

Practical Experiences in Evaluation and Tool Selection

TAFS Workshop: "Right Tools, Real Impact: Evaluation and Use of FMD Vaccines and Diagnostics in the Field"

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Outline

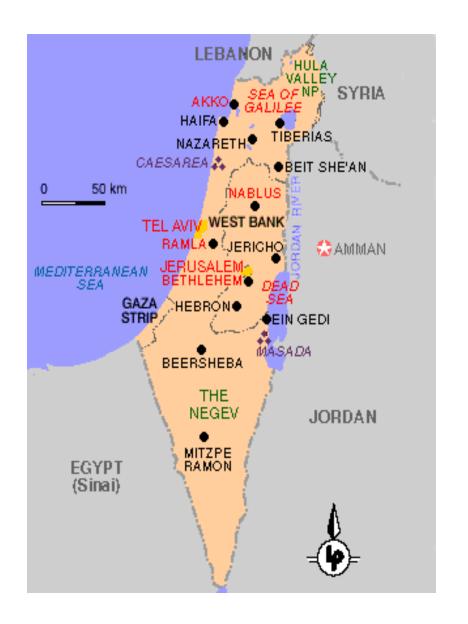
- Where does it come from
- Diagnosis difficulties
- How to prevent / control
- Effective vaccination



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FMD - still "surprising"

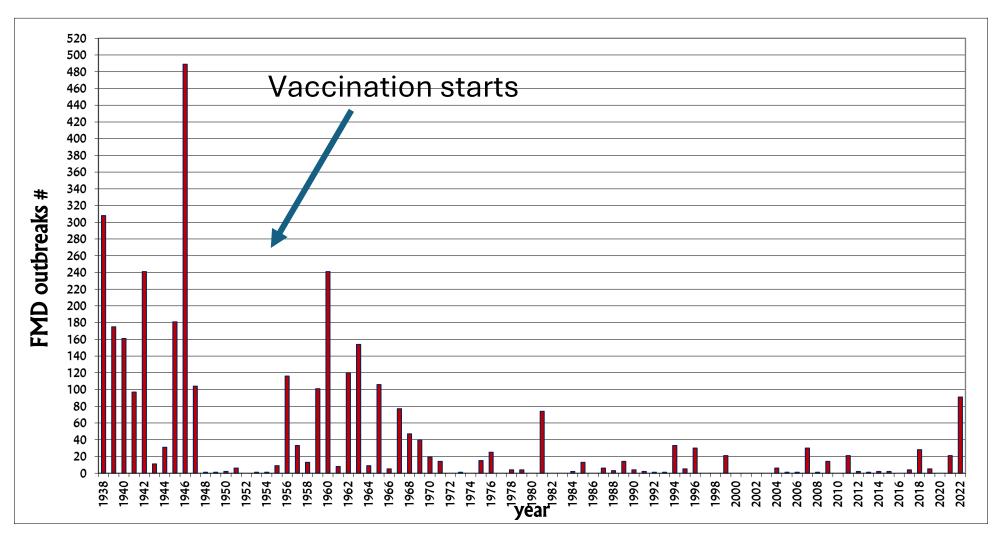


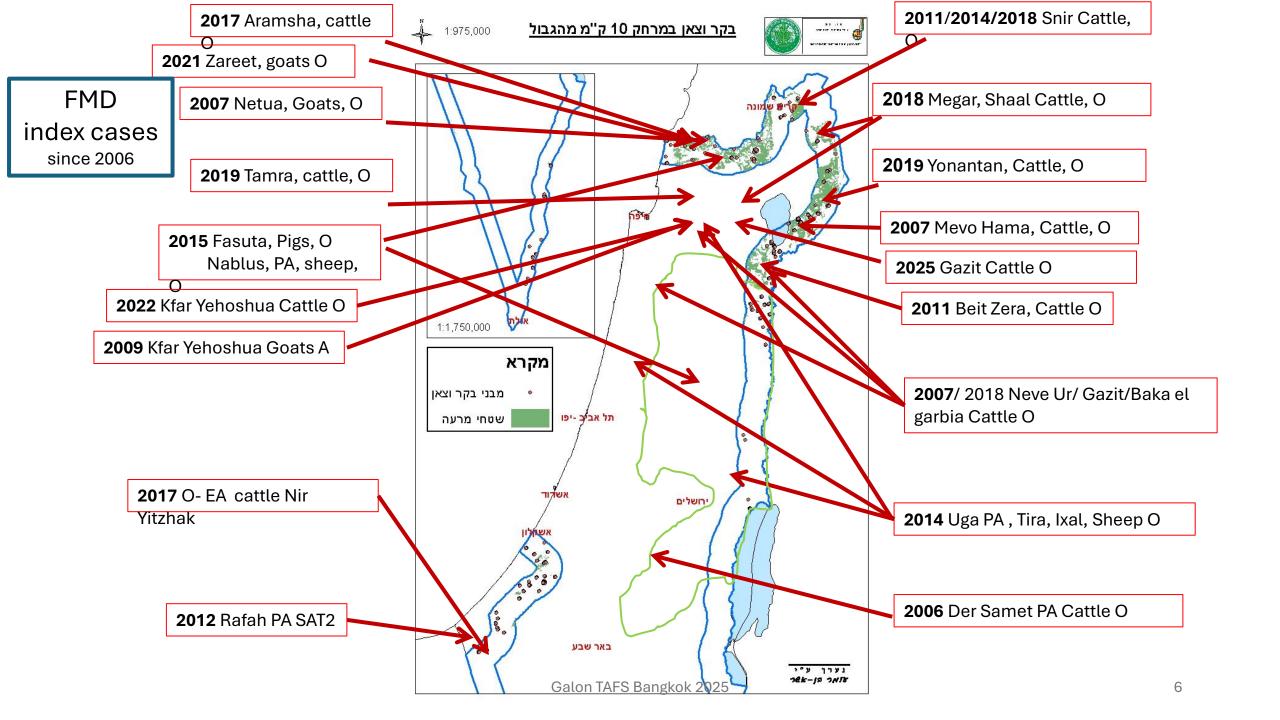
The right weather



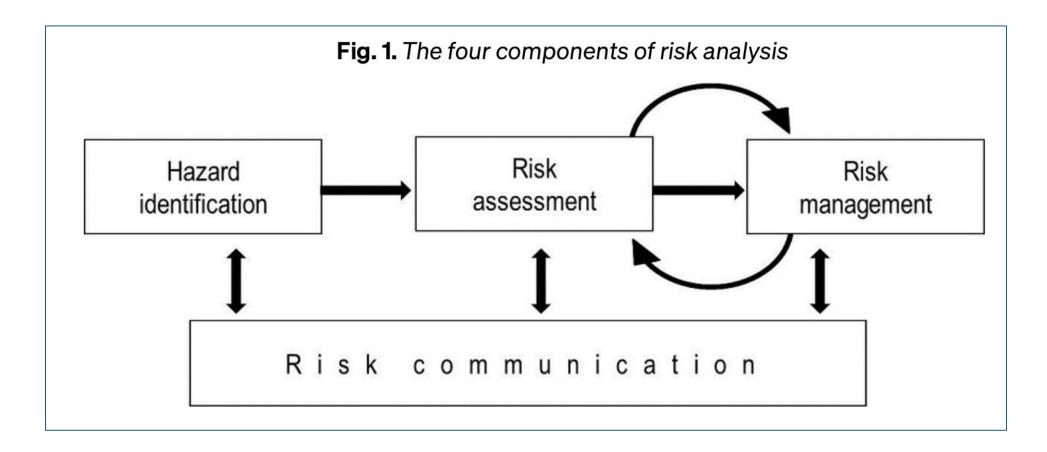
The right tools and approach

FMD outbreaks in Israel 1938-2022

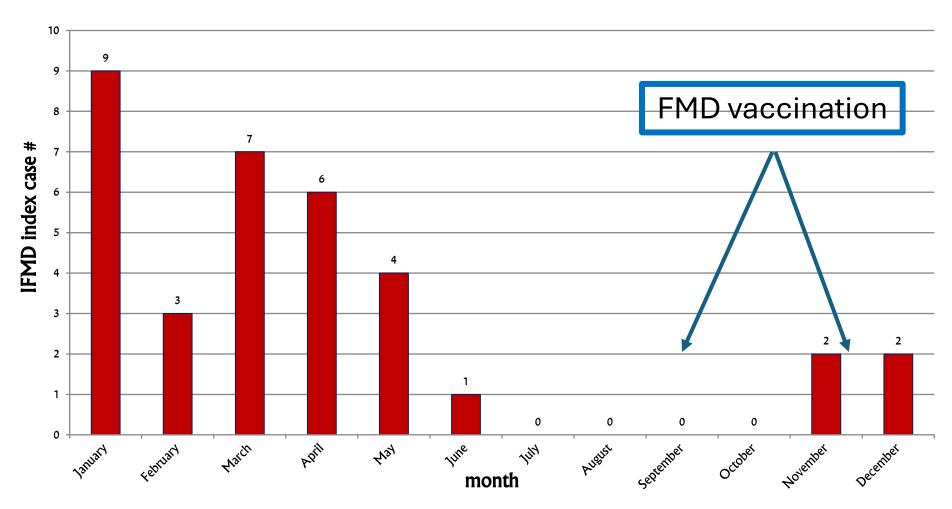




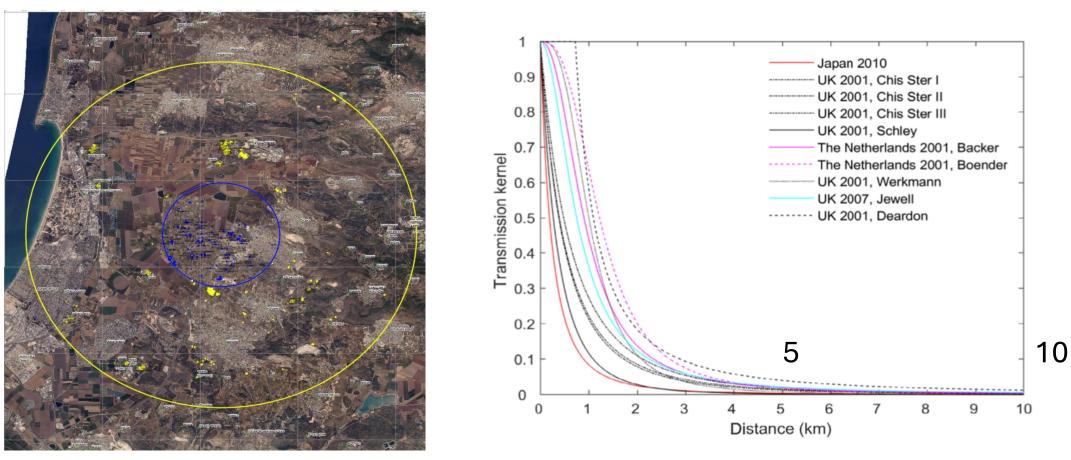
Risk Analysis



Seasonality- FMD outbreak by index-case month



Probability of transmission over distances



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Biosecurity – reduces spread / limited

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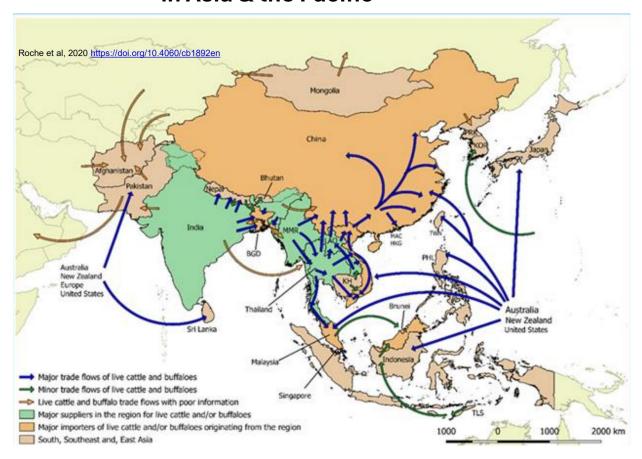
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries Biosecurity Queensland, Australia

Public



Movement control – limited impact

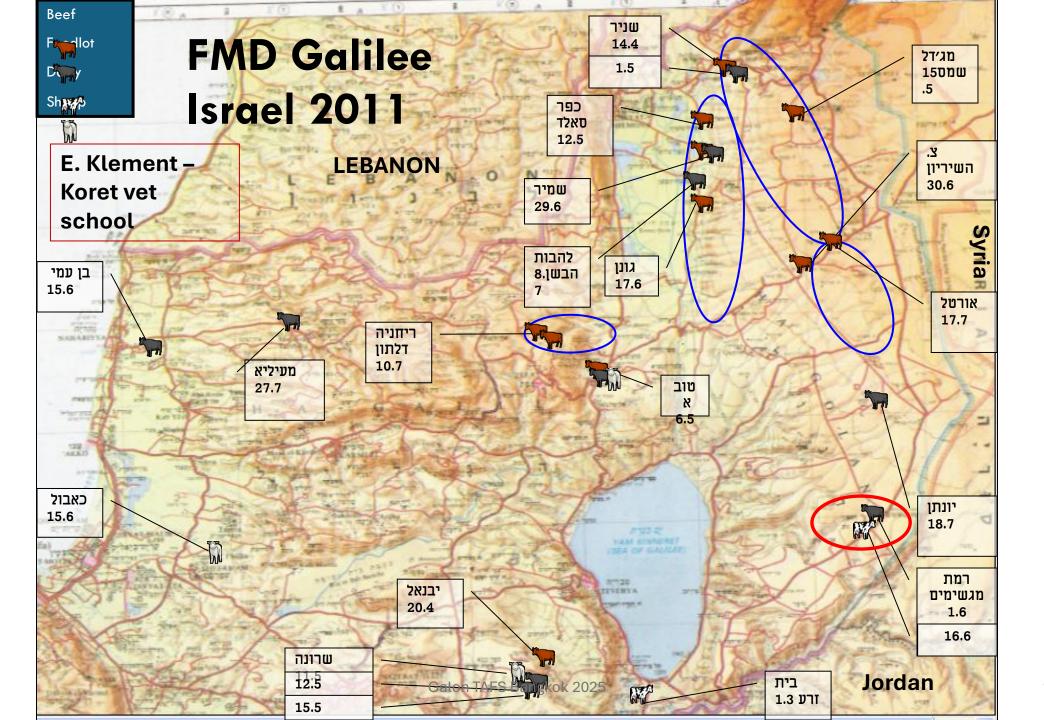
Large Ruminant Movement Pathways in Asia & the Pacific



Live cattle markets





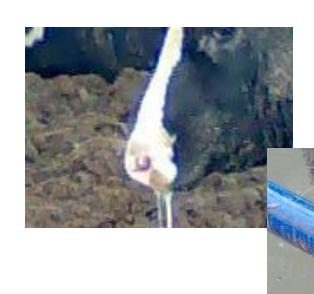


Vaccinated / Non-vaccinated herds

Vaccination scenarios:

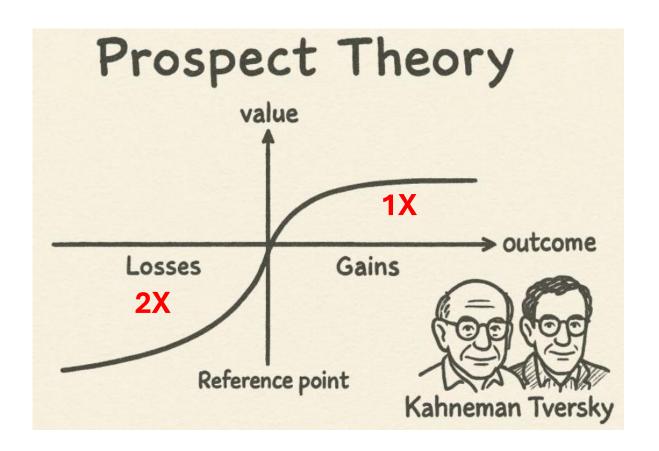
- Vaccinated once
- 6-8-10 months ago
- "Full protocol"
- Young / adult
- Twice a year ?

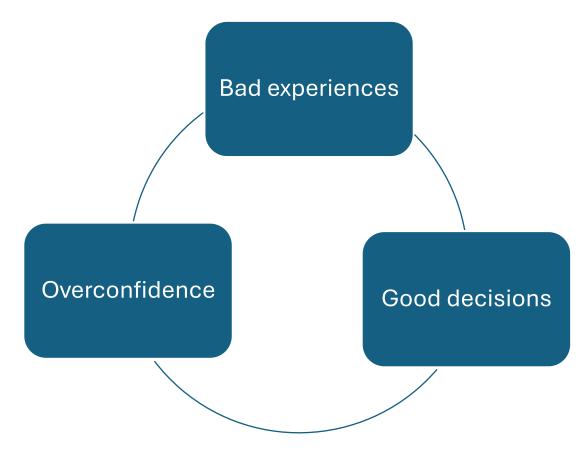
Vaccinated ≠ 100% Protected



why don't we like changes...

and the benefit of mistakes

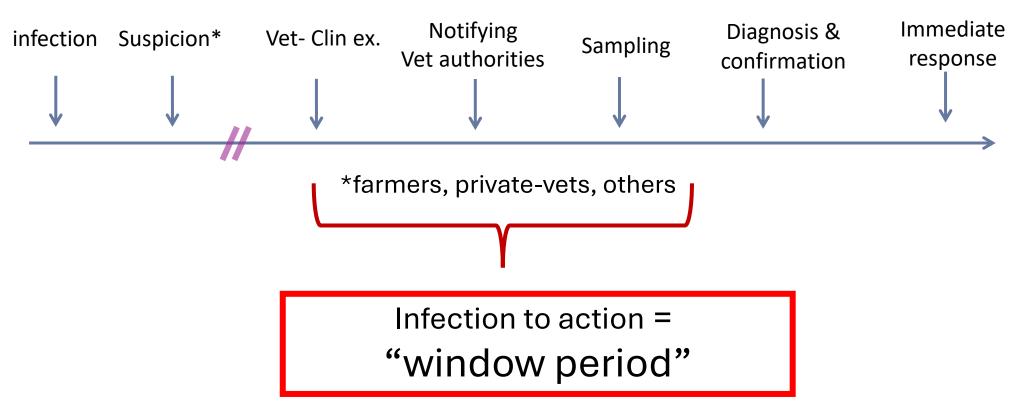




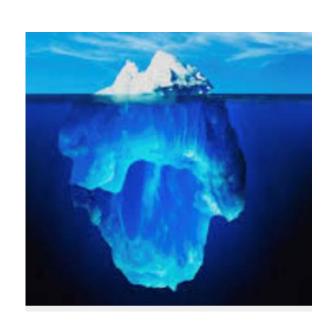
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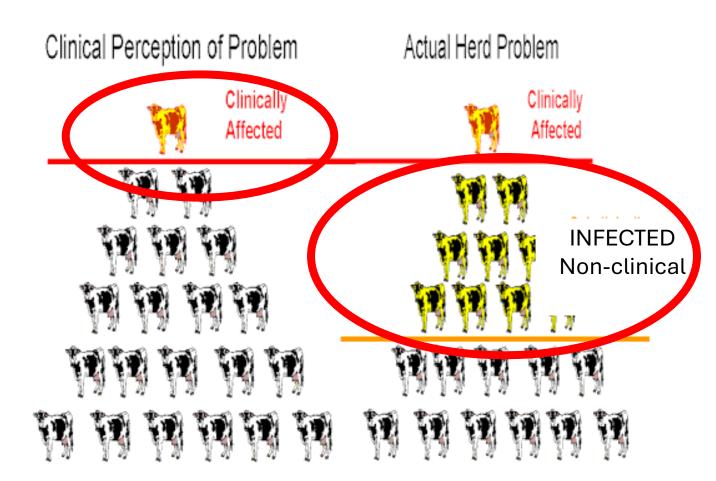
Kahneman, D., & Tversky, A. (1979). Prospect theory: An analysis of decision under risk. Econometrica, 47, 263-291

Time from infection to response



Clinical vs Subclinical –"tip of the iceberg"





Time to diagnosis and action

Country	year	Time to diagnosis	Time to emergency	source
USA	1924	63 days	90 days	DAIRY-L@.UMD.EDU
USA	1929	3 days	10 days	DAIRY-L@.UMD.EDU
UK	2001	~3 weeks	~3 weeks	PRO-MED
IL	2007	2-3 weeks		pers.com
IL	2009	2-3 weeks		pers.com
IL	2011	2-3 weeks		pers.com

USDA:

"If your livestock become lame or develop blisters or sores, call us"



Detecting clinical signs – Tech or Vet Depends on farm type

Housed





Pasture

Intensive

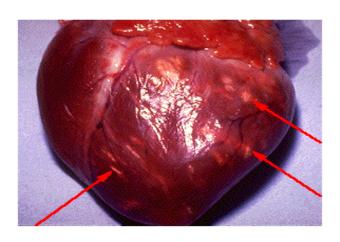




Extensive

Passive surveillance by farmers and clinical vets





"tiger heart"

- FMD O vaccinated dairy-goats herd
- Near int'l border
- Sampled for virology/ bacteriology / mycoplasma/ toxicology ...
- Not sampled for FMD
- > 3 weeks to diagnosis... FMD

Early signs are not always "classical"

Missed / delayed diagnosis is common





normal

youngstock diseases

youngstock mortality

Lameness - feet lesions

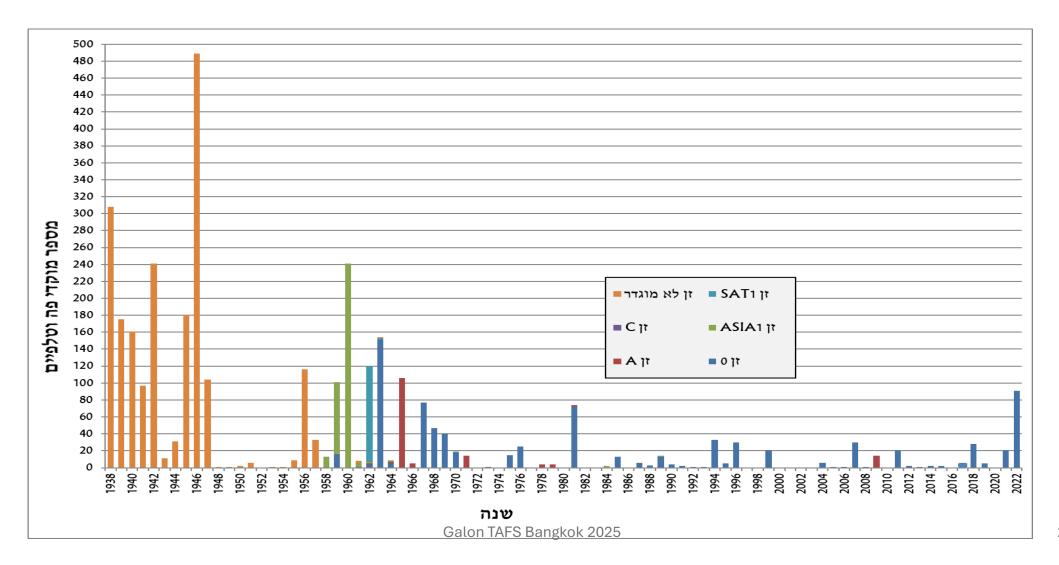


Non-vaccinated Austrailan imported steers in 2005 Eilat Quarantine, Red Sea, IL





FMD outbreaks by strain



Most suitable vaccine?

- Which strains to include
- Which strains to "bank"
- Tailored-made / off the shelf
- Availability / Price
- More than 1 supplier / alternate
- Preventive vaccination and
- Responsive vaccination

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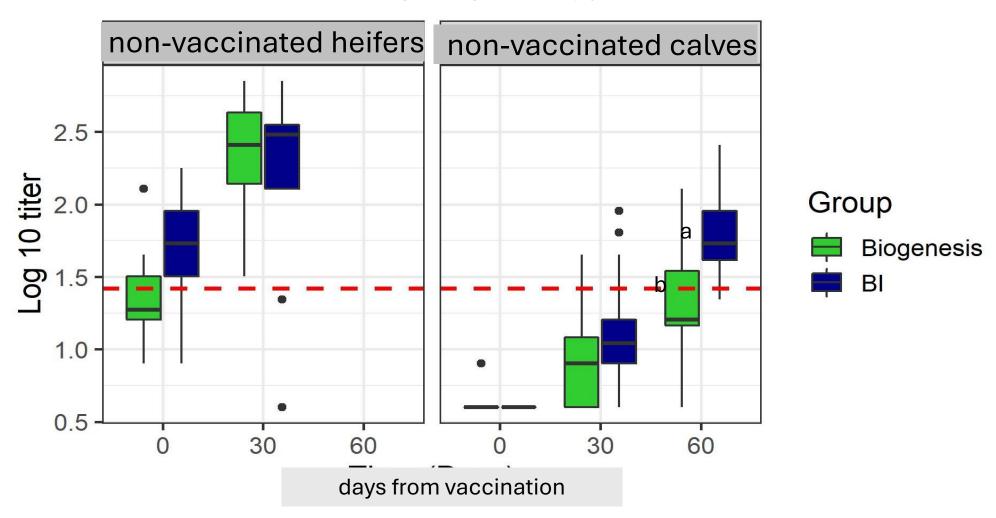
Asia 1

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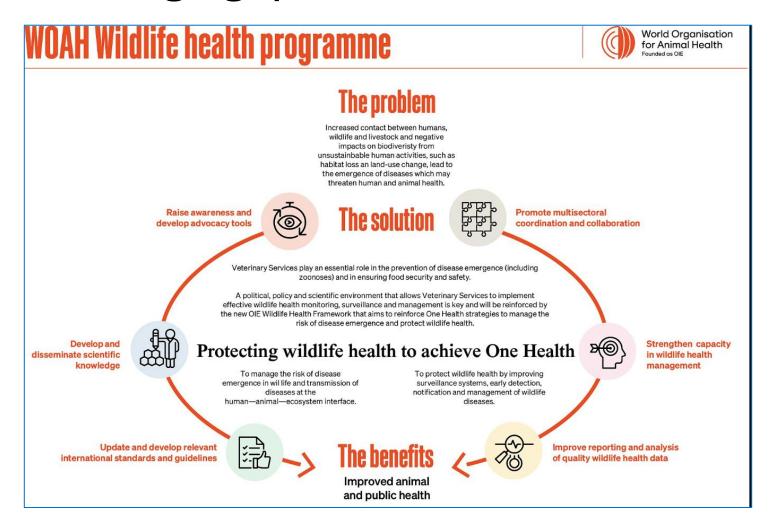
Testing vaccine field effectiveness

FMD O/ME-SA/PANAsia-2^{ANT-10}



Source: Israel Vet Services

Knowledge gap - wildlife involvement?



Future FMD detection technology

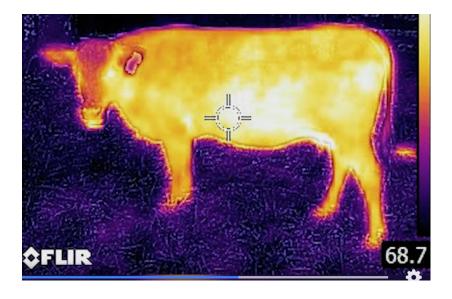


Drones Temp detection FMD Dx coming up?



David Balinsky UGA I-Corps project National Science Foundation "Shepherd Drones" to market





Summary

- FMD high risk still surprising
- Surveillance difficult / future Dx?
- Isolate send matching protecting
- Adjust vaccine strains
- Reserve for other strains
- Evaluate vaccine in field
- Vaccination properly
- Risk communication



How do you know if you use the best perspective?





Thank You