

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)

Indicated in WOAH Manual (Yes/No)	Total number of test performed last year	
	Nationally	Internationally
Yes	0	403
Yes	0	809
Yes	0	6025
Yes	0	119
	(Yes/No) Yes Yes Yes	(Yes/No) Total number of test Nationally Yes Q Yes Yes Q Yes Q



Direct diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
Virus Isolation	Yes	0	270
Antigen -ELISA	Yes	0	116
real-time RT-PCR	Yes	0	562
VP1 sequencing	Yes	0	135
Phylogenetic analyses	Yes	0	164

TOR2: REFERENCE MATERIAL

2. Did your laboratory produce or supply imported standard reference reagents officially recognised by WOAH?

Type of reagent Related diagnostic available testing Produced/ in	()uantity supplied	international level	Name of beneficiary WOAH Member Countries
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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
FMDV antigens, FMDV antisera and serum controls	VNT, ELISA (antigen and serology)	Produced	14 ml	1080.5 ml	11	ARGENTINA, DENMARK, GERMANY, KOREA (REP. OF), MALAYSIA, POLAND, ROMANIA, THAILAND, UNITED KINGDOM, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, VIETNAM,
FMDV-specific monoclonal antibodies	ELISA	Produce	0	1.5 ml	1	Korea (Rep. of),
Cell lines for FMDV culture	Virus Isolation	Provide	0	99 ml	5	ARGENTINA, FRANCE, ISRAEL, KOREA (REP. OF), SOUTH AFRICA,
FMDV isolates	Vaccine matching	Produce	0	192	5	ARGENTINA, GERMANY, ISRAEL, KOREA (REP. OF), TURKEY,



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?

Yes

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
ALGERIA	2024-01-01	Virus isolation, Ag ELISA, Real-time RT-PCR, VP1 sequencing, Phylogenetic analysis, Vaccine matching	0	6
ETHIOPIA	2024-03-01	Virus isolation, Ag ELISA, Real-time RT-PCR, VP1 sequencing, Phylogenetic analysis, Vaccine matching	0	112
INDONESIA	2024-09-01	Virus isolation, Ag ELISA, Real-time RT-PCR, VP1 sequencing, Phylogenetic analysis, Vaccine matching	0	40
IRAN	2024-11-01	Phylogenetic analyses	0	1
KENYA	2024-01-01	Virus isolation, Ag ELISA, Real-time RT-PCR, VP1 sequencing, Phylogenetic analysis, Vaccine	0	20



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		matching		
NEPAL	2024-07-01	Virus isolation, Ag ELISA, Real-time RT-PCR, VP1 sequencing, Phylogenetic analysis, Vaccine matching	0	50
PALESTINIAN AUTON. TERRITORIES	2024-11-01	Phylogenetic analyses	0	1
TUNISIA	2024-01-01	Virus isolation, Ag ELISA, Real-time RT-PCR, VP1 sequencing, Phylogenetic analysis, Vaccine matching	0	3
TURKEY	2024-09-01	Phylogenetic analyses	0	1
TURKEY	2024-12-01	Phylogenetic analyses	0	2
UGANDA	2024-03-01	Virus isolation, Ag ELISA, Real-time RT-PCR, VP1 sequencing, Phylogenetic analysis, Vaccine matching	0	50

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
BAHRAIN	Review of vaccine performance	via teleconference
IRAN	Request for information about the changing risks for Iran	via email
COLOMBIA	Testing procedures for FMD vaccines	via teleconference
ISRAEL	Request for information about the changing risks for Israel	via email
JORDAN	Advice regarding FMD vaccines	via teleconference and email
IRAQ JORDAN LEBANON SYRIA	Quadripartite meeting between Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and the Syrian Arab Republic to discuss FMD control	teleconference

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
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Evaluation of FMD vaccine quality	5 years	To develop tools and a pipeline to assess FMD vaccine quality	ICAR	INDIA
Studies to understand FMD epidemiology	1	Support for serology and sequencing	Bhutan Veterinary Authority	BHUTAN
FMD in Nigeria	2	Understand the role of small ruminats in the epidemiology of FMD in Nigeria	NVRI	NIGERIA
WOAH Twinning project	3	Development of diagnostic capacity for Kenya	Embakasi	KENYA
WOAH Twinning project	2	Development of diagnostic capacity for Jordan	CVL	JORDAN
APHA Project	2	Building diagnostic capacity in Zambia	CVRI	ZAMBIA

13. In exercising your activities, have you identified any regulatory research needs* relevant for WOAH?

Yes

-Research need : 1-

Please type the Research need: FMDV Reference antigens

Relevance for WOAH Standard Setting,

Relevance for the Code or Manual Manual,

Field Diagnostics, Vaccines,

Animal Category Terrestrial,

Disease:

Kind of disease (Zoonosis, Transboundary diseases) Transboundary diseases,

If any, please specify relevance for Codes or Manual, chapter and title

(e.g. Terrestrial Manual Chapter 2.3.5 - Minimum requirements for aseptic production in vaccine manufacture) *Answer:*

Notes:

Answer: Together with laboratories on the WOAH/FAO Lab Network for FMD, we are currently involved in projects to establish reference antigens that could be used to assess the regional relevance of FMD vaccine responses. We anticipate that these FMD viruses could be widely used by testing laboratories and their use would help to harmonize the tests that are used to assess the performance of FMD vaccines. If there is agreement, this information could be included into the FMD Chapter

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:	
Host species, sampling date, location	

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:

All reports for laboratory testing performed at Pirbright are sent to WOAH - see: https://www.wrlfmd.org/country-reports

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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5. Edwards, N., J. Reboud, X.X. Yan, X. Guo, J.M. Cooper, J. Wadsworth, R. Waters, V. Mioulet, D.P. King, and A.E. Shaw (2024). Detection of Foot-and-mouth disease virus RNA using a closed loop-mediated isothermal amplification system. Frontiers in Microbiology, 15: 9. DOI: 10.3389/fmicb.2024.1429288.

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b) International conferences:

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1. Mielke S. R., Remmenga M., McLaws M. and King D. P. Is FMDV Serotype C Extinct: What can the data tell us? Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.

2. Jones R., King D. P. and Busin V. Retrospective analysis of submissions to the WRLFMD: What can these data tell us about the role of small ruminants in disease epidemiology? Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.

3. Di Nardo A., Shaw A. E., Gondard M., Wadsworth J., Girault G., Parekh K., Ludi A., Mioulet V., Bernelin-Cottet C., Hicks H. M., Polo N., Bulut A., Parlak U., Gizaw D., Ababneh M., Al Ameer M., Abdulrasool L. M. S., Al Saloom F. S., AlRawahi W. A., Knowles N. J., Bakkali-Kassimi L. and King D. P. East African origin of SAT2 XIV FMDV outbreaks in Western Asia, 2022-2023. Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.

4. Di Nardo A., Tennakoon C., Yang L., Tervoort-McLeod S., McLaws M., VanMaanen C., Knowles N. J., Rosso F., Muellner U., Sammin D., Muellner P. and King D. P. openFMD: a digital platform to support Global Epidemiological Intelligence of FMD. Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.

 Berryman S., Asfor A., Yasmin A., Grant C., Ludi A., Perez E., Benham E., Howe N., Burman A., Brocchi E., Grazioli S., King D. P., and Tuthill T. FMD vaccine quality: a universal test for antigen based on detection of VP4. Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.
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Parekh K., Browning C., Wilsden G., Mioulet V., Wood B., Mccarron A., Bull H., Baguisi J., Chantler V., Pituco E. M., Sanchez-Vazquez M. J., King D. P. and Ludi A. Vaccine matching analysis for South America O and A viruses. Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.
Mioulet V., Wood B., Baguisi J., Bull H., McCarron A., Chantler V., Wadsworth J., Hicks H., Knowles N. J. and King D. P. Diagnostic testing challenges – Trying to keep up with FMDV. Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the Control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.

9. Browning C., King D. P. and Ludi A. Are all cell lines equivalent when it comes to vesicular virus neutralisation tests? Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.

10. Wiseman D. J., Burman A., Wilsden G., Smith P. R., Cresser L., Waters R., Stevenson L., Bentley S., Wood B., Mioulet V., Ludi A. B. and King D. P. Production of anti-FMD polyclonal antibodies in rabbits and guinea pigs. Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October 2024.

11. Baguisi J, Mioulet V, Bull H., Wood B., McCarron A., Chantler V., King D. P., Foglia E. A., Grazioli S. Bentham A., Mitchell K. and Wakeham A. Lateral flow devices for the detection of FMDV and approaches for field preparation. Open Session of the Standing Technical and Research Committee of the European Commission for the control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Alcalá de Henares. Spain, October



2024.

12. González L. M., Muwonge A., Porphyre T., Amanyire W., Okwasiimire R., Kanka C., Orton R., Boden L., Muhanguzi D., King D. P., Shaw A. and Bronsvoort M. Centrality-based monitoring system for optimized foot-and-mouth disease detection: a pilot study using noninvasive samples in Ugandan livestock markets. 17th International Symposium on Veterinary Epidemiology and Economics, Sydney, Australia, November 2024.

13. Di Nardo A., Muellner U., Tennakoon C., Yang L., McLaws M., van Maanen C., Rosso F., Knowles N., Tervoort-McLeod S., Muellner P. and King D. P. Openfmd: a novel data sharing and decision-support platform to enhance global epidemiological intelligence of foot-and-mouth disease. 17th International Symposium on Veterinary Epidemiology and Economics, Sydney, Australia, November 2024.

c) National conferences:

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1. Yassin A., Grazioli S., Brocchi E., Horton D., Ludi A., King D. P. and Asfor A. Characterisation of a neutralisation (D9-like) epitope within the G-H loop foot-and-mouth disease virus serotypes O, A and SAT1. Annual Conference of the Microbiology Society, Edinburgh, April 2024.

2. Lasecka-Dykes L., Mioulet V., Wadsworth J., Hick H. M., Knowles N. J. and King D. P. Detection of insertions and deletions (indels) in high-throughput sequencing data of foot-and-mouth disease virus isolates circulating in the field. Annual Conference of the Microbiology Society, Edinburgh, April 2024.

3. Edwards N., Polo N., Wadsworth J., Chakravarti S., Mioulet V., Taylor E., King D. P., Horton D. L., Lasecka-Dykes L. and Shaw A. Forecasting the next panzootic foot-and-mouth disease virus lineage: informing virus fitness from in vitro studies and genomic data. Annual Conference of the Microbiology Society, Edinburgh, April 2024.

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

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https://www.wrlfmd.org/ https://www.foot-and-mouth.org/ https://www.fmdbase.org/ https://www.openfmd.org/

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 : 20

b) Seminars : 45

c) Hands-on training courses: 46

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
А	Korea (Rep. of)	15
А	SAUDI ARABIA	5



В	INDONESIA	45
C	KENYA	1
C	TURKEY	1
C	INDONESIA	1
С	SAUDI ARABIA	1
С	ARGENTINA	1
С	INDONESIA	20
С	INDONESIA	15
С	KENYA	6

TOR8: QUALITY ASSURANCE

18. Does your laboratory have a Quality Management System?

Yes

Quality management system adopted	Certificate scan (PDF, JPG, PNG format)	
ISO/IEC 17025	.pdf	UKAS accreditation for Pirbright 2024.pdf

19. Is your quality management system accredited?

Yes

Test for which your laboratory is accredited	Accreditation body
Virus isolation	United Kingdom Accreditation Service
real-time RT-PCR	United Kingdom Accreditation Service
ag-ELISA	United Kingdom Accreditation Service
VNT	United Kingdom Accreditation Service
NSP ELISA	United Kingdom Accreditation Service
SP-ELISA	United Kingdom Accreditation Service
Disinfectant testing	United Kingdom Accreditation Service

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

Yes

All work with FMDV is undertaken in high containment facilities licensed by the UK HSE.

TOR9: SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

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

Yes					
National/ International	Title of event	Co-organiser	Date	location	No. Participants
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International	Annual Meeting of the WOAH/FAO FMD Laboratory Network	FAO	2024-09-24	Rome	43	
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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
SEACFMD Commission	2024-09-01	Bangkok, Thailand	Speaker	Global overview of FMDV risks
SCAD Regional roadmap for FMD	2024-09-02	Tanzania	Speaker	Regional situation for FMD

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
FMD Reference Laboratory Network	Organiser	22	NCFAD, Canada, APHIS, USA, PANAFTOSA, Brazil, SENASA, Argentina, OVI, South Africa, BVI, Botswana, APQA, South Korea, LVRI, China, ARRIAH, Russia, ANSES, France, Sciensano, Belgium, IZSLER, Italy, Pirbright, UK

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
Virology and Serology tests for FMD	Organizer	9	Sciensano, Belgium, BVI, Botswana, PANAFTOSA, Brazil, NCFAD, Canada, ANSES, France, IZSLER, Italy, OVI, South Africa, APQA, South Korea, USDA, USA
Virology and serology tests for vesicular diseases	Participant	30	ANSES, France



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
Molecular epidemiology of FMD in Asia	Development of genome sequencing technologies	APQA, South Korea
Development of immunoassays for vesicular diseases	Antigen and serological ELISAs and LFDs for FMD	IZSLER, Italy
SAT2/XIV in Western Asia	Phylogenetic analyses of SAT 2 viruses from Middle East countries	ANSES, France

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			
Virology and serology tests for FMDV	Organizer	34	Full suite of diagnostic tests for FMD	ALGERIA, ARMENIA, AUSTRALIA, AZERBAIJAN, BRAZIL, CHINESE TAIPEI, EGYPT, ETHIOPIA, HONG KONG, INDIA, INDONESIA, IRAN, IRAQ, ISRAEL, JORDAN, KENYA, MOROCCO, NAMIBIA, NEPAL, NEW ZEALAND, NIGERIA, PHILIPPINES, SENEGAL, SINGAPORE, THAILAND, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES, UNITED KINGDOM, ZAMBIA,			

TOR12: EXPERT CONSULTANTS

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

Yes

Kind of consultancy	Location	Subject (facultative)
WOAH BSC	Paris	Commission meeting
Review of Manual Chapter for FMD	on-line	Update of the FMD Chapter
Rapporteur for FMD Ad Hoc Group Meeting.	Paris and follow up calls	Reviewed applications by WOAH Member countries for endorsement of their official FMD status
		Contribution to various meetings of FMD



Contribution to working group	on-line	serotype C taskforce.

29. Additional comments regarding your report:

No