



Antimicrobial resistance  
can affect **anyone**, at any **age**,  
in any **country**



————— **#AntimicrobialResistance** —————



World Health  
Organization

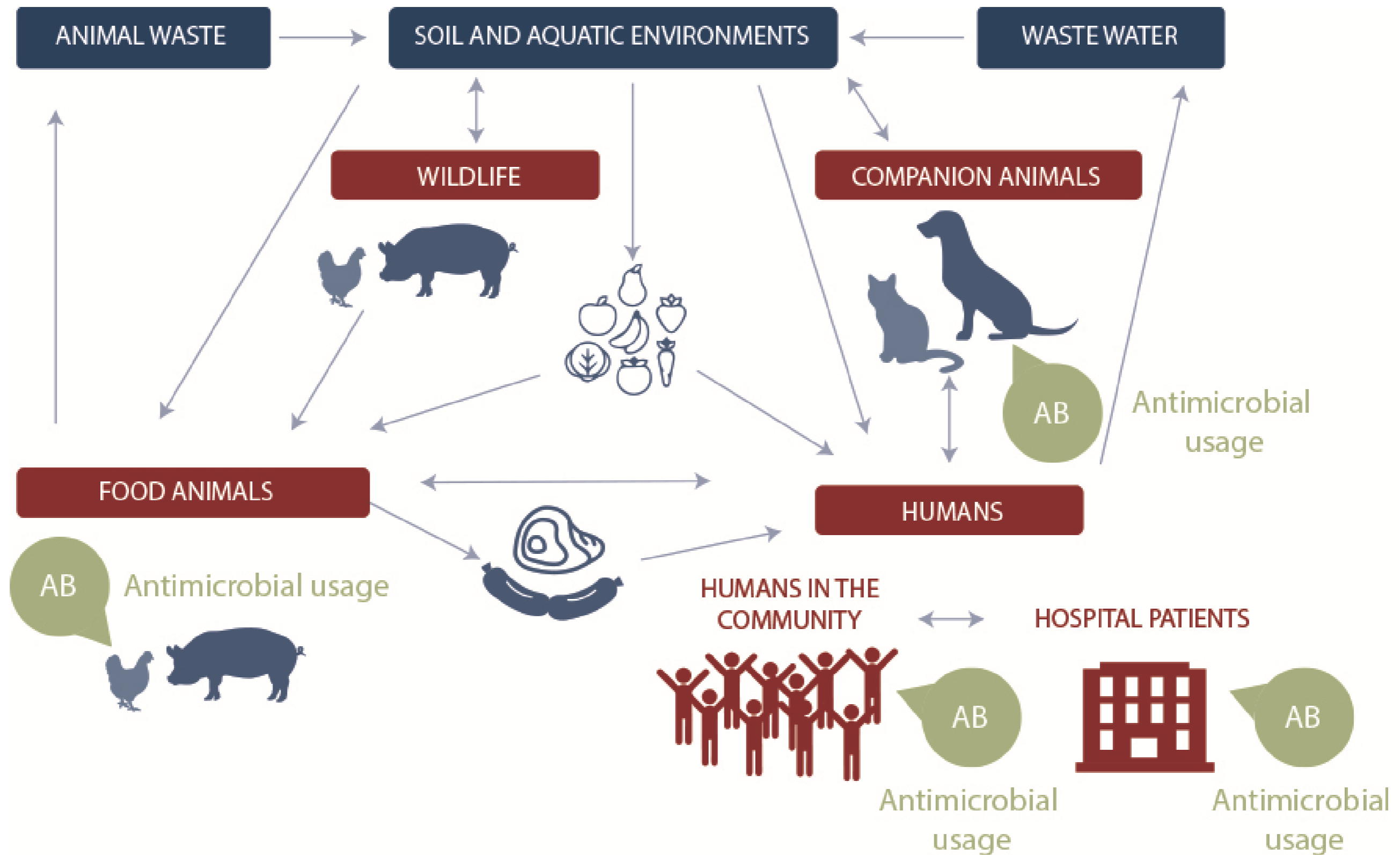
# ANTIMICROBIAL USE AND RESISTANCE IN ANIMALS, PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS!

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## VETERINARY SCIENCES

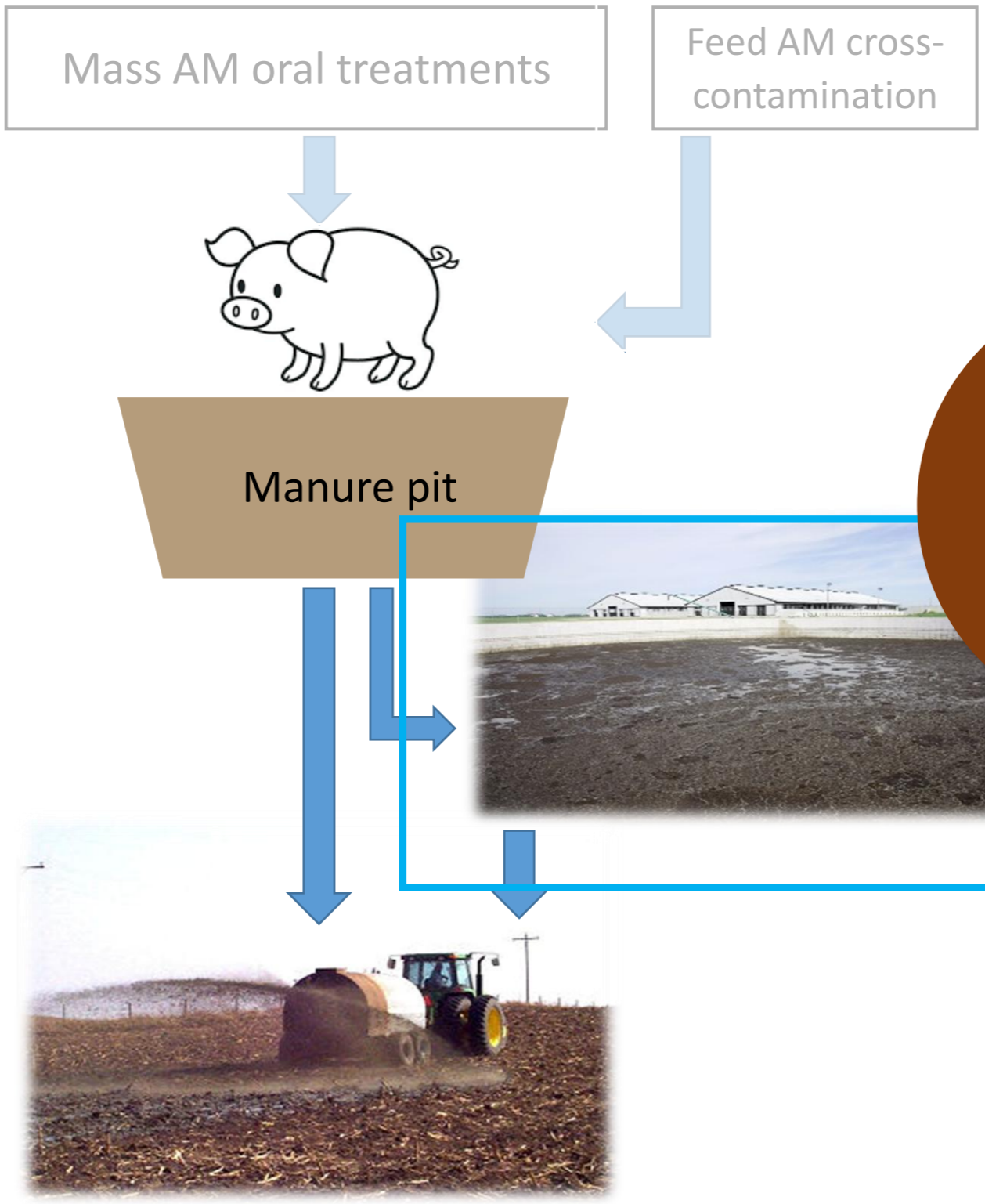


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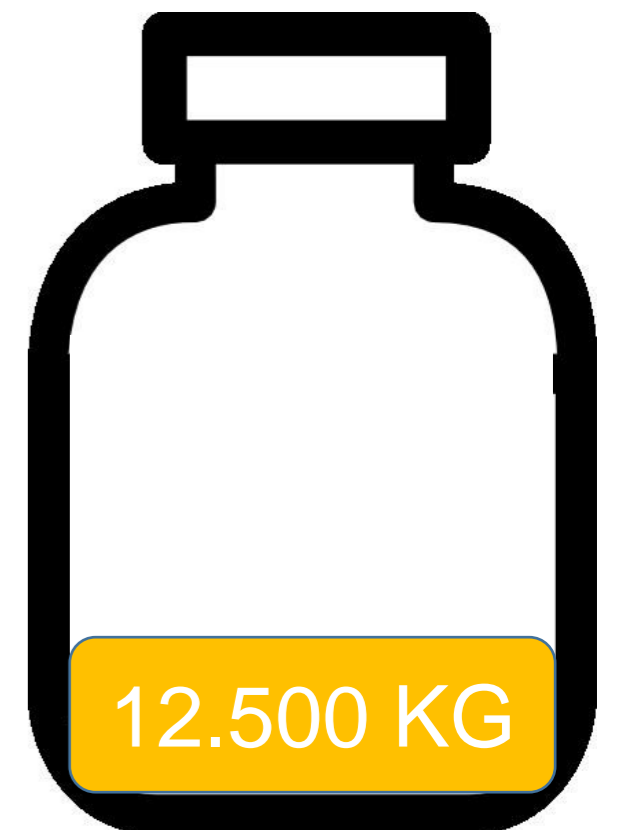




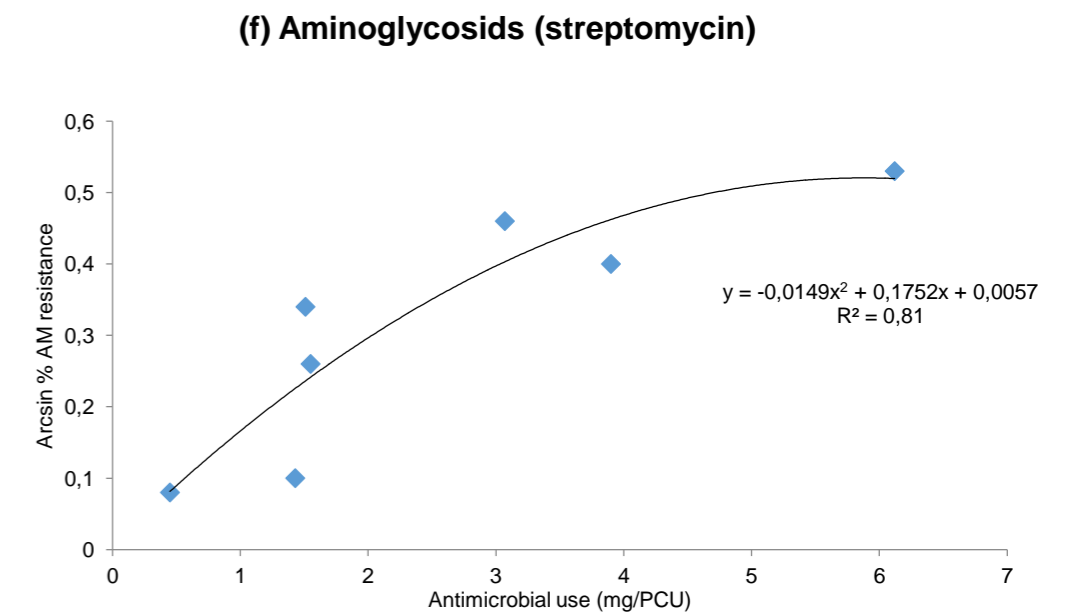
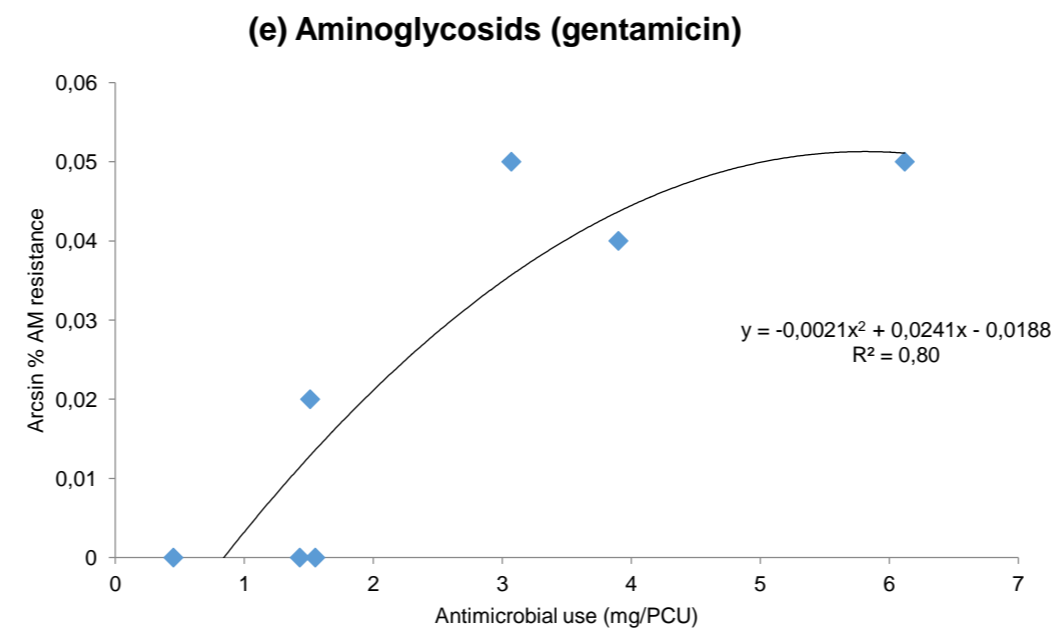
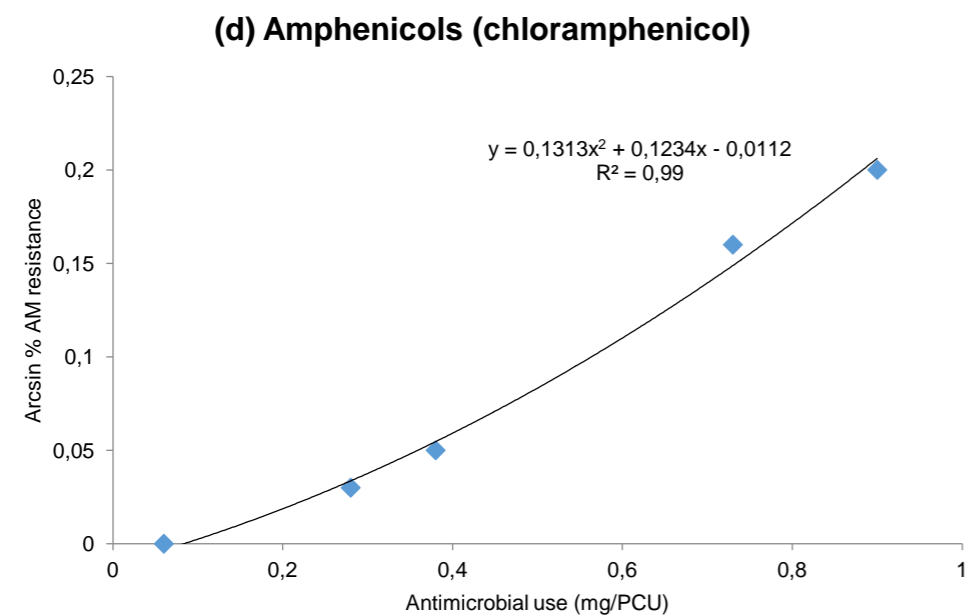
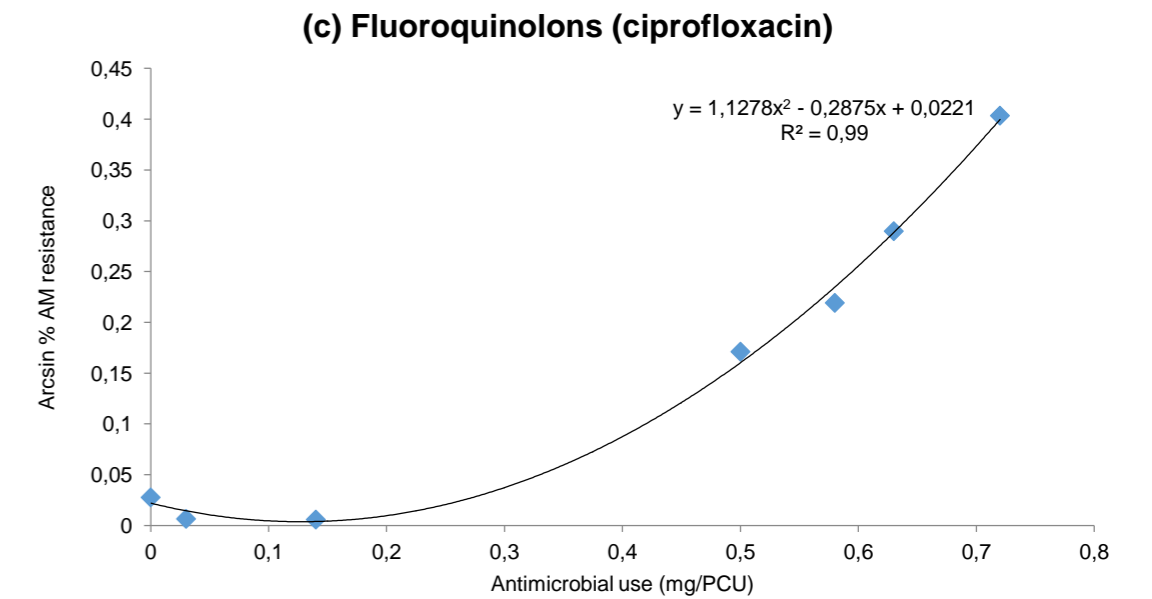
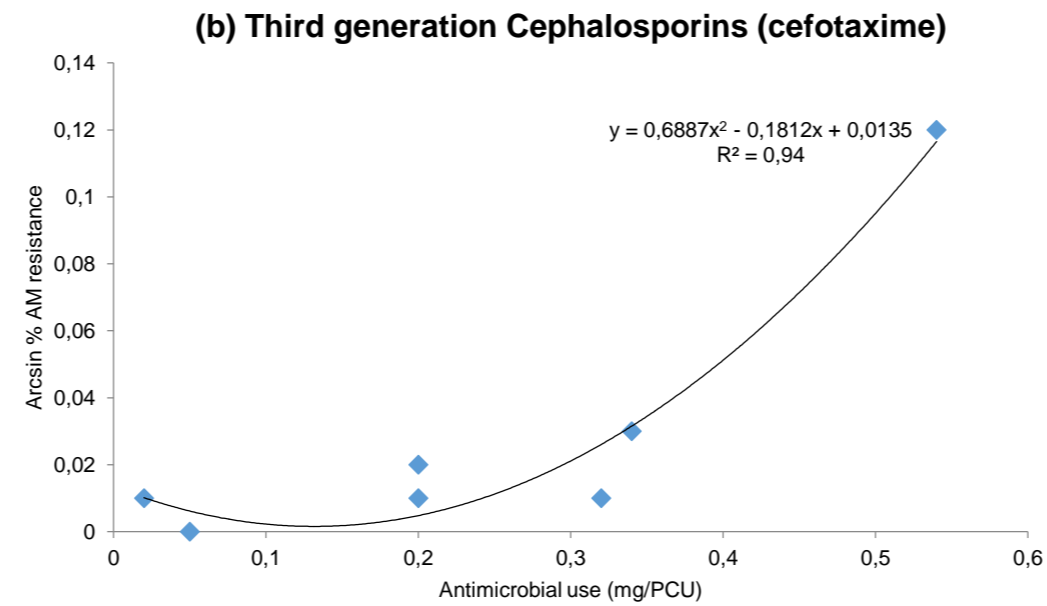
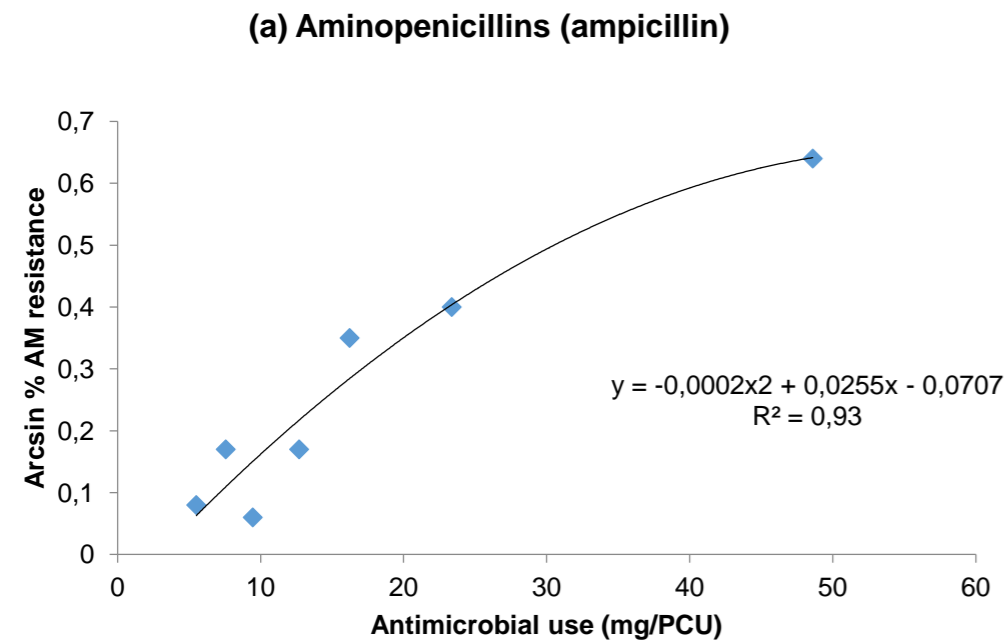
- 1 Residues in **fresh** manure
- 2 Residues in **stored** manure
- 3 Residues in **treated** manure



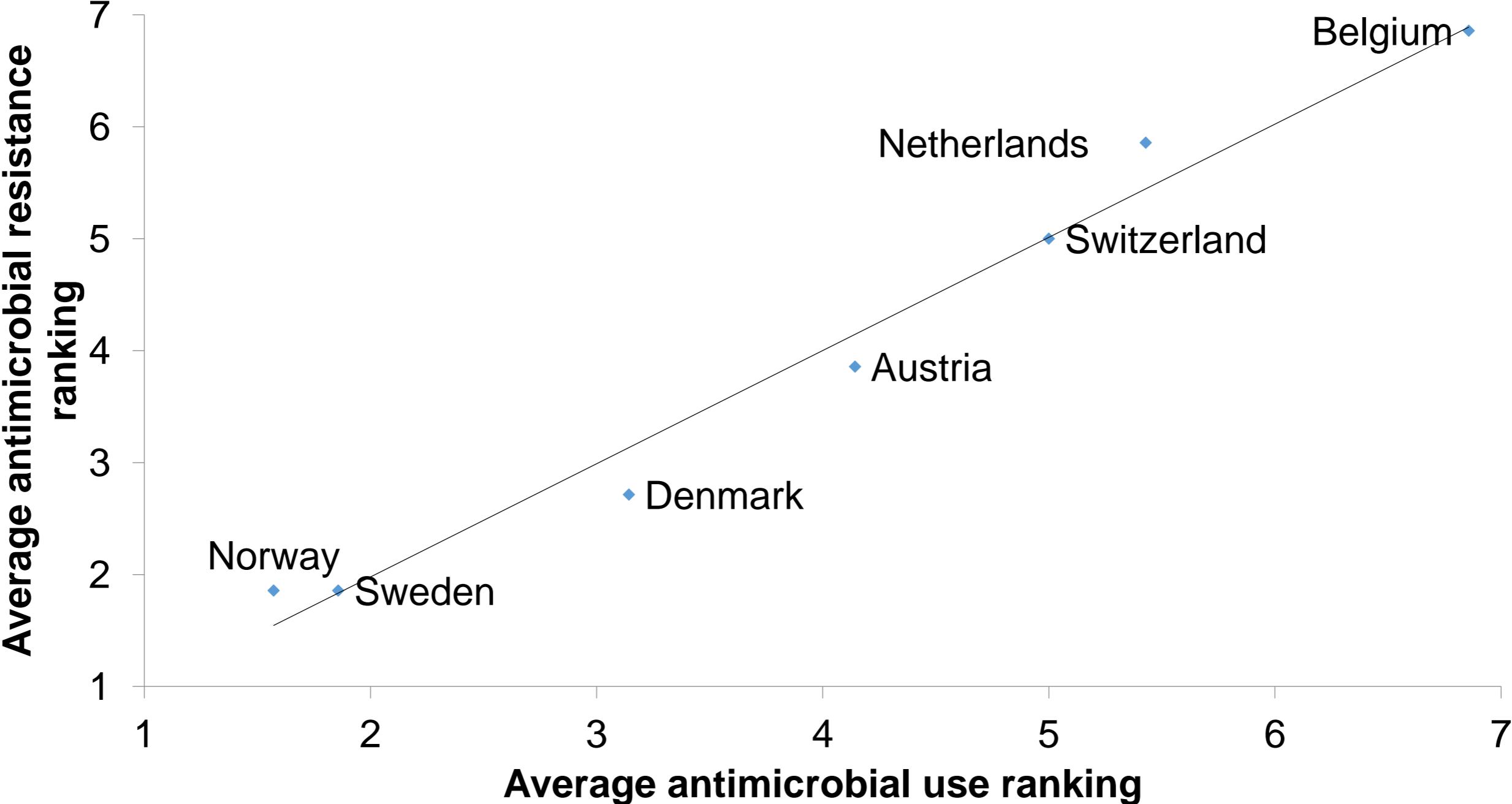
BE: 47%  
of pig  
manure  
treated

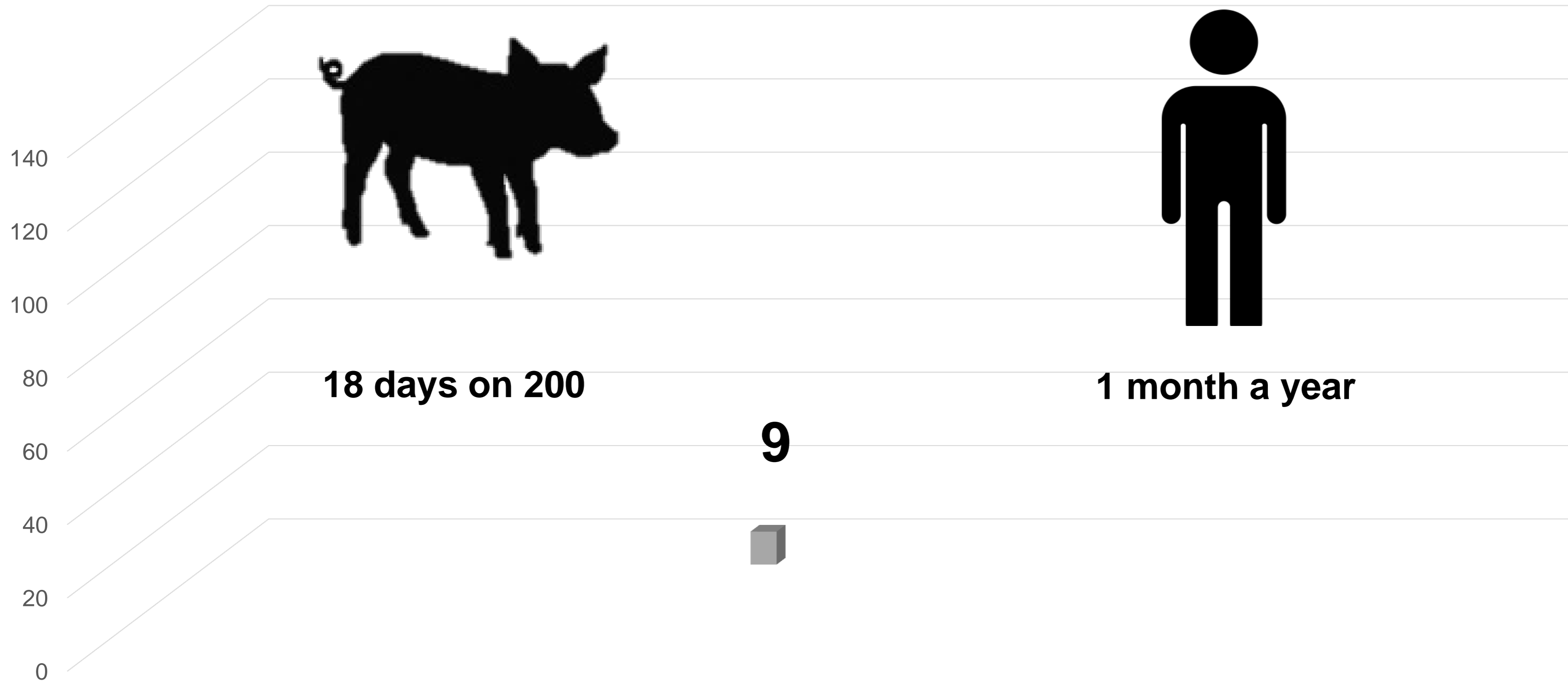


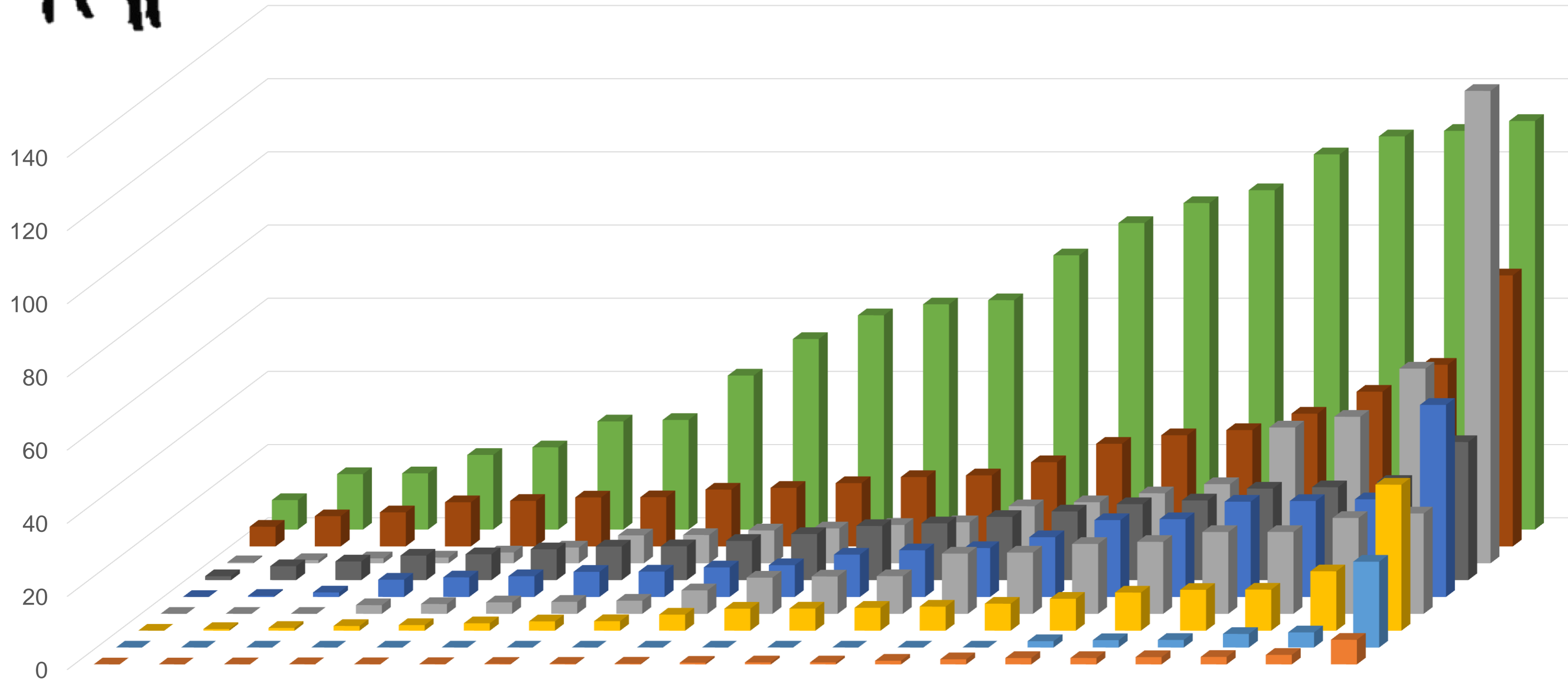
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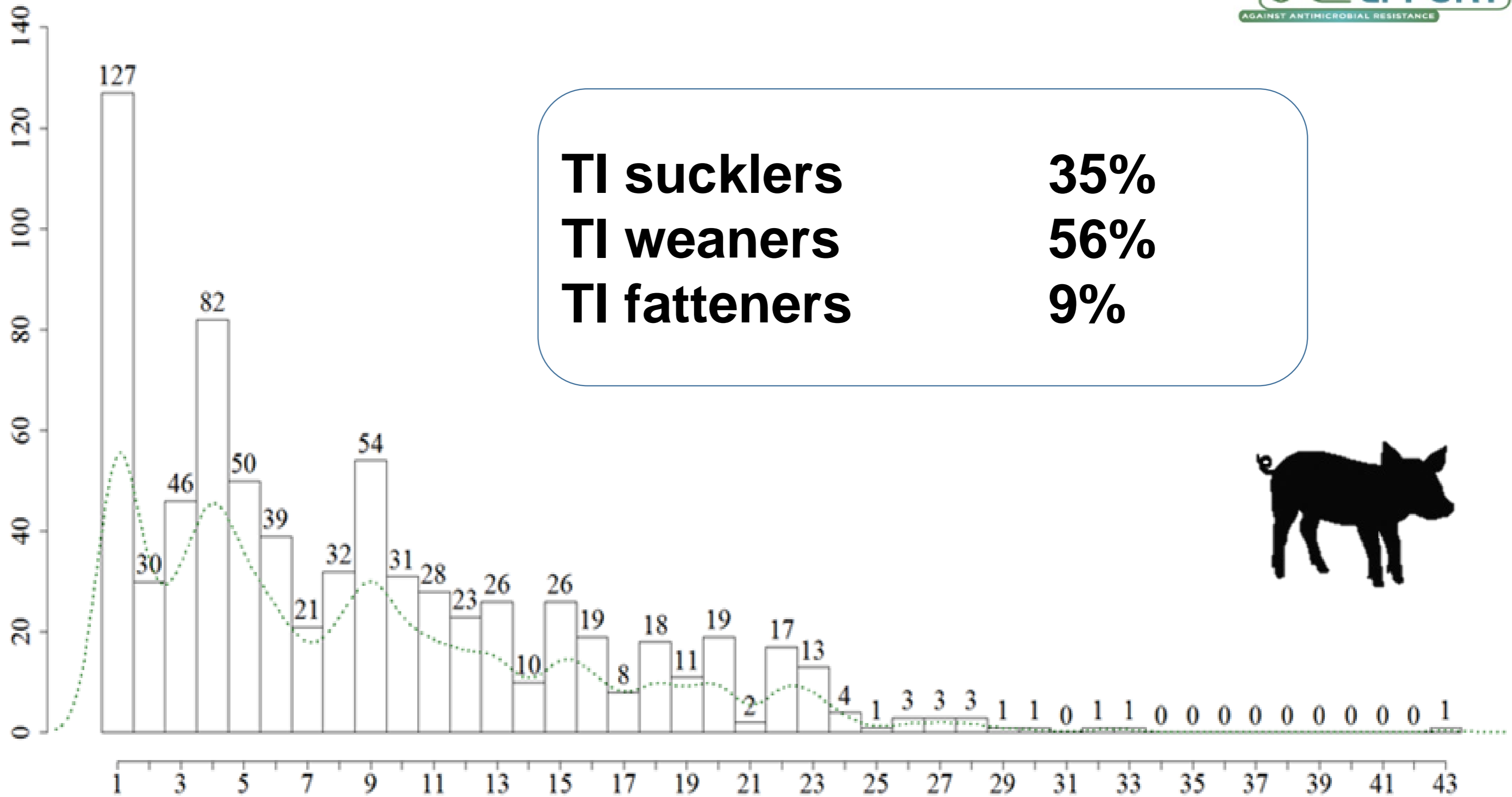








**Number of treatment per week**



**TI sucklers 35%**  
**TI weaners 56%**  
**TI fatteners 9%**



**Age of pigs at onset of treatment (weeks)**



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# FACTORS RELATED TO ANTIMICROBIAL USE



1. Total amount of antimicrobial agents



2. Treatment dose and duration



3. Choice of antimicrobials

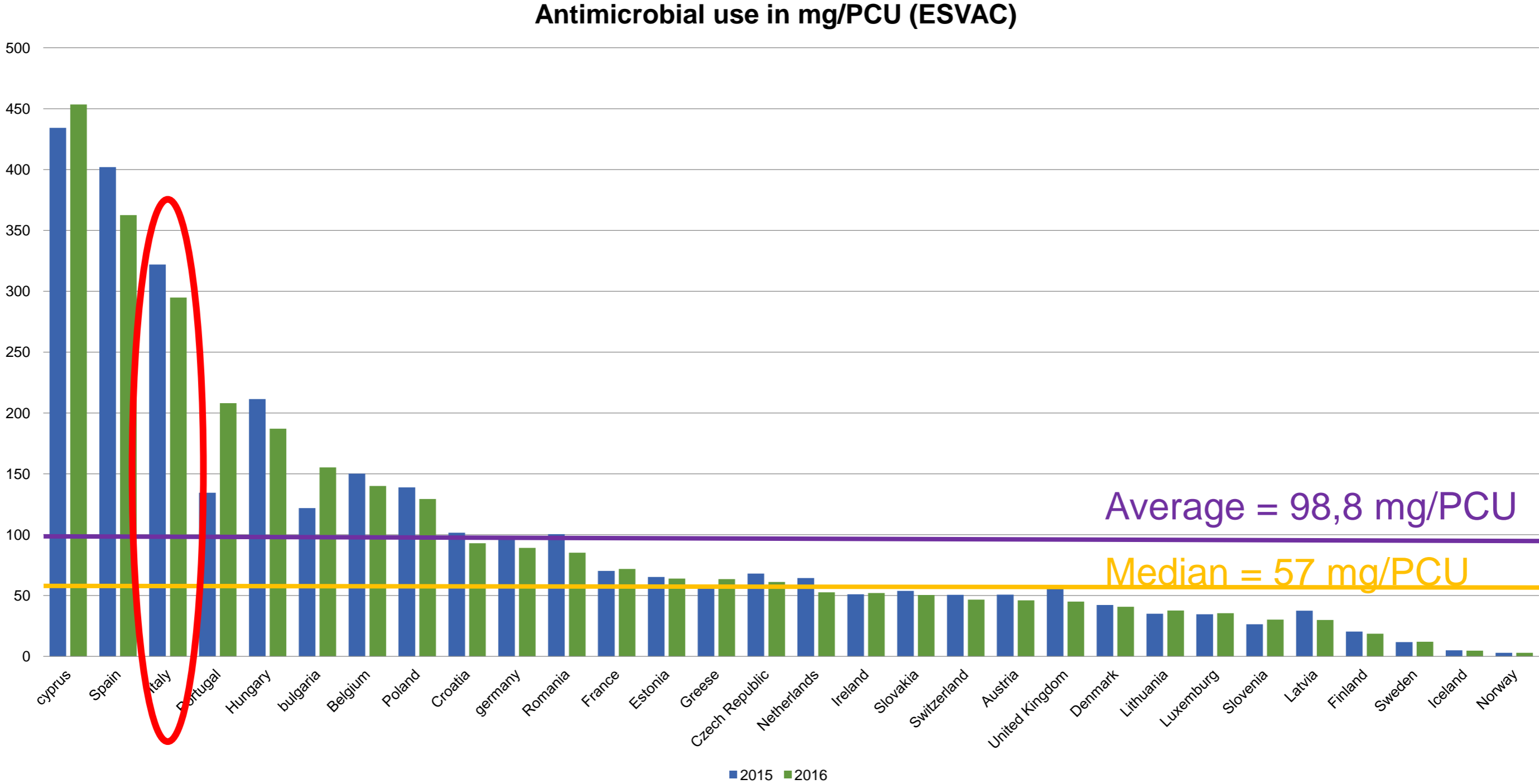


4. Administration route

# The pipeline for new antibiotics in veterinary medicine is dry!

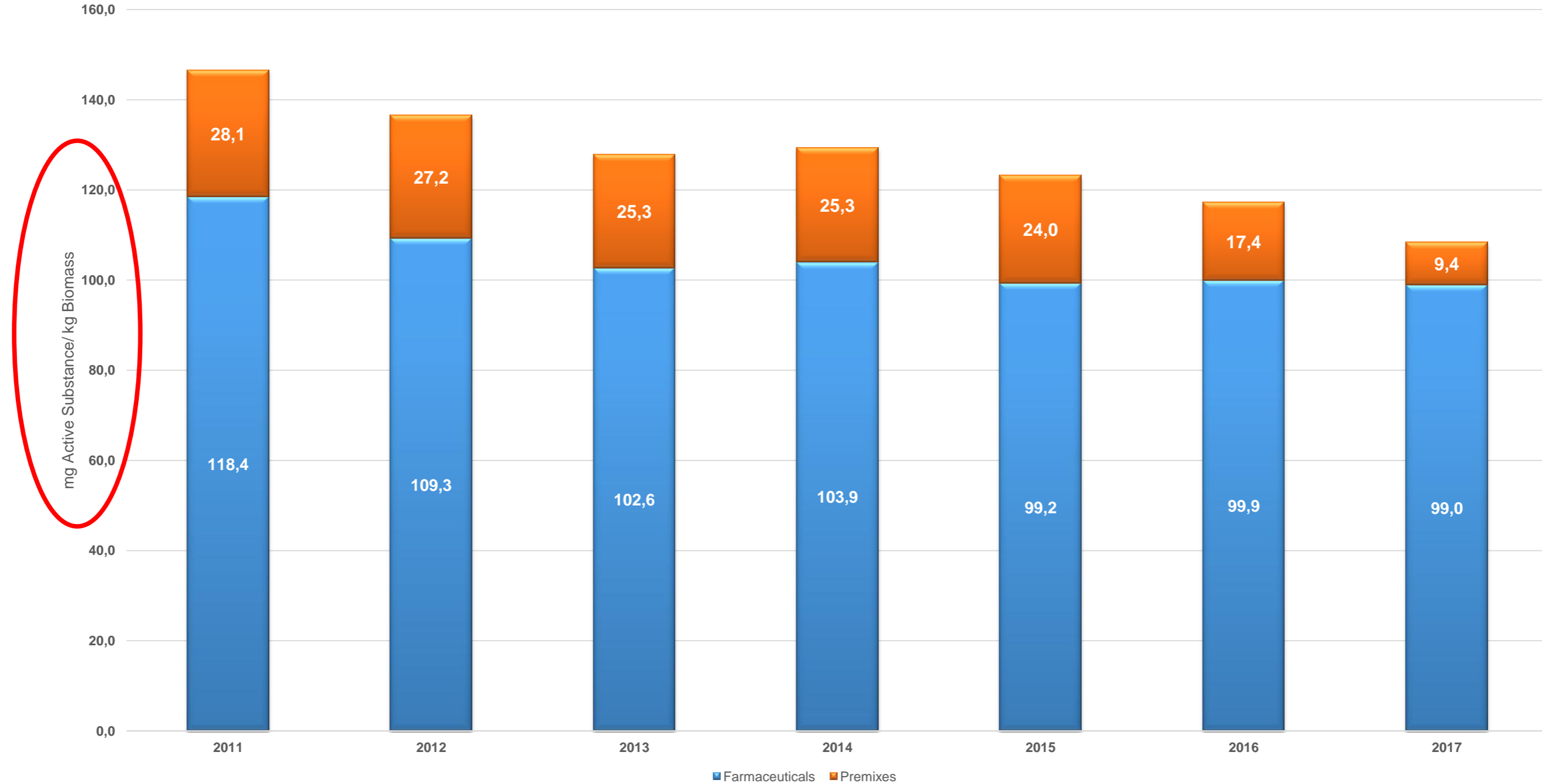


# Veterinary antimicrobial use in Europe : **ESVAC**



Using less antimicrobials results  
in **less resistance**

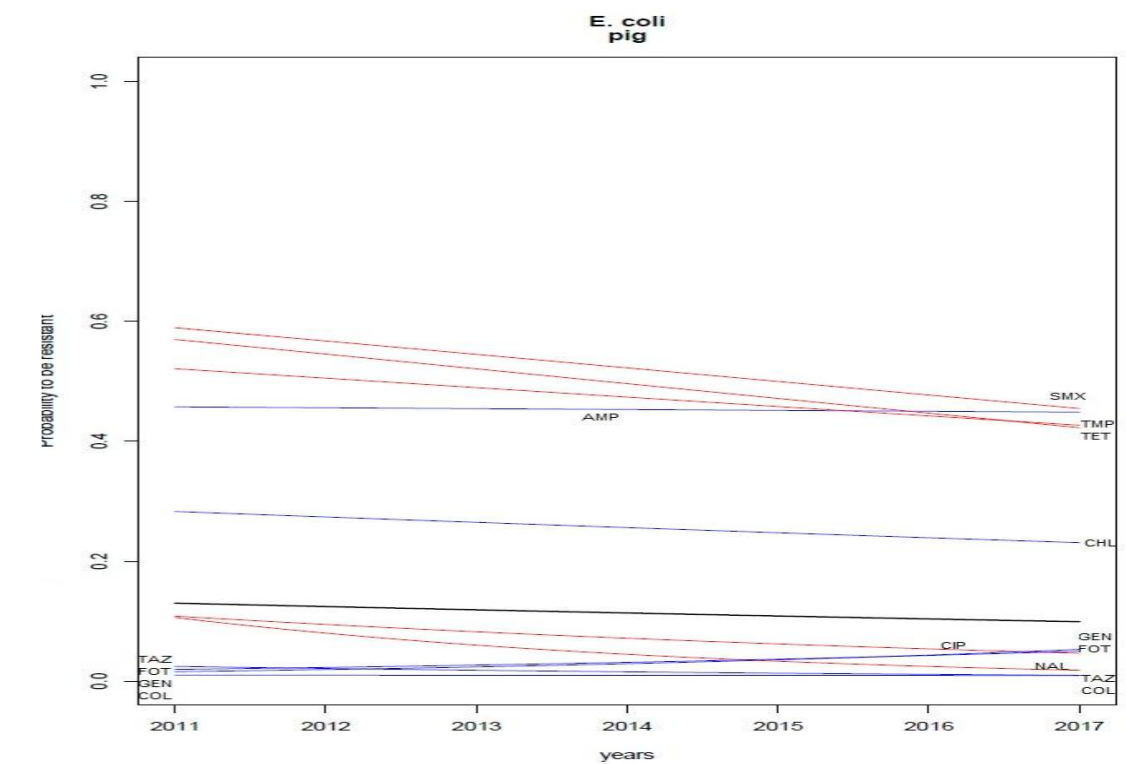
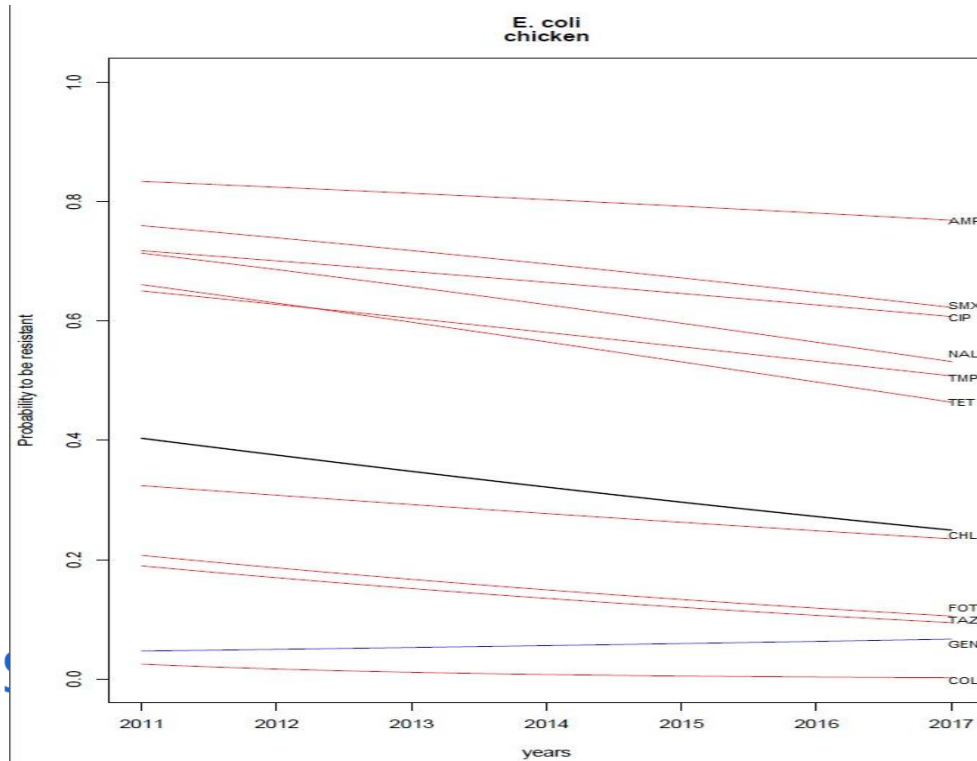
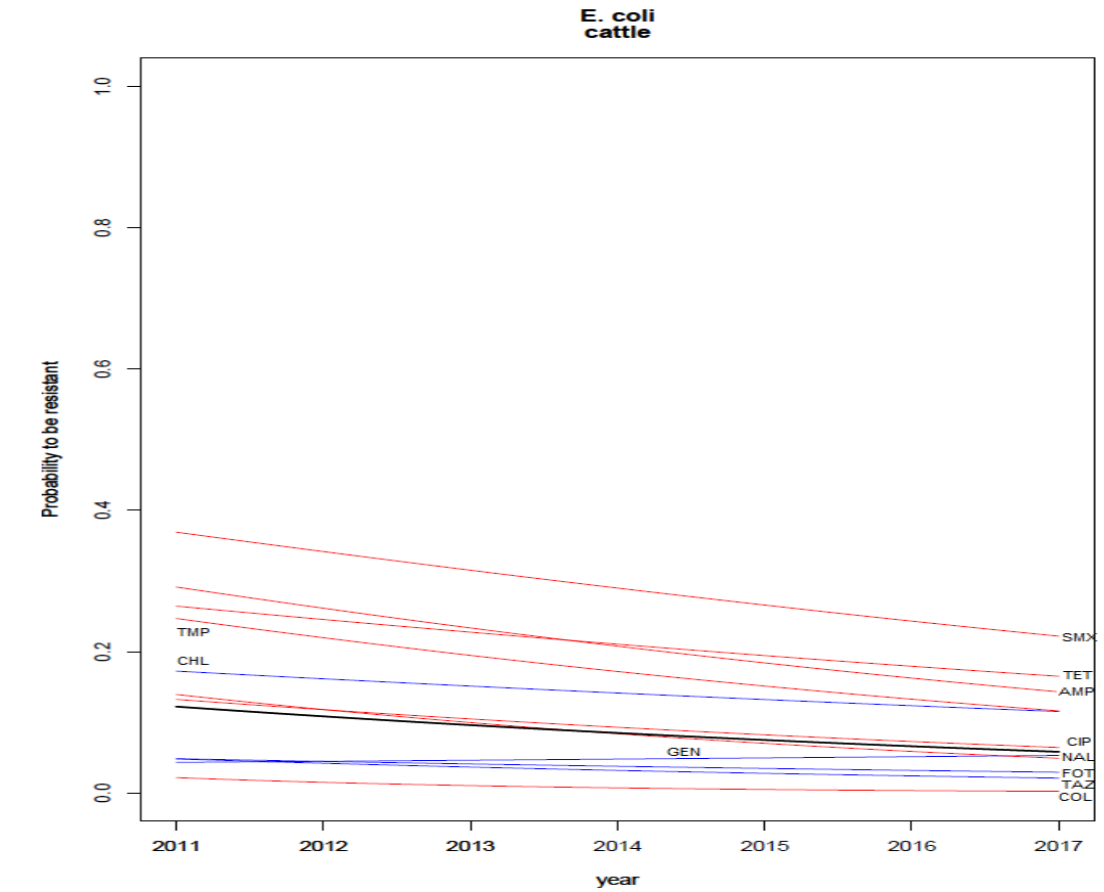
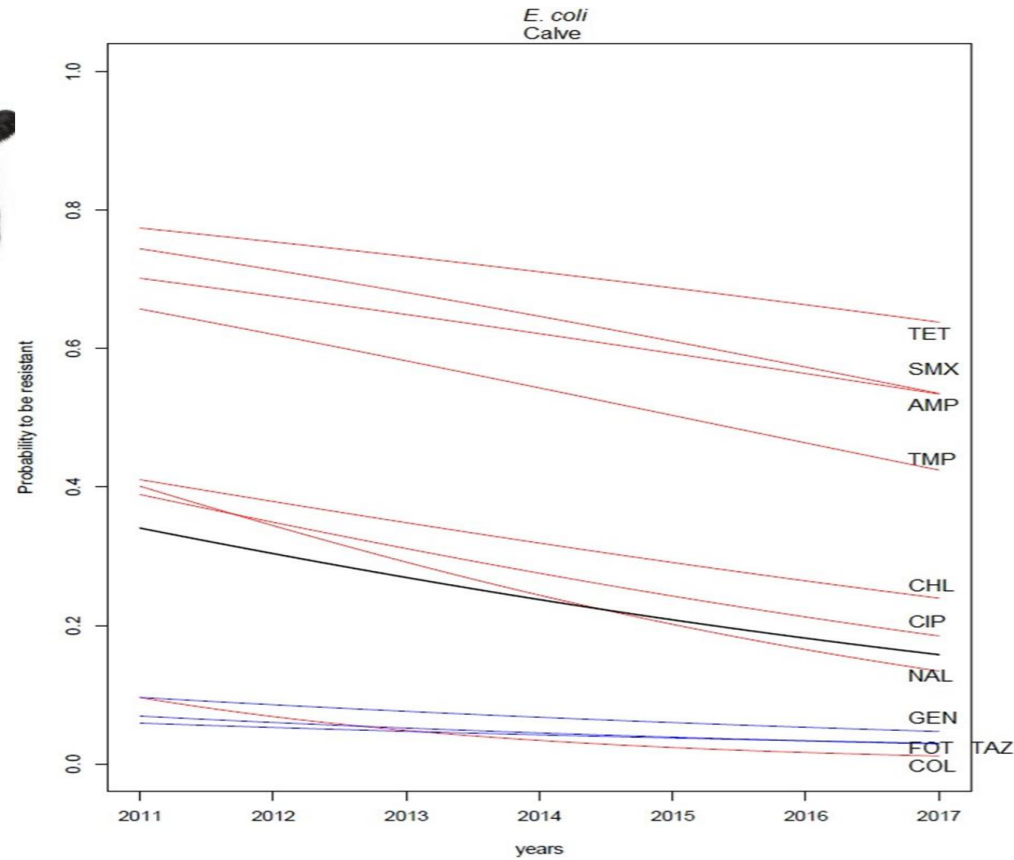
# Antimicrobial use in animals in Belgium



**2011-2016: - 26%**

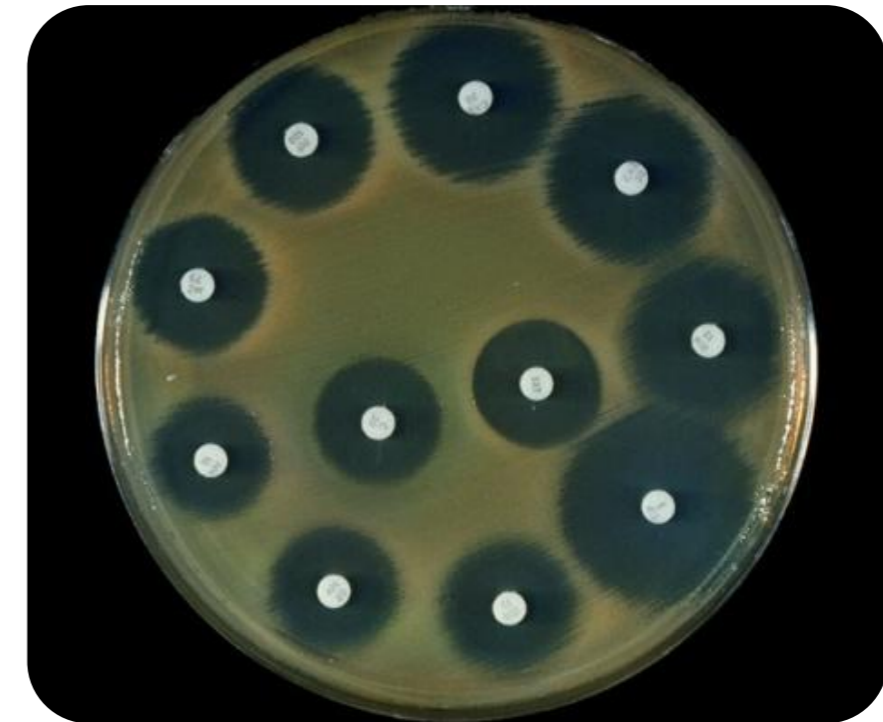
# Antimicrobial Resistance in commensal *E. coli*

## Trend analysis





# What can we do about it?



# Replacing antimicrobials by:

- Improved feed
- Improved housing
- Feed additives
- Improved Biosecurity
- ....

# What is biosecurity



## BIOSECURITY

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The combination of all measures taken to reduce the risk of introduction and spread of diseases on herd, region, country,... level

# What is biosecurity

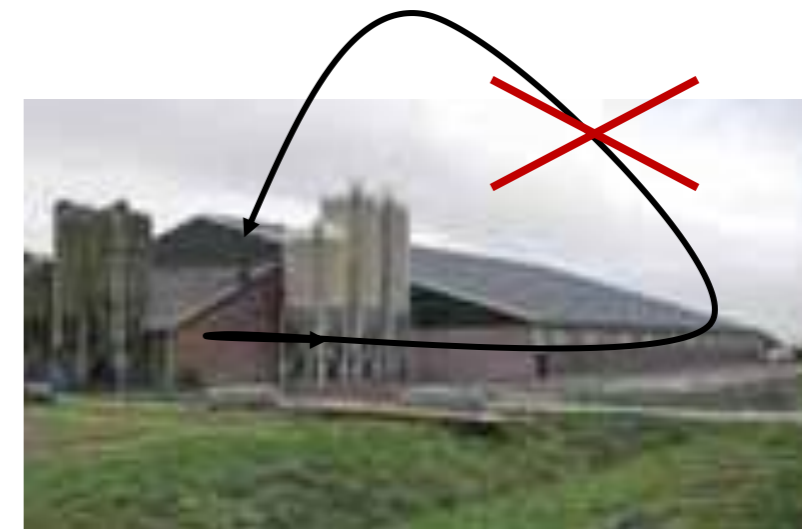
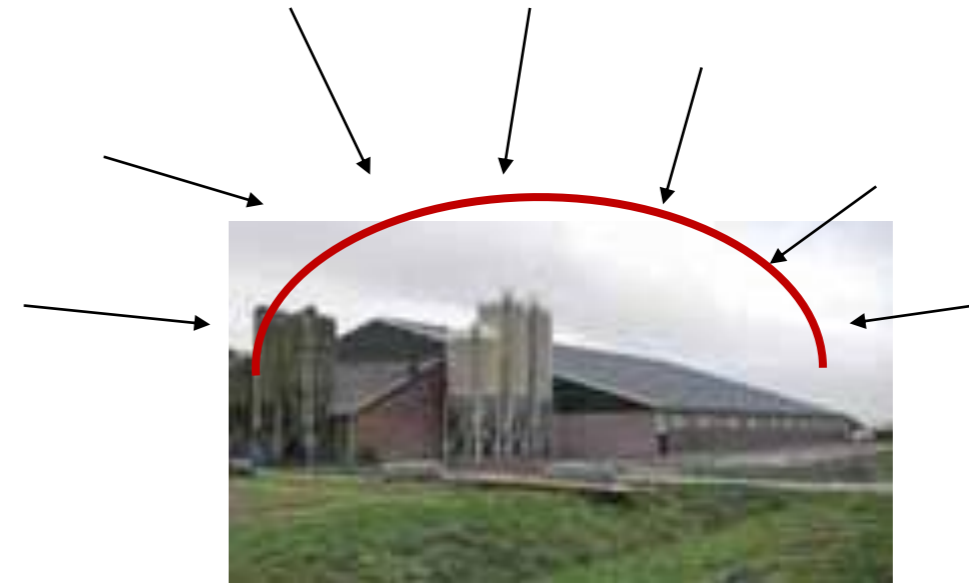
## EXTERNAL BIOSECURITY

= Reduce introduction

- endemic diseases
- "exotic" diseases

## INTERNAL BIOSECURITY

= reduce spread



# Why biosecurity

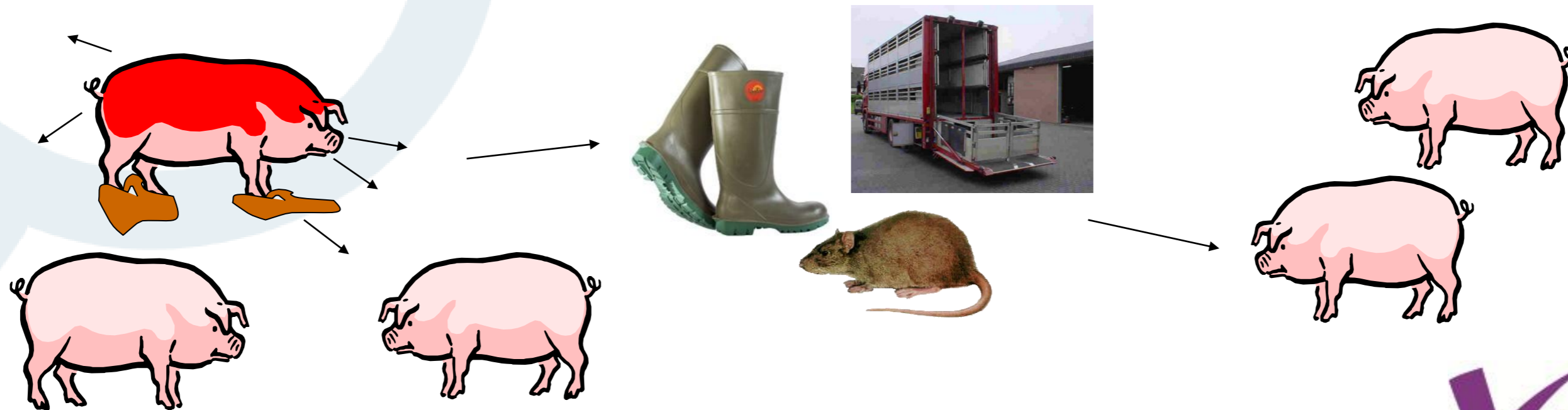
**BIOSECURITY is (should be) the basis of any disease control program**



# PRINCIPLES OF BIOSECURITY

## Separation of infectious and susceptible animals

→ avoid both direct and indirect contact!  
(*all-in/all-out, working lines, hospital pen, ...*)



# PRINCIPLES OF BIOSECURITY

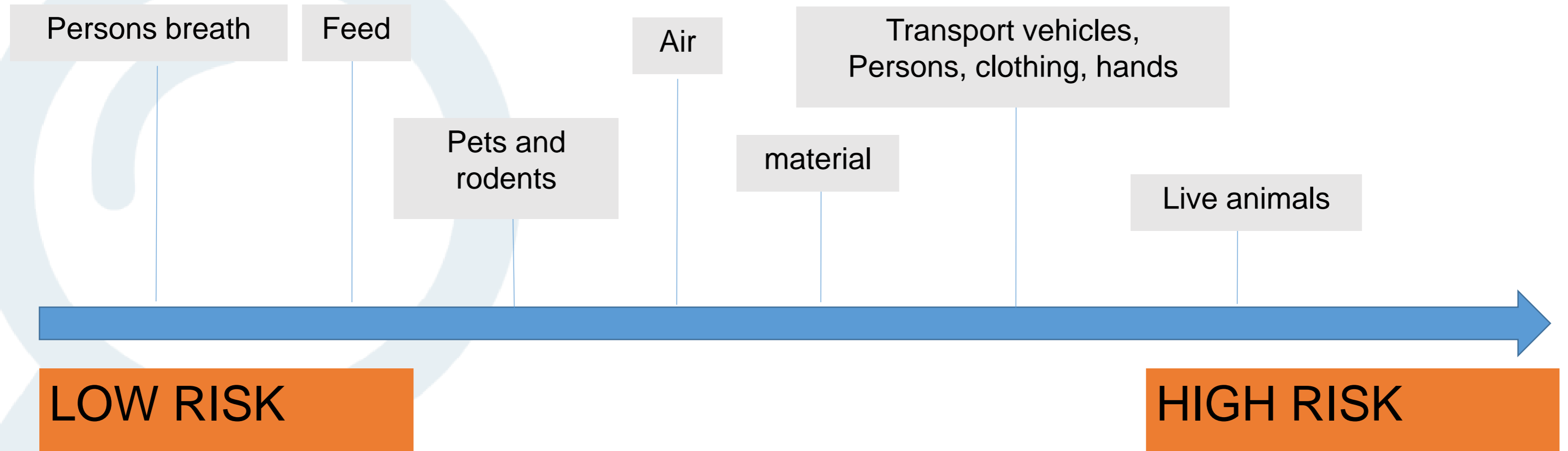
CLEAN  
(susceptible animals)

MEASURES

DIRTY  
(direct and indirect  
sources of infection)

- Dependent upon herd situation (status, type,...)
- Perform well and consequent

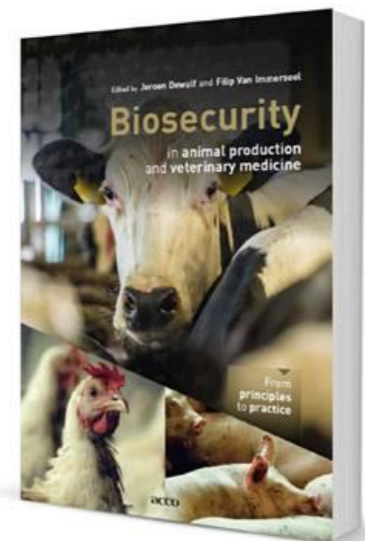
# PRINCIPLES OF BIOSECURITY





	Direct contact	Indirect contact									
		People	Semen	Manure	Domestic/feral animals	Rodents	Insects (Vectors)	Aerosol	Animal feed	Water	Fomites
Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae	X				X			X		X	X
Bordetella bronchiseptica	X				X	X	X	X		X	X
Brachyspira hyodysenteriae	X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Brucella suis	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Classical swine fever virus	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X
Clostridium perfringens	X			X			X	X		X	X
Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae*	X			X	X	X			X	X	X
Escherichia coli	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Foot-and-mouth disease virus	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Haemophilus parasuis*	X				X						
Lawsonia intracellularis*	X			X	X	X	X				X
Leptospires	X	X	X		X	X				X	
Mycoplasma hyopneumoniae	X	X			X			X		X	X
Pasteurella multocida	X	X		X	X			X		X	X
Porcine circovirus type 2*	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	

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Porcine Epidemic diarrhea virus*	X	X		X	X			X	X		X
Porcine parvovirus	X		X	X	X	X				X	X
Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome virus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Pseudorabies virus	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Salmonella spp.	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Streptococcus suis	X	X		X	X		X	X		X	X
Swine influenza virus	X	X		X	X			X			
Swine vesicular disease virus	X	X	X	X	X			X	X		X
Transmissible gastroenteritis virus	X	X		X	X		X				X



Biosecurity in animal practice and Veterinary Medicine., 2018



# PRINCIPLES OF BIOSECURITY

## Reduction of the general infection pressure

→ breaking the infection cycle, reducing the burden on the immune system↓

*(cleaning, disinfection and empty period, vaccination, ...)*



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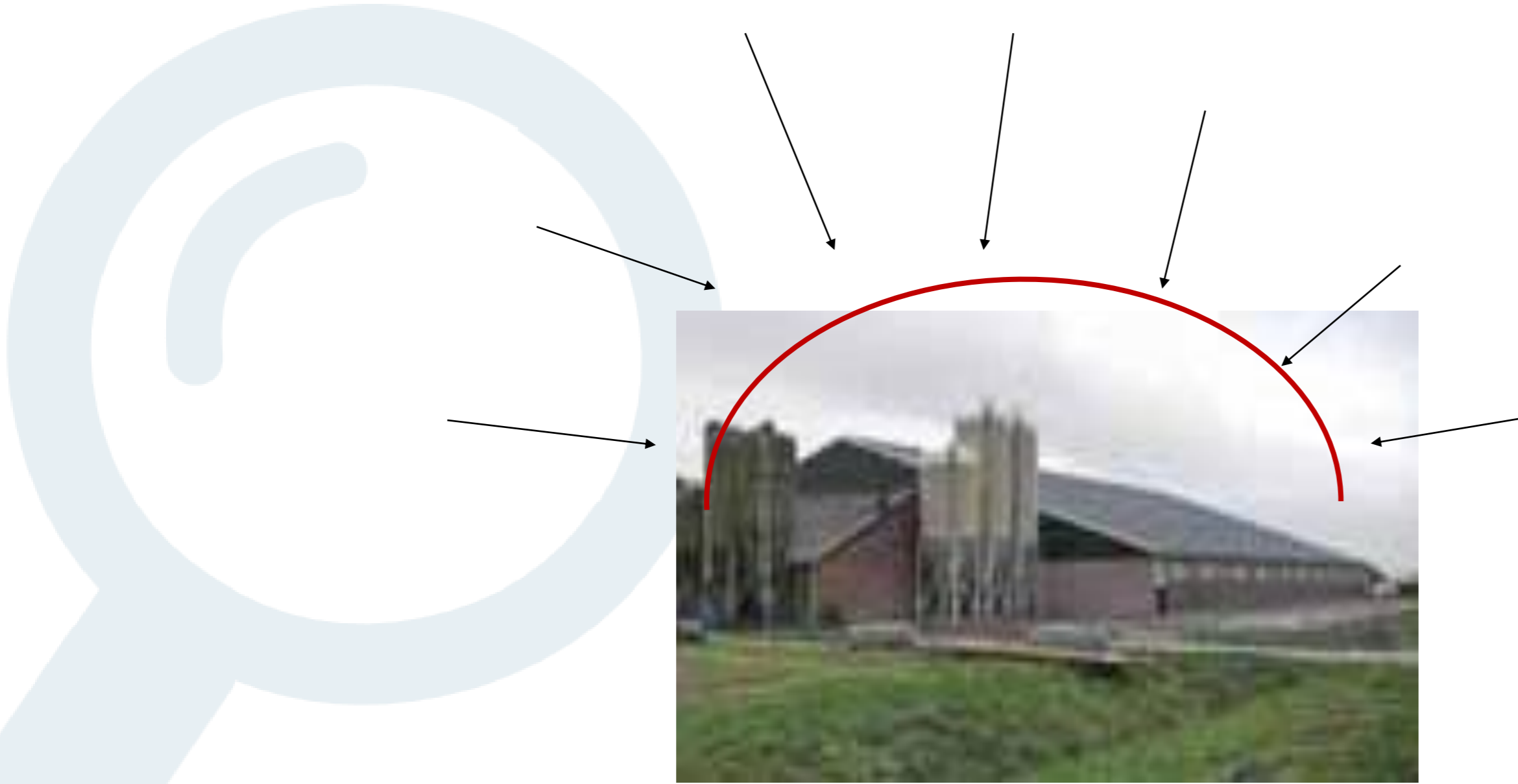
- Size matters



# PRINCIPLES OF BIOSECURITY

- ‘Thousand times a small chance becomes a large chance’
  - Risk transmission route (p)
  - **Frequency transmission route (n)**
- $P = 1 - (1-p)^n$ 
  - p= 0.1% (1 out of 1000)
  - n= 52 (e.g. weekly)
    - **5,06%=  $1 - (1-0.001)^{52}$**

# External biosecurity

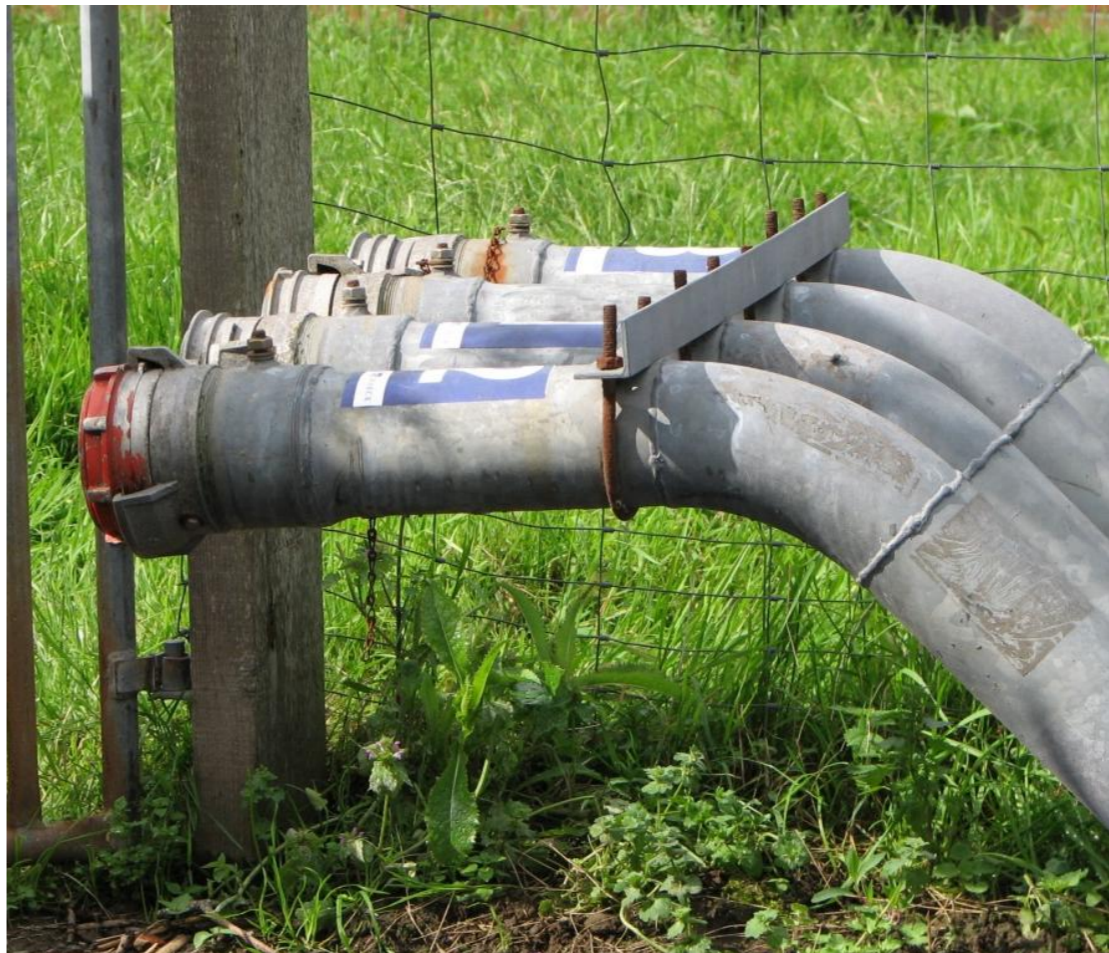


# Structure of farm



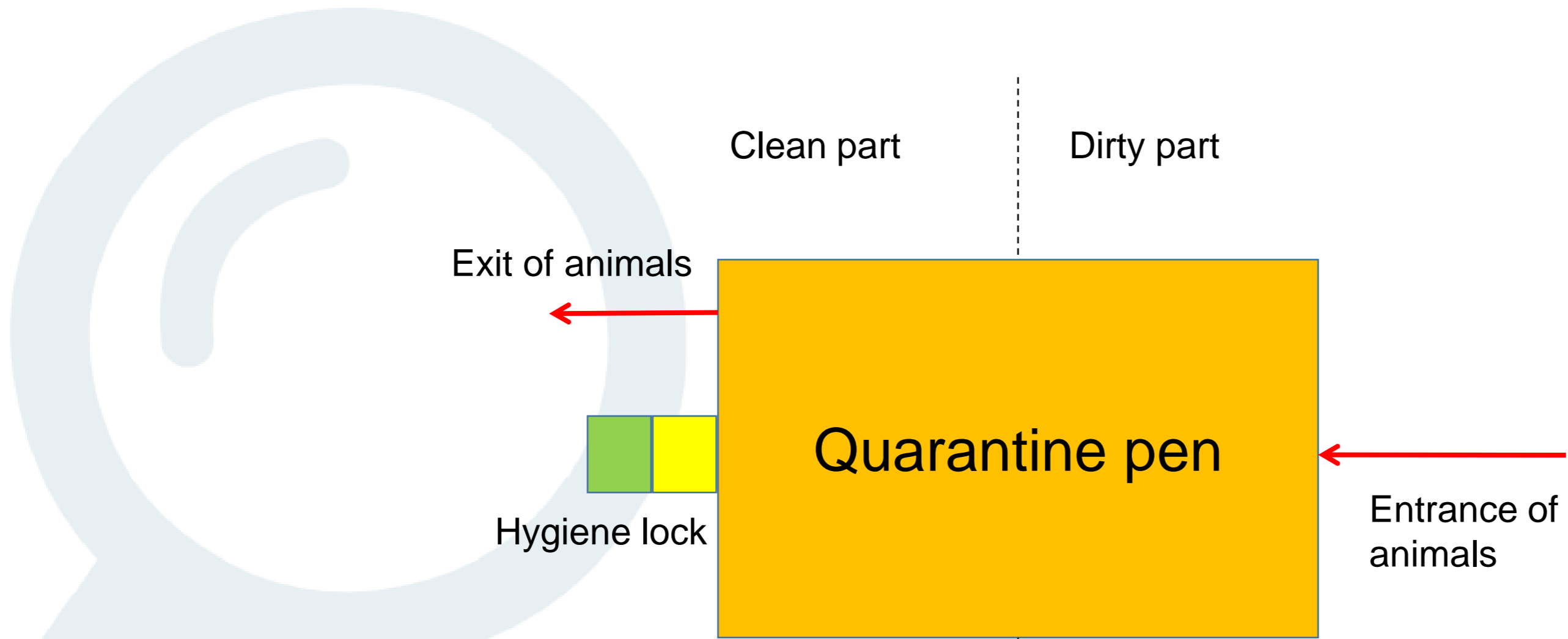
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# Structure of the farm

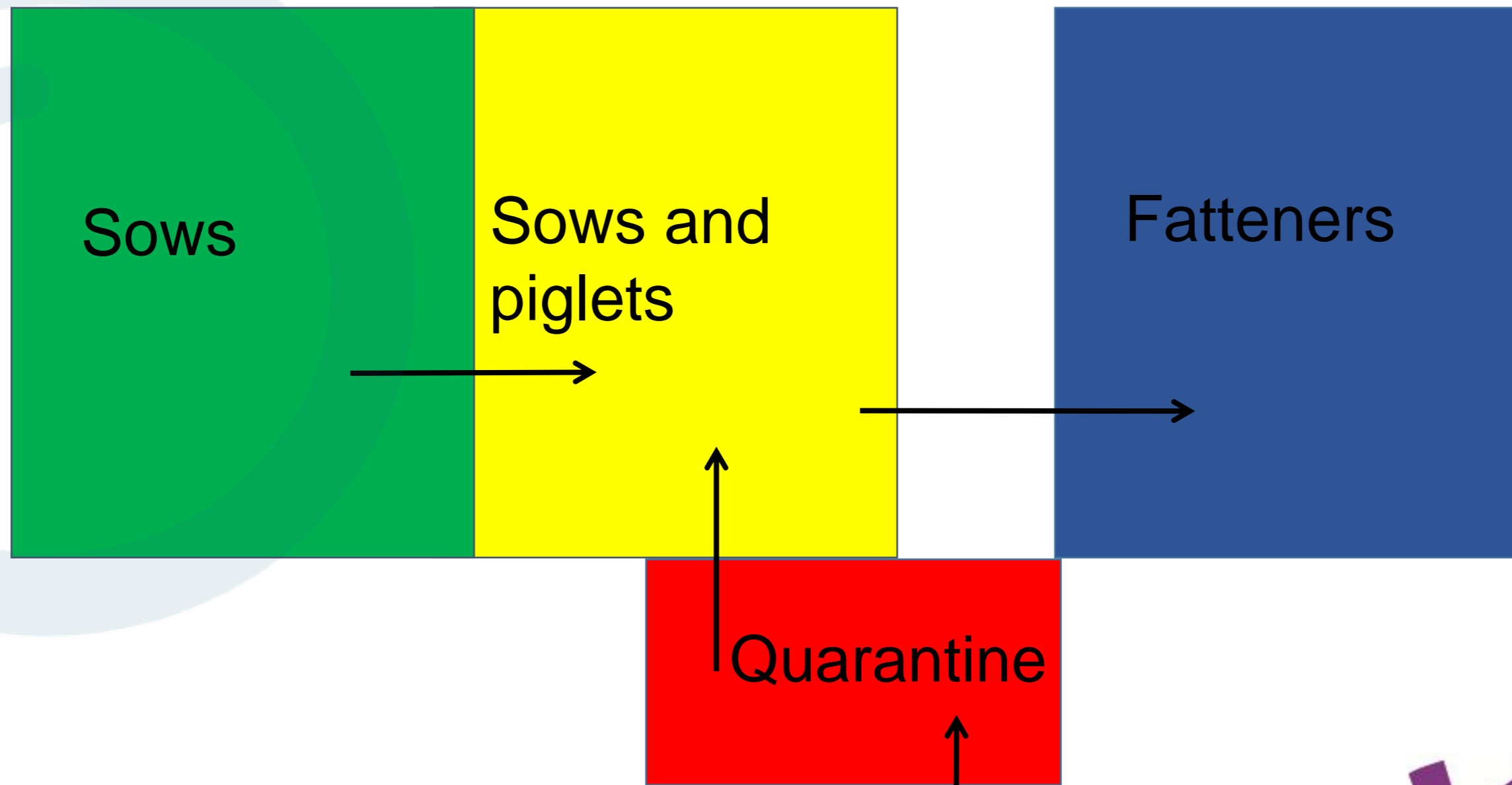




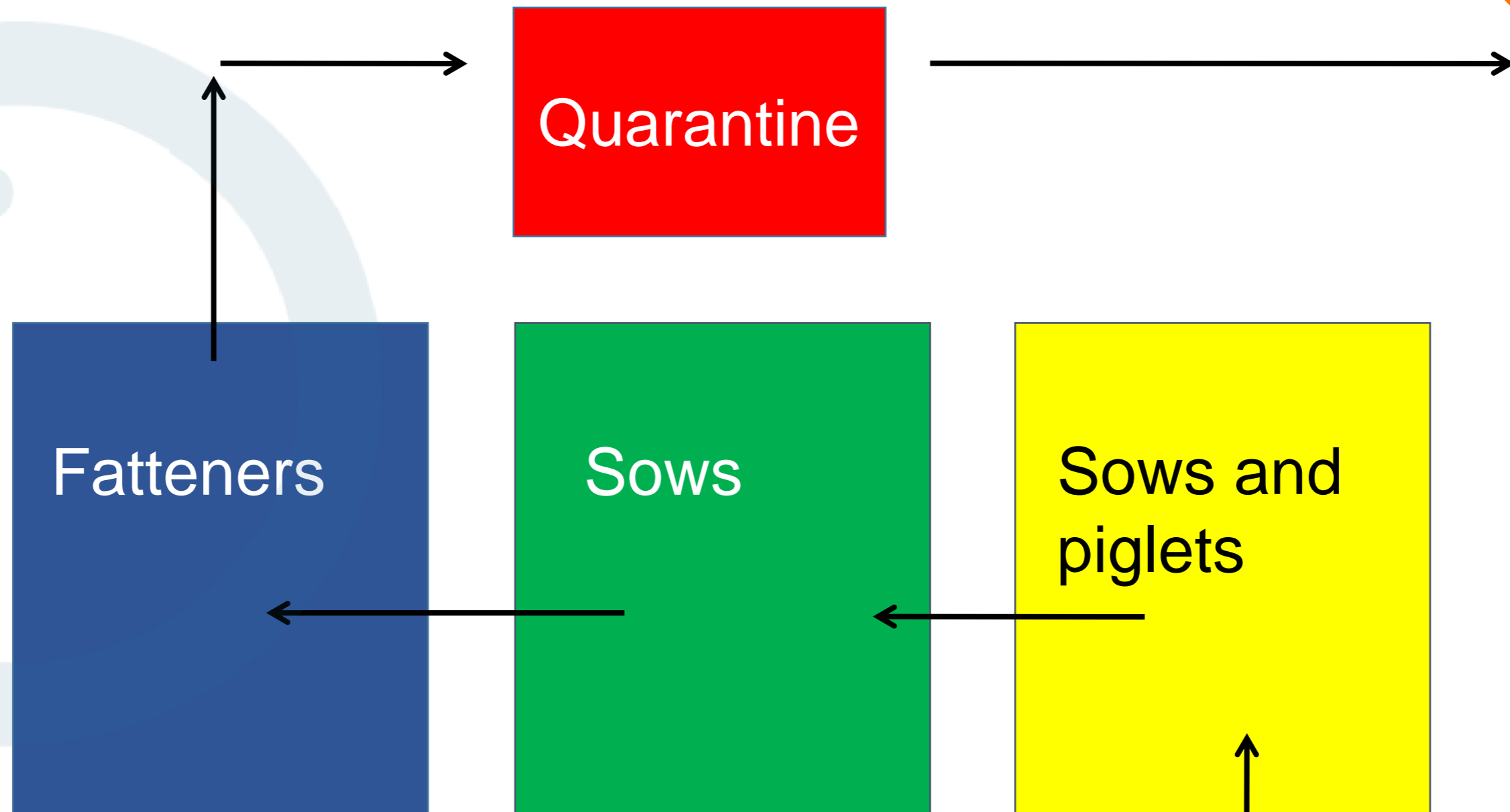
# Quarantine



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# Quarentine



# Purchase of semen



# Disposal of animals and material



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# Manure



# Storage of cadavers



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# Supply of feed, water and goods

- Hygiene measures
- Control of drinking water



# Entrance control



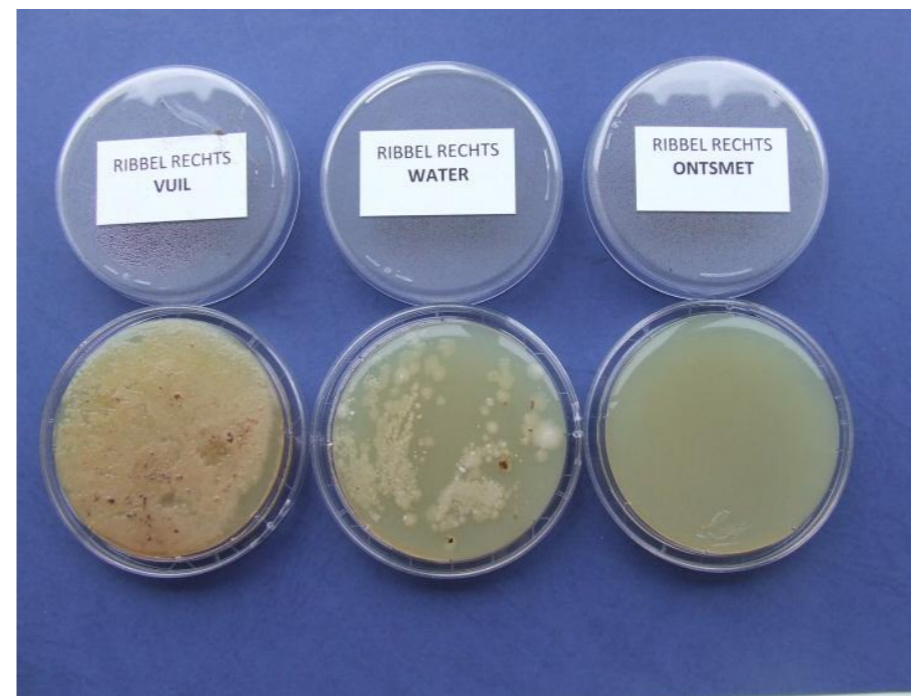
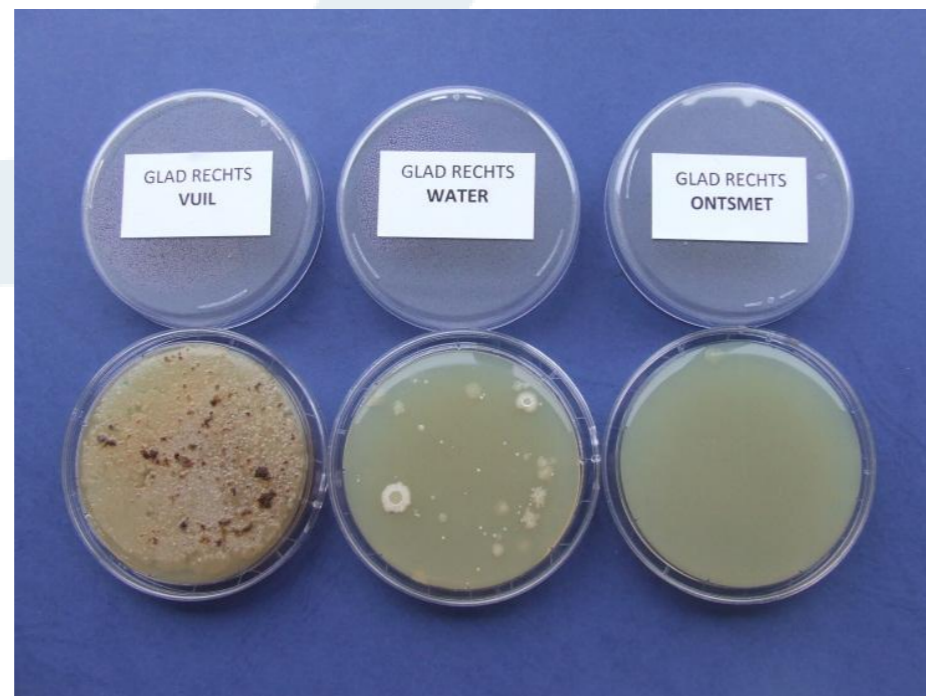
## Entrance control

**WARNING**  
**TRESPASSERS**  
**WILL BE SHOT**  
**SURVIVORS**  
**WILL BE**  
**SHOT AGAIN**

# Footwear and clothing



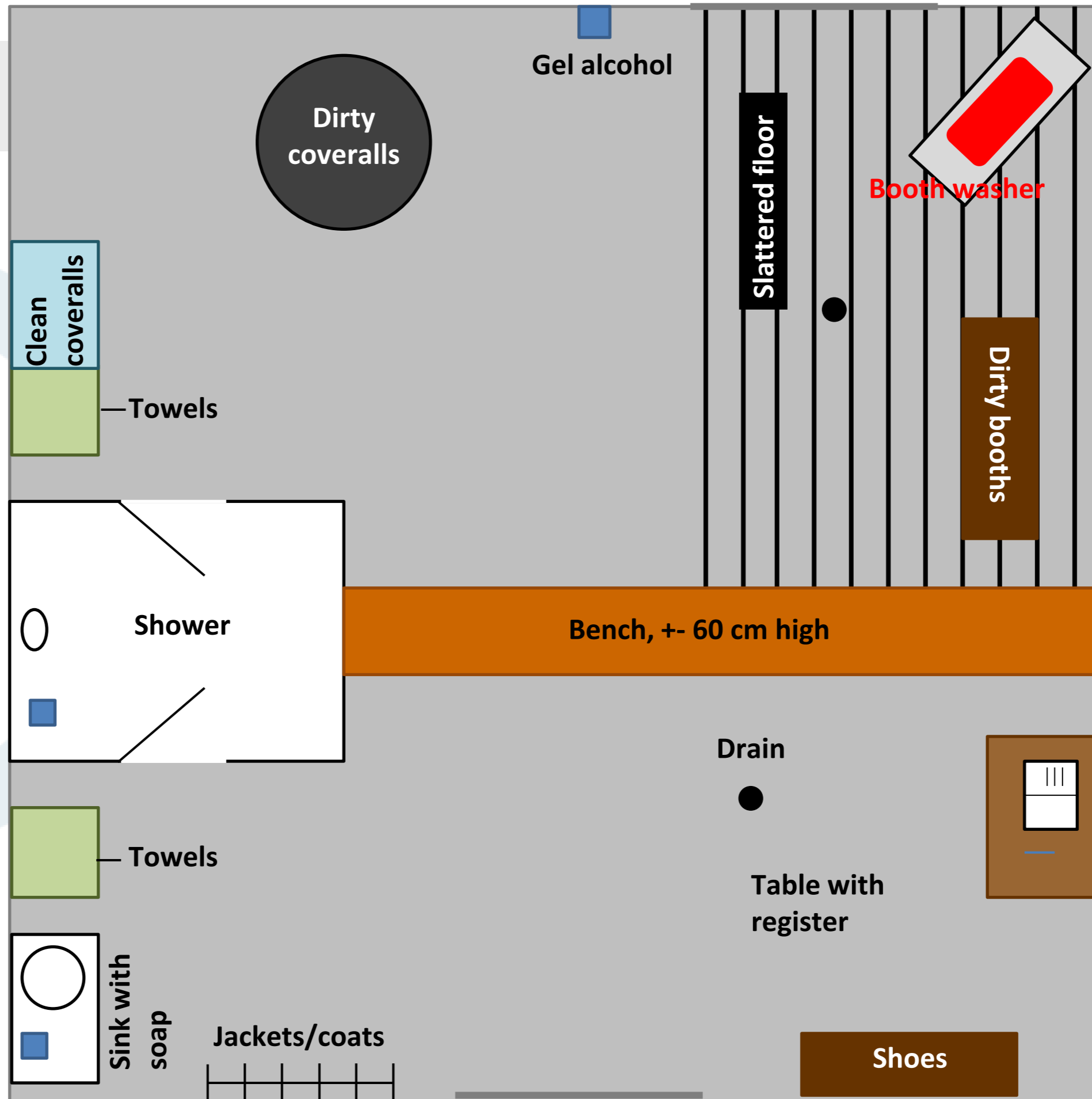
# Footwear and clothing



# Hygiene lock



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# Hand washing





# Hand washing



# Hygiene lock



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# Vermin and bird control



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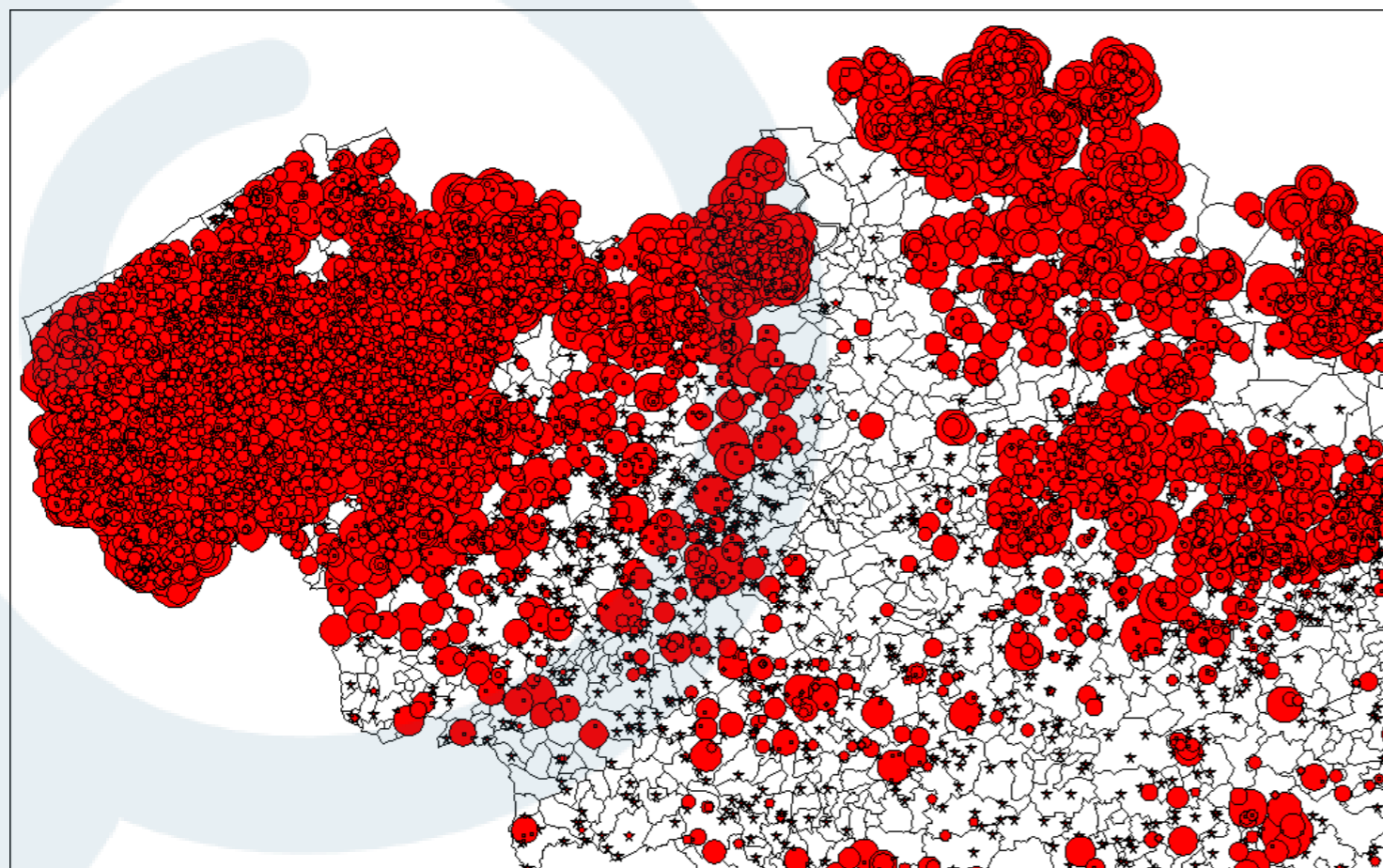
- Avoid shelter for rats close to the stables



# Vermin and bird control

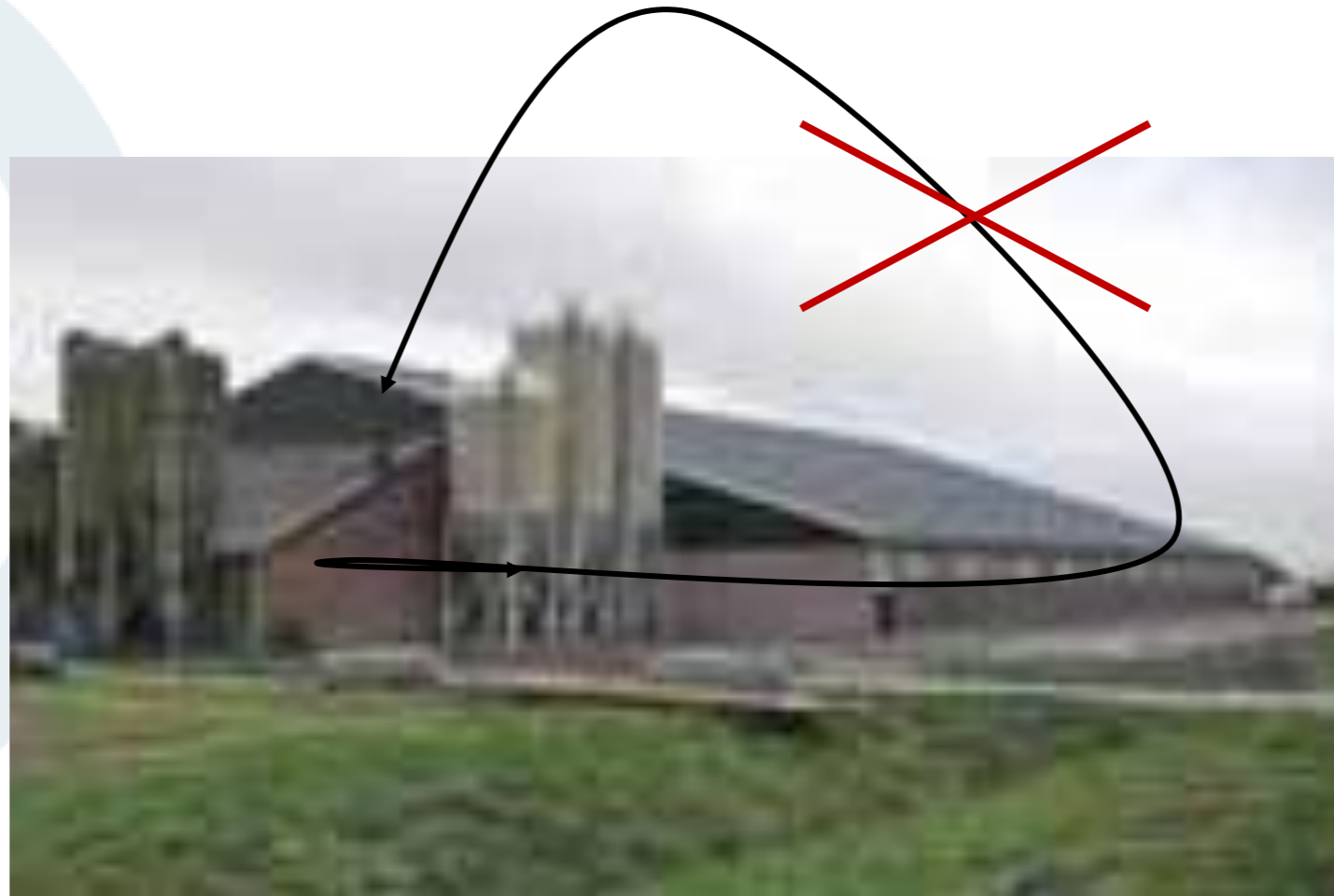


# Location and surrounding

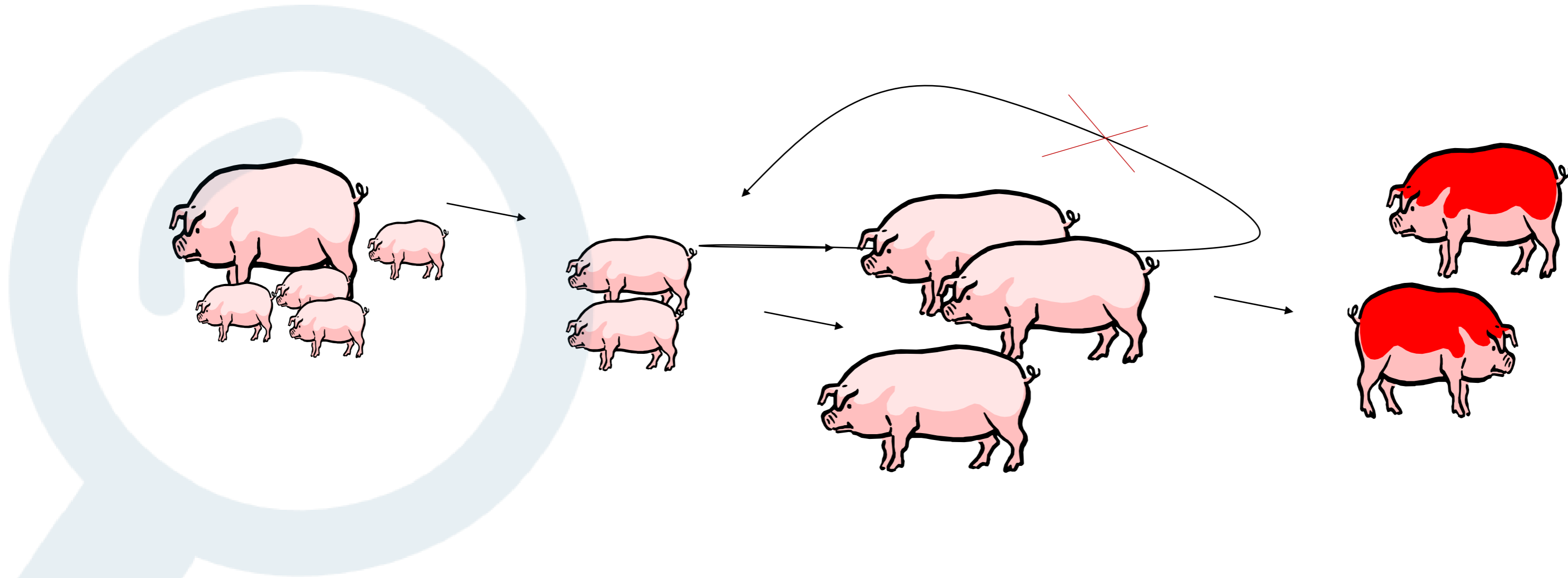




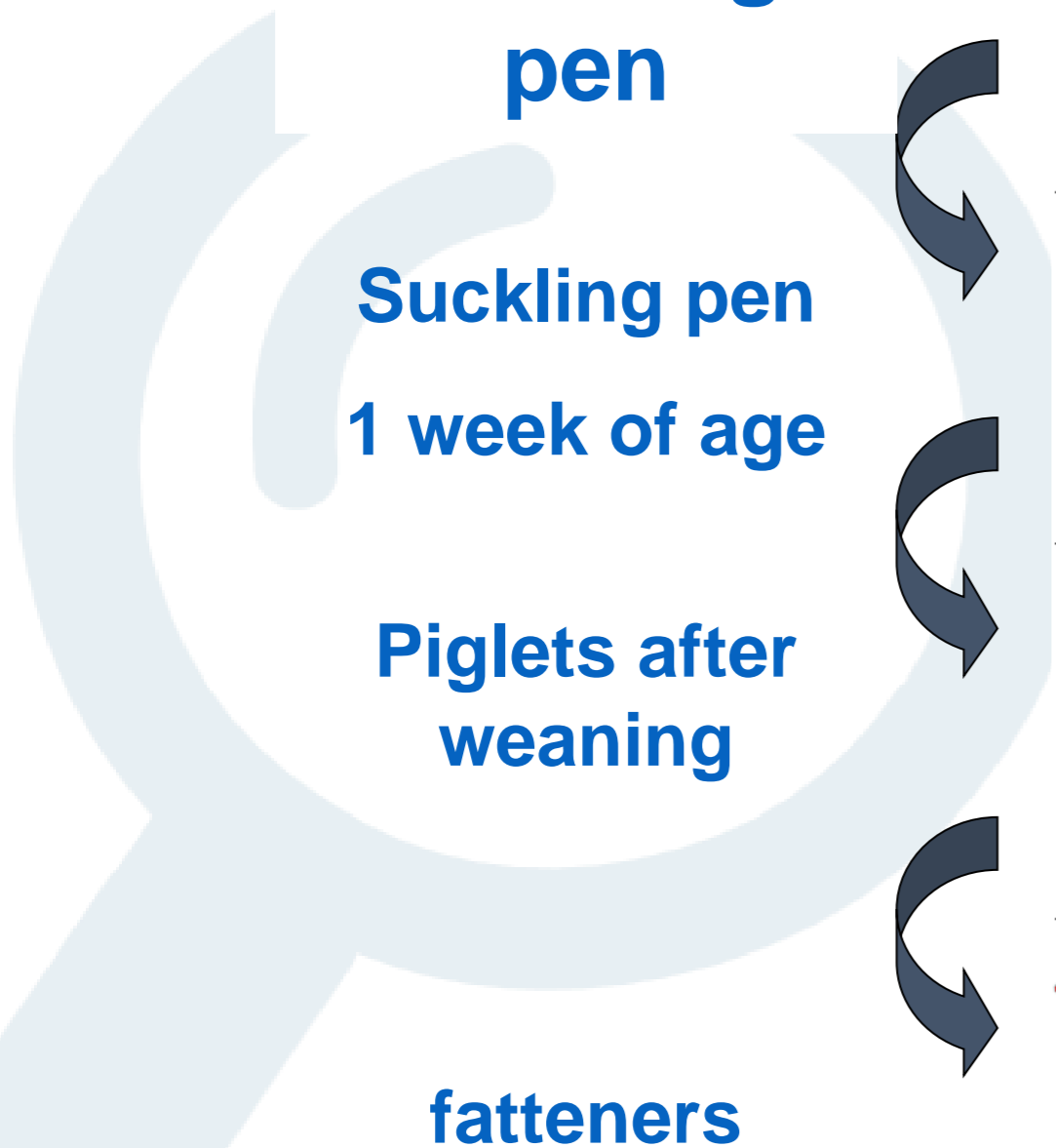
# Internal biosecurity



# Never put diseased animals back



# Avoid mixing of piglets

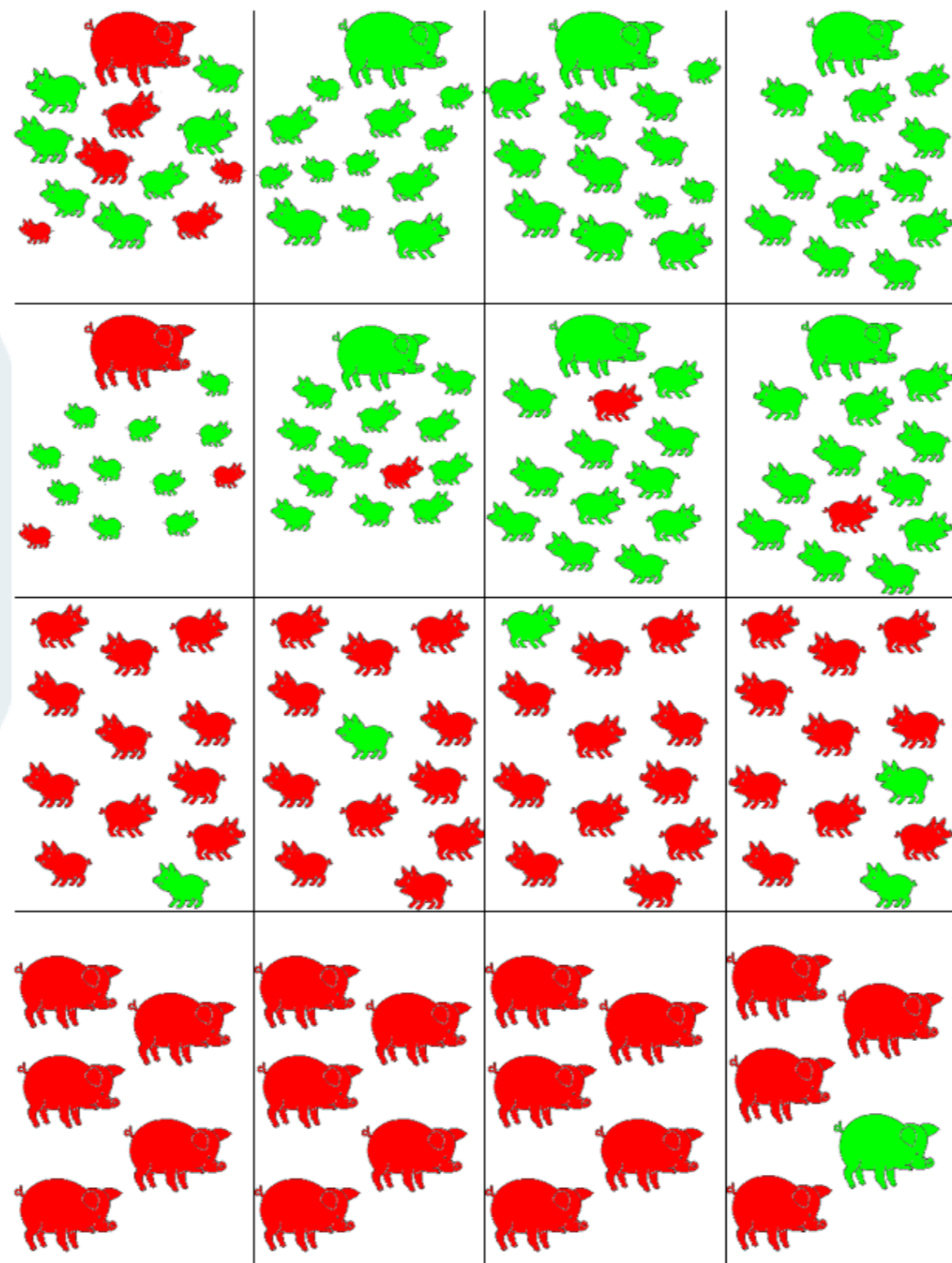


Suckling pen

Suckling pen  
1 week of age

Piglets after  
weaning

fatteners



12%

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90%

95%

# Avoid mixing of piglets

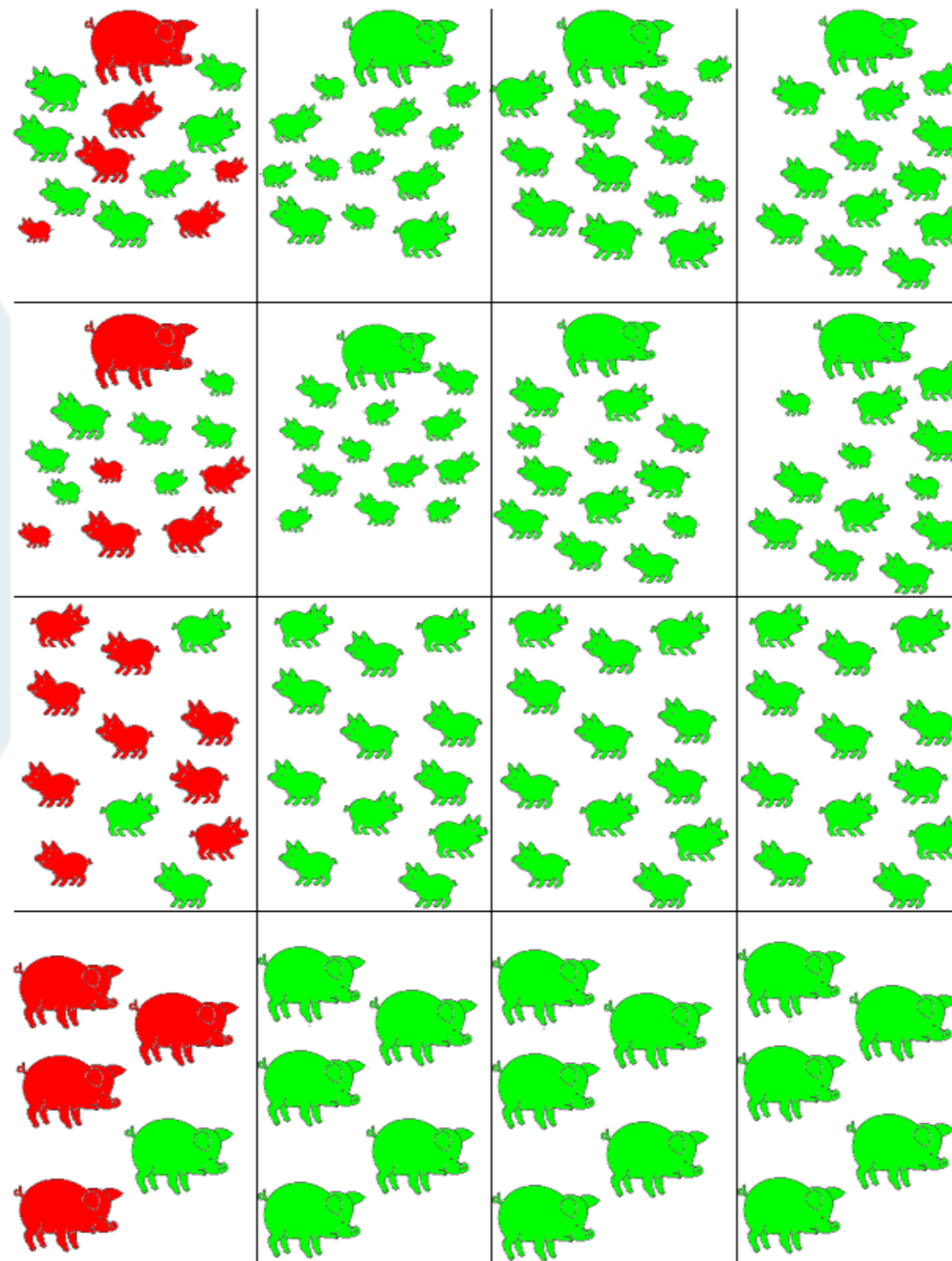


Suckling pen

Suckling pen  
1 week of age

Piglets after weaning

fatteners



12%

12%

19%

20%

# Avoid mixing



# All-in / All-out



# Stocking density

Average animal weight(kg)	Min according to the EU legislation (in m <sup>2</sup> ) per animal (Council directive 18/12/08)	Requirements in the Netherlands (in m <sup>2</sup> ) per animal	Optimal stocking density (in m <sup>2</sup> ) per animal (EFSA report 2005*)
< 10 kg	0,15	Up to 15 kg: 0,2	0,17
10 to 20 kg	0,20	15-30 kg: 0,3	0,27
20 to 30 kg	0,30		0,35
30 to 50 kg	0,40	0,5	0,49
50 to 85 kg	0,55	0,65	0,70
85 to 110 kg	0,65	0,8	0,83
>110 kg	1	1	1

# Compartments and working lines





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# Pets



# Materials

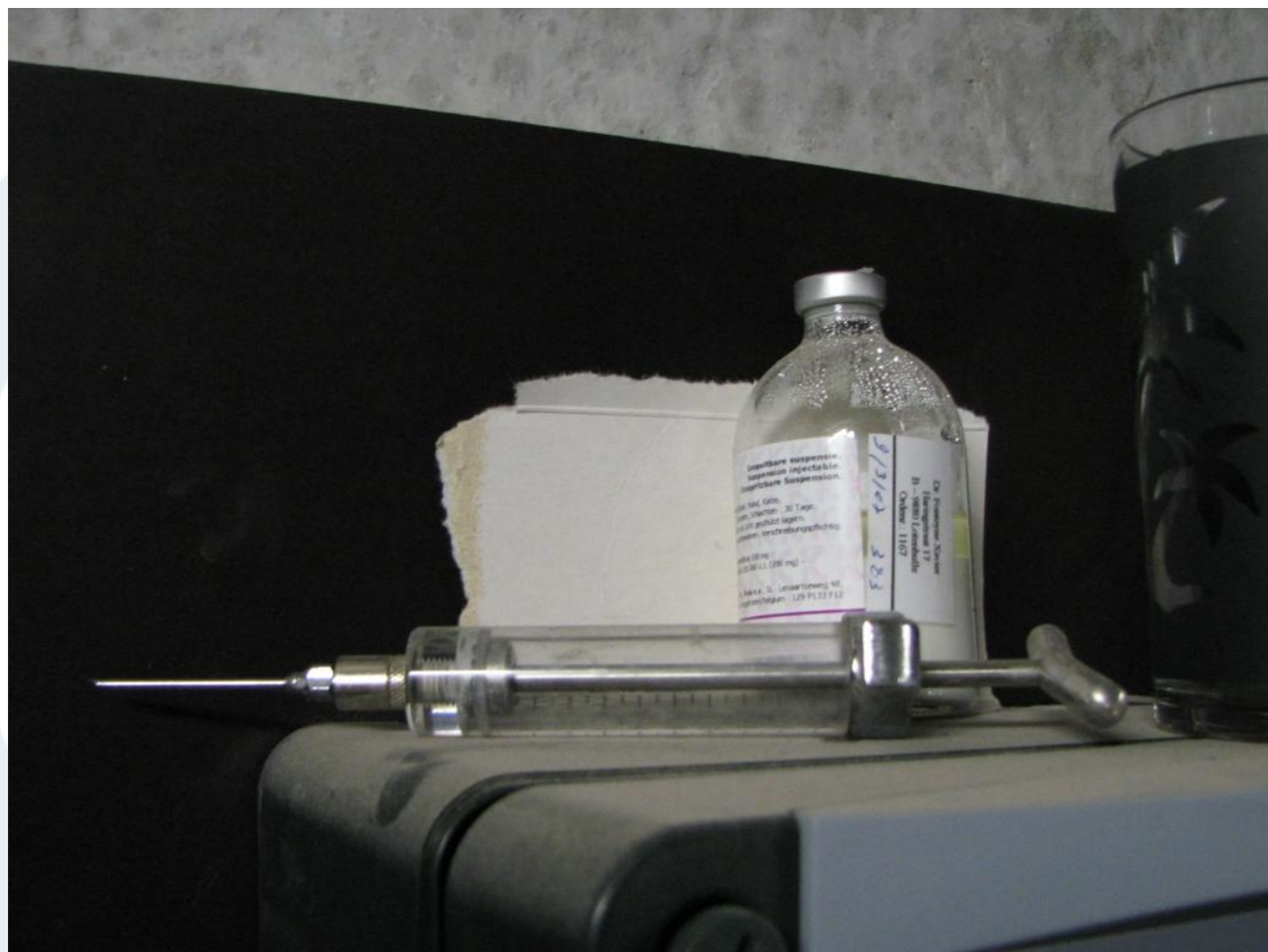


# Materials



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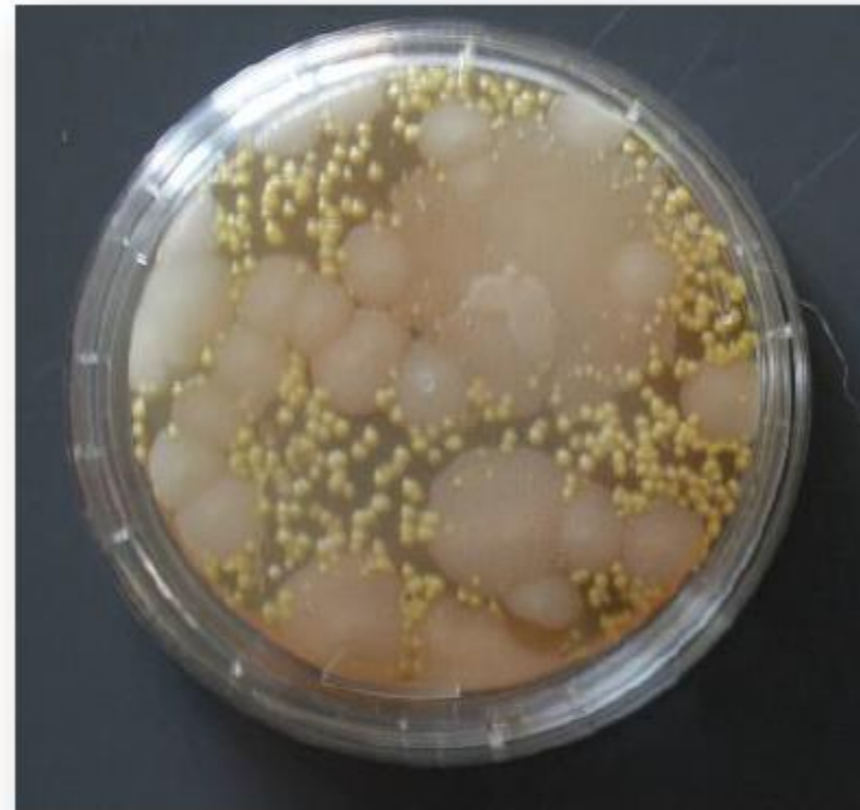
# Medicines and needles



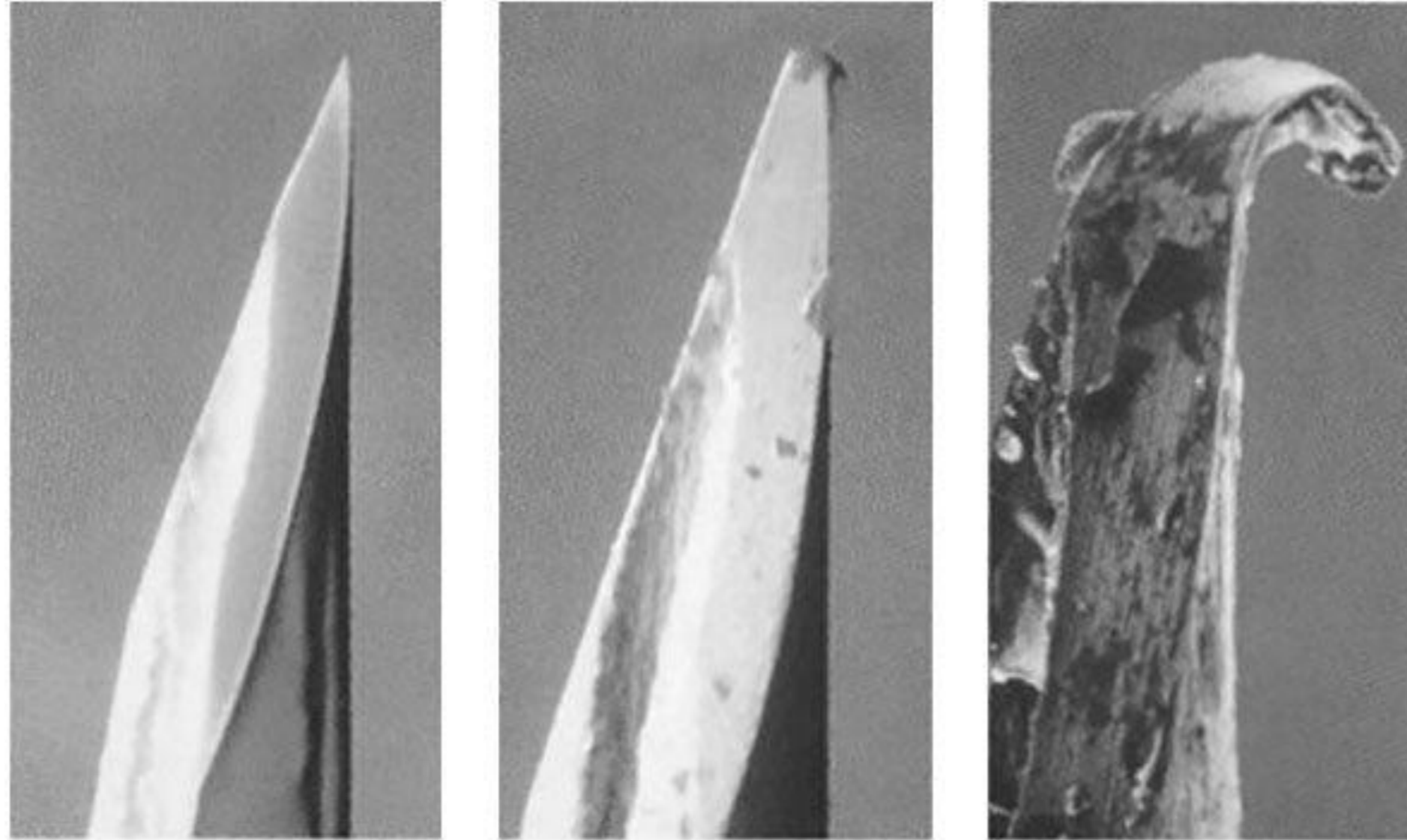
# Medicines and needles

## MATERIAAL & METHODEN

- 5 nieuwe vaccinatie spuit
- 79 gebruikte vaccinatie spuit (BE 51, NL 28)
- Spuit doorspoelen met 5 ml *aqua ad iniectabilia* (solvent Gestavet 600®)
- Uitplaten DGZ Vlaanderen → Kiemtelling 37°C & gisten/schimmel telling (KVE/ml)



# Medicines and needles



[https://www.pig333.com/articles/drugs-and-needle-sticks-present-unintended-health-hazards\\_12915/](https://www.pig333.com/articles/drugs-and-needle-sticks-present-unintended-health-hazards_12915/)



# Medicines and needles



# Cleaning and disinfection

Good cleaning and disinfection requires a full protocol!



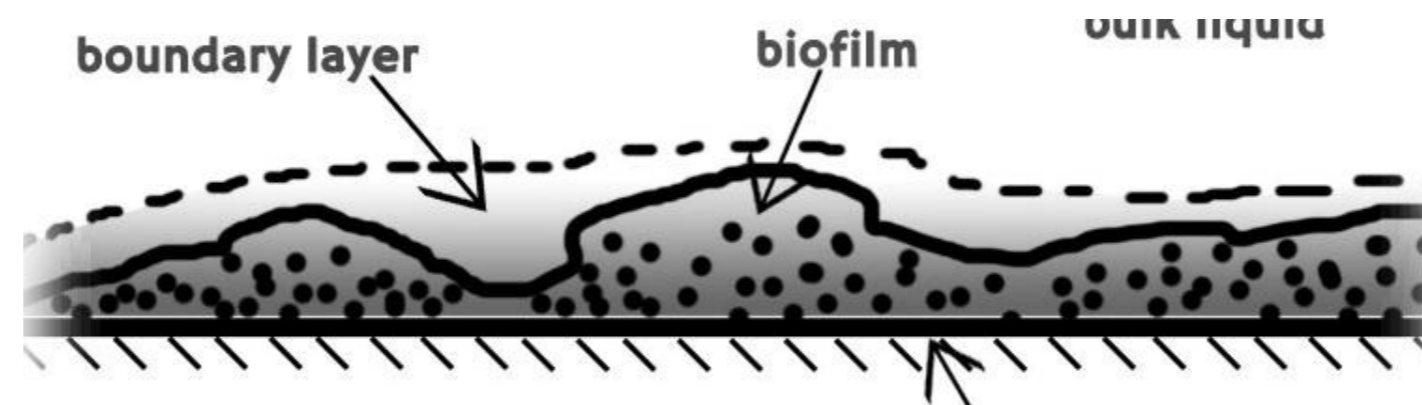
# Cleaning and disinfection

## 1. dry cleaning and removal of all organic material



# Cleaning and disinfection

2. soaking of all surfaces to loosen all remaining organic material



# Cleaning and disinfection

3. high pressure cleaning with water to remove all dirt



# Cleaning and disinfection

4. drying of the stable to avoid dilution of the disinfectant



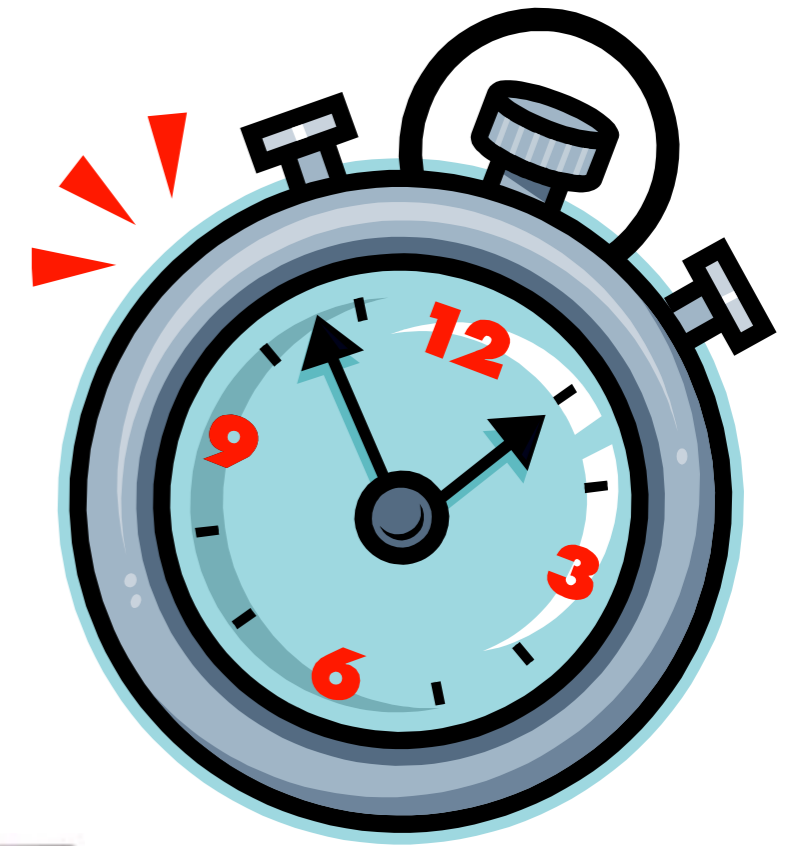
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## 5. disinfection of the stable



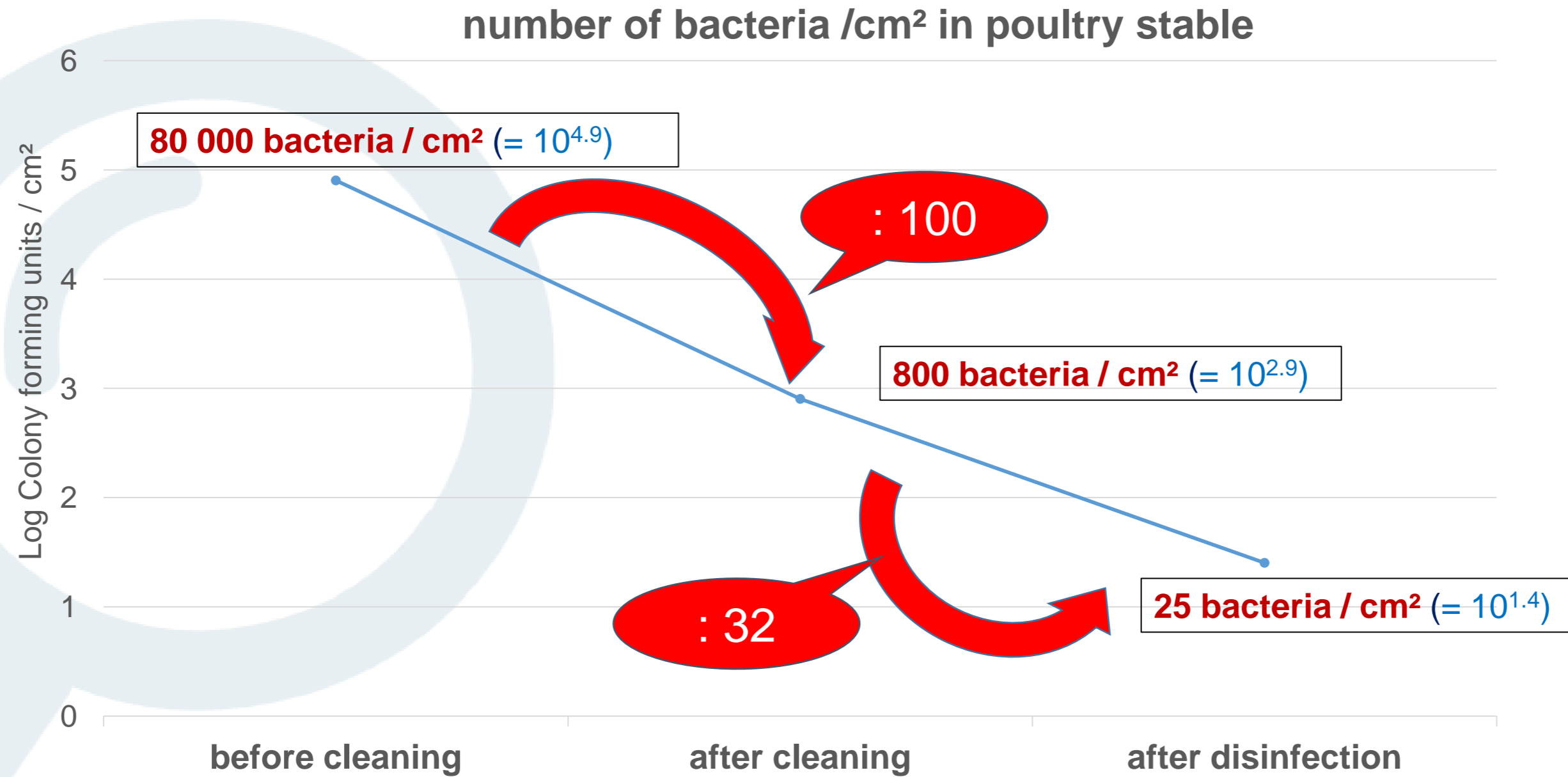
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## 6. drying of the stable



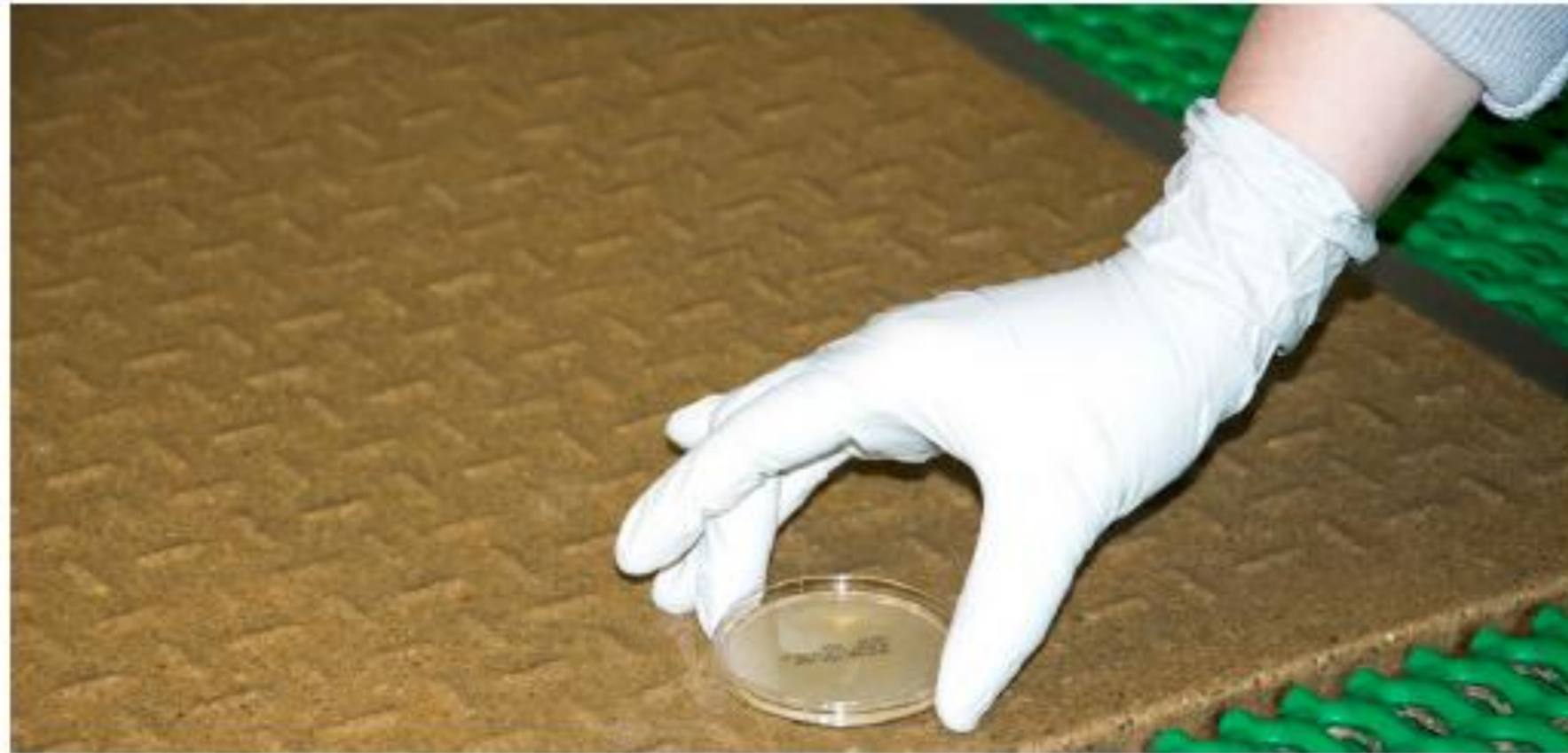


# Cleaning and disinfection



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## 7. Testing of efficacy



Score	KVE per plaat
0	0
1	1-40
2	41-120
3	121-400
4	> 400
4	ontelbaar

# Biosecurity = complex

- No protocol suitable for every herd
- Balance biosecurity – management
- Tool?

→ Scoring System





# Scoring system and website Pigs and Poultry

Biocheck, prevention is better than cure!



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## BIOCHECK.UGent, prevention is better than cure!

Welkom!

Biocheck.UGent is a risk-based scoring system to evaluate the quality of your on-farm biosecurity in an scientific and independent way.

Fill in the online questionnaire for free and receive valuable feedback about the biosecurity level of your farm. You get a summarizing and personal report with detailed results. These findings can help you to choose your own suitable biosecurity pathway.

Don't hesitate and get started to lift your farm to a higher biosecurity level!

Start the Biocheck.UGent!

How to use Biocheck.UGent?



The Biocheck.UGent was filled in 11498 times around the world to evaluate the on-farm biosecurity level!



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### In the spotlight



07-02-2018

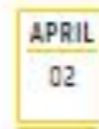
"Biosecurity in animal production and veterinary medicine (from principles to practice)" now available for purchase!



20-11-2018

New presentation available about the Biocheck.UGent tool!

### Agenda



Webinar MSD on the importance of biosecurity in control of pig diseases

# BIOCHECK.UGENT = ONLINE QUESTIONNAIRE

## D. PURCHASE OF PIGLETS

10. Are piglets being purchased?

- Yes
- No (go to question 15)

11. Are the piglets coming from the same supplier or from different suppliers?

- Always same supplier
- Different suppliers

12. Is attention paid to the health status of the farm, where the animals are originating from, to be equal or higher than the own farm?

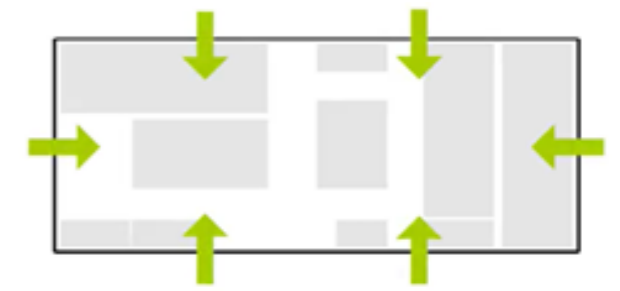
*Herd with a known health status = herd that is free of a number of important diseases (e.g. Scabies, PRRS, ...) and therefore guarantees that the delivered products (animals/semen) are also free of these diseases.*

- Yes, always higher or equal
- No

13. Are hygienic criteria (e.g. cleaning and disinfection) posed on the transport vehicle that brings the animals to the farm?

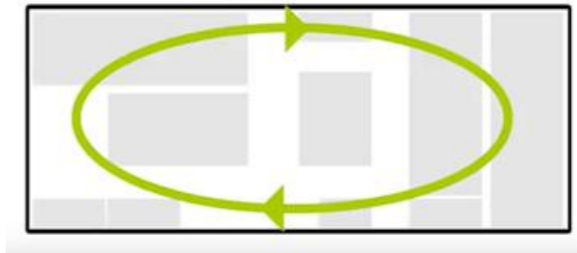
- Yes
- No
- Not known

# EXTERNAL BIOSECURITY (50)



Subcategory	Weight factor
Purchase of animals and semen	24
Transport of animals, removal of manure and dead animals	23
Feed, water and equipment supply	15
Personnel and visitors	17
Vermin and bird control	11
Environment and region	10

# INTERNAL BIOSECURITY (50)



Subcategory	Weight factor
Disease management	10
Farrowing and suckling period	14
Nursery unit	14
Fattening unit	14
Measures between compartments and the use of equipment	28
Cleaning and disinfection	20







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Identification:

**PIG**

Nr	Description	Score	Country average	Global average
<i>External biosecurity</i>				
A	<u>Purchase of animals and semen</u>	100 %	88 %	89 %
B	<u>Transport of animals, removal of manure and dead animals</u>	41 %	70 %	70 %
C	<u>Feed, water and equipment supply</u>	27 %	38 %	50 %
D	<u>Personnel and visitors</u>	41 %	64 %	68 %
E	<u>Vermin and bird control</u>	50 %	64 %	67 %
F	<u>Environment and region</u>	60 %	53 %	64 %
<b>Subtotal External biosecurity:</b>		<b>57 %</b>	<b>66 %</b>	<b>70 %</b>
<i>Internal biosecurity</i>				
A	<u>Disease management</u>	40 %	56 %	67 %
B	<u>Farrowing and suckling period</u>	64 %	59 %	56 %
C	<u>Nursery unit</u>	36 %	65 %	66 %
D	<u>Fattening unit</u>	N/A	72 %	67 %
E	<u>Measures between compartments and the use of equipment</u>	39 %	44 %	48 %
F	<u>Cleaning and disinfection</u>	20 %	48 %	59 %
<b>Subtotal Internal biosecurity:</b>		<b>38 %</b>	<b>55 %</b>	<b>58 %</b>
<b>Total:</b>		<b>48 %</b>	<b>61 %</b>	<b>64 %</b>

N/A = Not applicable



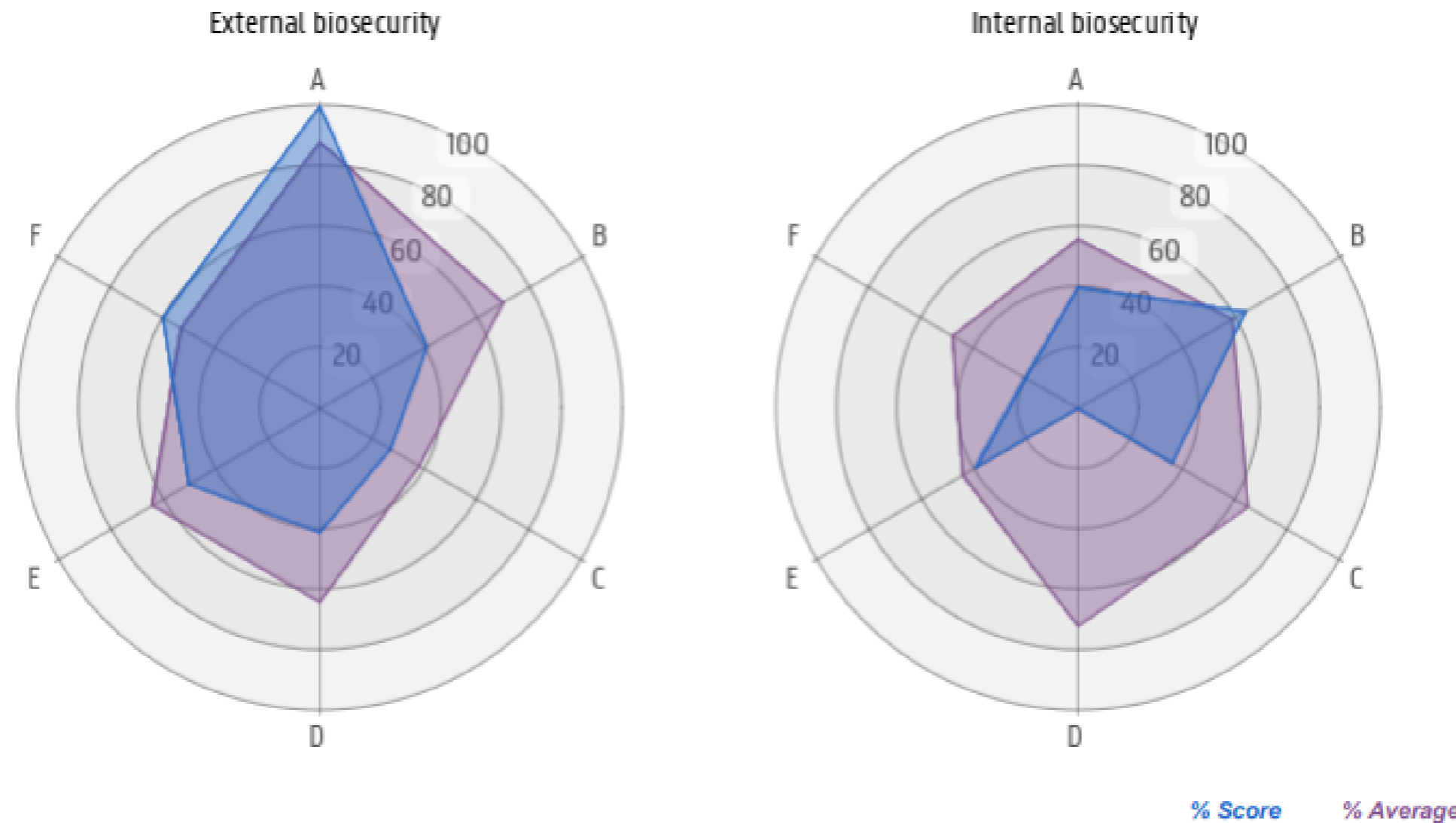
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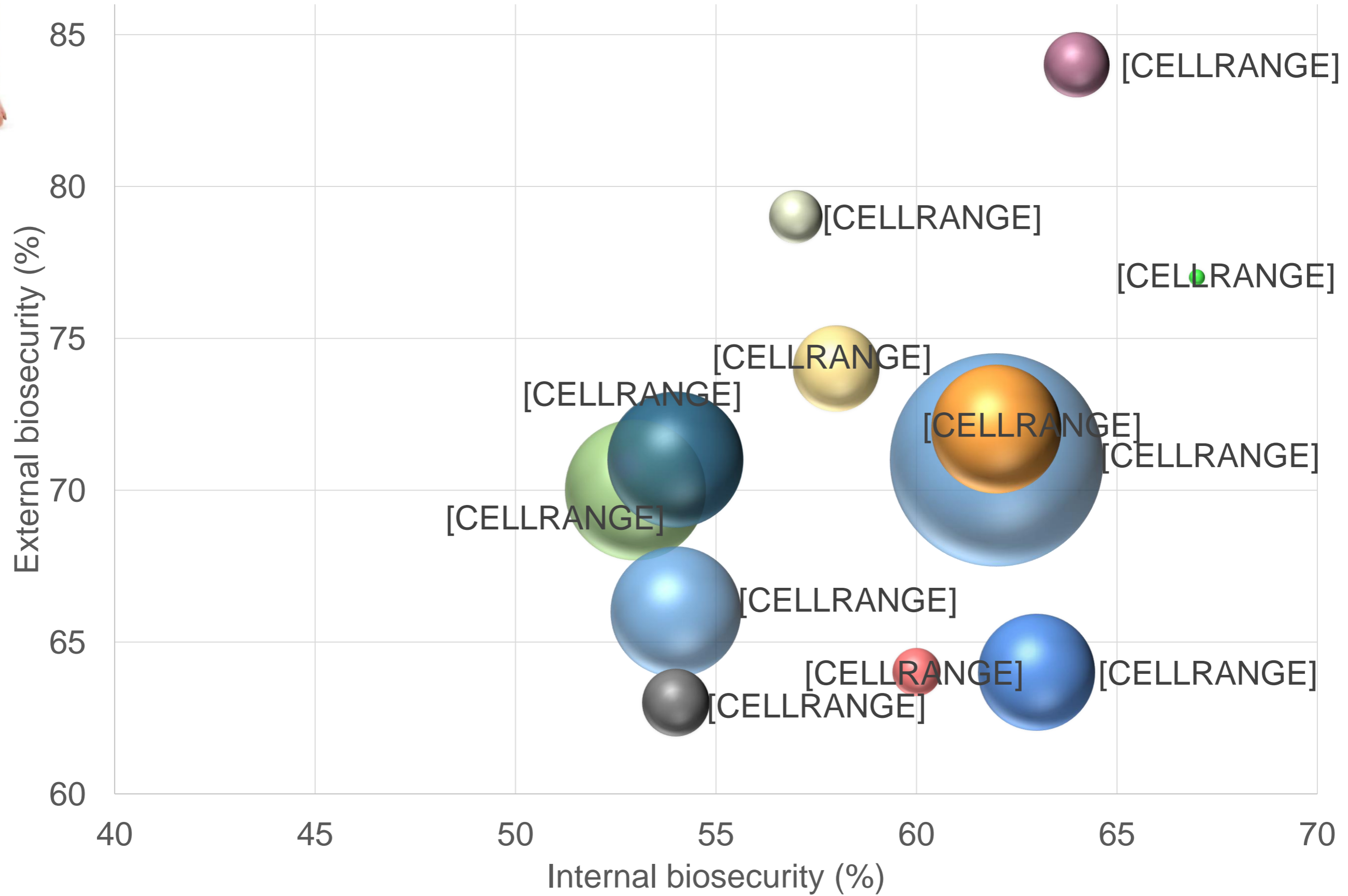
These figures show **your results** graphically compared to the **average scores**. The bigger the blue area, the better your result. The letters of the axes correspond to the numbering in the report above.



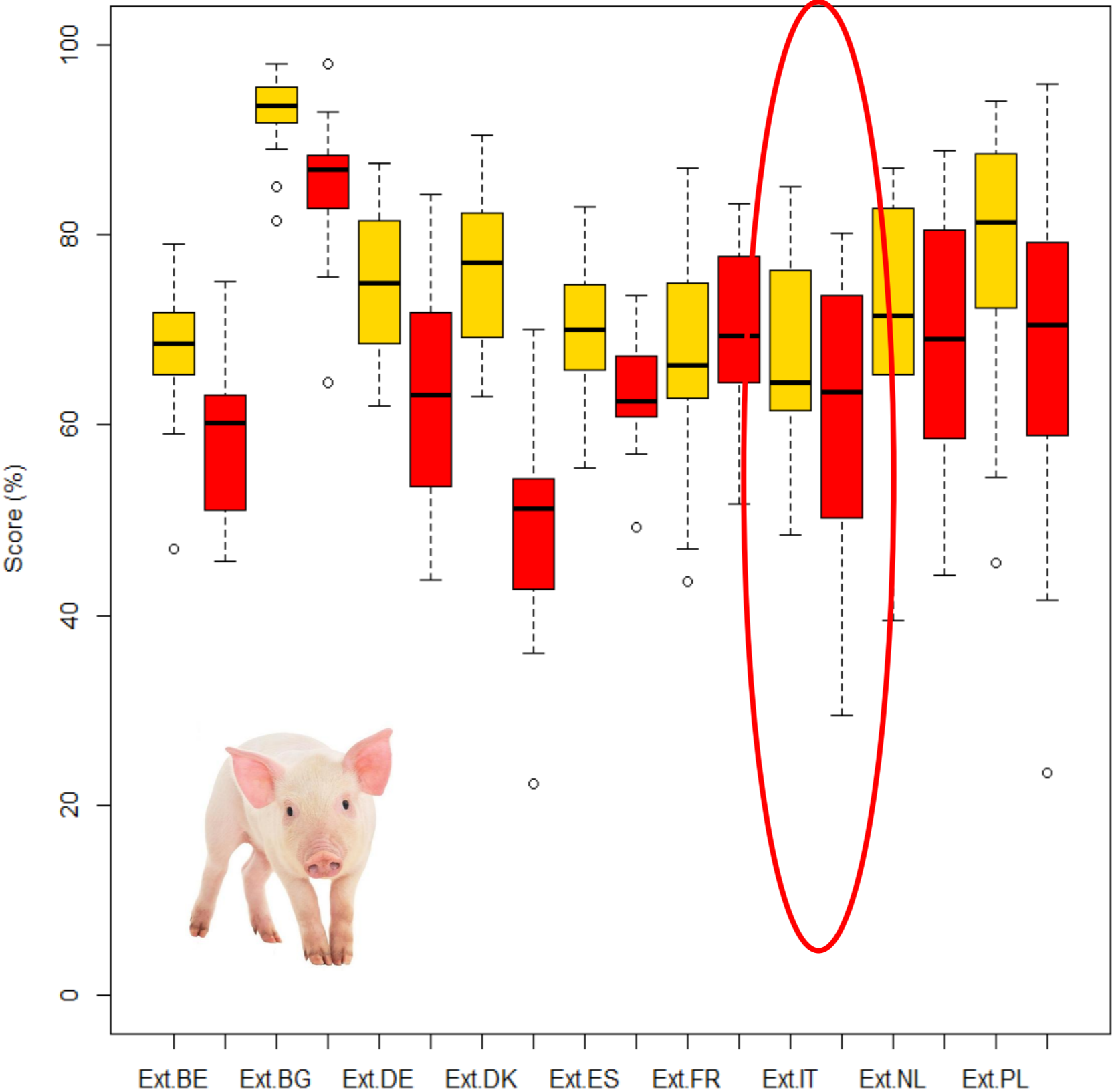
For more information about biosecurity on a pig farm and how to improve this, you can always look at the extensive information available on the [Biocheck.Ugent website](#) in the sections "[about biocheck](#)" and "[downloads and links](#)". You can also contact your veterinarian for advice on biosecurity measures on your farm.



# Biocheck.UGent Worldwide

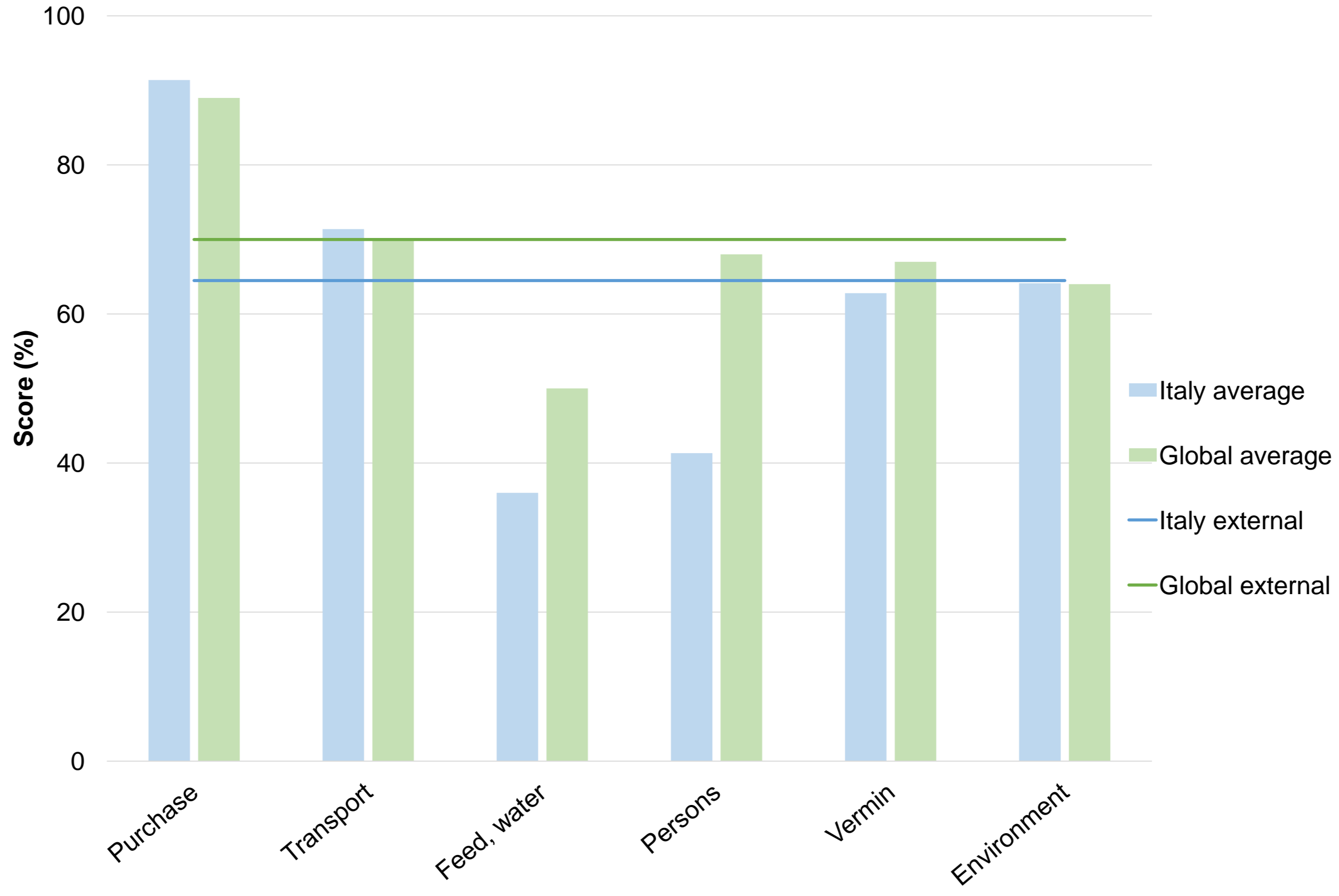


# COUNTRY-LEVEL COMPARISON OF EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL BIOSECURITY



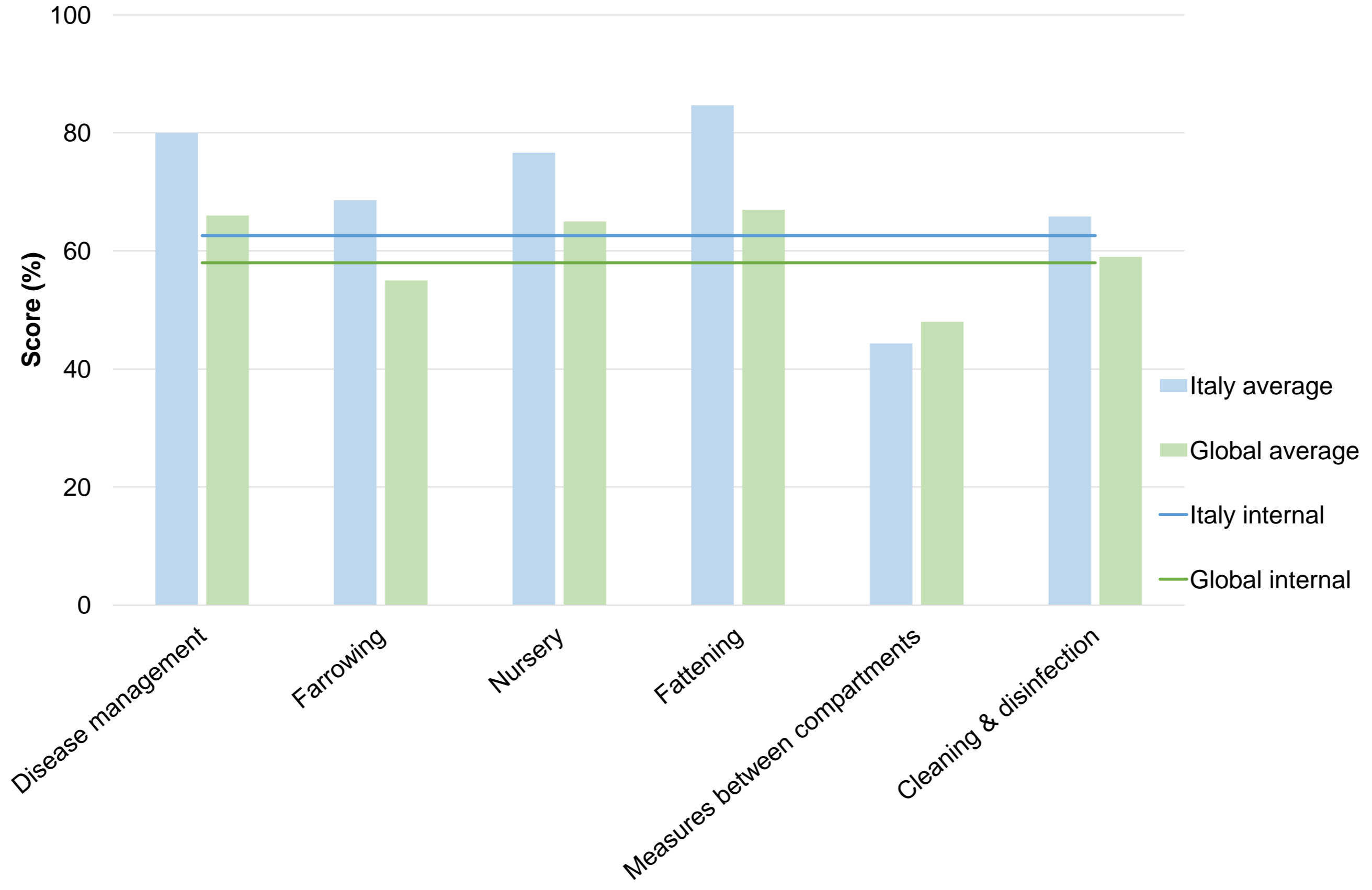


## External biosecurity pigs - Italy 68 farms





## Internal biosecurity pigs - Italy 68 farms



# How to use Biocheck.Ugent

1. Make appointment
2. Do a farm visit
3. Go through the questionnaire (paper)
4. Fill in the online version at home
5. Generate advice
6. Follow up visit

## C. PURCHASE OF BREEDING PIGS

1. Are breeding pigs (sows/gilts/boars) being purchased?
  - Yes
  - No (go to question 10)
2. Do the breeding pigs come from the same supplier or from different suppliers?
  - Always the same supplier
  - Different suppliers
3. Is attention paid to the health status of the farm from where the animals originate, so that the health status is equal to or higher than the own farm?  
*Herd with a known health status = herd that is free of a number of important diseases (e.g. Scabies, PRRS, ...) and therefore guarantees that the delivered products (animals / sperm) are also free of these diseases.*
  - Yes
  - No
4. Are hygienic criteria (e.g. cleaning and disinfection of the vehicle) posed on the transport vehicle that brings the animals to the farm?
  - Yes
  - No
5. Number of times per year that breeding pigs are delivered?
  - 2 times or less a year
  - Between 3 and 6 times a year
  - Between 6 and 12 times a year
  - More than 12 times a year
6. Is a separated quarantine room used when breeding pigs are delivered?  
*The quarantine room can be in the same building but should have a separate entrance for animals and personnel, separate walls, a separate manure pit and separate air ventilation.*
  - Yes
  - No (go to question 10)
7. Is there a strict all-in/all-out management practiced in the quarantine room?  
*All/AO means that the room is filled up and emptied in one time. The most important is that new animals are never in the quarantine room where animals of the previous rounds are still present*
  - Yes
  - No
8. Minimal length of the quarantine period (in days):  
..... days

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## BIOCHECK.UGent, prevention is better than cure!

Welkom!

Biocheck.UGent is a risk-based scoring system to evaluate the quality of your on-farm biosecurity in a scientific and independent way.

Fill in the online [questionnaire](#) for free and receive valuable feedback about the biosecurity level of your farm. You get a summarizing and personal report with detailed results. These findings can help you to choose your own suitable biosecurity pathway.

Don't hesitate and get started to lift your farm to a higher biosecurity level!

[Start the Biocheck.UGent!](#)





# How to use Biocheck.Ugent

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## A. Personal information

All personal information is strictly optional and is only necessary for further personal usage of the Biocheck.Ugent® or for the backup of previous results. All the information will be stored in an anonymous way and will never be passed to third parties.

### 1. Name (of the owner)

**?** This name will be shown in the list of reports

### 2. Address

### 3. Zip code

### 4. City

### \* 5. Country Choose one of the following answers

**?**

### 6. Telephone number

only "\*" obligatory

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# How to use Biocheck.Ugent

Biocheck Pig 2.1

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U. Kind of data

**\* Type of data**

Choose one of the following answers

- Completed data are based on a true situation and represent a real herd
- Completed data is an exercise, the data are not necessarily representative for a real herd

 We are aware that this questionnaire can be filled in either to calculate the score of a real herd or for educational or exploratory purposes, sometimes with partly or entirely fictitious answers. To use the data collected through this survey for scientific research, it is important we can make a distinction between the real data and the fictitious data.

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## Finalize

### Save report

This allows you to:

- Change the given identification of your Biocheck
- Change the language of the generated report
- Regenerate the report for future use
- Add advice to the report (if you have a code)

### Generate report

Keep the following in mind:

- One-time generation of the report
- The language of the generated report is the same as the Biocheck input language
- No advice

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# Check, Improve, Reduce

A SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE APPROACH

# Herd specific advice



# Substantial reduction antimicrobial usage without jeopardizing production by coaching?

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Original Article

**Reducing Antimicrobial Usage in Pig Production  
without Jeopardizing Production Parameters**

M. Postma , W. Vanderhaeghen, S. Sarrazin, D. Maes, J. Dewulf

# Coaching



# Biosecurity & Management

	% ADVISED	% FEASIBLE	% IMPLEMENTED
Registration symptoms & moment mortality for analysis	95	98	66
Hand hygiene, change coverall and clean boots	86	88	59
Change needles often	85	82	62
Hygiene lock per animal/age category	76	58	7
Use strict euthanasia policy	71	90	81
Wash sow before farrowing crate	68	45	20
Analysis drink water 1x/year well/pipes	68	98	80
Keep dog/cat out of the stable	49	34	21
AI / AO, do not return to younger age group	41	54	33
Use dirty road for transport of manure	20	100	75
Change wooden boards for plastic boards	10	67	83

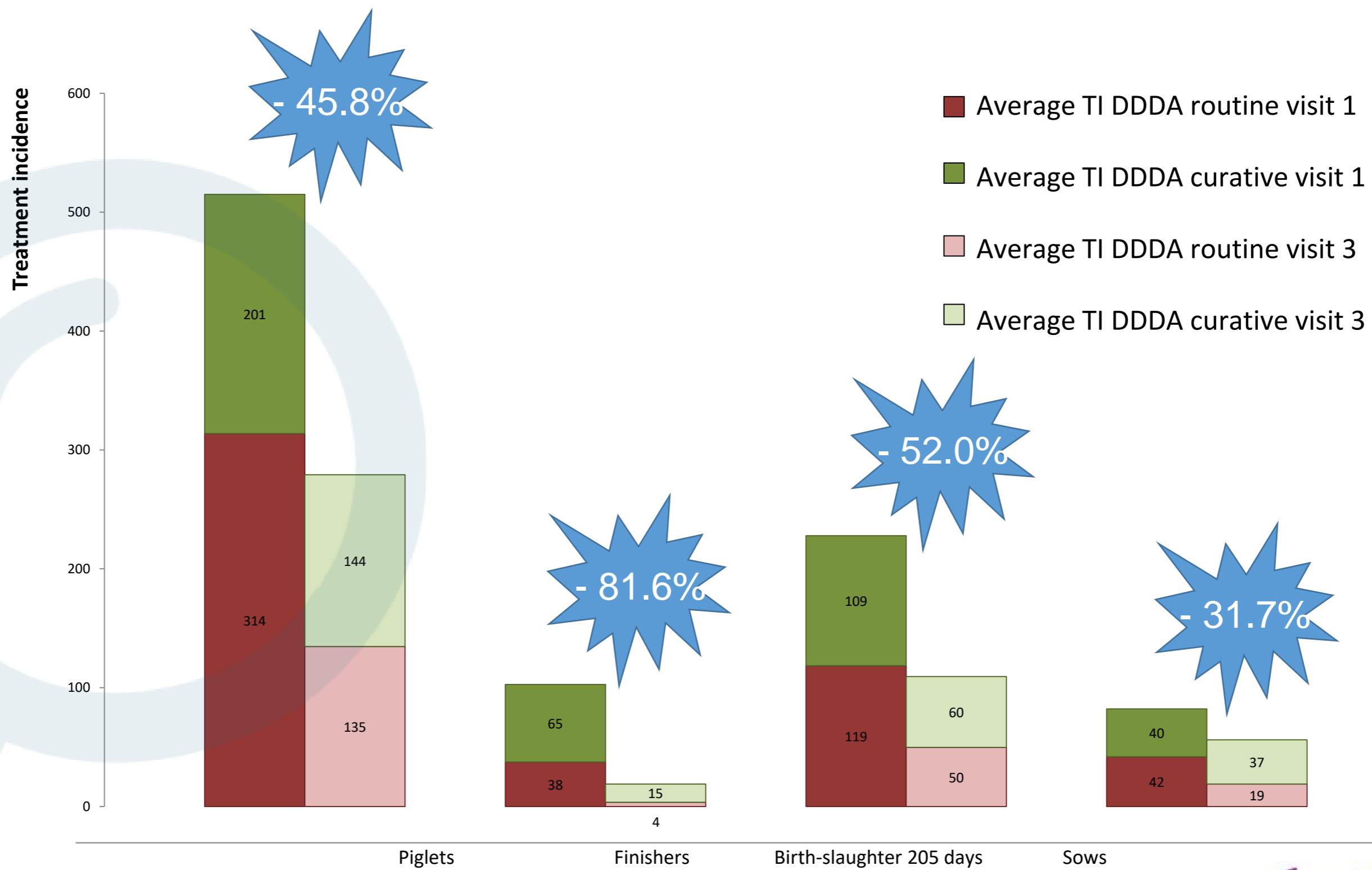


# Diagnositics & vaccination

	% ADVISED	% FEASIBLE	% IMPLEMENTED
Request slaughter findings for analysis	75	59	57
Additional vaccinations in general	51	94	81
Additional specific vaccinations: PCV2	16	100	62
Check serology titres in general	33	95	90
Adjustment of vaccination scheme: Atrophic rhinitis	8	100	80

# Prudent antimicrobial usage

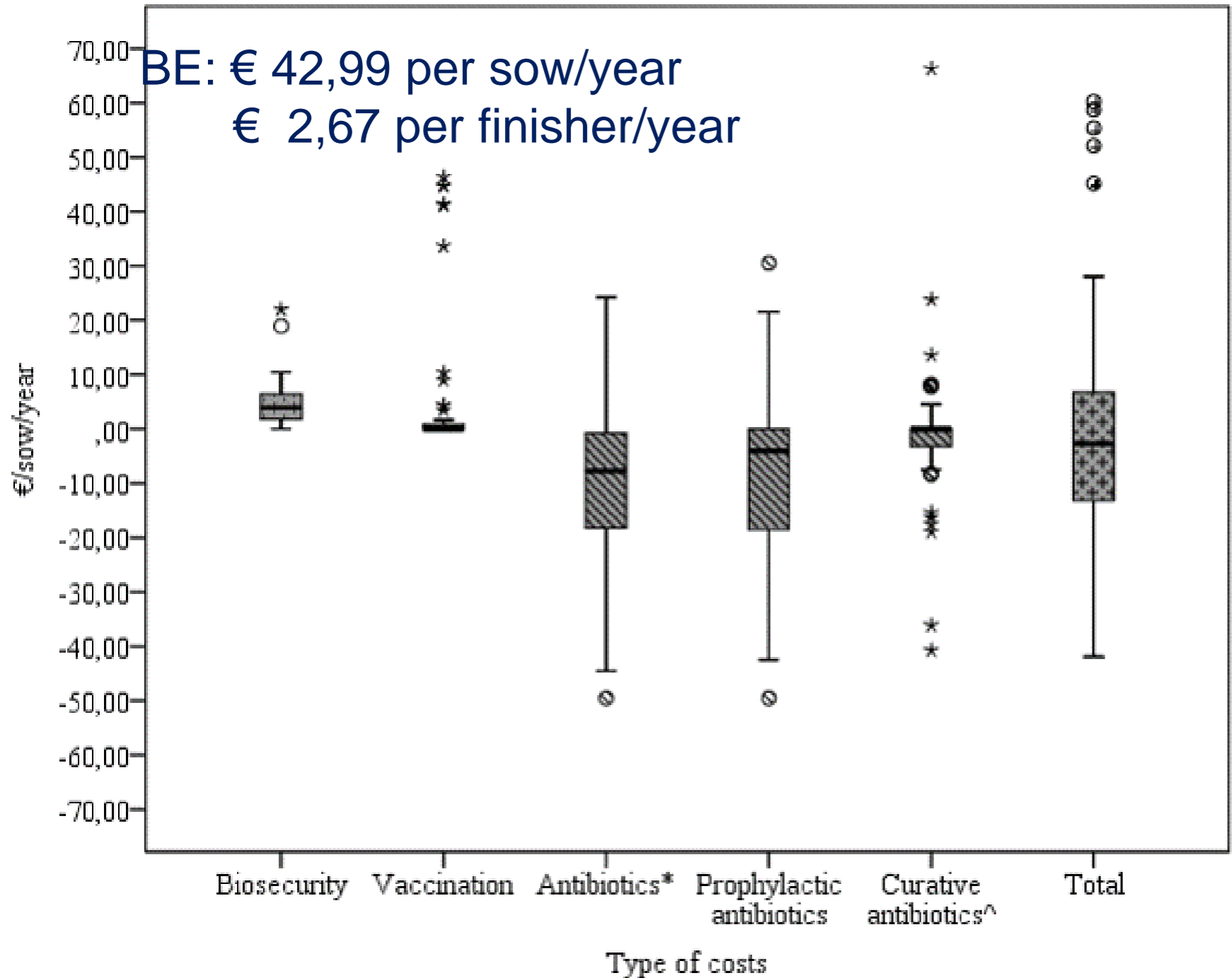
	% ADVISED	% FEASIBLE	% IMPLEMENTED
Restrictive use of potent AM	92	72	45
Stop (routine) prophylactic treatment birth until slaughter	88	69	59
Stop prophylactic treatment in sows	24	90	83
Ask for resistance profile/sensitivity testing	7	79	0



# Production parameters

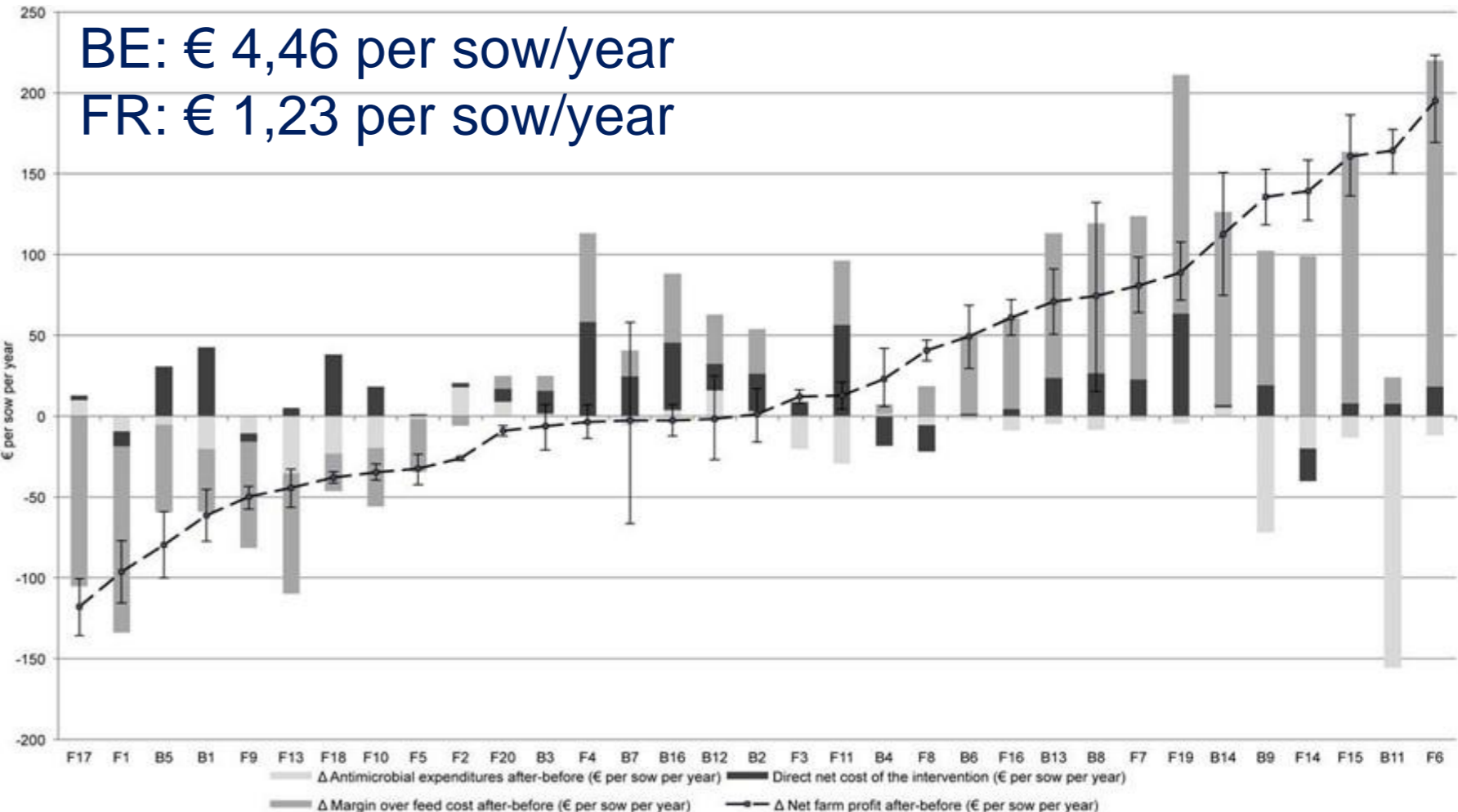
	VISIT	MEAN	DIFFERENCE	P-VALUE
<b>Number of weaned piglets per sow per year</b>	Initial	26.4		
	Follow up	27.5	+1,1	<0.01
<b>Daily weight gain (g/day) finishers</b>	Initial	667.5		
	Follow up	675.2	+7,7	0.01
<b>Mortality in finisher period (%)</b>	Initial	3.2		
	Follow up	2.6	-0,6	0.04

# Benefits - Economics



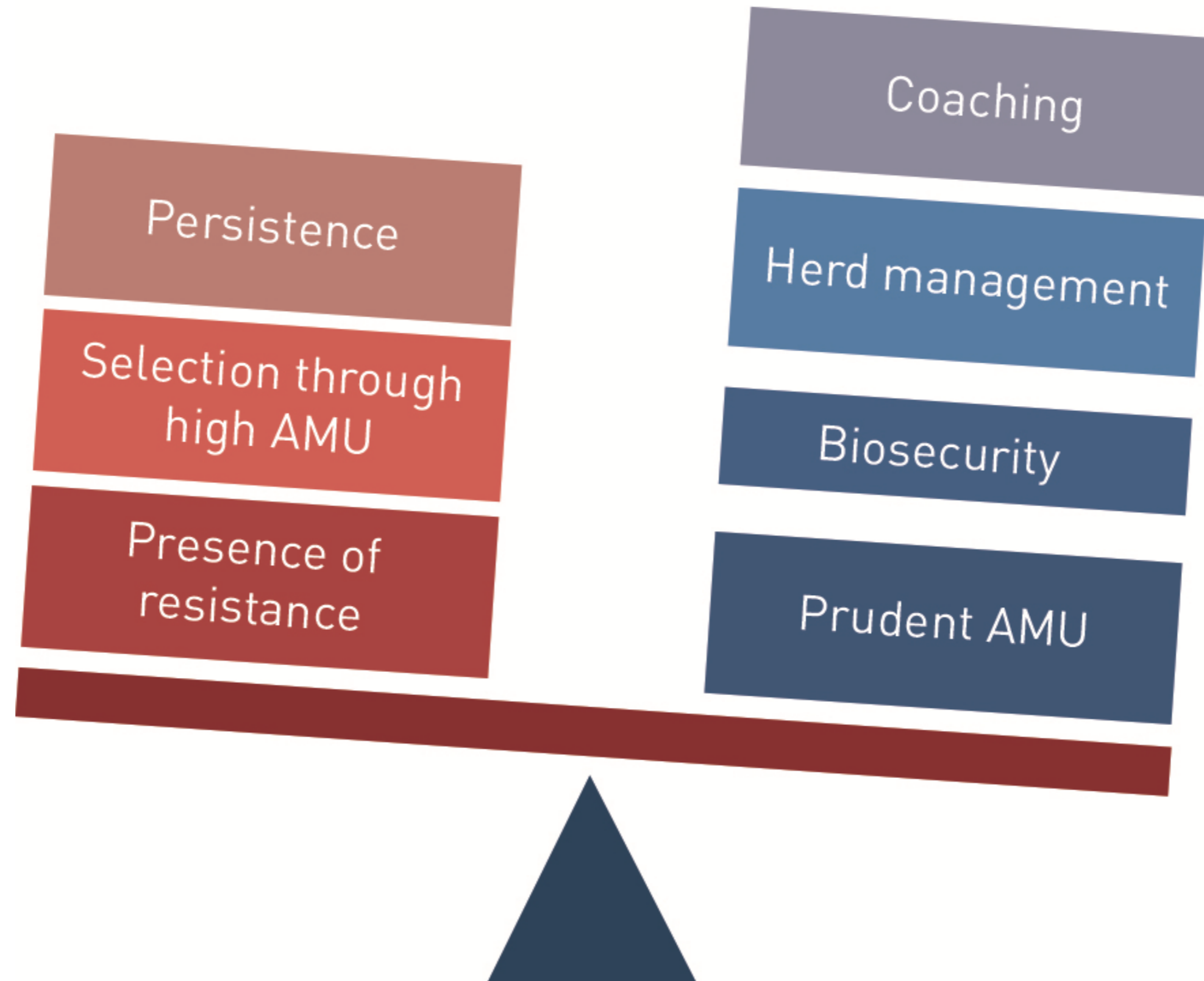
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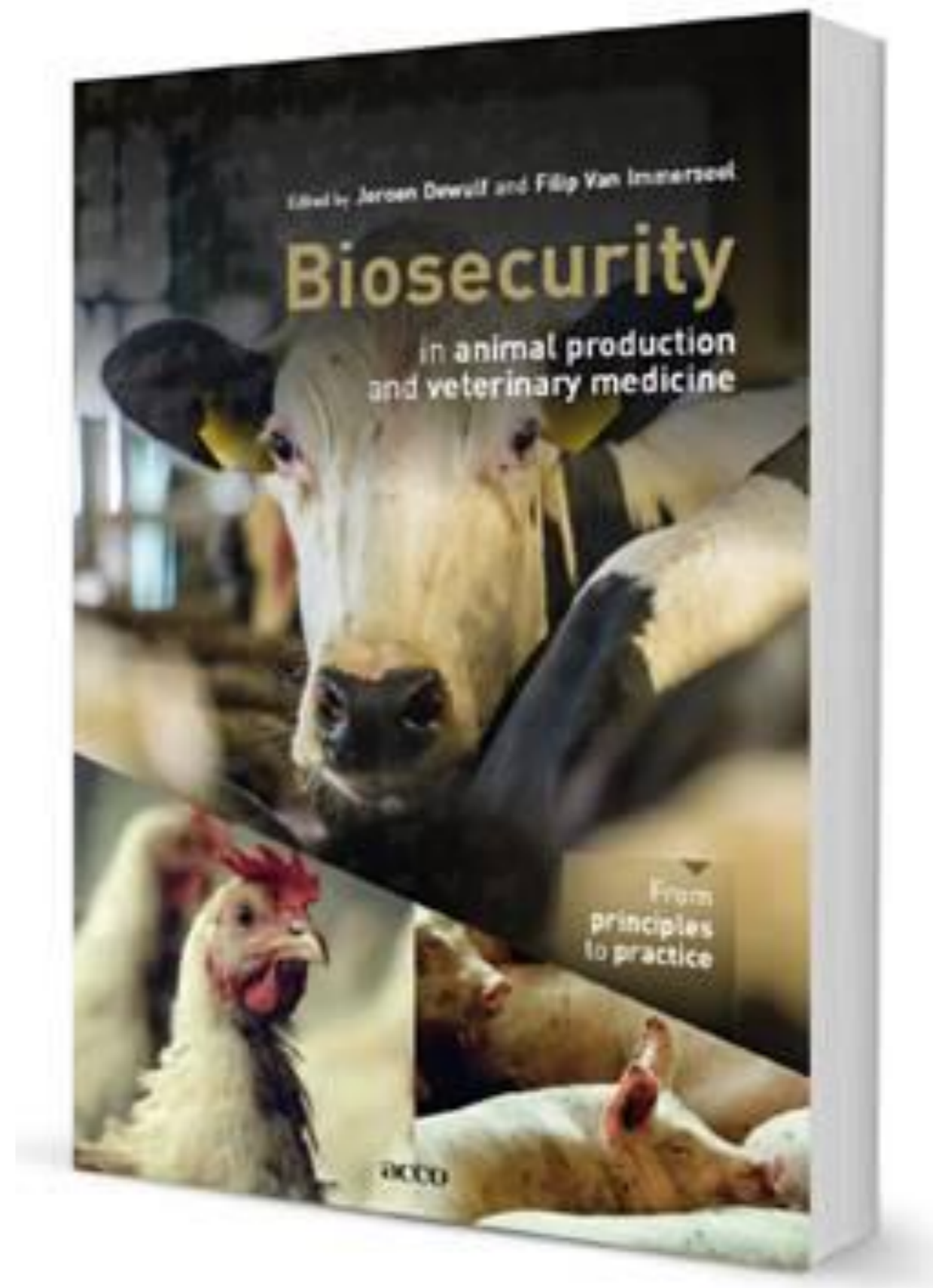
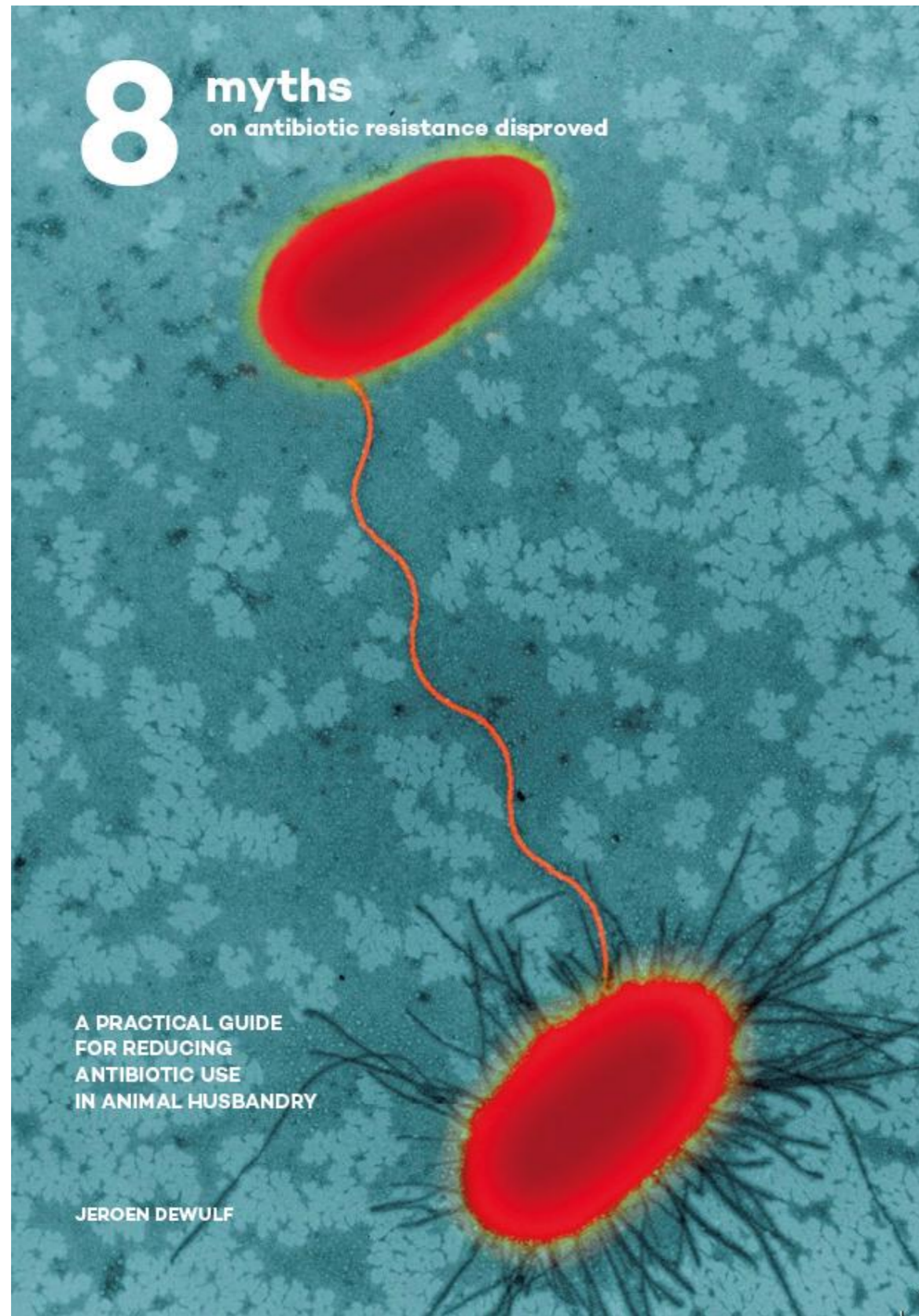
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# Antimicrobial resistance

# Reversion of antimicrobial resistance







**“An ounce of prevention,  
is worth a pound of cure”**

*- Benjamin Franklin -*



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