SANCO WORKSHOP ON SALMONELLA CONTROL IN PIGS

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AGENDA:

Morning sessions: chair: Dr. K. VAN DYCK, Acting Head of Unit SANCO E2

Introduction

9.30-10.00h: Coffee and Registration participants
10.00-10.10h: Welcome and introduction by SANCO Chair
10.10-10.25h: EU strategy on the Control of *Salmonella* spp. in pigs
Dr. K. De Smet (DG SANCO)
10.25-10.30h: Discussion

Session 1: Risk assessment

10.30-10.50h: Quantitative Microbiological Risk assessment (QMRA) *Salmonella* in pigs: Commission mandate, EFSA actions and the role of the BIOHAZ Working Group
Dr. T. Robinson, (EFSA, BIOHAZ unit)
10.50-11.10h: Preliminary results EFSA’s QMRA *Salmonella* in pigs
Dr. A. Hill (EFSA contractor, VLA, UK)
11.10-11.30h: Slaughterhouse assessment tool
Dr. M. Howell (FSA, Food Safety Policy Group, UK)
11.30-12.00h: Discussion

Session 2: Monitoring

12.00-12.20h: Results of the EU-wide baseline survey on *Salmonella* prevalence in slaughter pigs
Dr. P.A. Beloeil (EFSA, Zoonosis Monitoring Unit)

12.20-12.40h: Comparability of different ELISAs on the detection of *Salmonella* spp. antibodies in meat juice and serum
Dr. P. Berk (RIVM, NL)

12.40-13.00h: Analysis of UK data comparing different sample types for purposes of monitoring *Salmonella* at slaughter
Dr. A. Cook (VLA, UK)

13.00-13.30h: Discussion

Lunch

Afternoon sessions: chair: Dr. K. De SMET, Coord. section zoonoses, SANCO E2

Session 3: Controls

15.00-15.20h: Cost/Benefit analysis *Salmonella* control in slaughter pigs
Dr. J. Rushton (SANCO contractor, Agri-Livestock Consultants Ltd)

15.20-15.40h: Options, cost and effect of *Salmonella* control in pigs and pork

15.40-16.00h: UK experience with on farm interventions
Dr. A. Cook (VLA, UK)

16.00-16.20h: Effect of carcass decontamination at pig slaughterhouses on number of human *Salmonella* cases in Denmark
Dr. S. Aabo, (Danish Food Institute, DK).
Dr. Helene Wahlström (SVA, SE)

16.40-17.00h: Salmonella contamination of slaughter pigs in farm and control options in France
Dr. G. Salvat (AFSSA, FR),

17.00-17.20h: Dutch control programme / Risk factors at farm level
Ir. Hanssen (PVE-AGRO) (NL)

17.20-18.00h: Discussion and Conclusions