

**FAO/OIE Reference Laboratory Contract Report
January-March 2008**

Foot-and-Mouth Disease

FMD Trends

Summary

There were no outbreaks officially reported in FMD-free countries that did not practice vaccination between January and March 2008. Within Europe, the Scientific Commission for Animal Diseases of the OIE recommended reinstatement of FMD-free without vaccination status for the UK and Cyprus starting on the 19th and 21st February respectively.

In the Middle East, FMD outbreaks have been reported (February 2008) in cattle in northern **Israel** (due to serotype O) and **Lebanon** (no serotype reported). In Lebanon, movement of infected animals via a local market (in Bekkaa province) has been proposed to be the likely route of infection. An un-expected increase in mortality due to FMD (serotype O) in **Bahrain** has been reported to the OIE and there have also been recent reports of FMD cases in **Kuwait**. Phylogenetic analysis shows a close relationship between FMD viruses recovered from these outbreaks in Bahrain and Kuwait and other members of the PanAsia II lineage (analysis described elsewhere in this report). Elsewhere in Asia, the FMD virus causing outbreaks of FMD affecting cattle in July 2007 in **Kyrgyzstan** have now been serotyped as A. There continue to be further outbreaks of FMD (Serotype Asia 1) in **China**. During this reporting period, three cases have been detected in Ningxia province in north-central China and additional cases in Xinjiang province neighbouring Kyrgyzstan in the far west of the country. In **Vietnam**, new cases of FMD have been reported in March 2008 affecting 2 central provinces (Nghe An and Ha Tinh). In order to attempt to control FMD, 100,000 animals in the central province of Quang Tri province have been recently vaccinated with trivalent (serotype O, A and Asia 1) vaccine.

In Africa, the FMD virus causing outbreaks in northern **Egypt** (Al Iskandariyah and Al Buhayrah) from September 2007 and January 2008 has been characterised as belonging to the new PanAsia II lineage of Serotype O. Introduction of infected animals via legal movement and contact via grazing and watering points has been implicated as the routes by which the virus has spread. To-date, these cases represent the most southerly extension of this new lineage that has recently spread through the Middle East. In January and February 2008, FMD outbreaks have occurred in **Nigeria** affecting cattle in the central Province of Niger. The serotype of the causative virus has not been determined. Many cases of FMD have also been reported in two districts of Isingiro in **Uganda** close to the border with Tanzania, resulting in a ban on livestock movement in the country's southern and western regions. In the south of the continent, 170 cases of FMD in cattle (no serotype designated) have been reported in the Southern province of **Zambia**. The affected animals were in the Kafue plains, close to a game park where contact with wild animals may have occurred as a result of flooding due to heavy rains in the area. In **Namibia**, further serotype SAT2 serotype outbreaks have been reported in the Caprivi strip close to the area affected by last year's cases. Movement and quarantine restrictions in concert with ring vaccination (with SAT 1-3) have been employed in an attempt to control the spread of the disease. In January 2008, new FMD cases have been reported in Sehithwa area, Botswana. The affected areas are further south of the Habu Extension, where the disease was confirmed in mid October last year. Eleven cases of FMD have also been reported on the southern coast of **Mozambique**. The affected cattle (showing vesicular lesions on their tongues) had been moved from Tete province, in the central part of Mozambique. 5000 susceptible animals have now been vaccinated and quarantine and movement restrictions have been initiated.

Within South America, outbreaks of FMD continue to be reported in **Venezuela** (January 2008). The most recent of these was in the State of Merida in the west of the country. Elsewhere in the continent, vaccination programmes continue to be employed. In particular, in Paraguay more than 360,000 cattle have been vaccinated in the Departments of Amambay and Canindeyu, within the 15-km buffer zone established along the borders with Brazil.

WRL vaccine recommendations are unchanged.

Results from samples received at WRL (status of samples being tested is shown in Table 1)

An up-to-date list and reports of FMD viruses characterised by sequencing can be found at the following website: http://www.wrlfmd.org/fmd_genotyping/2008.htm

Table 1: Status of sequencing of samples received recently to WRLFMD

| Batch | Country | Serotype | No. of samples | Status |
|-------------------|--------------|----------|----------------|-------------|
| WRLFMD-2008-00001 | Bahrain | O | 3 | Completed |
| WRLFMD-2008-00002 | Ethiopia | O | 1 | Completed |
| WRLFMD-2008-00002 | Ethiopia | SAT 2 | 1 | Completed |
| WRLFMD-2008-00002 | Ethiopia | SAT 1 | 1 | Completed |
| WRLFMD-2008-00002 | Ethiopia | A | 1 | Completed |
| WRLFMD-2008-00004 | Kuwait | O | 10 | Completed |
| WRLFMD-2008-00006 | Pakistan | O | 25 | In progress |
| WRLFMD-2008-00007 | Saudi Arabia | O | 2 | Completed |
| WRLFMD-2008-00008 | Saudi Arabia | O | 5 | In progress |
| WRLFMD-2008-00009 | Ethiopia | O | 3 | In progress |
| WRLFMD-2008-00009 | Ethiopia | SAT1 | 3 | In progress |

Middle East and Asia

FMDV serotype O

Fifteen recent FMDV isolates from the Middle East (2, 3 and 10 from Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and Kuwait respectively) have been characterised by VP1 sequencing (See Annex 2, Figure 1). All viruses belong to the PanAsia II lineage of serotype O. The majority of these viruses (9/10 of the viruses from Kuwait and all the isolates from Saudi Arabia and Bahrain) were clustered as a single group also containing 3 Iranian viruses from 2007. Within this group, there appear to be 3 separate sub-clusters ([i] SAU and BAH [ii] KUW 3-5/2008 and [iii] KUW 1, 2, 6-7, 8 and 10/200) indicating that although these viruses share a common ancestor, they have different epidemiological histories prior to their detection. Interestingly, the final isolate from Kuwait (KUW 9/2008) appeared to be more distantly related to viruses in this cluster.

FMDV serotype A

Two sequences obtained from viruses recovered from Tajikistan (3003) and Kyrgyzstan (2007) have been sent to IAH for analysis from ARRIAH (Russia).

Africa

Material received to the WRL from Ethiopia has been characterised as belonging to 4 different FMDV serotypes: ***FMDV serotype O*** (See Annex 2, Figure 2):The serotype O isolate was characterised as belonging to the EA-3 topotype, distantly related to earlier viruses from 2005 and 2006 collected from Ethiopia; ***FMDV serotype A*** (See Annex 2, Figure 3) Characterised as belonging to the Africa topotype; ***FMDV serotype SAT1*** (See Annex 2, Figure 4); ***FMDV serotype SAT2*** (See Annex 2, Figure 5) In general these

viruses (of all 4 serotypes) are not clustered closely with any other previously analysed strains indicating that there is a considerable amount of uncharacterised FMDV circulating in the region.

Vaccine matching

Six FMDV type O isolates (O IRN 26/2007; O IRN 30/2007; O BAR 2/2008; O KUW 4/2008; O YEM 4/2006 and O YEM 29/2006) from Iran, Bahrain, Kuwait and Yemen collected in 2006, 2007 and 2008 were further characterised by two dimensional virus neutralisation test (VNT: see Annex 1; TABLE C). These results showed that most of these isolates were antigenically matched with O1 Manisa vaccine strains. Four of these field isolates (O YEM 4/2006 and 29/2006; O BAR 2/2008 and O KUW 4/2008) were also closely matched with O BFS 1860 and O Ind R2/75 indicating that these serotype O viruses can be covered by a vaccine present in many vaccine banks.

Five FMDV type A isolates (A ETH 4/2007; A IRN 36/2007; A IRN 39/2007; A MAY 1/2007 and A MAY 3/2007) from Ethiopia, Iran and Malaysia have been analysed by two dimensional VNT. The results showed that both of the isolates from Malaysia were matched with A May 97 (one isolate was also matched with A22 and A Turkey/06). The 2 isolates from Iran showed antigenic matching with A Turkey/06 vaccine strain (and not A22). Finally, isolate A ETH 4/2007 from Ethiopia showed no matching with either A22 or A Eritrea vaccine strains. (Annex 1; TABLE C).

Two FMD type Asia 1 isolates (Asia 1 KRG 1/2004 and Asia 1 NKR 2/2007) from North Korea and Kyrgyzstan have been characterised by two dimensional VNT and the results showed they were antigenically matched with both of Asia 1 India and Asia 1 Shamir vaccine strains.

Publication of data to the scientific community and the industry

FMD papers published in the reporting period from the Pirbright Laboratory (Pirbright authors underlined):

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Annex 1.

Table A: Summary of clinical sample diagnostics made by the WRL between January - March 2008

| Country | WRL for FMD Sample Identification | Animal | Date of Collection | Results | | |
|----------|---|--------|-----------------------|----------|----------|--------------|
| | | | | VI/ELISA | RT-PCR | Final report |
| BAHRAIN | BAR 1/2008 | Cattle | 08.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | BAR 2/2008 | Cattle | 08.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | BAR 3/2008 | Cattle | 08.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| BOTSWANA | BOT 1/2008 | Pig | 00.02.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | BOT 2/2008 | Pig | 00.02.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | BOT 3/2008 | Pig | 00.02.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | BOT 4/2008 | Pig | 00.02.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | BOT 5/2008 | Pig | 00.02.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| ETHIOPIA | ETH 1/2007 | Cattle | 08.02.07 | O | Positive | O |
| | ETH 2/2007 | Cattle | 07.09.07 | SAT 2 | Positive | SAT 2 |
| | ETH 3/2007 | Cattle | 10.11.07 | SAT 1 | Positive | SAT 1 |
| | ETH 4/2007 | Cattle | 07.12.07 | A | Positive | A |
| | ETH 5/2007 | Cattle | 10.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 6/2007 | Sheep | 10.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 7/2007 | Cattle | 11.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 8/2007 | Cattle | 11.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 9/2007 | Cattle | 11.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 10/2007 | Sheep | 11.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 11/2007 | Sheep | 11.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 12/2007 | Goat | 11.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 13/2007 | Cattle | 12.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 14/2007 | Sheep | 12.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 15/2007 | Goat | 12.11.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |

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|----------|-------------|--------|-------------|-------|----------|---------|
| | ETH 16/2007 | Goat | 05.12.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 17/2007 | Goat | 06.12.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 18/2007 | Goat | 06.12.07 | SAT 1 | Negative | SAT 1 |
| | ETH 19/2007 | Sheep | 07.12.07 | SAT 1 | Negative | SAT 1 |
| | ETH 20/2007 | Goat | 07.12.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 21/2007 | Cattle | 07.12.07 | SAT 1 | Positive | SAT 1 |
| | ETH 22/2007 | Cattle | 22.12.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 23/2007 | Sheep | 22.12.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 24/2007 | Goat | 22.12.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 25/2007 | Cattle | 00.12.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | ETH 26/2007 | Cattle | 00.12.07 | O | Positive | O |
| | ETH 27/2007 | Cattle | 00.12.07 | O | Positive | O |
| | ETH 28/2007 | Cattle | 00.12.07 | O | Positive | O |
| KUWAIT | KUW 1/2008 | Cattle | 03.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 2/2008 | Cattle | 03.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 3/2008 | Cattle | 20.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 4/2008 | Cattle | 20.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 5/2008 | Cattle | 20.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 6/2008 | Cattle | 24.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 7/2008 | Cattle | 24.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 8/2008 | Cattle | 24.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 9/2008 | Cattle | 24.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| | KUW 10/2008 | Cattle | 24.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| SENEGAL | SEN 1/2008 | Cattle | 25.01.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | SEN 2/2008 | Cattle | 25.01.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | SEN 3/2008 | Cattle | 25.01.08 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| | SEN 4/2008 | Cattle | 25.01.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | SEN 5/2008 | Cattle | 25.01.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | SEN 6/2008 | Cattle | 25.01.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| | SEN 7/2008 | Cattle | 25.01.08 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| | SEN 8/2008 | Cattle | 25.01.08 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAKISTAN | PAK 27/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | NVD | Negative | NVD |

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|-------------|---------|-------------|-----|----------|---------|
| PAK 28/2005 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.05 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 29/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 30/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 31/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 32/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 33/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 34/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 35/2005 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.05 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 36/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 37/2005 | Cattle | 00.01-03.05 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 38/2005 | Cattle | 00.02.05 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 39/2005 | Cattle | 00.02.05 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 40/2005 | Buffalo | 00.02.05 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 41/2005 | Cattle | 00.02.05 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 42/2005 | Cattle | 00.00.05 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 60/2006 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 61/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 62/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 63/2006 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 64/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 65/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 66/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | O | Negative | O |
| PAK 67/2006 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 68/2006 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 69/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 70/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 71/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 72/2006 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 73/2006 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.06 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 74/2006 | Cattle | 00.01-03.06 | O | Negative | O |
| PAK 53/2007 | Cattle | 00.01-03.07 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 54/2007 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 55/2007 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.07 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 56/2007 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.07 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 57/2007 | Buffalo | 00.01-03.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |

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|-------------|---------|-------------|-----|----------|---------|
| PAK 58/2007 | Cattle | 00.01-03.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 59/2007 | Cattle | 00.01-03.07 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 60/2007 | Cattle | 00.01-03.07 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 61/2007 | Cattle | 00.01-03.07 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 62/2007 | Cattle | 00.01-03.07 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 63/2007 | Cattle | 00.01-03.07 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 64/2007 | Cattle | 00.01-03.07 | NVD | Negative | NVD |
| PAK 65/2007 | Cattle | 00.03.07 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 66/2007 | Buffalo | 00.12.07 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 67/2007 | Buffalo | 00.12.07 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| PAK 1/2008 | Cattle | 00.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| PAK 2/2008 | Buffalo | 00.01.08 | O | Positive | O |

SAUDI
ARABIA

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|-------------|--------|----------|-----|----------|---------|
| SAU 1/2008 | Cattle | 01.03.08 | O | Positive | O |
| SAU 2/2008 | Cattle | 01.03.08 | O | Positive | O |
| SAU 3/2008 | Cattle | 15.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| SAU 4/2008 | Cattle | 12.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| SAU 5/2008 | Cattle | 03.03.08 | O | Positive | O |
| SAU 6/2008 | Cattle | 28.10.07 | O | Positive | O |
| SAU 7/2008 | Sheep | 01.01.08 | O | Positive | O |
| SAU 8/2008 | Sheep | 03.03.08 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| SAU 9/2008 | Cattle | 08.03.08 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |
| SAU 10/2008 | Cattle | 05.01.08 | NVD | Positive | FMDV GD |

TOTAL : 112

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- FMD(V) foot-and-mouth disease (virus)
- GD genome detected
- VI/ELISA FMDV serotype identified following virus isolation in cell culture and antigen ELISA
- RT-PCR reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction on epithelial suspension for FMD (or SVD) viral genome
- NVD no foot-and-mouth disease, swine vesicular disease or vesicular stomatitis virus detected

TABLE B: Summary of samples collected and received to IAH-Pirbright (January – March 2008)

| Country | No. of samples | Virus isolation in cell culture/ELISA | | | | | | | | RT-PCR for FMD (or SVD) virus (where appropriate) | | |
|--------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---|-----------|-----------|
| | | FMD virus serotypes | | | | SVD virus | NVD | Positive | Negative | | | |
| | | O | A | C | Asia | | | | | | | |
| BAHRAIN | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | |
| BOTSWANA | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | 5 | |
| ETHIOPIA | 28 | 4 | 1 | - | 4 | 1 | - | - | - | 18 | 8 | 20 |
| KUWAIT | 10 | 10 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 10 | - |
| PAKISTAN | 48 | 25 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 23 | 34 | 14 |
| SAUDI ARABIA | 10 | 7 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 10 | - |
| SENEGAL | 8 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8 | 2 | 6 |
| TOTAL | 112 | 49 | 1 | - | 4 | 1 | - | - | - | 57 | 67 | 45 |

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VI/ELISA FMD (or SVD) virus serotype identified following virus isolation in cell culture and antigen detection ELISA

FMD foot-and-mouth disease

SVD swine vesicular disease

NVD no FMD, SVD or vesicular stomatitis virus detected

RT-PCR reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction for FMD (or SVD) viral genome

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TABLE C: Antigenic characterisation of FMD field isolates by matching with vaccine strains by VNT – r1 value data from 1st January to 31st March 2008

| Field isolates | TEST | r1 values for type A vaccine strains | | | | | | |
|----------------|------|--------------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-------------|
| | | A22 | A Ind 17/82 | A Irn 96 | A May 97 | A Eritrea | A Irn 99 | A Turkey/06 |
| A ETH 4/2007 | VNT | 0.14 | | | | 0.09 | | |
| A IRN 36/2007 | VNT | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.19 | 0.17 | | 0.11 | 0.36 |
| A IRN 39/2007 | VNT | 0.12 | | 0.11 | 0.29 | | 0.34 | 0.46 |
| A MAY 1/2007 | VNT | 0.33 | 0.06 | | 0.36 | | | 0.36 |
| A MAY 3/2007 | VNT | 0.05 | 0.09 | | 0.44 | | | 0.15 |

| Field isolates | TEST | r1 values for type O vaccine strains | | |
|----------------|------|--------------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| | | O Manisa | BFS1860 | O Ind R2/75 |
| O BAR 2/2008 | VNT | 0.30 | 0.30 | 0.60 |
| O IRN 26/2007 | VNT | <1.0 | | |
| O IRN 30/2007 | VNT | 0.15 | | |
| O KUW 4/2008 | VNT | 0.87 | 0.44 | >1.0 |
| O YEM 29/2006 | VNT | 0.29 | 0.25 | >1.0 |
| O YEM 4/2006 | VNT | 0.36 | 0.47 | |

| Field isolates | TEST | r1 value for type Asia 1 vaccine strains | |
|------------------|------|--|--------------|
| | | Asia1 India | Asia1 Shamir |
| Asia1 KRG 1/2004 | VNT | 0.32 | 0.59 |

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|---------------------|-----|------|------|
| Asia1 NKR 2/2007 | VNT | 0.31 | 0.52 |
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Interpretation of r_1 values

In the case of VNT:

$r_1 = \geq 0.3$. 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.

$r_1 = < 0.3$. Suggests that the field isolate is so different from the vaccine strain that the vaccine is unlikely to protect.

In the case of ELISA:

$r_1 = 0.4-1.0$. 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.

$r_1 = 0.2-0.39$, 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.

$r_1 = < 0.2$. Suggests that the field isolate is so different from the vaccine strain that the vaccine is unlikely to protect.

Annex 2: Phylogenetic analysis of characterised FMDV isolates:

Fig 1 FMDV serotype O viruses characterised from Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and Kuwait

Report on FMD type O viruses from the Middle East in 2008 (Saudi Arabia, Bahrain and Kuwait)

No. of Taxa : 161
 Data File : n:\evd\meg\db\fmdv\o\SAU2008a.meg
 Data Title : Saudi Arabia 2008
 Data Type : Nucleotide (Coding)
 Analysis : Phylogeny reconstruction
 Tree Inference : =====
 ->Method : Neighbor-Joining
 ->Phylogeny Test and options : Bootstrap (1000 replicates; seed=64238)
 Include Sites : =====
 ->Gaps/Missing Data : Pairwise Deletion
 ->Codon Positions : 1st+2nd+3rd+Noncoding
 Substitution Model : =====
 ->Model : Nucleotide: Kimura 2-parameter
 ->Substitutions to Include : d: Transitions + Transversions
 ->Pattern among Lineages : Same (Homogeneous)
 ->Rates among sites : Uniform rates
 No. of Sites : 639
 No Of Bootstrap Reps = 1000
 Only bootstrap values of 70% and less are shown

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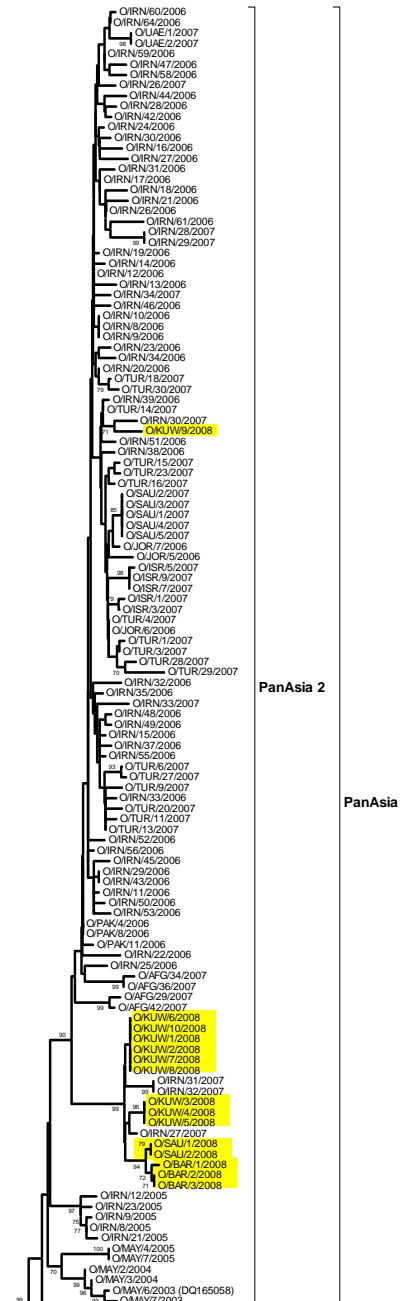


Fig 2: Recent serotype O virus characterised from Ethiopia

Report on FMDV O in Ethiopia in 2007

Software: MEGA 4
 No. of Taxa : 134
 Data File : n:\evd\meg\db\fmv\o\ETH2007a.meg
 Data Title : Ethiopia 2007
 Data Type : Nucleotide (Coding)
 Analysis : Phylogeny reconstruction
 Tree Inference : =====
 Method : Neighbor-Joining
 Phylogeny Test and options : Bootstrap (1000 replicates; seed=64238)
 Include Sites : =====
 Gaps/Missing Data : Pairwise Deletion
 Codon Positions : 1st+2nd+3rd+Noncoding
 Substitution Model : =====
 Model : Nucleotide: Kimura 2-parameter
 Substitutions to include : d: Transitions + Transversions
 Pattern among Lineages : Same (Homogeneous)
 Rates among sites : Uniform rates
 No. of Sites : 642
 No Of Bootstrap Reps = 1000
 Only bootstrap values of 70% and above are shown

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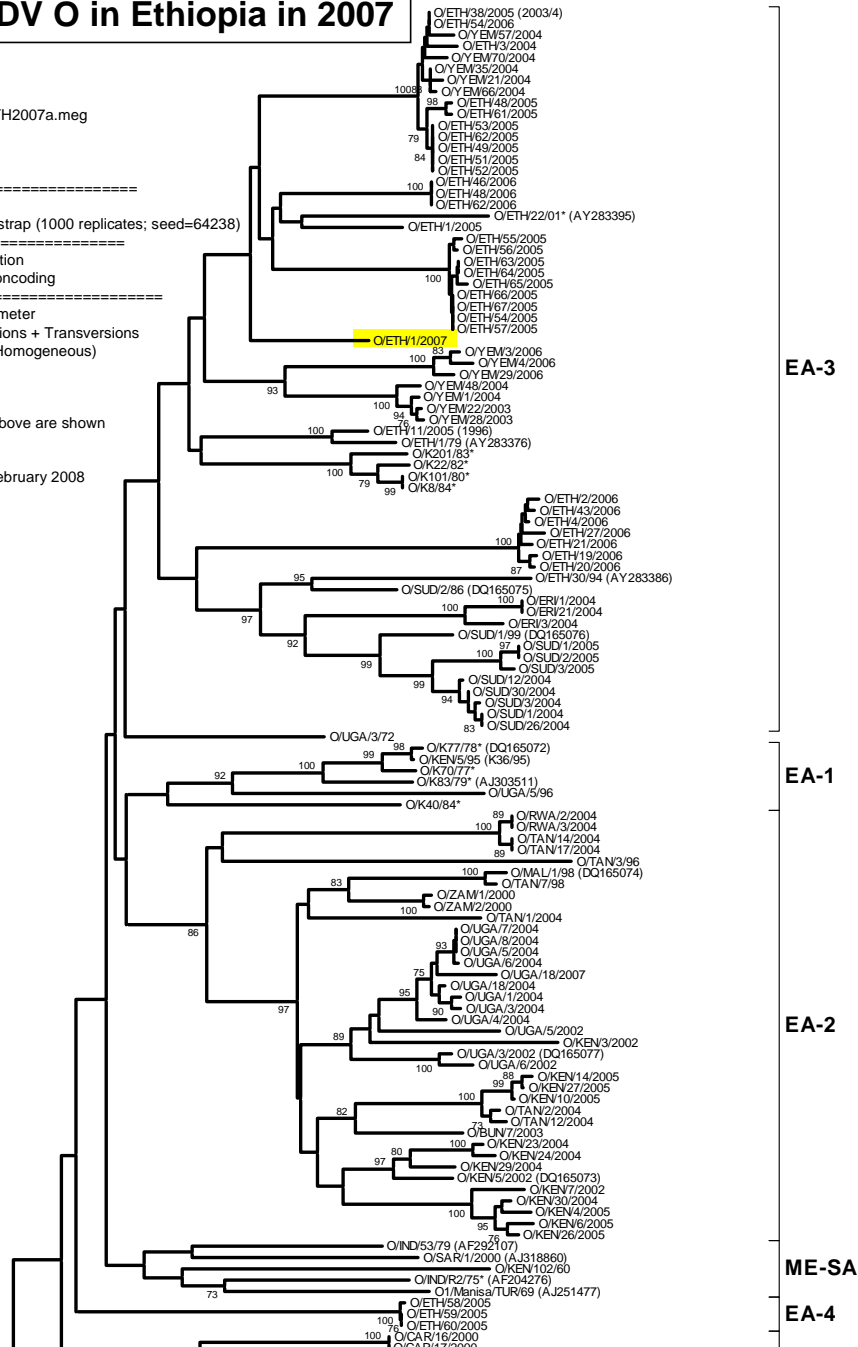


Fig 3: Recent serotype A virus characterised from Ethiopia

Report on FMDV A in Ethiopia in 2007

Software: MEGA 4
 No. of Taxa : 117
 Data File : n:\evd\meg\db\fmv\la\ETH2007a.meg
 Data Title : Ethiopia 2007
 Data Type : Nucleotide (Coding)
 Analysis : Phylogeny reconstruction
 Tree Inference : =====
 Method : Neighbor-Joining
 Phylogeny Test and options : Bootstrap (1000 replicates; seed=64238)
 Include Sites : =====
 Gaps/Missing Data : Pairwise Deletion
 Codon Positions : 1st+2nd+3rd+Noncoding
 Substitution Model : =====
 Model : Nucleotide: Kimura 2-parameter
 Substitutions to Include : d: Transitions + Transversions
 Pattern among Lineages : Same (Homogeneous)
 Rates among sites : Uniform rates
 No. of Sites : 642
 No Of Bootstrap Reps = 1000
 Only bootstrap values of 70% and above are shown

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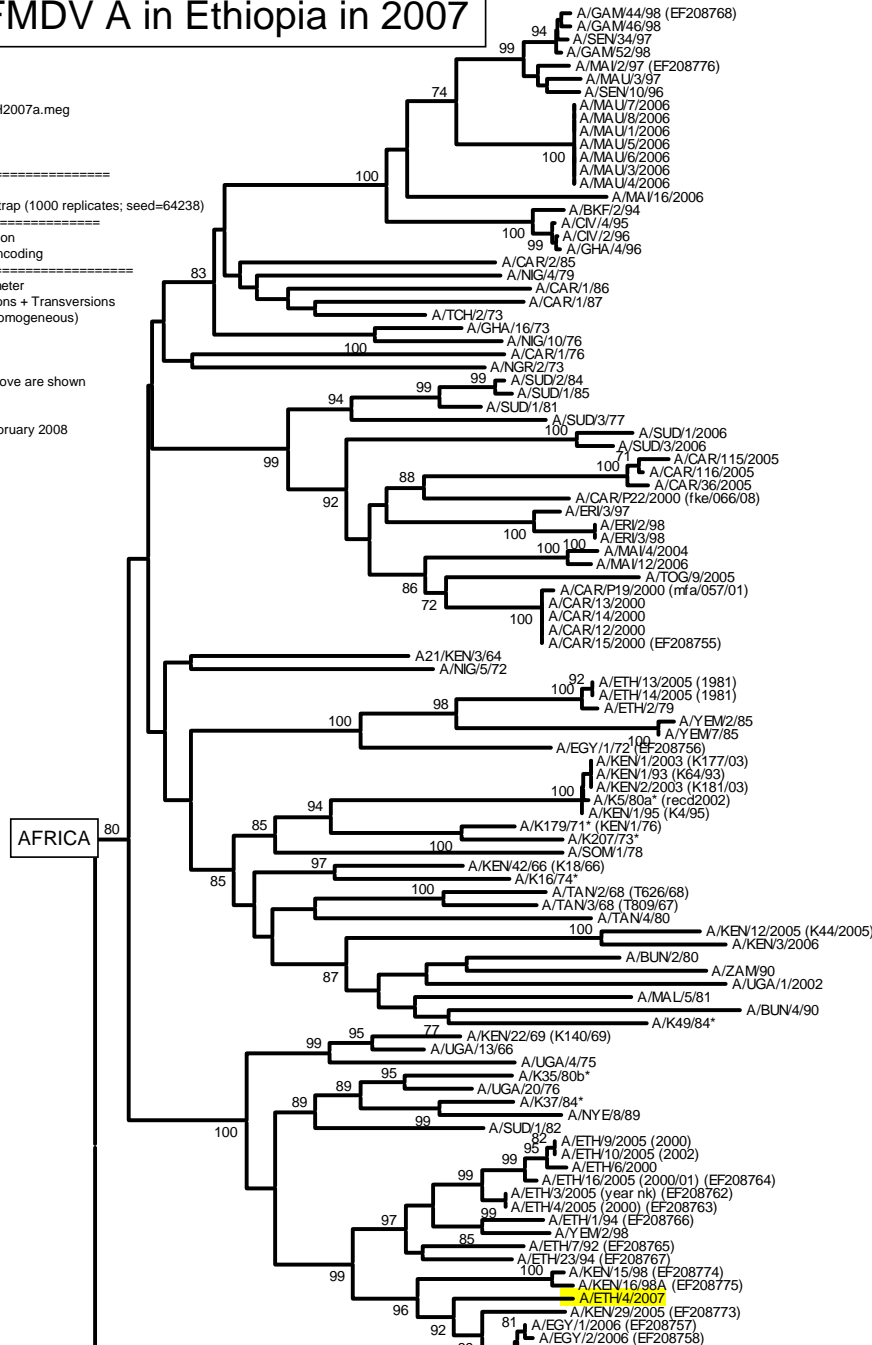


Fig 4: Recent serotype SAT1 virus characterised from Ethiopia

Report on FMDV SAT 1 from Ethiopia in 2007

Software: MEGA 4
 No. of Taxa : 104
 Data File : n:\evd\meg\db\fmv\sat1\ETH2007a.meg
 Data Title : Ethiopia 2007
 Data Type : Nucleotide (Coding)
 Analysis : Phylogeny reconstruction
 Tree Inference : =====
 Method : Neighbor-Joining
 Phylogeny Test and options : Bootstrap (1000 replicates;
 seed=64238)
 Include Sites : =====
 Gaps/Missing Data : Pairwise Deletion
 Codon Positions : 1st+2nd+3rd+Noncoding
 Substitution Model : =====
 Model : Nucleotide: Kimura 2-parameter
 Substitutions to Include : d: Transitions + Transversions
 Pattern among Lineages : Same (Homogeneous)
 Rates among sites : Uniform rates
 No. of Sites : 663
 No Of Bootstrap Reps = 1000
 Only bootstrap values of 70% and above are shown

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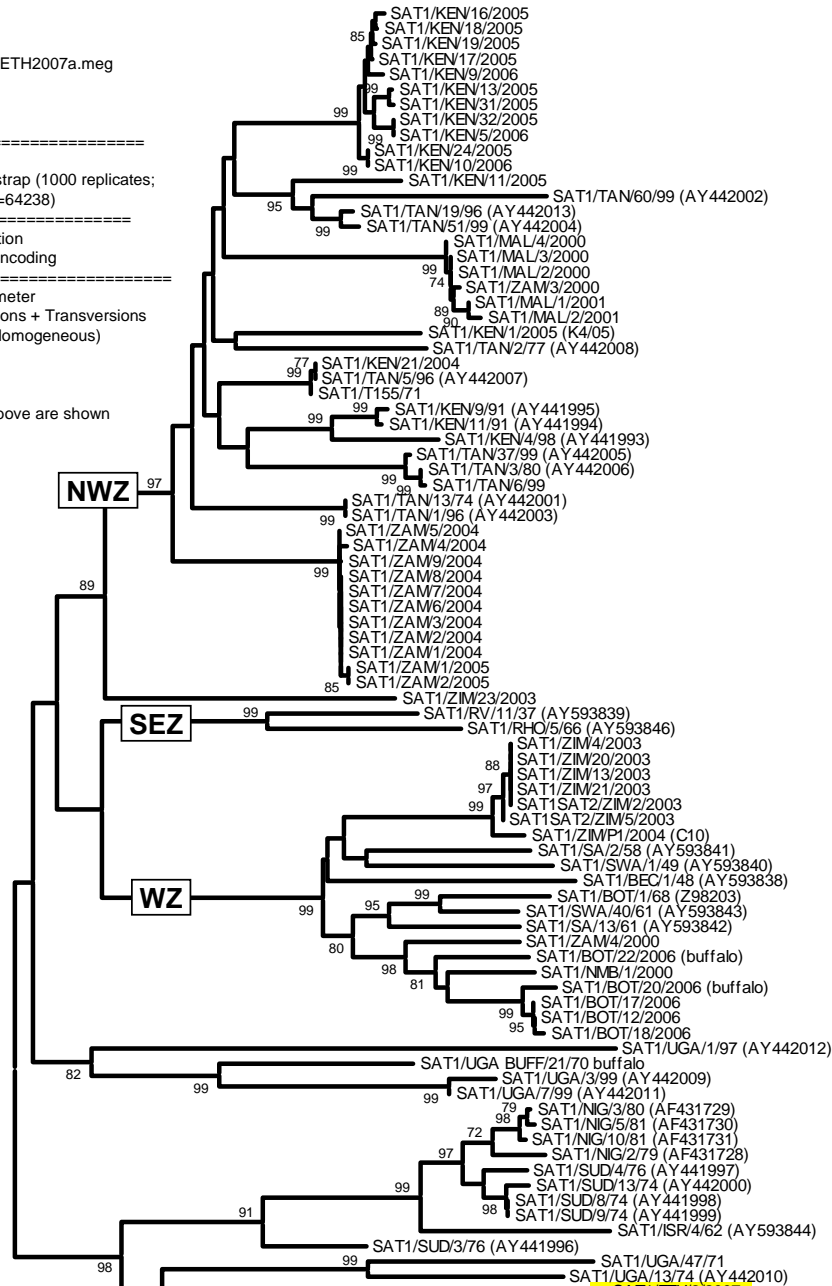
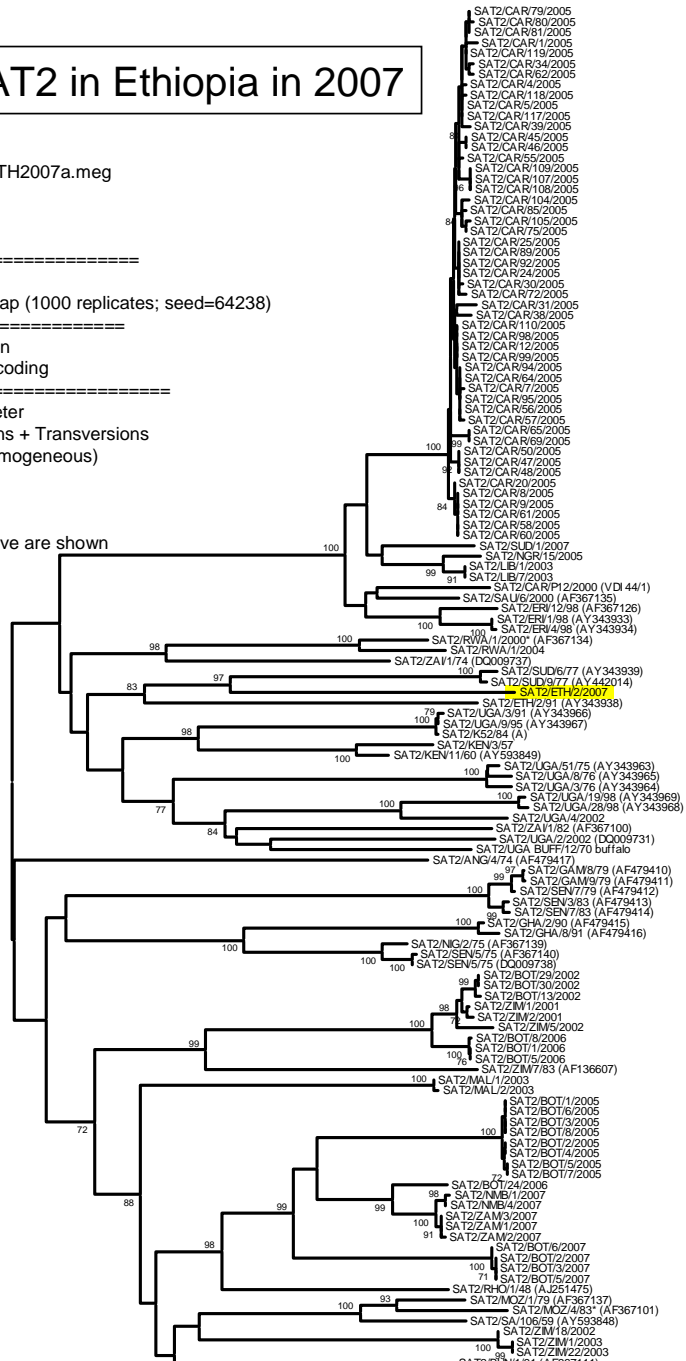


Fig 5: Recent serotype SAT2 virus characterised from Ethiopia

Report on FMDV SAT2 in Ethiopia in 2007

Software: MEGA 4
 No. of Taxa : 160
 Data File : n:\levd\meg\db\fm\svsat2\ETH2007a.meg
 Data Title : Ethiopia 2007
 Data Type : Nucleotide (Coding)
 Analysis : Phylogeny reconstruction
 Tree Inference : =====
 Method : Neighbor-Joining
 Phylogeny Test and options : Bootstrap (1000 replicates; seed=64238)
 Include Sites : =====
 Gaps/Missing Data : Pairwise Deletion
 Codon Positions : 1st+2nd+3rd+Noncoding
 Substitution Model : =====
 Model : Nucleotide: Kimura 2-parameter
 Substitutions to Include : d: Transitions + Transversions
 Pattern among Lineages : Same (Homogeneous)
 Rates among sites : Uniform rates
 No. of Sites : 651
 No Of Bootstrap Reps = 1000
 Only bootstrap values of 70% and above are shown

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Annex 4. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE WRL ON FMD VIRUS STRAINS TO BE INCLUDED IN FMDV ANTIGEN BANKS – December 2007

High Priority

O Manisa (*covers panasian topotype*)
O BFS or Campos
A24 Cruzeiro
Asia 1 Shamir
A Iran '96
A22 Iraq
SAT 2 Saudi Arabia (*or equivalent*)
(not in order of importance)

Medium Priority

A Eritrea
SAT 2 Zimbabwe
AIran 87 or A Saudi Arabia 23/86 (*or equivalent*)
SAT 1 South Africa
A Malaysia 97 (*or Thai equivalent such as A/NPT/TAI/86*)
A Argentina 2001
O Taiwan 97 (*pig-adapted strain or Philippine equivalent*)
A Iran '99 (not in order of importance)

Low Priority

A15 Bangkok related strain
A87 Argentina related strain
C Noville
SAT 2 Kenya
SAT 1 Kenya
SAT 3 Zimbabwe
A Kenya (not in order of importance)