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Crossprotection within Serotype A Katharina Brehm and Bernd Haas

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Principle of current production method for FMD vaccines



Problems of current FMD Vaccines:

Gap between vaccination and onset of protection Duration of immunity

- Limited crossprotection
- Still low level of virus transmission/carriers likely
- No perfect DIVA vaccine
- Production under high security conditions
- Stability at ambient temperature

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RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE WRL ON FMD VIRUS STRAINS TO BE INCLUDED IN FMDV ANTIGEN BANKS – JUNE 2006

High Priority

Medium Priority

Low Priority



A Kenya

(not in order of importance)

WRL for FMD IAH Pirbright

Criteria for the decision to apply protective vaccination

Population density of susceptible animals

Clinically affected species

Movement of potentially infected animals or products out of the protection zone

Predicted airborne spread of virus from infected holdings

Suitable vaccine available?

Origin of outbreaks (traceability)

Incidence slope of outbreaks

Distribution of outbreaks

Public reaction to total stamping out policy

Acceptance of regionalisation after vaccination

Economic assessment of competing control strategies

It is foreseeable that the 24/48 hours rule cannot be implemented effectively for two consecutive days?

Significant social and psychological impact of total stamping out policy

Existence of large holdings of intensive livestock production in a non-densely populated livestock area

Improved vaccine strain selection WP5 of FMD_ImproCon

Heterologous challenge experiments vs. in vitro tests

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EP - Challenge test



3 groups of 5 cattle

1 Dose ¼ Dose 1/16 Dose

2 Control animals

intradermolingual infection 21 d.p.i

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Virus Vaccine	A 22 Irak	A 24 Cruzeiro	A Iran 96	A Iran 99
A 22 Irak	≥ 32 PD 50	2,64 PD 50	6,06 PD 50	3,84 PD 50
A 24 Cruzeiro	n.d.	13,93 PD 50	n.d.	n.d.
A Iran 96	2,00 PD 50 8,00 PD 50	n.d.	≥ 32 PD 50	10,56 PD 50
A Iran 99	13,93 PD 50	n.d.	18,38 PD 50	≥ 32 PD 50

A22 vaccine – A Egypt 06: 10,56 PD50

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Challenge Results

Vaccine/ challenge	A22/ A22	A22/ Alr96	A22/ AEgypt 06	A22/ Alr99	Alr99/ Alr99	Alr99 / A22	Alr99/ Alr96	Alr96/ Alr99	Alr96 / A22	Alr96 / A22	Alr96/ Alr96
dose											
1/1	5/5	5/5	5/5	5/5	5/5	5/5	5/5	5/5	2/5	5/5	5/5
1/4	5/5	2/5	3/5	2/5	5/5	4/5	5/5	3/5	2/5	4/5	5/5
1/16	5/5	2/5	3/5	0/5	5/5	3/5	3/5	3/5	1/5	1/5	5/5
control	0/2	0/2	0/2	0/2	0/2	0/2	0/2	0/2	0/2	0/2	0/2
PD50	32	6.06	10.56	3.84	32	13.93	18.38	10.56	2	8	32
r-value		0.09	0.12	0.04		0.10	0.23	0.12	n.a.	0.10	

Homologous and Heterologous VNT-Titres, 21 d.p.v.



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Definition r-value

r1 = titre of bovine reference serum against field isolate titre of bovine reference serum against homologous reference strain

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Ferris and Donaldson, 1992:

r1 = 0 to 0.19: highly significant serological variation from the reference vaccine strain

r1 = 0.2 to 0.39 represent an area of concern. They show significant differences from the reference strain, but protection may be satisfactory if a sufficiently potent vaccine is employed.

r1 = 0.4 to 1.00 are not significantly different from the reference vaccine

strain

Barnett et al, 2001 :

r-values of 0.3 to 1 = indicative of reasonable level of cross protection

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VNT and **Protection**



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Historical Data: VNT and Protection (homologous)



Historical Data: LPB-ELISA and Protection (homologous)



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Conclusion:

High potent emergency vaccines offer cross protection within serotype A

But there are good reasons for caution:

Many vaccines won't reach >32 PD50

What's true for "A" may not apply to other serotypes, e.g. "O"

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There are still gaps in fundamental knowledge on host immune responses and viral determinants of protection!

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