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Risk-based meat inspection and integrated meat safety assurance

# How to design studies to investigate interventions performance in abattoir

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# WG3 Abattoir level: controls + risk categorization

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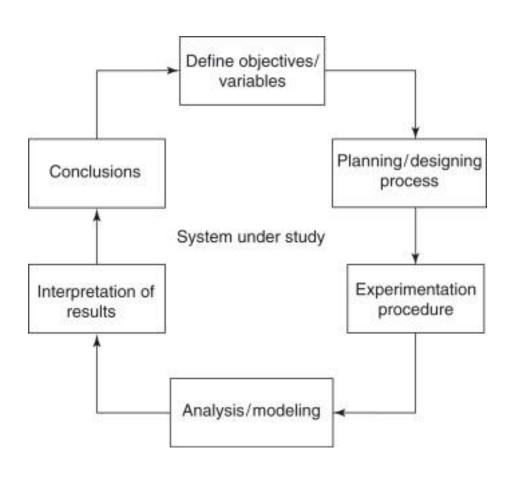
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## WG3

# Study design



- Controlled trials
- Challenge trials
- Quasi experiments





# Hot water washing beef carcasses

- Randomized controlled trial
- Salmonella spp., Aerobic bacteria counts, Enterobacteriacae
- Temperature of the hot water at the nozzles 85°C for 10 s

# WG3 Hot water washing beef carcasses

- Sampling:
- 70 control carcasses / 70 treatment carcasses.
- p<sub>c</sub> 20%
- Estimated mean difference 0.66

Table 1: Table 3. Number of carcasses (ss) to be tested for each group according to the expected prevalence for C (pc) and the expected (or desired) prevalence (pt) according to the expected (or desired) prevalence reduction (Pr 50; Pr 60; Pr 70).

	Pr_50%		Pr_60%		Pr_70%	
pc	Pt	SS	P <sub>t</sub>	SS	Pt	SS
10	5	341	4	222	3	152
16	8	202	6.4	132	4.8	90
20	10	156	8	102	6	70
30	15	94	12	62	9	43
40	20	64	16	42	12	29
50	25	45	20	30	15	21
60	30	33	24	22	18	16
70	35	24	28	16	21	12
80	40	17	32	17	24	9

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# WG3 Hot water washing beef carcasses

Sampling animals from the same batch, same day, same workers.
 Only main researcher knows the whole data.

 Different people doing treatment, sampling, analysis in laboratory

### **BLIND STUDY**





#### WG3 Hot water washing beef carcasses

- First 10 hot water washed, second 10 not, third 10 hot water washed,....
- To randomize the study, we put data in the excel and the program calculates which number to sample. Example every 3rd carcass.





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- Samples are taken immediately after washing.
- Bacteria attaches to meat in 10 minutes.
- Extended time to sampling potential bias







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 log CFU/1.000 cm2 area – swab (bottom part, upper part, in the middle, at cutting line)





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# WG3 Chemical washing of the chicken carcasses

- Before and after trail quasi experiment
- Camylobacter spp. (Salmonella spp., ESBL- E.coli)





## WG3 Chemical washing of the chicken carcasses

- Sampling in the same population/flock
- Sample: neck skin or rinsed carcass of 50 carcasses
- The higher prevalence of positive carcasses, the number of carcasses to be included in the quantitative study will be 50
- it will be possible to identify a difference of 0.5 log<sub>10</sub> between the mean

concentration of the two groups

• Randomize: we sample every 3rd or

10th carcasses depends on the batch size

(normal range 3.000 – 4.000 birds)



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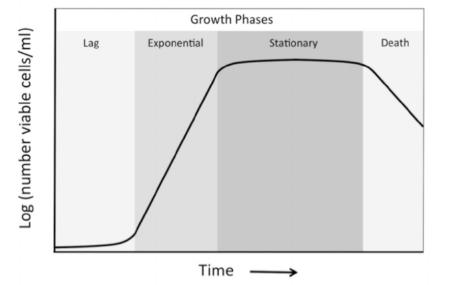


#### WG3 Chemical washing of the chicken carcasses

- We have to use neutralising broth to help with growth of bacteria
- Important when to sample, because of the logarithm of bacteria growth
- We have to considered species:

different Campylobacter species (method of applications, spray or rising

methods,...)





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