

EAPHM Newsletter January 2018

EAPHM Board message:

A very Happy New Year for you and your families!

That 2018 will be a good year and looking forward to meet at the ESPHM 2018, Barcelona; Spain.



The European Medicines Agency has released for public consultation a draft concept paper for the revision of the guideline on the summary of product characteristics for veterinary anthelmintics. The current guideline on the Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC) for anthelmintics (EMA/CVMP/EWP/170208/2005) recommends standard warnings aimed at delaying the development of anthelmintic resistance. The scope of the guideline is currently limited to products for sheep, goats, cattle and horses, and proposes standard text for sections 4.4 and 4.9 of the SPC. This concept paper proposes that the scope of the guideline be extended to host species other than ruminants and horses, e.g. to pigs and companion animals. Read the concept [here](#). Comments by using this [template](#) and sent to vet-guidelines@ema.europa.eu by 31/03/2018. Please note that EMA may collect and further process some personal data of stakeholders and interested parties who submit contributions to the consultations. For more information, see [Specific privacy statement for public consultations](#). For more information on the European regulatory system for medicines, please consult our [brochure](#).

SENECAVIRUS A, SWINE - USA: ALERT

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Source: Farm Journal, AgWeb [edited]

<<https://www.agweb.com/article/be-extra-cautious-with-senecavirus-a/>>

The signs of Senecavirus A_ (SVA), a disease that mimics foot-and-mouth disease (FMD), is gaining a foothold in the US swine industry.

USA sees an alarming increase in the number of cases of SVA investigations this year [2017]. In 2015 there were a total of 200 cases in the country. In 2017 there were 300 cases in Wisconsin alone. A case of FMD in the US would be devastating to livestock producers. That's why it's so important for producers to work with their veterinarian to make sure animals with these symptoms are tested.

What it looks like: common clinical signs associated with vesicular diseases like SVA include:

- open or closed blisters located on the snout and/or at the junction where the skin and the hoof wall meet (coronary band);
- sudden lameness with redness and swelling at or around the coronary band. Some cases have reported up to 50 percent of the population being affected at one time.
- Pigs that are suddenly off feed, lethargic, and/or have a fever up to 40.6 degree Celsius.

What it is: Senecavirus A is a small, non-enveloped picornavirus. Senecavirus A is also known as Seneca Valley virus. Unknown until 2002 when it was discovered incidentally as a cell culture contaminant, reports the Swine Health Information Center. Only a single species is classified in the

genus *Senecavirus*. The family Picornaviridae also contains foot-and-mouth disease virus (FMD) and swine vesicular disease virus (SVDV).

There is no vaccine for SVA but a PCR test can be run in a matter of hours..

The resemblance of the 2 diseases (SVA and FMD) is disturbing and requires extreme valiance. Failure to notice these lesions could result in unnecessary quarantines and stoppage of trade. A costly mistake and one that would cause much worry to producers, as well as agricultural officials and trading partners.

For a full description including photos and references, please read:

<<http://www.omicsonline.org/seneca-valley-virus-and-vesicular-lesions-in-a-pig-with-idiopathic-vesicular-disease-2157-7579.1000123.pdf>>.

IPVS 2018/PRRS Symposium Abstract Submission Deadline Extended [Conf.]

The International Pig Veterinary Society (IPVS) 2018 Scientific Committee announces that it has extended the deadline for abstract submission to January 31, 2018. Abstracts are to be submitted online at www.IPVS2018.net. The 25th IPVS Congress, slated for June 11-14, 2018 in Chongqing, China, is also hosting the 2018 International PRRS Symposium. Those presenting a poster at the PRRS Symposium may obtain information about applying for a travel fellowship by contacting Dr. Bob Rowland at brwoland@vet.k-state.edu.

African swine fever, Recent updates on the ASF situation in Europe.

1. African swine fever in wild boars - Czech Republic. A presentation by Petr Šatrán, State Veterinary Administration of the Czech Republic. SCoPAFF meeting (section Animal Health and Welfare), Brussels 19 Sep 2017, <https://ec.europa.eu/food/sites/food/files/animals/docs/reg-com_ahw_20170918_african_swine_fever_wild_boars_cze.pdf>.

2. Erik Stokstad. African swine fever outbreak alarms wildlife biologists and veterinarians. Science (Plants & Animals), 20 Dec 2017 doi:10.1126/science.aar8220, <<http://www.sciencemag.org/news/2017/12/african-swine-fever-outbreak-alarms-wildlife-biologists-and-veterinarians>>.

Czech Republic

The State Veterinary Administration of the Czech Republic reported on Wed [3 Jan 2018] that it had recorded the 1st cases of a confirmed outbreak of African swine fever in wild boar, in an area beyond fences in the so-called red zone of the contaminated area in Zlin region.

Poland

Information received on [and dated] 28 Dec 2017 from Dr Pawel Niemczuk, CVO, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, Varsovie, Poland.

Dzikowo Ilaweckie, Gorowo Ilaweckie, Bartoszyce (2801), Warminsko-Mazurskie [Warmia-Masuria]

Date of start of the outbreak: 23 Dec 2017 Outbreak status: resolved on 23 Dec 2017 Epidemiological unit: wild boar

Porcine Health Management, recent articles

CASE REPORT

Haemorrhagic bowel syndrome in fattening pigs

Alexander Grahofer, Corinne Gurtner and Heiko Nathues

Porcine Health Management 2017, 3:27 | Published on: 19 December 2017

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SHORT COMMUNICATION

Experimental inoculation of *Treponema pedis* T A4 failed to induce ear necrosis in pigs

Frida Karlsson, Anna Rosander, Claes Fellström and Annette Backhans

Porcine Health Management 2017, 3:26 | Published on: 19 December 2017

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RESEARCH

Good vaccination practice: it all starts with a good vaccine storage temperature

Frédéric Vangroenweghe

Porcine Health Management 2017, 3:24 | Published on: 4 December 2017

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Message from our Industrial Partners

Boehringer Ingelheim

Winners of the 2017 European PRRS Research Award announced. Please read at:

https://www.pig333.com/company_news/winners-of-the-2017-european-prrs-research-award-announced_13143/

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