ELISA | Yes | 3035 | 0 |
| Direct diagnostic tests | | Nationally | Internationally |
| Virus isolation | Yes | 4 | 0 |



| Real time-RT-PCR | Yes | 2961 | 0 |
|-------------------------|-----|------|---|
| VP1 sequencing | Yes | 26 | 0 |
| Whole genome sequencing | Yes | 1 | 0 |

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 | Produced/ provide | Amount supplied nationally (ml, mg) | Amount supplied internationally (ml, mg) | No. of recipient WOAH Member Countries | Country of recipients |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------|---|--|--|------------------------------|
| Guinea pig hyperimmune sera of different FMDV strains | ELISA | Produced | 20 ML | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| FMDV pig positive serum | ELISA | Produced | 150 ml | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| FMDV cattle positive serum | ELISA | Produced | 200 ml | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| Inactivated FMDV cell culture | RT-PCR | Produced | 50 ml | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| FMD LPB ELISA (Type O) | ELISA for type O | Produced | 14700 kits | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| FMD LPB ELISA (Type A) | ELISA for type A | Produced | 10007 kits | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| FMD NS ELISA | ELISA for FMD | Produced | 1479 kits | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| SPCE for FMDV antibody detection | ELISA for FMD | Produced | 2603 kits | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| Conventional PCR | RT-PCR for FMD | Produced | 60 kits | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| FMDV real-time qPCR | qRT-PCR for FMD | Produced | 1400 kits | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |
| Typing real-time qPCR | qRT-PCR for FMD | Produced | 240 kits | 0 | 1 | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |

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?

Yes

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

Yes

| Name of the new test or diagnostic method developed | Description and References (Publication, website, etc.) |
|---|---|
| competitive enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (C- ELISA) | Cao Y, Li F, Xing X, Zhang H, Zhao Q, Sun P, Fu Y, Li P, Ma X, Zhang J, Zhao Z, Yuan H, Wang J, Wang T, Bao H, Bai X, Li D, Zhang Q, Li K, Lu Z. Preparation and application of porcine broadly neutralizing monoclonal antibodies in an immunoassay for efficiently detecting neutralizing antibodies against foot-and- mouth disease virus serotype O. Microbiol Spectr. 2025 Jan 8:e0223424. doi: 10.1128/spectrum.02234-24. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 39772731. |
| automatic tubular chemiluminescence immunoassay using magnetic particles | Li F, Bao Y, Jiang T, Li T, Zuo Y, Yang G, Li X, Cui Y, Lin M. Development of an automatic tubular chemiluminescence immunoassay using magnetic particles for the detection of antibodies against foot-and-mouth disease virus serotype A. Microb Pathog. 2024 Dec 6;199:107211. doi: 10.1016/j.micpath.2024.107211. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 39647542. |

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

Yes

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

Yes

| Name of the new vaccine developed | Description and References (Publication, website, etc) |
|---|--|
| Virus-like particle-based multipathogen vaccine of FMD and SVA | Song H, Waheed Abdullah S, Yin S, Dong H, Zhang Y, Tan S, Bai M, Ding Y, Teng Z, Sun S, Guo H. Virus-like particle-based multipathogen vaccine of FMD and SVA elicits balanced and broad protective efficacy in mice and pigs. Vaccine. 2024 Jul 11;42(18):3789-3801. doi: 10.1016/j.vaccine.2024.04.092. Epub 2024 May 6. PMID: 38714448. |
| Chimeric Porcine Parvovirus VP2 Virus-like Particles with Epitopes of South African Serotype 2 Foot-and-Mouth Disease Virus | Li Q, Ma X, Shen Y, Dai J, Nian X, Shang X, Chen J, Wubshet AK, Zhang J, Zheng H. Chimeric Porcine Parvovirus VP2 Virus-like Particles with Epitopes of South African Serotype 2 Foot-and-Mouth Disease Virus Elicits Specific Humoral and Cellular Responses in Mice. Viruses. 2024 Apr 17;16(4):621. doi: 10.3390/v16040621. PMID: 38675963; PMCID: PMC11054767. |
| A recombinant multi-epitope trivalent vaccine for foot- and-mouth disease virus serotype O in pigs | Shao J, Liu W, Gao S, Chang H, Guo H. A recombinant multi-epitope trivalent vaccine for foot-and-mouth disease virus serotype O in pigs. Virology. 2024 Aug;596:110103. doi: 10.1016/j.virol.2024.110103. Epub 2024 May 10. PMID: 38781710. |

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 | | |
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| Name of the WOAH Member Country receiving a technical consultancy | Purpose | How the advice was provided |
| CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | WOAH Terrestrial Animal Health code chapter 8.8 | Consultative report |
| CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | FMD active surveillance in 2024 in China | Training courses, meetings, draft plan |
| CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | FMD vaccination and PVM in 2024 in China | Meeting, draft plan |
| CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | FMD epidemiology in Tajikstan and Kryzstan | Consultative report |
| CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | Evaluate the efficacy of our FMD vaccines against Pakistanian field isolates | proposal & experimental design |
| CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | Evaluate if the semen from pakistan buffaloes are positive for FMDV | detection methods & experiment design |

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 |
|---|----------|---|--|--|
| International Science & Technology Innovation Program of Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAASTIP) | 5 years | Epidemiological investigation and prevention and control technology of zoonosis and emerging infecitous diseases in central asia | Institute of Veterinary Medicine, Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences, Tajikstan | TAJIKISTAN |
| International Science & Technology Innovation Program of Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAASTIP) | 5 years | Epidemiological investigation and prevention and control technology of zoonosis and emerging infecitous diseases in central asia | Kyrgyz Research Institute of Veterinary, Kyrgyzstan | KYRGYZSTAN |
| International Science & Technology Innovation Program of Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAASTIP) | 5 years | Epidemiological investigation and prevention and control technology of zoonosis and emerging infecitous diseases in central asia | Kazakh National Agrarian Research University | KAZAKHSTAN |
| China-Africa partner | | Establishment of International Joint Laboratory for Prevention | | |



| Xiangtao | Liu | CHINA | (PEOPLE'S | _REP_OF) |
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| institution exchange project | 3 years | and Control of Major Animal Disease between LVRI, CAAS and Mekelle University | Mekelle University | ETHIOPIA |
|--|---------|--|------------------------|-----------------|
| Prevention and control of TADs in China-Japan- Korea | 5 years | prevention and control of TADs, such as FMD, PPR, ASF, HPAI | Official organizations | Korea (Rep. of) |
| Prevention and control of TADs in China-Mongolia- Russia | 5 years | Prevention and control of TADs, such as FMD, PPR, HPAI | Official organization | JAPAN |

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:

During 2024, total 3 outbreaks have been reported in China. Instead, 4 outbreaks were reported in 2023 in 3 provinces. In proactive surveillance, 26 out of 2204 samples were shown to be FMDV positive. In post-vaccination monitoring, among 2368 serum samples, the LPBE positive rate for Serotype O and Serotype A is 74.9% and 76.9%, respectively. There appear to be fewer lineages circulating in China: currently O/ME-SA/Ind-2001e (12 samples) and O/CATHAY (14 samples). The O/SEA/Mya-98 is not detected since 2021, although it is thought to still be circulating in pigs. Serotype A has not been detected since 2019. Generaly, the commercial vaccines in China displayed a good match against the field isolates collected from China. However, the porcine O/A FMD bivalent vaccine has little protection against filed isolate O/CATHAY.

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

Yes

If the answer is yes, please provide details of the data collected:

In 2024, 3 FMD outbreaks reported to WOAH (WAHIS). However, 26 samples from active surveillance were positive for FMDV RNA. We performed phylogenetic analysis to evaluate the epidemiological changes of FMDV circulating in China. Share the genomic information with WRLFMD, SEACFMD member countries and WOAH/FAO FMD reference laboratory network members. MARA, China. http://www.xmsyj.moa.gov.cn/yqfb/

19th Annual Meeting of the WOAH/FAO FMD Reference Laboratories Network (25th – 27th Sep, 2024) The 4th Regional Meeting for WOAH Reference Centres in Asia and the Pacific (17th Jul – 19th Jul, 2024)

27th sub-commission meeting of SEACFMD (4th Sep – 6th Sep, 2024)

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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Zhang X, Ma W, Liu B, Shen C, Yang F, Yang Y, Lv L, Wu J, Liu Y, Shang Y, Guo J, Zhu Z, Liu X, Zheng H, He J. Phylogenetic analyses and antigenic characterization of foot-and-mouth disease virus PanAsia lineage circulating in China between 1999 and 2023. Virol Sin. 2024 Oct; 39(5):747-754. doi: 10.1016/j.virs.2024.09.006. Epub 2024 Sep 16. PMID: 39293543.

b) International conferences:

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- 1. 27th SEACFMD Sub-Commission Meeting, 2024.09.03-09.06;
- 2. The 4th Regional Meeting for WOAH Reference Centres in Asia and the Pacific, 2024.07.17-07.19;
- 3. 19th WOAH/FAO FMD Reference Laboratory Network Annual Meeting, 2024.09.25-09.27;
- 4. 23rd Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations Congress, 2024. 10.25-10.27.

c) National conferences:

23

The national coferences on FMD control and prevention, vaccine and vaccination, diagnosis technique and training coureses at national level (n=10) and provincial level (n=13), respectively.

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

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The details of FMD outbreaks reported in China: http://www.xmsyj.moa.gov.cn/yqfb/

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 : 6

b) Seminars : 8

c) Hands-on training courses: 2

d) Internships (>1 month) 1

| Type of technical training provided (a, b, c | Country of origin of the expert(s) provided with | No. participants from the corresponding |
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| or d) | training | country |
| А | KAZAKHSTAN | 4 |
| А | KYRGYZSTAN | 6 |
| А | TAJIKISTAN | 4 |
| | PAKISTAN | |



| A | | 4 |
|---|--------------------------|----|
| А | IRAN | 1 |
| A | ETHIOPIA | 3 |
| В | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | 20 |
| С | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | 12 |
| D | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF) | 3 |

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 | ISO 17025 Certificate English.jpg |

19. Is your quality management system accredited?

Yes

| Test for which your laboratory is accredited | Accreditation body |
|--|--------------------|
| LPB ELISA for FMDV antibody detection | CNAS |
| ELISA for FMDV NSP antibody detection | CNAS |
| FMDV Antigen detection ELISA | CNAS |
| RT-PCR for FMDV | CNAS |
| Real-time RT-PCR for FMDV | CNAS |
| FMDV 1D Gene sequencing | CNAS |
| SPC ELISA for FMDV antibody detection | CNAS |
| virus isolation(VI) | CNAS |
| virus neutralization test (VNT) | CNAS |

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

The ABSL-3 laboratory is accredited by CNAS. At the same time, manipulation of FMDV is accredited by MARA, China. A biosecurity commission is established in WOAH/China national reference laboratory for FMD which is responsible for technical requisites. All the SOPs are elaborated and all the employees comply with the requirements according to ISO 17025. All the actions and procedures are consistent with Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, Chapter 1.1.4

TOR9: SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

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

National/



| International | Title of event | Co-organiser | Date | location | No. Participants |
|---------------|--|--|------------|----------------|------------------|
| International | International Training Workshop on Major Transboundary Animal Diseases (TAD) Diagnosis Technology | Lanzhou Veterinary Research Institute | 2024-09-05 | Gansu, Lanzhou | 20 |
| National | 2024 National Major Animal Disease Diagnosis and Comprehensive Prevention Technology Training Course | Lanzhou Veterinary Research Institute | 2024-03-09 | Gansu, Lanzhou | 600 |
| National | 2024 Major Animal Disease Diagnosis, Detection and Practical Technology Training Course | Lanzhou Veterinary Research Institute | 2024-09-09 | Gansu, Lanzhou | 30 |

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, short communications) | Title of the work presented |
|--|------------|-------------------|---|--|
| The 4th Regional Meeting for WOAH Reference Centres in Asia and the Pacific | 2024-07-16 | Tokyo | Short communications | None |
| 19th WOAH/FAO FMD Reference Laboratory Network Annual Meeting | 2024-09-24 | Rome | Speaker | Country report |
| WOAH 27th Meeting of the Sub-Commission for FMD in South-East Asia, China, and Mongolia | 2024-09-02 | Bangkok | Speaker | The advance in FMD Diagnosis by LVRI, China |
| 23rd Federation of Asian Veterinary Associations Congress | 2024-10-24 | Korea | Speaker | Foot-and-mouth disease in pool 1 countries: changed and unchanged |
| National Committee of Experts on Epidemic Prevention | 2024-12-02 | Shandong province | Speaker | Epidemiological status and control and prevention measures of FMD |
| 2024 National Animal Disease Epidemiology Conference | 2024-03-27 | Shandong province | Speaker | Epidemiological status and control and prevention measures of |



| | | | | FMD in China |
|---|------------|----------------|---------|--|
| The 11th Chinese Veterinary Medicine Congress | 2024-08-24 | Hubei province | Speaker | Epidemiological status and control and prevention measures of FMD in cattle and sheep |

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? Yes

| NETWORK/DISEASE | ROLE OF YOUR LABORATORY (PARTICIPANT, ORGANISER, ETC) | NO. PARTICIPANTS | PARTICIPATING WOAH REF. LABS |
|---|--|------------------|--|
| WOAH/FAO FMD Reference Laboratory network/Foot-and- mouth disease | participant | 26 | World Reference Laboratory for Foot-and-mouth disease, Pirbright institute |
| SEACFMD/Foot-and-mouth disease | participate | 50 | The WOAH regional reference laboratories for FMD in Thailand |

25. Did you organise or participate in inter-laboratory proficiency tests with WOAH Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen during the past 2 years?

Yes

| Purpose of the proficiency test: | Role of your Reference Laboratory (organiser/ participant) | No. participating Laboratories | Participating WOAH Ref. Labs/ organising WOAH Ref Lab |
|---|--|--------------------------------|--|
| Proficiency testing & Interlab comparison for FMD typing qPCR | Organiser | 34 provincial labs | WOAH/China national reference laboratory for FMD |

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 |
|---|--|--|
| Monitoring and analysis of the genetic and antigenic evolution of the FMDV from China (WOAH/FAO FMD Reference lab network MOU) | Evaluation of the efficacy of the current vaccine; selection of the new vaccine strains; Effective control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease. | The World reference laboratory for FMD, The Pirbright Institute, UK |
| Development of ELISA kits for detecting antibody against FMDV SAT2 | Development of an ELISA kit for detecting antibody against FMDV SAT2 in serum | The World reference laboratory for FMD, The Pirbright Institute, UK |
| evaluating the FMDV NSP 3ABC detection kits | specificity & sensitivity | The WOAH regional reference laboratory for FMD in Thailand |

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 during the past 2 years?

| Yes | | | | |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Purpose for inter- laboratory test comparisons1 | Role of your reference laboratory (organizer/participant) | No. participating laboratories | Name of the test | WOAH Member Countries |
| FMD and other TADs such as ASF、PPR、POX antibody detection | organizer | 5 | antibody detection | CHINA (PEOPLE'S REP. OF), |

TOR12: EXPERT CONSULTANTS

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

Yes

| Kind of consultancy | Location | Subject (facultative) |
|--|-----------|---|
| Review of WOAH code and Manual | China | Review of WOAH code and manual revision 2024 |
| SEACFMD National Coordinators to discuss the preparation of the 27th SEACFMD Sub- Commission Meeting | Virtually | To discuss the preparation of SEACFMD Sub- Commission Meeting including the presentation template, surveys and Sub- Commission Meeting agenda papers |

29. Additional comments regarding your report:

No