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Risk-based meat inspection and
integrated meat safety assurance

Case study 1: Diagnostics, detection of hazards on the farm: direct & indirect detection methods

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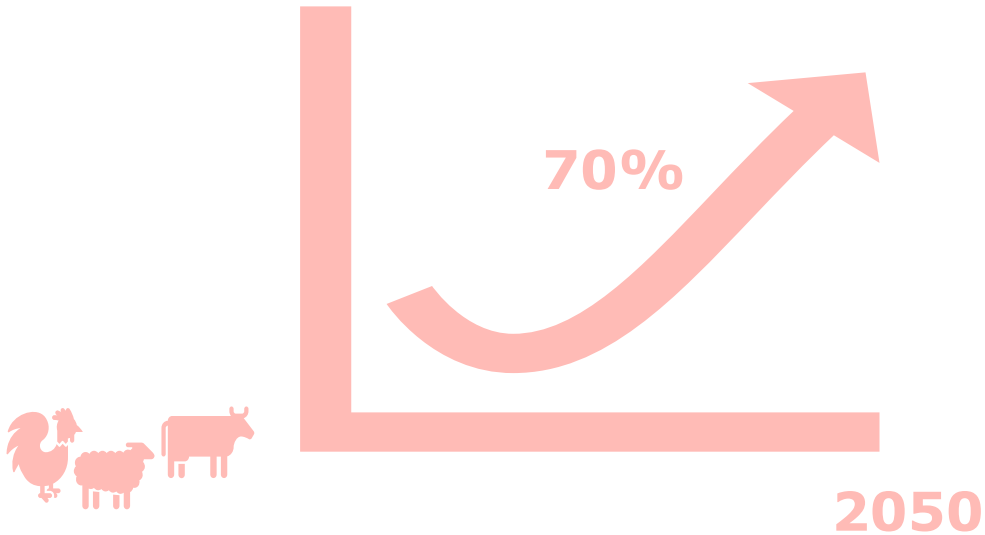
Goal of the workshop

- Gaining a **better understanding** on how surveillance and monitoring programs could be set-up in a more comprehensive way
- Gaining **new ideas** to set-up better surveillance systems that allow for early detection and a more timely reaction
- Allowing yourself to **think out of the box**, allow yourself to **see diagnostic in a broader sense**

2. The use of Point of care diagnostics: Where are they useful? What are their limits?
3. The use of new technologies for herd and flock health monitoring e.g. acoustics, cameras etc.
4. Taking samples at abattoir for herd and flock health monitoring: what are the benefits and what are the challenges.
5. Use of data and information: How we can use information and data from different sources? What information and data should be used?
6. Alternative samples: What kind of samples could be used for diagnostic purposes which are currently not or only used on rare occasions?

Overview

- Growing population
 - EU population has increased by ~25% since 1960
 - World population has doubled since 1960

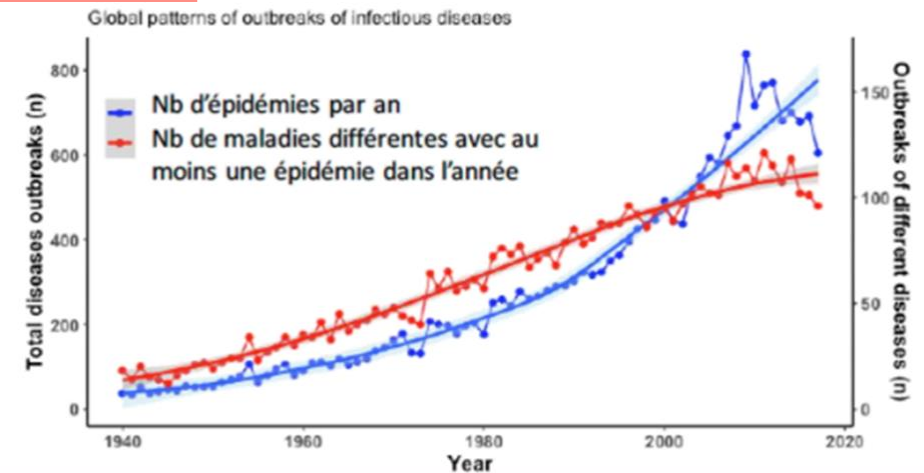


Welfare

Health problems in herds and flocks

Zoonoses

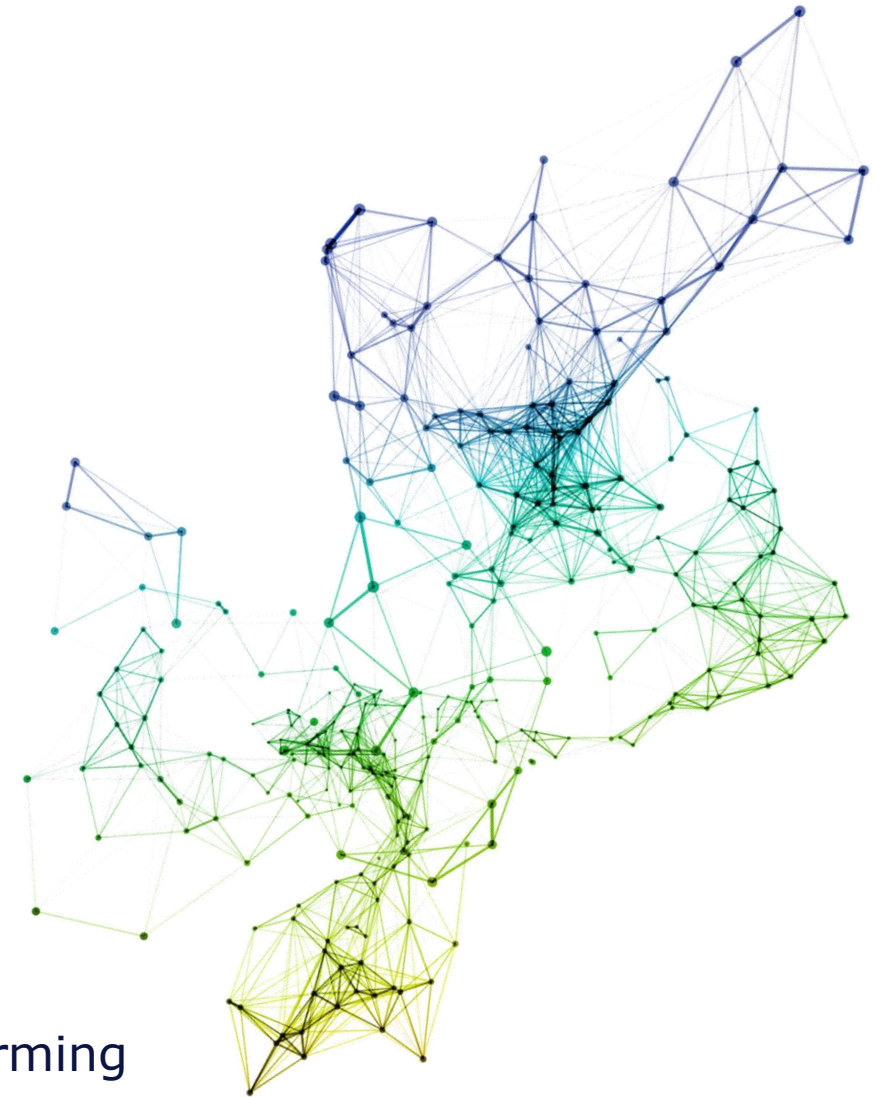
Environment



New approaches are needed

- **Need to look at diagnostic in a broader perspective**
- Using different “**classic**” data sources
 - At the farm
 - At the abattoir
 - Consumers
- Use of “**non-conventional**”, non-traditional data
 - Air filters
 - Sewage
 - Feed and water intake
 - Movement of animals
 - New technologies

} Precision Livestock Farming

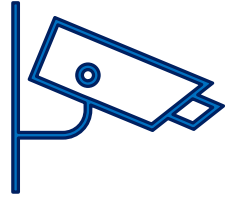


New technologies – New opportunities



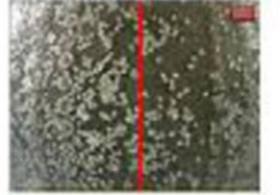
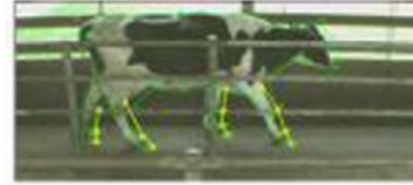
Sound recognition

- coughing



Camera system

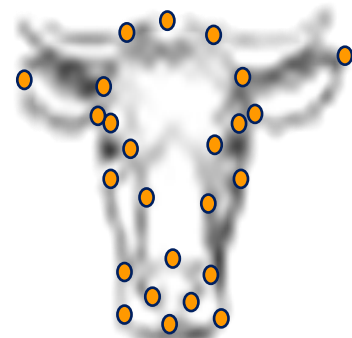
- heat
- movement



Management of livestock by continuous automated real-time monitoring of production/reproduction, health and welfare of livestock and environmental impact.



Berckmans, 2013



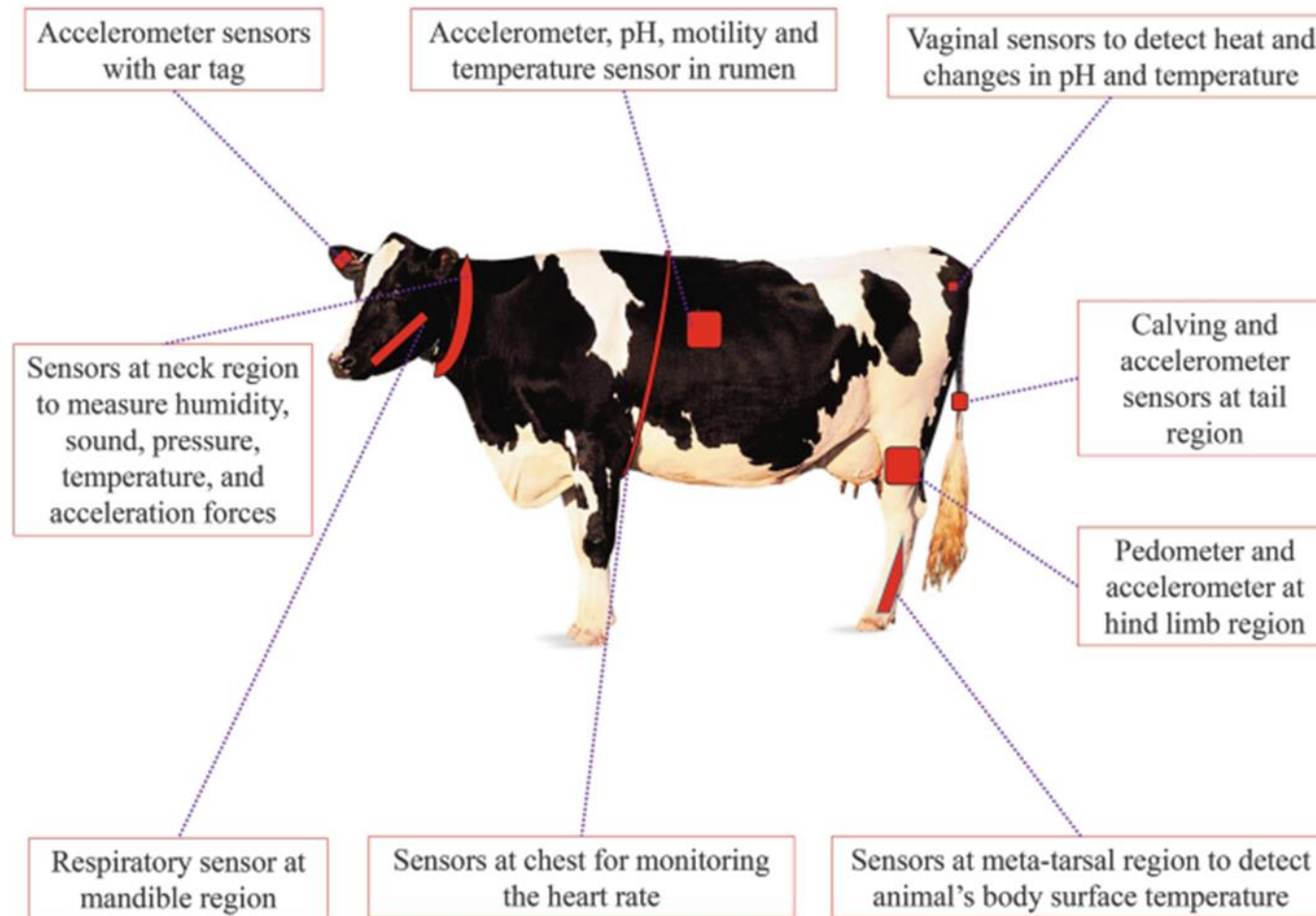
Facial recognition

- identification
- fraud detection

RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) Chips

- feed and water intake

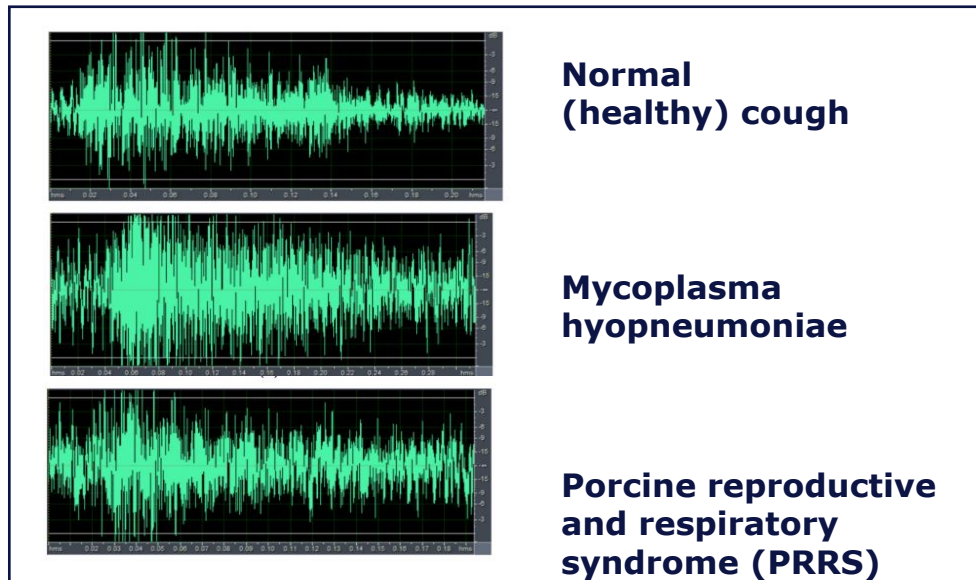
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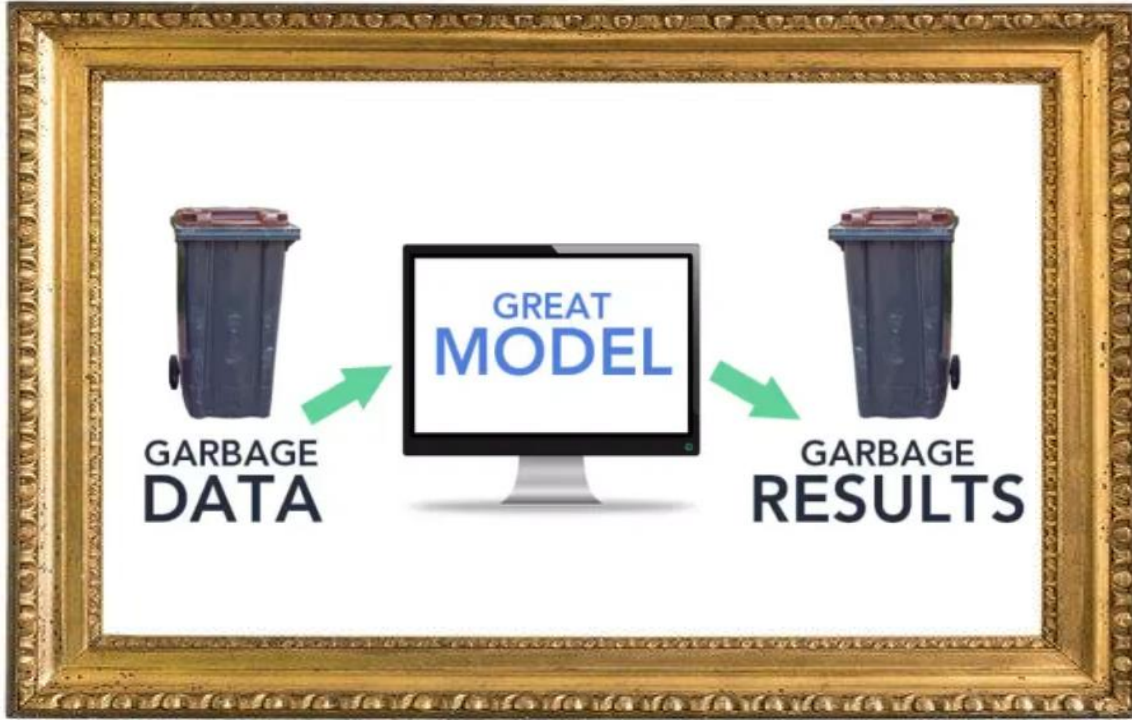
Microphones

- Audio surveillance systems – detection of respiratory diseases (pigs)
- Classifying and quantifying cough



94% detection
91% classification
accuracy

Data generation: Essential principles

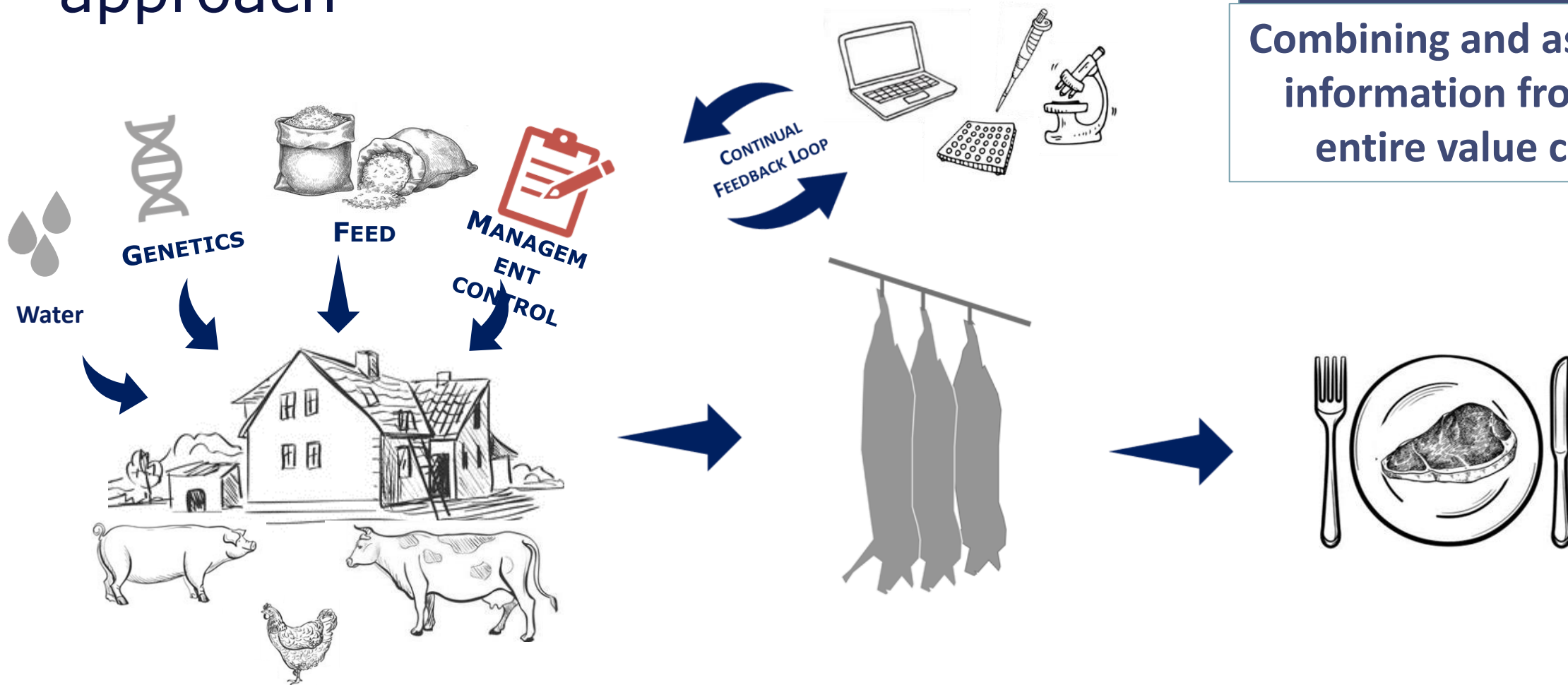


Good data quality is the starting point for everything



- Companies / Governments need to:
- justify the need to collect personal data
 - prove that they can keep the data safe

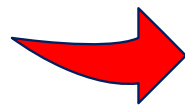
Data generation: an integrated approach



Combining and assessing
information from the
entire value chain

Where should we get the sample?

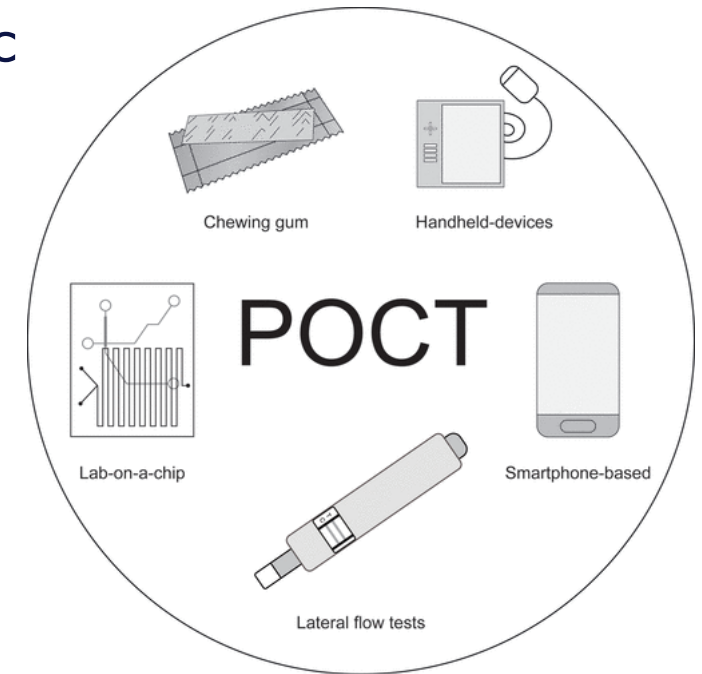
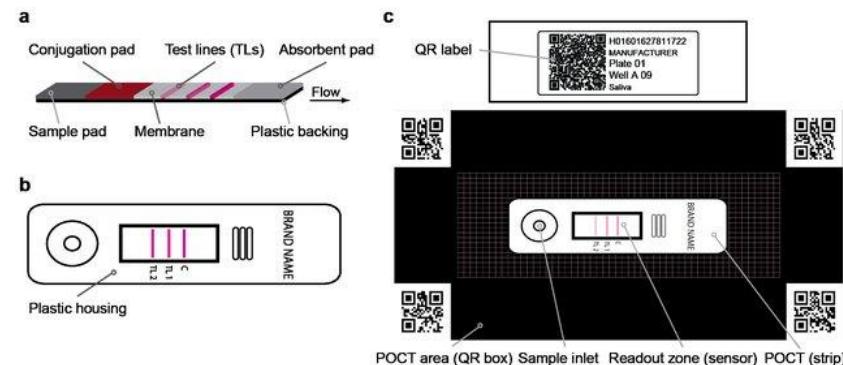
- There are many options to collect samples of all different kinds
 - Individual or herd level
 - Analysed at the point of collection or send to the lab
 - Taken at the farm or at the abattoir
 - Blood or oral fluids or feces or process fluids or milk
 - Environmental samples or sewage or bulk tank milk



Taking the entire value
chain into account

POCTs

- On-farm **POINT-OF-CARE TESTS** or rapid test of diagnostic
 - Simple and easy to use!
 - Majority with Antibodies target
 - Individual or herd contexto



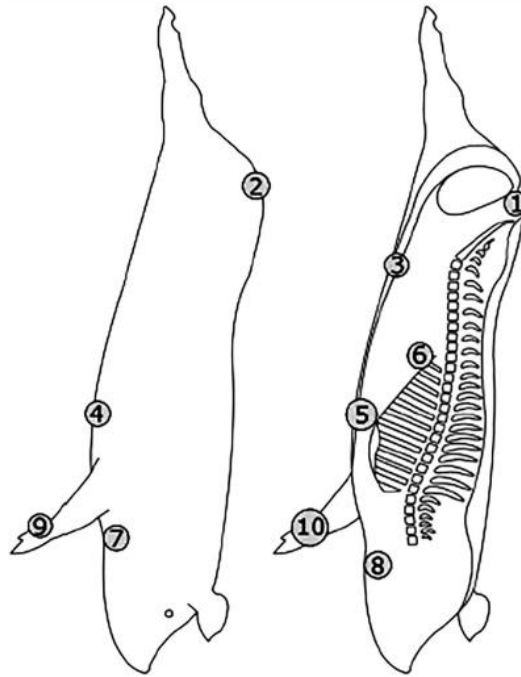
++ practical in developing countries

Traditional process at the slaughterhouse

- **Salmonella spp** in a series of 50 samples
 $n=50; c=3$

Time and frequency of sampling are regulated according to:

- hygienic practice and technology for each slaughterhouse
- design of risk-based process control or harmonised monitoring programmes
- production volume
- epidemiological status of the area from which the animals originate



EU legislation establishes special rules for the control of trichinellosis including the requirement for systematic tests for **Trichinella** in all slaughtered pigs, wild boar and horses, except in pigs from holdings or compartments officially recognised as applying controlled housing conditions.



Connect information from abattoirs to farms

- Risk factors for *T. gondii* infection in pigs in Serbia
(with individual pigs as units of analysis)

Variables	Risk factor
Age group	Sows
Region	Western Serbia
Multispecies farming	Yes
Disinfection boot-dips at each barn	No
Farm type	Smallholders' finishing



- High rate of parasite isolation success by mouse bioassay (**22.6%**) points to the presence of a potentially high risk for human infection and public health in Serbia

- **Overview:** What kind of samples could be used for diagnostic purposes which are currently not or only used on rare occasions?

Common samples

- Blood
- Serum
- Nasal swabs
- Feces
- Milk

Alternative samples?

- **Saliva** and Oropharyngeal swabs
- **Urine**
- **Environmental matrices:** soil, food, water...
- **Meat juice?**

Meat Juice Serology and Improved Food Chain Information as Control Tools for Pork-Related Public Health Hazards

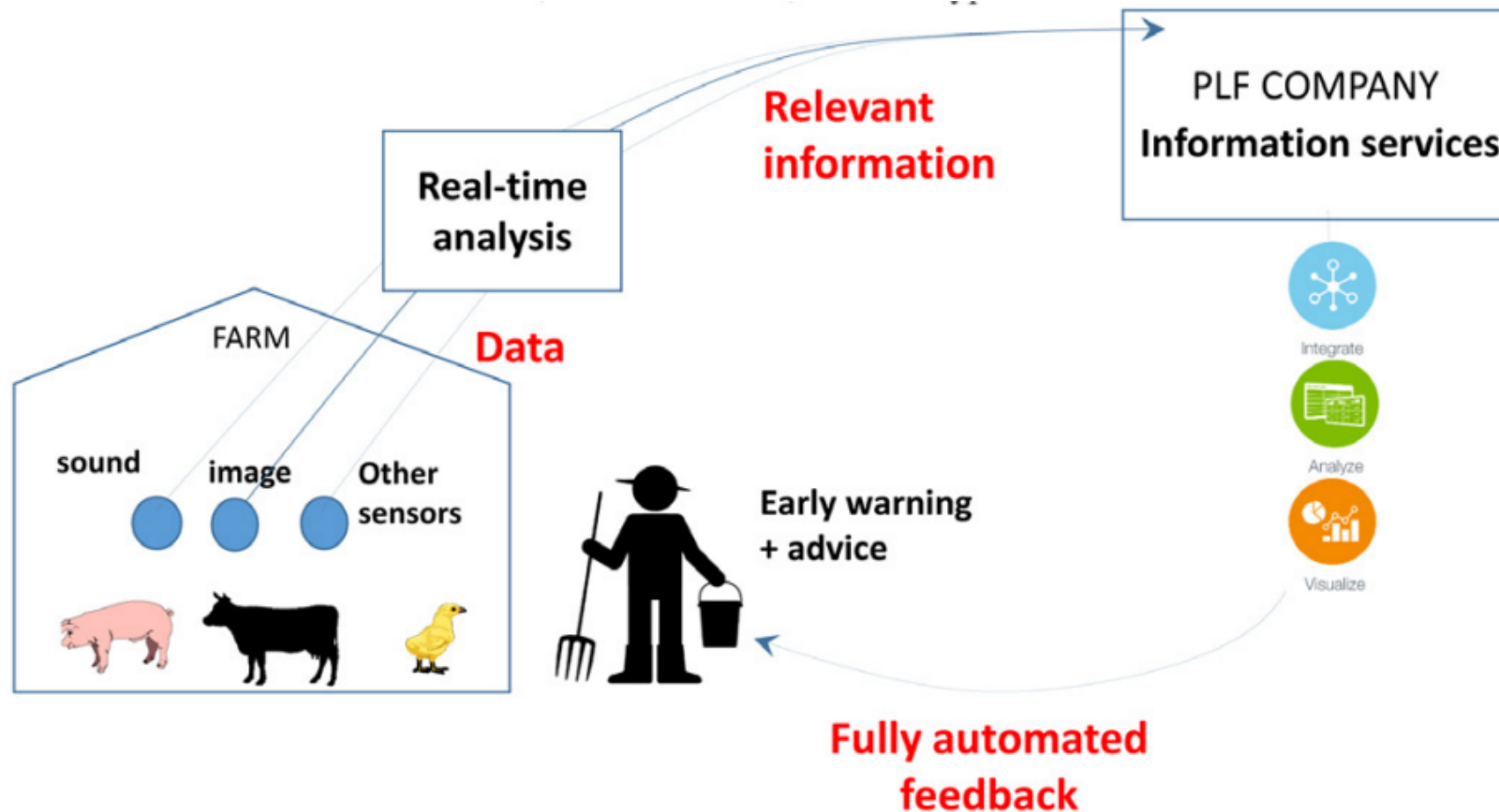
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Advantages and disadvantages of the approach:

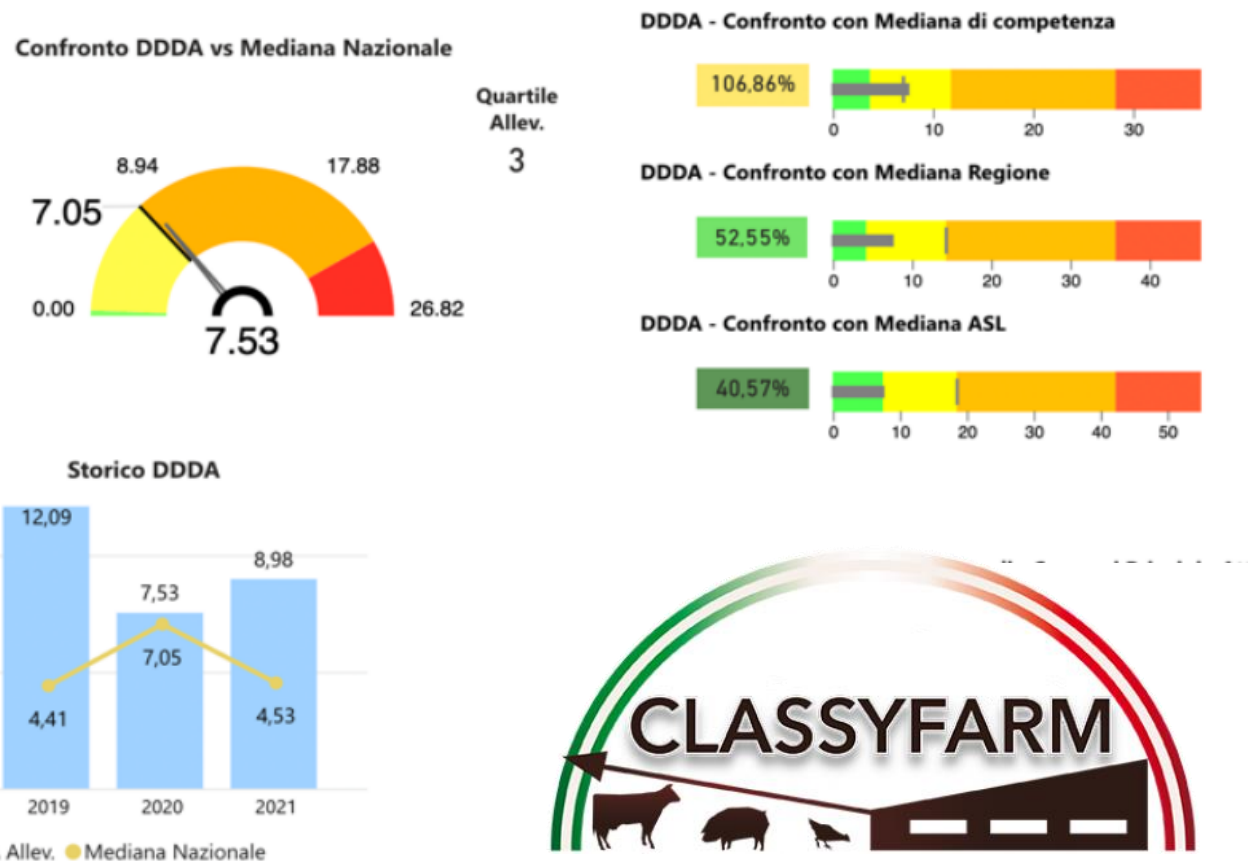
- - Misdiagnosis? Take into account the production of Ab's, latency time, the survival time of pathogens in the matrices...
- - False-negative results? Sometimes unknown specificity and sensitivity
- + Like POCTs some matrices are simple and easy to use → without cold chain, easy conservation forms, long transport or pre-laboratory analysis processing
- + Some may be alternative matrices for POCTs → but it is necessary to test and validate under specific conditions!

Conclusion: Integration & Making better use of data

- A lot of **data** and **information** is available
- **Combining** data from **different sources** is **possible**
- **Analyse** data – **interpret** data
- **Using** the data – putting data into context



Integration



Antimicrobial usage

Biosecurity
(Biocheck.ugent)

Animal Welfare

Antimicrobial
resistance*

Environmental data
(residues) *

*under development



Figure 2: Classyfarm Dashboard, <https://www.classyfarm.it/>

Targeted audience

≠ Data requirements

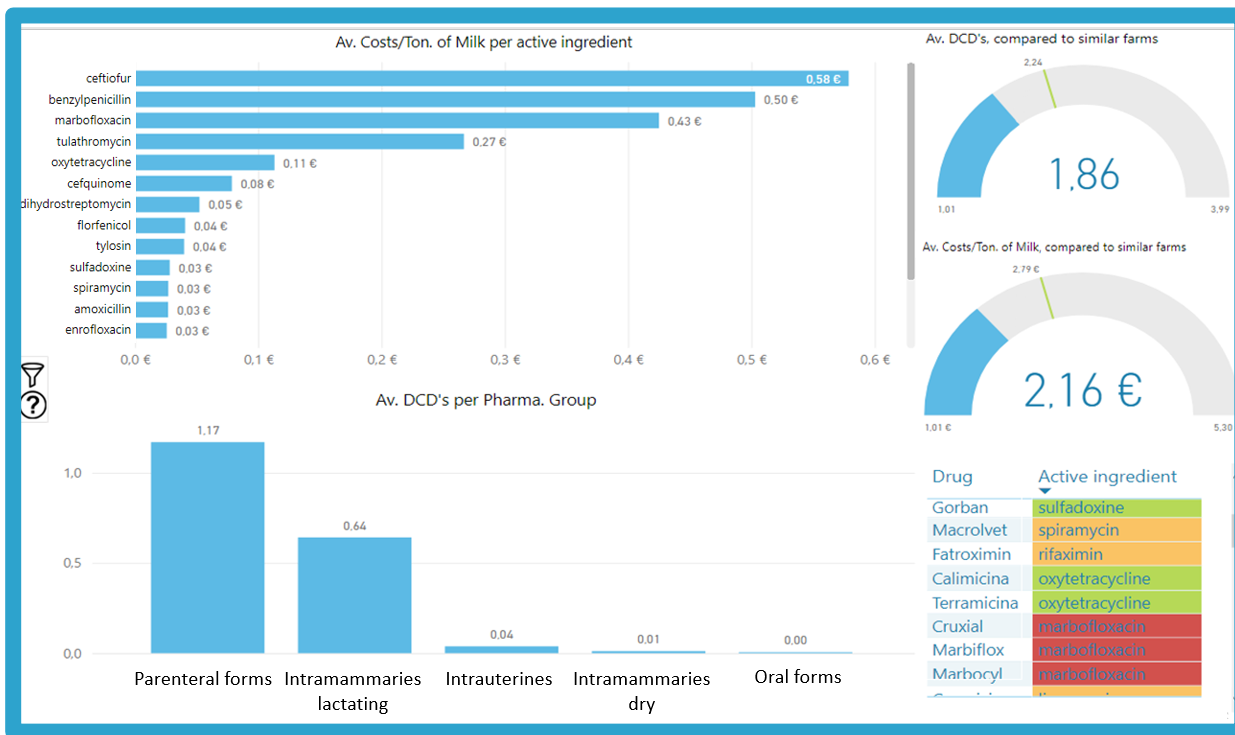


Figure 3: Famer's Dashboard overview, Vet-AMNet

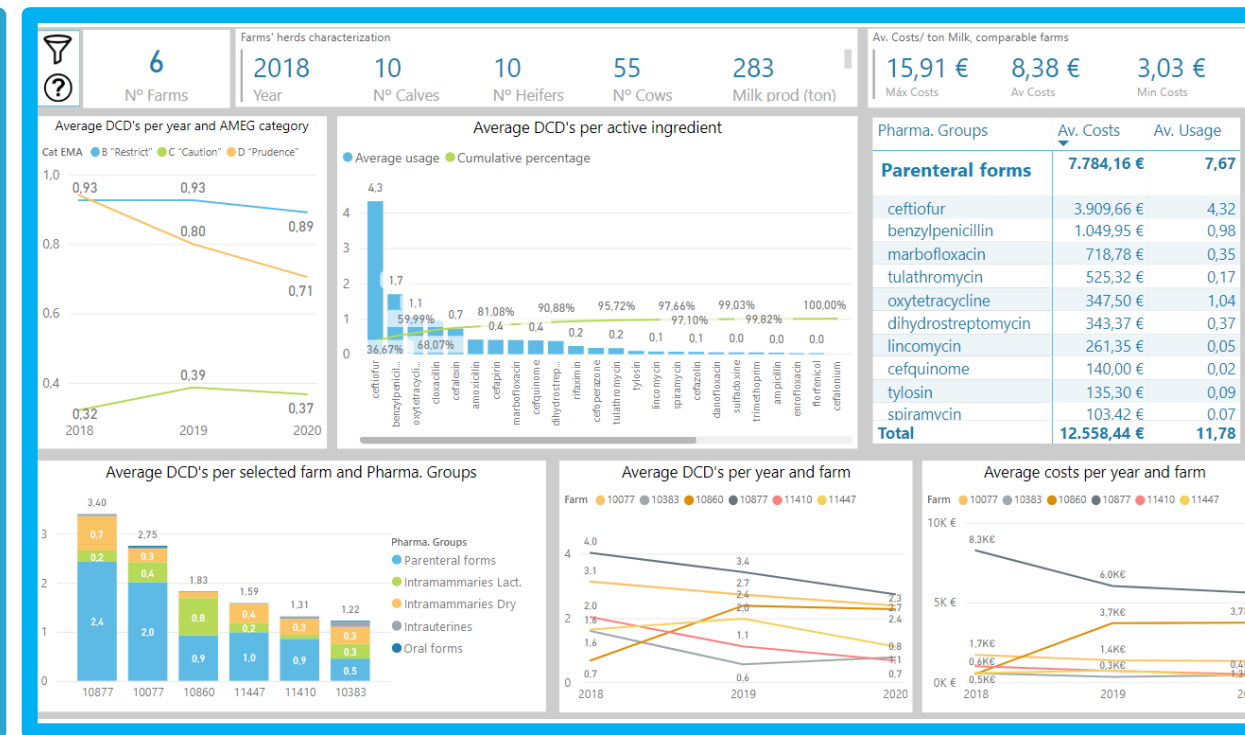
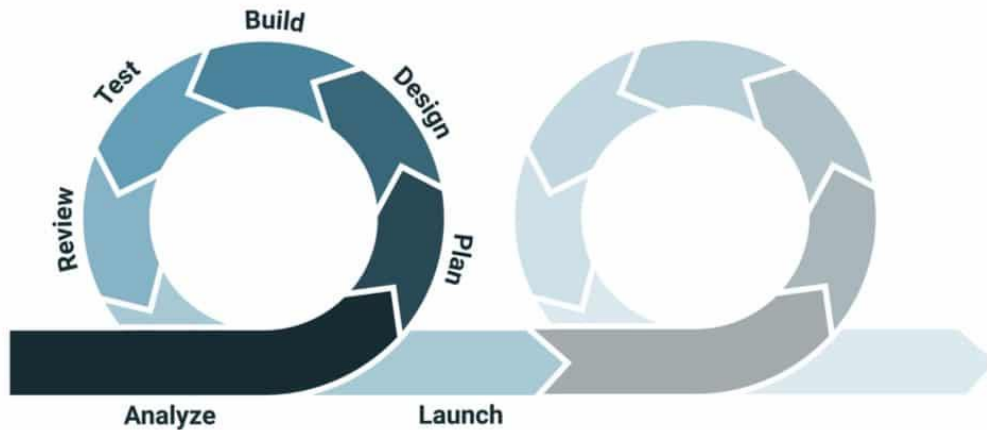


Figure 4: Veterinarian's Dashboard overview, Vet-AMNet

System evaluation

Iterative process (Data collection and analysis)
a lot of work can only start once the tools goes online



Everytime new functionalities are introduced

Access if the system is performing as it was expected:

- Cost-effectiveness
- User friendliness
- Precision of the results
- Integration
- One-health-ness

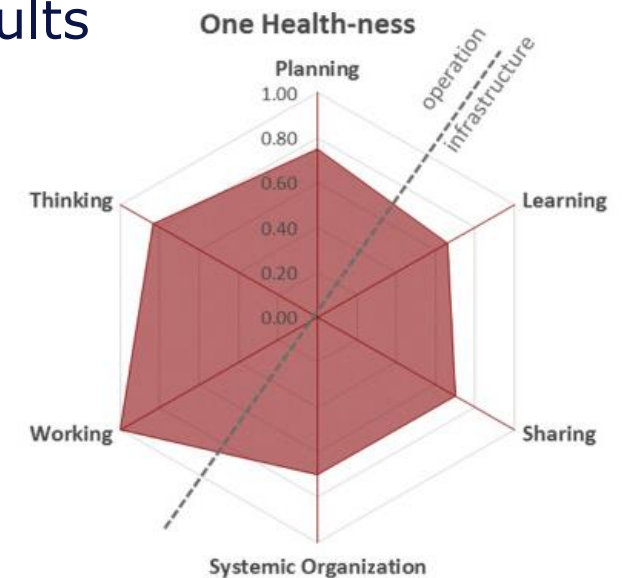


Figure 7: example of an output generated by the NEOH tool after a full evaluation

Thank you!

