Joint Fifteenth Annual Meetings of the National Laboratories for Avian Influenza and Newcastle Disease of European Union Member States 2009

Annual meeting of the National Laboratories for avian influenza – Wednesday 3 June

08:30-08:45 Welcome
I. Brown/ Tadeusz Wijaszka

08:45-09:10 Airborne Transmission of H5N1 HPAI viruses to chickens and ferrets in simulated live poultry market
D. Swayne

09:10-09:35 Seasonal flu and influenza A H1N1
V. Lopez

09:35-09:55 OFFLU- the joint OIE-FAO network of expertise on animal influenza
K. Hamilton

09:55-10:15 Country Reports for Avian Influenza 2008
I. Brown

10:15-10:35 Tea and coffee

10:35-11:00 AI surveillance in the EU during 2007/8
A. Breed

11:00-11:20 Low-pathogenic Notifiable Avian Influenza Serosurveillance and the risk of infection in poultry- A critical review of the European Union active surveillance programme (2005-07)
G. Koch

11:20-11:40 Update on NEWFLUBIRD
R. Fouchier

11:40-12:00 Report from the European Commission
M. Pittman

12:00-12:20 Molecular and epidemiologic analysis of H5N3 LPAIV outbreaks in poultry in Germany 2008
T. Harder

12:20-13:20 Lunch

13:20-13:40 Data on LP H5 outbreaks in ducks and decoys in France winter 2009
V. Jestin

13:40-14:00 LPAI viruses of the H5 subtype in turkeys in Northern Italy in 2009
C. Terregino

14:00-14:20 Spread and evolution of avian influenza virus in poultry and wild birds in Africa
C. Muller

14:20-14:40 Outbreak of H7N7 with LPAI/HPAI in UK, 2008
I. Brown

14:40-15:00 Gene segment reassortment between Eurasian and American clades of avian influenza viruses in Northern Italy
I. Monne

15:00-15:20 Susceptibility of pigeons to HPAI H5N1 infection
K. Smietanka

15:20-15:40 Tea and coffee
15:40-15:45  Flu-Lab-Net: Progress report  
I. Brown

15:45-16:05  Flu-Lab-Net: Web based communications system  
T. Stacy

16:05-16:25  Validation of the 2008 H7 rRT-PCR Assay.  
D. Senne

16:25-16:50  Fourth pan-European AI PCR Proficiency Panel  
M. Slomka

16:50-17:10  Detection of LP H5 infection in duck and goose sera. Interest of an H5-based ELISA kit  
V. Jestin

17:10-17:30  Report on Emergent H1N1 studies – N1 RRT-PCR differentiation test and infectivity and transmissibility in poultry  
D. Swayne

17:30-17:50  Animal infection studies with emergent H1N1  
I. Brown

17:50-  Round table discussion of laboratory technical issues and minutes of the meeting  
I. Brown

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Annual meeting of the National Laboratories for Newcastle Disease – Thursday 4 June

08:30-08:55  Interlaboratory comparative tests using HI  R. Manvell
08:55-09:15  Country Reports on Newcastle Disease in 2008  I. Brown
09:15-09:30  NDV PCR ring trial  L. Aldous
09:30-09:50  Low virulent Newcastle Disease Viruses possessing novel fusion protein cleavage site sequences  D. Senne

09:50-10:10  Tea and coffee

10:10-10:30  Report on the classification of an APMV isolated from penguins - classification using old serological APMV1-9 criteria  D. Swayne
10:30-10:50  Genetic variability of Newcastle Disease virus matrix gene is responsible for false negative results in a validated real-time  G. Cattoli
10:50-11:10  Technical report from the Community Reference Laboratory for 2008  I. Brown
11:10-11:30  Work programme for Community Reference Laboratory for 2009  M. Pittman

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