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FAX TRANSMISSION

TO: [REDACTED] **FROM:** [REDACTED]
DATE: 24.10.2007 **FAX NO:** [REDACTED]
PAGES: 2 **RE:** Strain differentiation results

Dear [REDACTED]

Strain differentiation results for Mali type A FMD virus isolates received in batches of samples on 9th March 2007.

The following r_1 values were obtained by ELISA and VNT at the FAO World Reference Laboratory for FMD.

Yours sincerely

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Head: World Reference Laboratory for FMD

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r₁ Values by ELISA		
Ref. No	A 22	A Eri
A Mai 12/2006	0.61	0.43
A Mai 16/2006	0.21	0.21
r₁ Values by VNT		
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A Mai 12/2006	<0.02	
A Mai 16/2006	0.03	

Interpretation of r₁ values

In the case of ELISA:

r₁ = 0.4-1.0. Suggests that there is a close relationship between field isolate and vaccine strain. A potent vaccine containing the vaccine strain is likely to confer protection.

r₁ = 0.2-0.39, Suggests that the field isolate is antigenically related to the vaccine strain. The vaccine strain might be suitable for use if no closer match can be found provided that a potent vaccine is used and animals are preferably immunised more than once.

r₁ = <0.2. Suggests that the field isolate is so different from the vaccine strain that the vaccine is unlikely to protect

In the case of neutralisation:

r₁ = ≥ 0.3. Suggests that there is a close relationship between field isolate and vaccine strain. A potent vaccine containing the vaccine strain is likely to confer protection.

r₁ = < 0.3. Suggests that the field isolate is so different from the vaccine strain that the vaccine is unlikely to protect.