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WG 3 - Abattoir level controls and risk categorisation of abattoirs

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WG3 Abattoir level: controls + risk categorization

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WG3 Specific objectives

Controls:

- 3.1 Assessment of effectiveness of new tools | methods for detection of carcass contamination
- 3.2 Assessment of the significant intervention strategies and alternative methods for the slaughtering | the carcass dressing

Years

Risk categorisation:

- 3.3 Assessment of the performance of food safety management systems
- 3.4 Harmonised Epidemiological Indicators in risk categorisation of abattoirs

Years 3 & 4



WG3 Timeline

set-up after kick-off meeting

training school "farm and abattoir interventions"

report 2 due

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YII

YIII

YIV

report 1 delivered

Cordoba

 training school "risk categorisation of farms and abattoirs"



meeting in Belgrade [RS] in Jan-20

- working on abattoir interventions reviews
- discussing approaches against carcass contamination

WG3 Task 3.1.1. Systematic review – 'Vision systems' for carcass contamination and pathological lesions (joint with WG4)

- The task is finished
- Literature searched 1990-2021
- ~ 170 articles eligible and characterized
- Data analysis from ~ 60 articles ongoing
- 1 Paper in the progress
- 'Vision systems' identified:
 - Mostly for broiler chicken carcass faecal contamination and gross pathology

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WG3 Task 3.2.1. Systematic review and Meta-analysis **beef** interventions

- The task is finished
- Literature searched 1996-2020 (25 years)
- Systematic review and meta-analysis performed
- Work spanned 2019-2021

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Review

Beef abattoir interventions in a risk-based meat safety assurance system



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WG3 Task 3.2.2. Systematic review and Meta-analysis **sheep** interventions

The task is ongoing

- Literature searched 1970-2020
- ~ 80 articles eligible and characterized
- Risk-of-bias assessment ongoing, MA next step
- One paper in progress:

"Cattle hide and sheep fleece cleanliness assessment systematic review and meta-analysis of its efficacy to reduce microbiological contamination on carcasses"

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WG3 Task 3.2.3. Systematic review and Meta-analysis **pig** interventions

The task is finished

- Literature searched 1990-2021 (>30 years)
- Systematic review and meta-analysis performed
- Work spanned 2019-2021
- One paper submitted to journal:
- Nevijo Zdolec, Aurelia Kotsiri, Kurt Houf, Avelino Alvarez-Ordóñez, Bojan Blagojevic, Nedjeljko Karabasil, Morgane Salines, Dragan Antic (2022). Systematic review and metaanalysis of the efficacy of interventions applied during primary processing to reduce microbiological contamination on pig carcasses

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WG3 Task 3.2.4. Systematic review and Meta-analysis **broiler** chickens interventions

- The task is ongoing
- Literature searched 2000-2022
- ~ 240 articles eligible and characterized
- Characterisation ongoing, RoB and MA next step
- Meta-analysis planned

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WG3 Grant period 3 goals

 3.1 To determine the performance of the food safety management systems in abattoirs

 3.2 To determine the use of harmonised epidemiological indicators in risk categorisations of abattoirs

3.3 To organise training school on interventions



WG3 Objective 3.3 FSMS - ongoing

- Performance of FSMS in abattoirs
 - Work started in November 2021, frequent meetings
 - Task 3.3.1 Define FSMS, identify key elements/parts, identify hazards vs FSMS elements
 - Assess FSMS against specific hazards:
 - Process hygiene assessment
 - Audit reports
 - Questionnaire for CAs' about FSMS
 - Task 3.3.2 Assessment of the individual FSMS element effectiveness against specific hazards
 - Against final outcomes: e.g. Yersinia: assess individual FSMS elements against it

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WG3 Objective 3.4 HEI - ongoing

- Risk categorisation of abattoirs based on HEI
 - Work started in November 2021, frequent meetings
- Task 3.4.1 Assessment of the relevance and applicability of EFSA HEIs and risk categorisation approach for competent authorities:
 - 3.4.1.1 Literature review to explore how HEIs are used in risk categorisation of abattoirs
 - 3.4.1.2 Questionnaire to investigate CAs' approach and situation
- Task 3.4.2 Propose a practical framework for risk categorisation of abattoirs on the basis of HEIs
 - Case-study on French abattoirs:
 - investigate the slaughter- and abattoir-related parameters that may influence the abattoir hygiene performance and propose a method for scoring this risk

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WG3 Objective 3.4 HEI - ongoing

- One paper published, one submitted:
- Nevijo Zdolec, Marta Kiš, Dean Jankuloski, Katerina Blagoevska, Snježana Kazazić, Marina Pavlak, Bojan Blagojevic, Dragan Antic, Maria Fredriksson-Ahomaa, Valerij Pažin (2022). Prevalence and persistence of multidrug-resistant *Yersinia enterocolitica* 4/O:3 in slaughter pigs from different housing systems in Croatia

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Risk categorisation of poultry abattoirs on the basis of the current process hygiene criteria and indicator microorganisms

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- 2.5 days, online format, up to 50 participants (from academia, industry and authorities), split in two groups (25 farm, 25 abattoir interventions) + trainers
- Presenters and trainers from RIBMINS network, academia, industry and CAs
- Organisers: Dragan Antic, Diana Meemken, Kurt Houf, Truls Nesbakken
- Day 1: Joint work
- Lectures:
 - EFSA opinions on food decontamination and priority hazards for control
 - Interventions in the meat chain. The need to integrate causal inference into planning of interventions
- Perspectives of stakeholders
 - Actual and future challenges and needs from the farm level perspective
 - Actual and future challenges and needs from the abattoir level perspective
 - Actual and future challenges and needs from the national perspective. Progress up to date on Salmonella controls in the EU



- Day 2: Separate pre-harvest (farm) interventions:
- Lectures:
 - Descriptions of pre-harvest interventions
 - Systematic literature review on pre-harvest food safety interventions for broiler, pigs and cattle (proven efficacy by RCTs)
 - Pre-harvest food safety interventions (proven efficacy apart from RCTs)
 - BioCheck Measuring biosecurity as tool for zoonoses control
- Workshops: 5 case studies (separate small groups of 5)
 - Case study 1 Diagnostics on the farm, serology vs microbiology/swabs
 - Case study 2 Prudent use of antibiotics
 - Case study 3 Diet manipulation, probiotics, competitive exclusion, phages, vaccines
 - Case study 4 Pre-harvest interventions in different European countries: role of FSA/CA and science
 - Case study 5 Preparation of animals for slaughter, skin cleanliness, effect on process hygiene (farm-to-slaughter stage)

- Day 2: Separate harvest (abattoir) interventions:
- Lectures:
 - Physical interventions (lairage, GHP, thermal treatments)
 - Chemical interventions and microbiological validation of interventions
 - Results from ongoing WG3 work (interventions in beef, pigs, sheep, poultry)
 - Hazard-based thermal and chemical interventions for beef and pigs USA experience
 - Quantitative MRA models for evaluating the effects of interventions in reducing risks for consumer
 - Abattoir interventions: novel treatments and non-thermal technologies
- Workshops: 5 case studies (separate small groups of 5)
 - Case study 1 Study design to investigate interventions' performance in abattoir
 - Case study 2 Evaluation of interventions' effectiveness against specific hazards
 - Case study 3 Quantitative risk assessment in evaluating the effects of interventions in reducing risks for consumers
 - Case study 4 Cost-benefit analysis of using abattoir interventions
 - Case study 5 Chemical interventions to chlorine or not to chlorine

- Day 3: Joint work Presentations 15 min per group + 5 min questions
- Wrap up session: How to proceed in the future
- The call will be open shortly after Cordoba!
- Similar application process as last year for WG4 training school
- Save the dates: 20-22. June











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