



KEY POINTS FOR ASF ERADICATION. The Spanish Model

ASF REFERENCE LABORATORY



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ASFV: A old friend 1978-



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**MAIN WORK:
DIAGNOSIS and
ERADICATION MODELS**



AGENDA:

ASF. A REEMERGING DISEASE

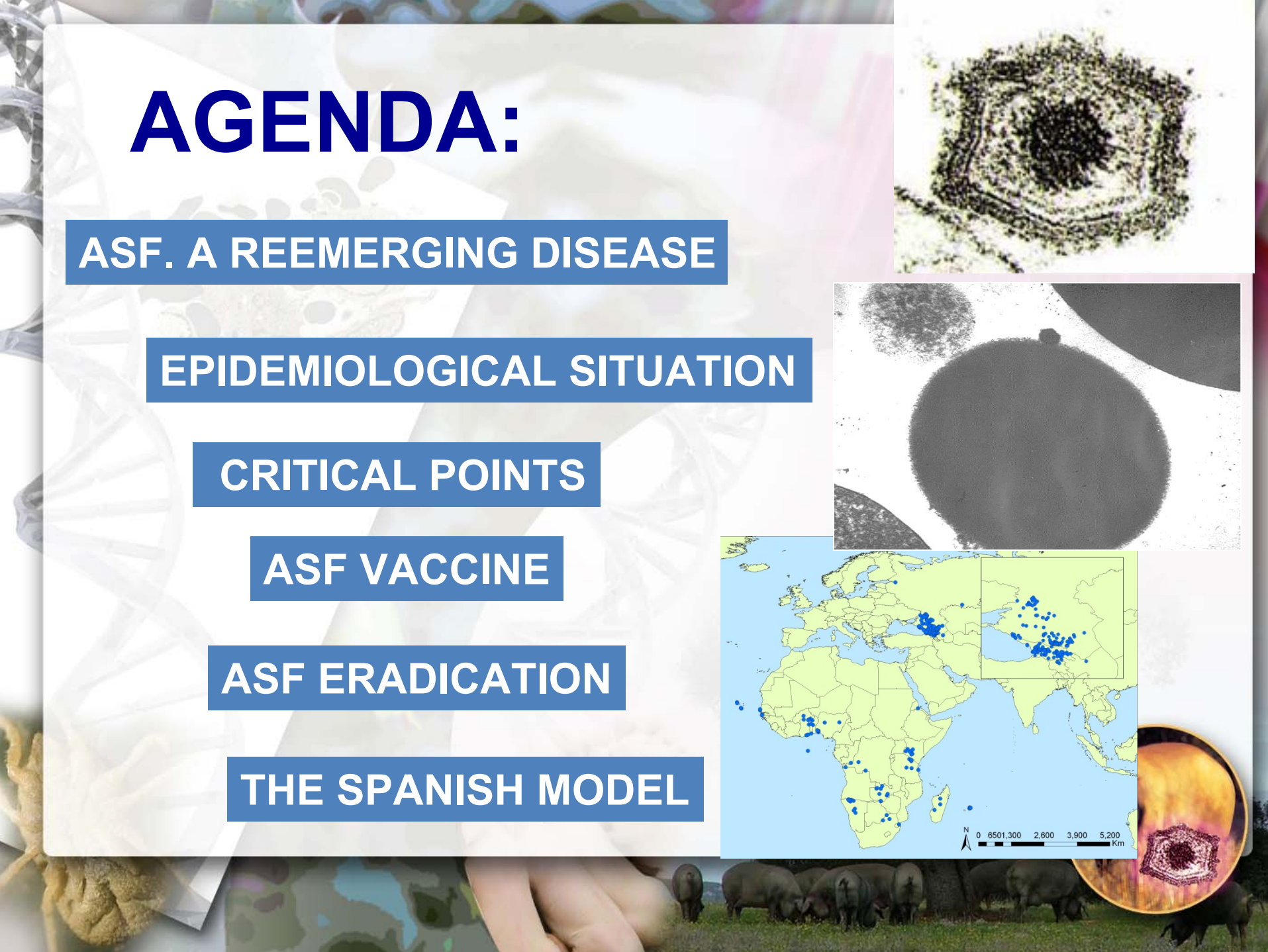
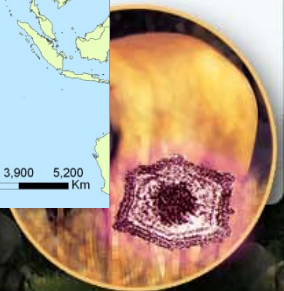
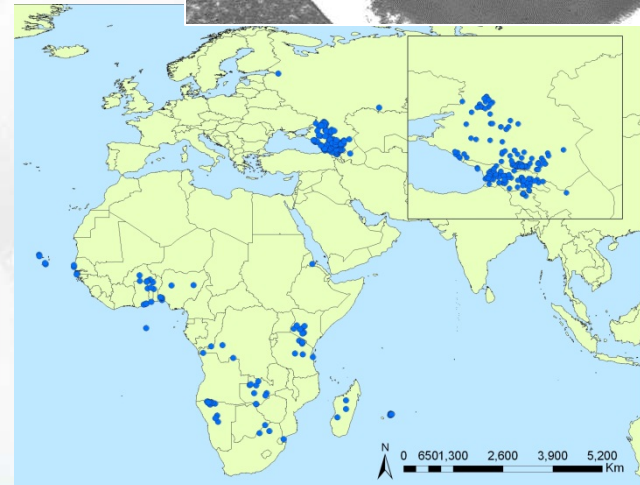
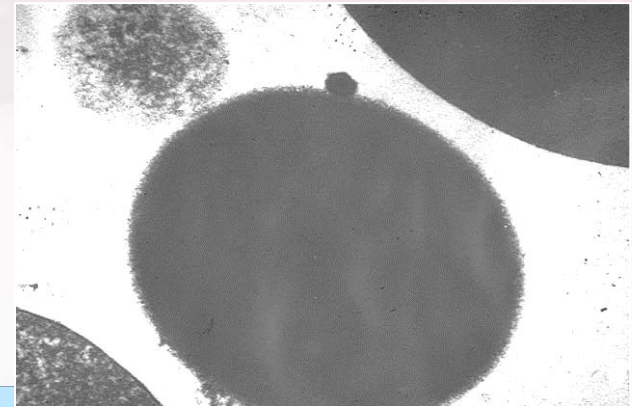
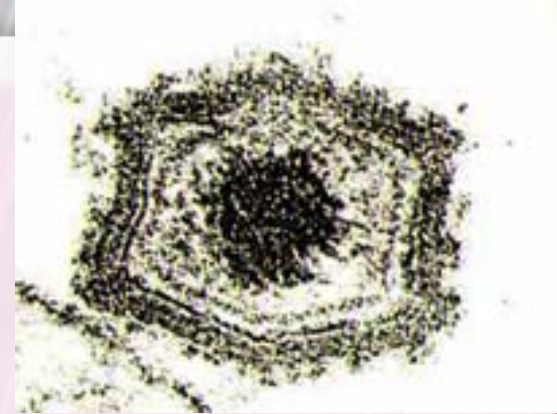
EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION

CRITICAL POINTS

ASF VACCINE

ASF ERADICATION

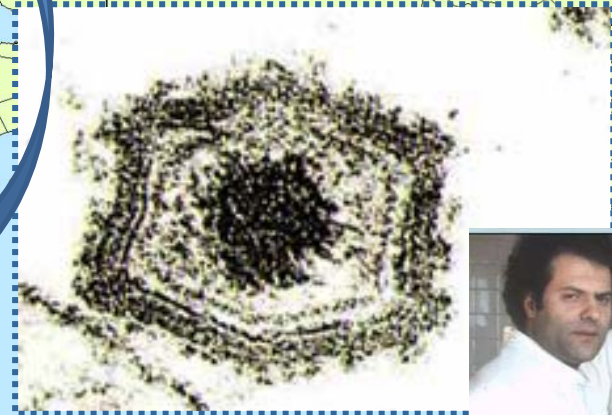
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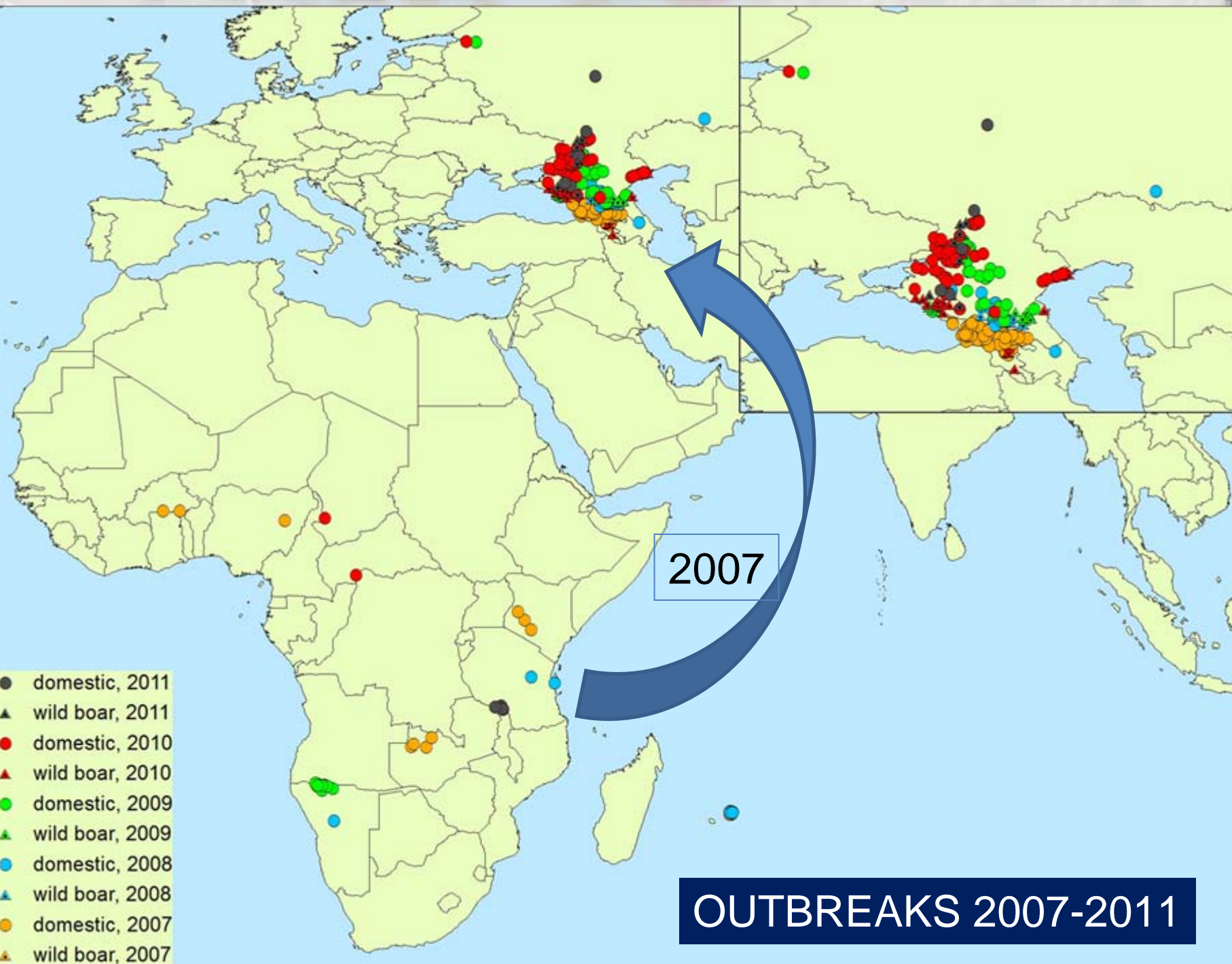
ASFv IS IN GOOD FORM

Asfv, genotype II

Mozambique, Madagascar, Zambia
260 Outbreaks. More 76.000 Dead pigs



0 650 1,300 2,600 3,900 5,200 Km



ASF 2007-2011

4 affected countries

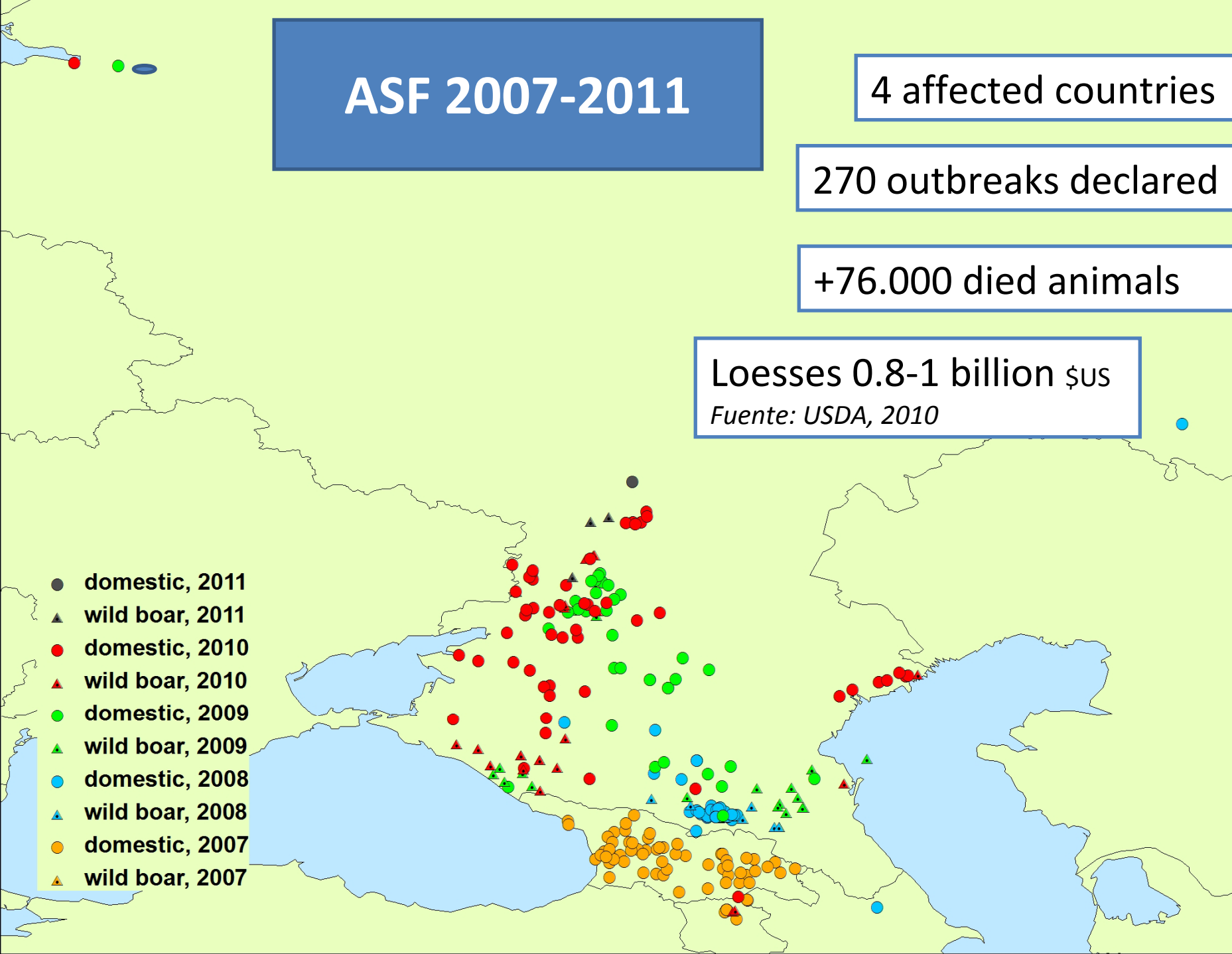
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+76.000 died animals

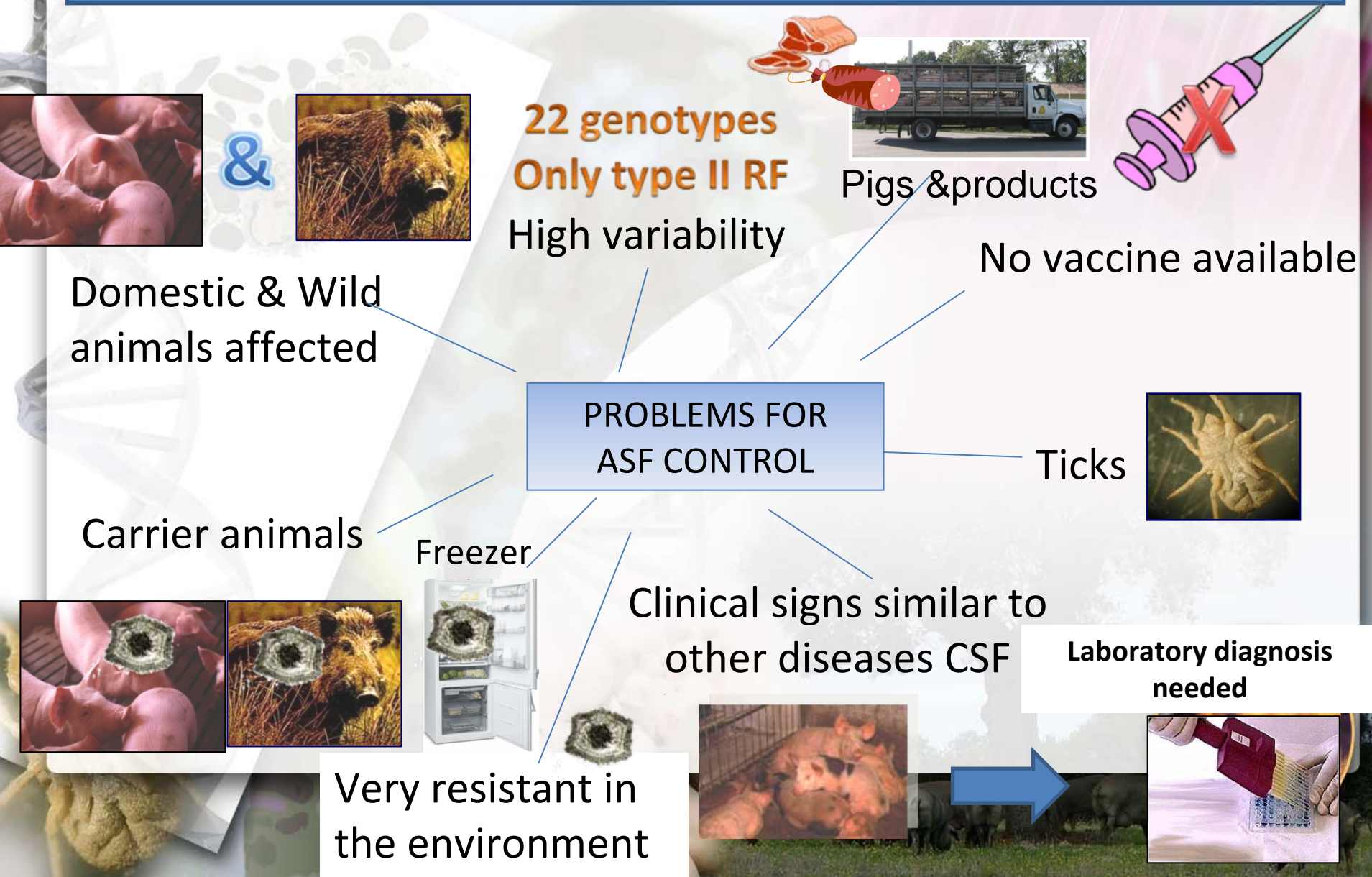
Loesses 0.8-1 billion \$us

Fuente: USDA, 2010

- domestic, 2011
- ▲ wild boar, 2011
- domestic, 2010
- ▲ wild boar, 2010
- domestic, 2009
- ▲ wild boar, 2009
- domestic, 2008
- ▲ wild boar, 2008
- domestic, 2007
- ▲ wild boar, 2007



AFRICAN SWINE FEVER IMPORTANCES POINTS FOR CONTROL AND ERADICATION



ASF DIAGNOSIS:

INFECTION

DISEASES/DEAD

CARRIERS

VIRUS

Ab

Ag
Nucleid Ac

VIRUS

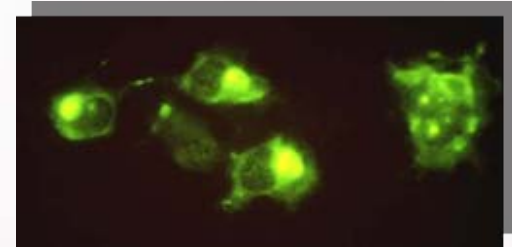
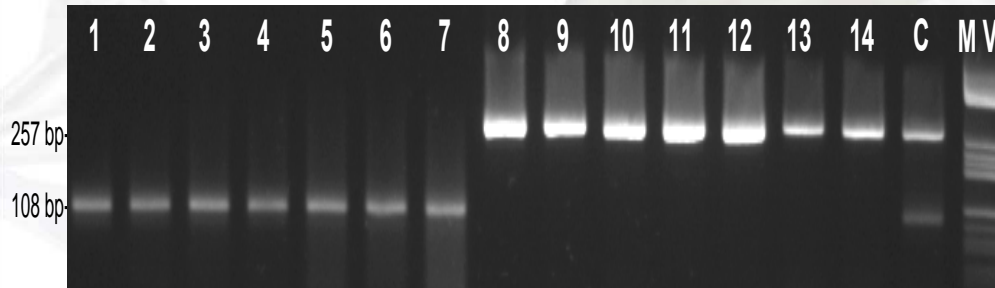
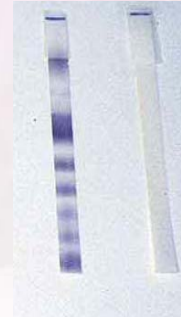
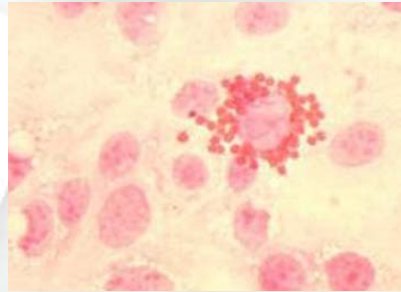
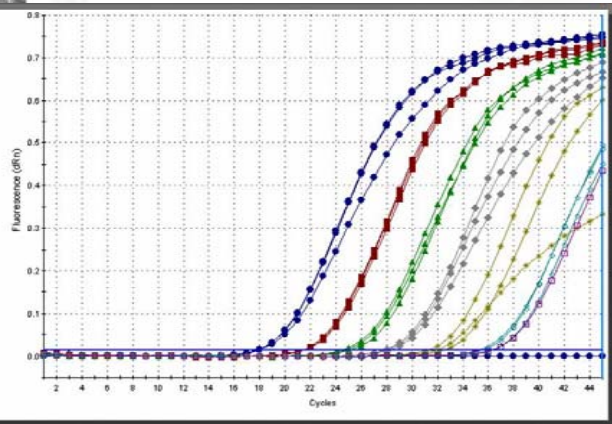
Infection

Clinical

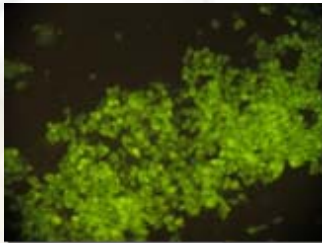
Carriers



ASF LABORATORY DIAGNOSIS



PPC-3/4 + PPA-1/2



GOOD HEALTH



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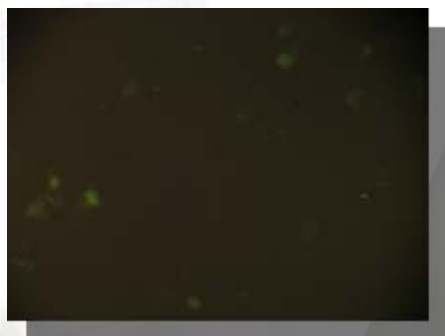
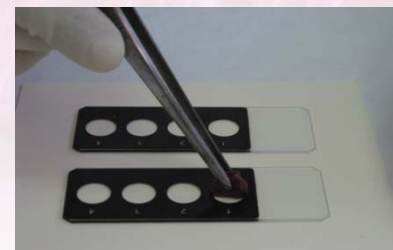
Antigen Detection

- Direct immunofluorescence (DIF)

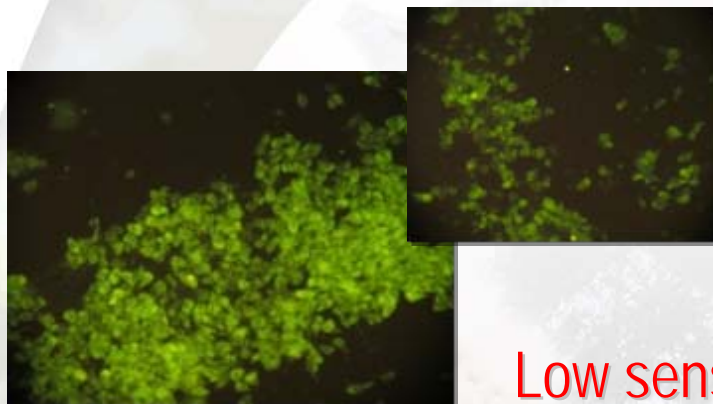
TIME 75 MINUTES

Easy to use

Personal trained needed to interpretate the results



NEGATIVE



POSITIVE

**Low sensitivity in subacute
and chronic forms**

Significant lack of sensitivity due to Ag-Ab complex formation. Not recommended for analysis of serum and tissue –homogenated samples after first week pi. due to false negative results.

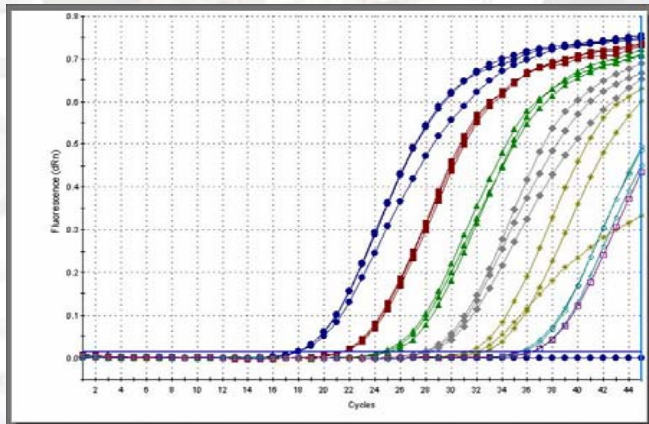


ASF LABORATORY DIAGNOSIS

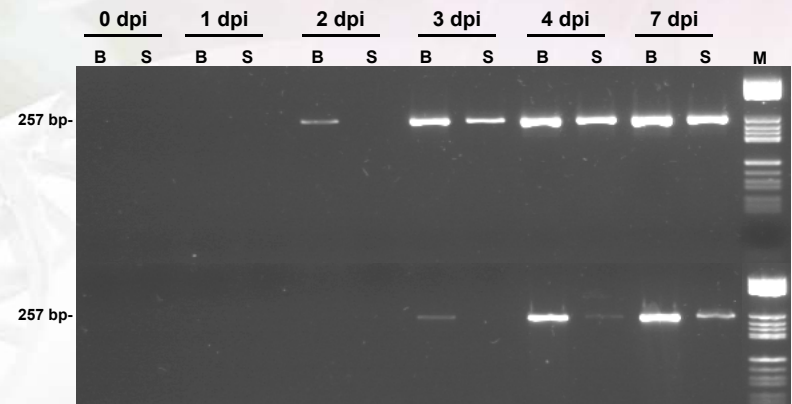
DNA Detection

TIME: 5 to 6 H

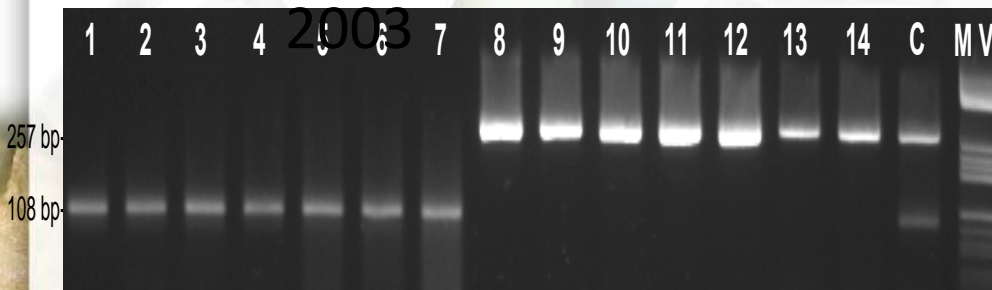
PCR: CONVENTIONAL and REAL TIME



King *et al.*,



Agüero *et al.*, 2003



**MOST COMMONLY
USED**



PPC-3/4 + PPA-
1/2

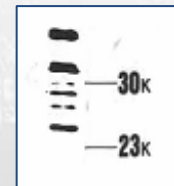
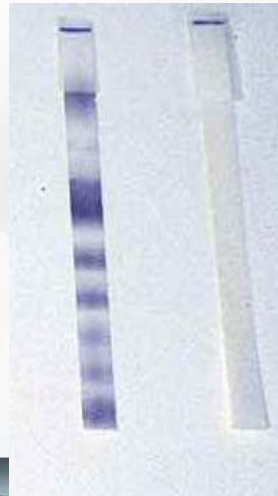
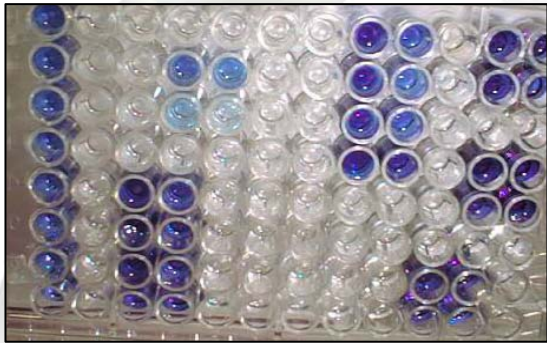
Agüero *et al.*,
2004



Oie ASF Reference Laboratory

Develop new procedures for diagnosis and control of ASF:

- Indirect ELISA
- Immunoblotting technique



Oie ASF Reference Laboratory

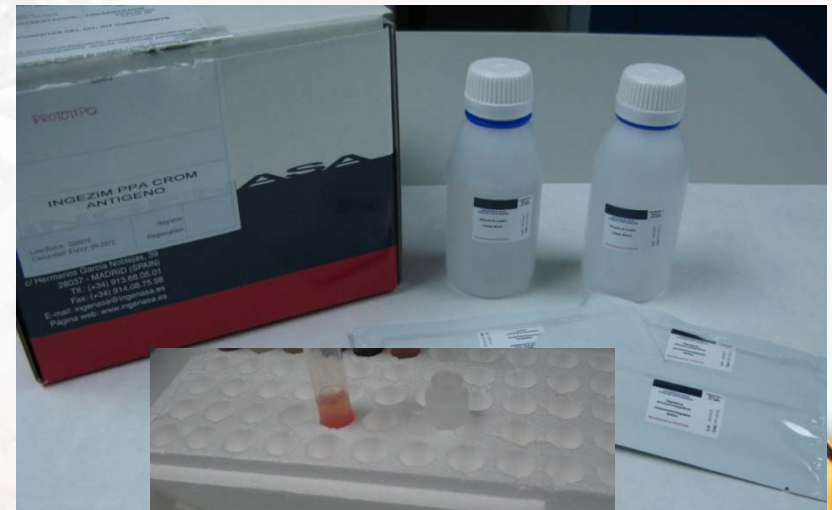
Evaluate new procedures for diagnosis and control of the disease

Immunochromatography – Pen side tests

POSITIVE



NEGATIVE





OIE Twinning project

BETWEEN

Universidad Complutense de Madrid (UCM) - OIE Reference
laboratory for ASF (OIE-UCM-ASF)

and

National Research Institute for Veterinary Virology and
Microbiology
(NRIVVaM)





ASF PROTECTION: NO VACCINE



- NO INACTIVATED VACCINE
- ATENUATED VACCINE. NO SAFE AND ONLY PARTIAL PROTECTION in HOMOLOGOUS (CARRIERS & CRONIC F)
- NO RECOMBINAT VACCINE: NO good candidates

• NO DNA:
Some
Candidates

*ANTIBODIES ARE RELATED WITH SOME
TYPE OF PROTECTION
AS WELL AS WITH
CHRONIC AND ENDEMIC ASF INFECTION*

• NO *Eradication without vaccine is possible but not easy.*

Endemics: Portugal and Spain.

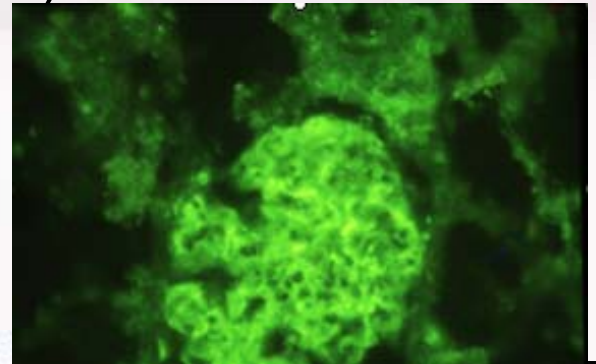
No Endemics countries: Brazil...



PROBLEMS OF ATENUATED ASF VACCINE UNTIL NOW:

LIMITED FIELD STUDIES: PORTUGAL and SPAIN 60s-70s
EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS: SEVERAL AUTHORS

- A) Release of infected virus:** Low virulence strains, Chronic forms ?. Carriers (Portugal, Spain 70s)
- B) No sufficiently attenuated**
- C) Only Homologous virus protection.**



ASF IMMUNE RESPONSES INVOLVED IN PROTECTION

POOR UNDERSTOOD:

- PROTECTIVE IMMUNITY AGAINST HOMOLOGOUS VIRUS (VIRUS IN Lymph nodes)
- THE MAIN DIFFICULTY. **LACK OF NEUTRALIZING Ab** and **high genetic variability**
- Ab **PARTIAL PROTECTION**. DELAY IN THE ONSET C. SIGNS
- IMPORTANCE ROLE OF NK AND CD 8. DESTROYED I. M
- SOME TYPE OF PROTECTION (Ab and CMI) OCCURS

EARLY DETECTION

CONTROL AND ERADICATION

THE CHALLENGE

ARE WE AWARE ?

ARE WE MOTIVATED ?



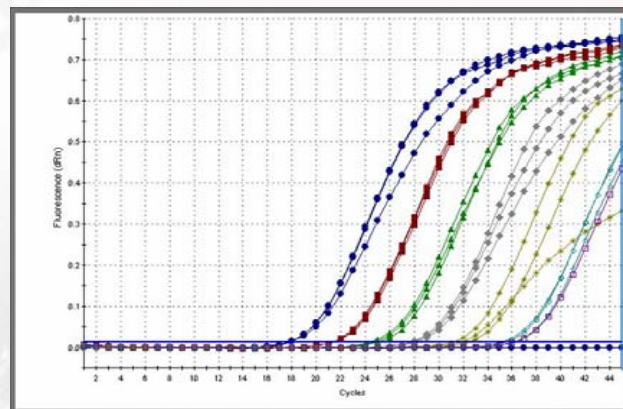
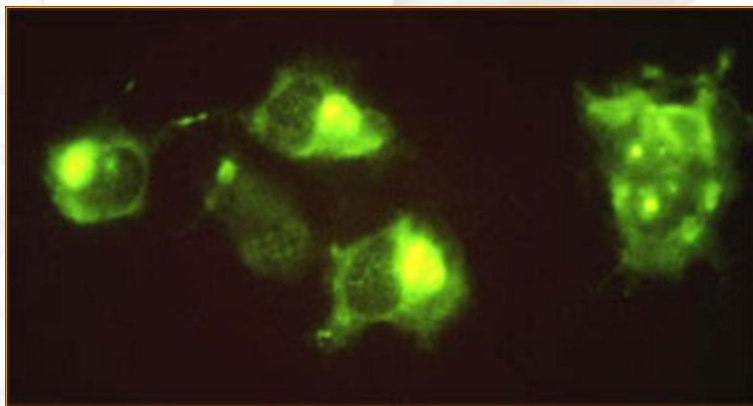
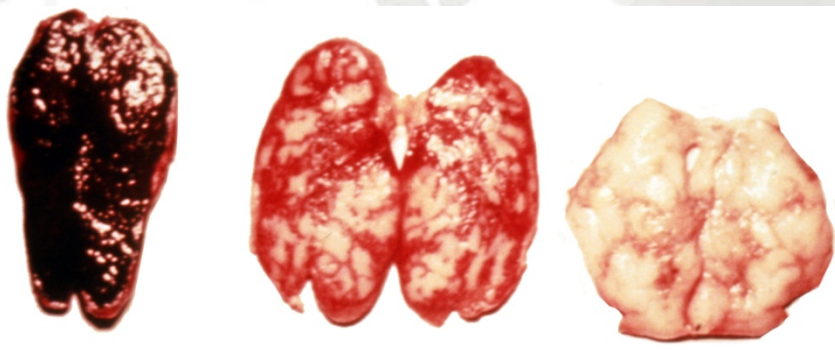
ASF EARLY DETECTION NEEDED:

FIELD:

- Risk information
- ASF Information

LABs:

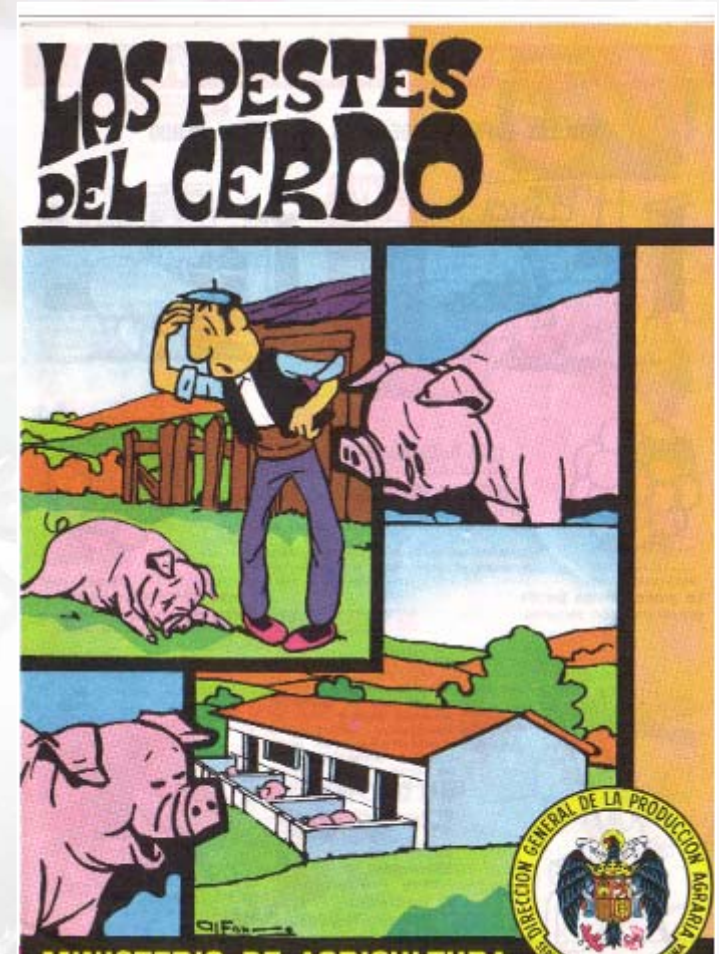
- Good connection with field
- Good test and procedure



TRAINING: FIELD AND LABORATORY



THE SPANISH MODEL



1960 - 1995



Spanish History & Epidemiological situation



ASF appeared in Spain in 1960



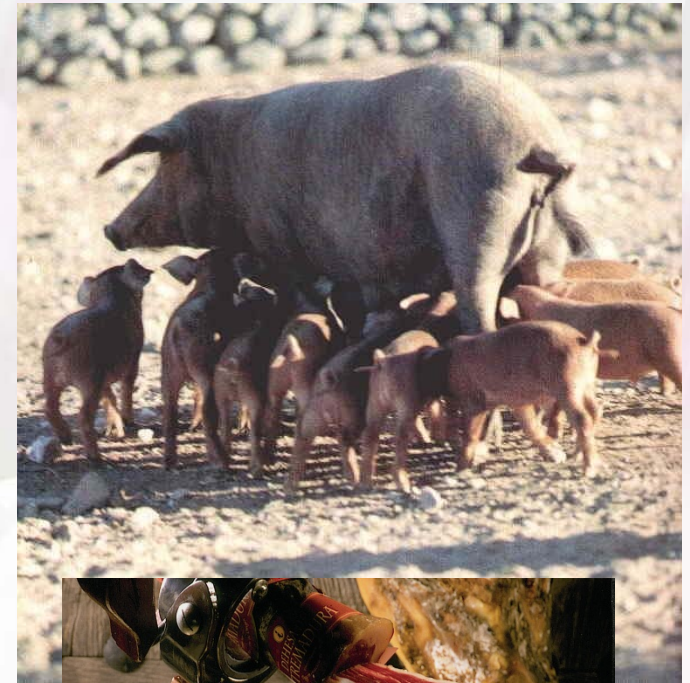
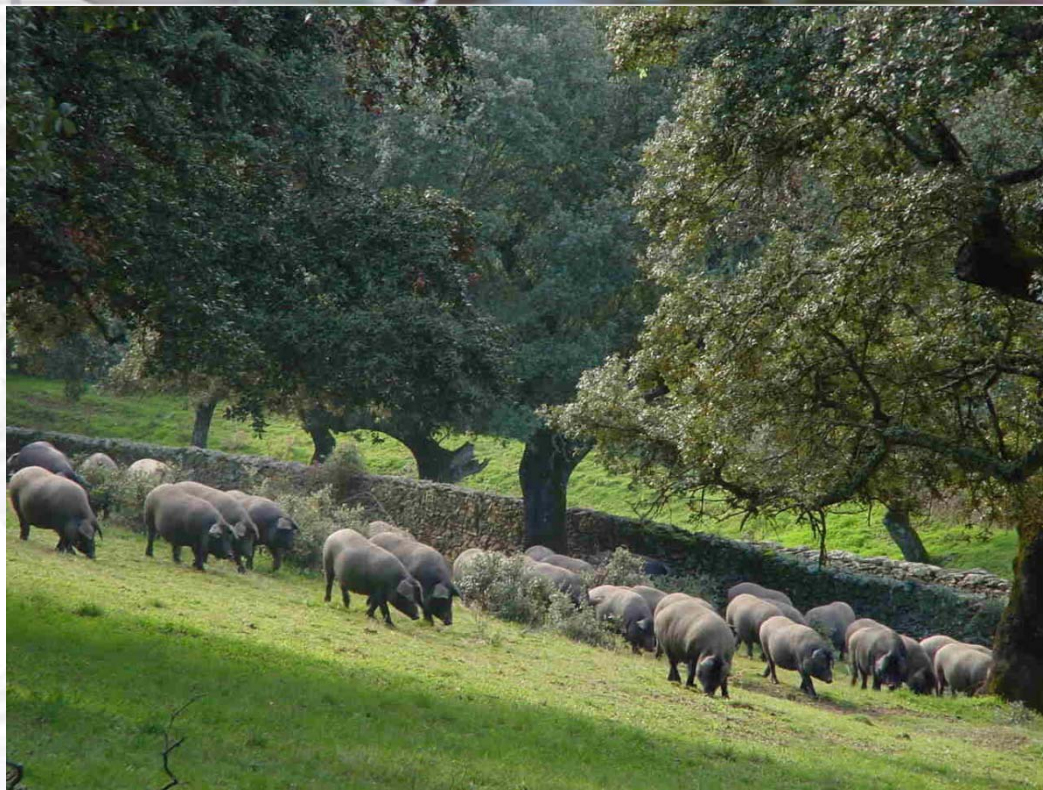
- ✓ Spread within a undeveloped livestock sector
- ✓ 60s: Spanish economy began to take off
- ✓ In a few years, from back yard to intensive pig productions systems

TODAY SPAIN IS THE 2º EU



Swine Production System





Swine Sector in the 60s

Kgrs/person/year: 8

CENSUS: 6.032.000

PRODUCTION: 258.000 Tm

ASF AFFECTED AREA 60s



Swine Sector in the 1986

Kgrs/person/year: 33

CENSUS: 13.386.000

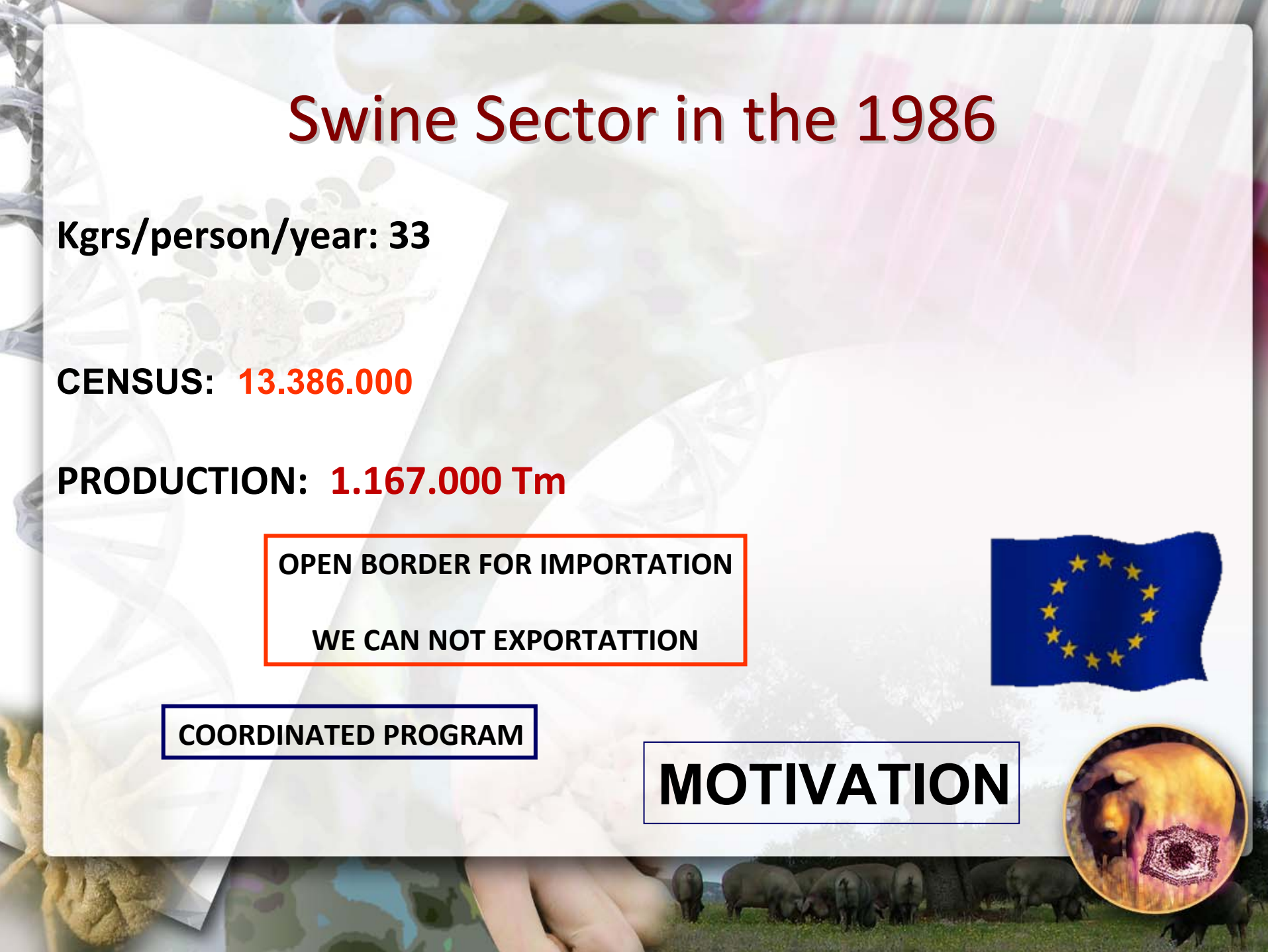
PRODUCTION: 1.167.000 Tm

OPEN BORDER FOR IMPORTATION

WE CAN NOT EXPORTATION

COORDINATED PROGRAM

MOTIVATION



ASF. Spain: 1985-1995

IN DOOR



ERRADICACIÓN

1991



1989



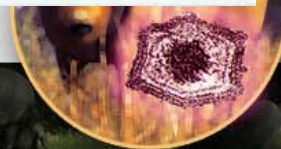
1991



1993



ERRADICACIÓN II



Key Actions



- 1) A COORDINATED ERADICATION PROGRAMME
- 2) ALL AGREE WITH THE PROGRAMME
- 3) GOOD INFORMATION OF RISKS
- 4) ECONOMICAL AND TECHNICAL TOOLS
- 5) COMPESATION TO FARMERS
- 6) MOTIVATION



PROGRAMME Key

1. Network of mobile vets field teams (127 vets)
2. Serological surveillance of 100% of pig farms
3. Improvement in animal holding facilities
4. Elimination of all ASF outbreaks (stamping out)



1. Network of mobile vets field teams (127 vets)

- Sanitary control of holdings
- Animal identification
- Epidemiological surveys
- Samples collection
- Serological control at abattoirs
- Epidemiological investigations
- Promotions of *Sanitary Associations*



2. Serological surveillance of 100% of pig farms

Main needs:

- A simple, fast, accurate & specific diagnostic test (Indirect ELISA)
- A Reference Laboratory to harmonize the techniques
- A net of Regional Laboratories for serological surveillance (13 labs)

At the beginind:

- **Indirect ELISA** to screen samples
- **IFA** to confirm results

In the final stages:

- Our group developed and improved **ELISA** (new soluble Ag with all ASFV proteins) and a **Immunoblotting** assay as confirmatory instead of IFA

Consequences

- ✓ New ELISA: Better recognitions of carriers
- ✓ New Immunoblotting: Easier and more objective interpretation
- ✓ New Immunoblotting: Better recognition of weak positives

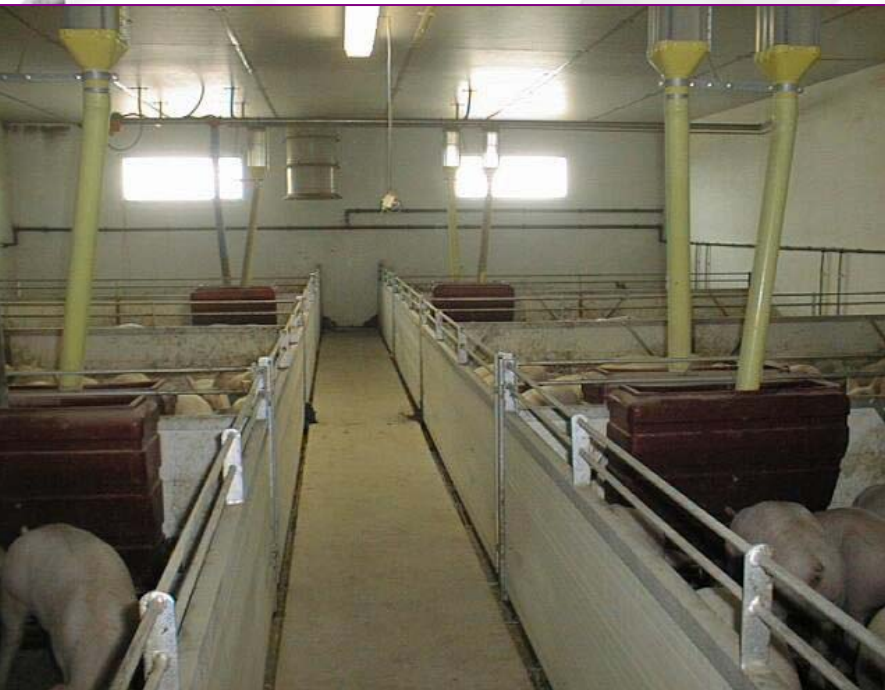


3. Improvement in animal holding facilities

- 1st objective: to improve sanitary barriers to prevent de spread of the disease
- Hygiene measures: fences, sanitary enclosures, safe disposal of manure...

For this purpose:

- Loans at low interest rate were offered
- More than 2175 holdings were improved (1985-95)



4. Elimination of all ASF outbreaks (stamping out)

- All pigs in infected herds immediately slaughtered
- Samples collection for virological & epidemiological investigations
- Immediate and adequate compensation to the pig producers

STAMPING OUT is:

- ✓ A resource-intensive method of eradication
- ✓ The most cost-effective method
- ✓ Allow countries to declare ASF free in the shortest

STAMPING OUT must be:

- ✓ Applied for a period long enough to eradicate
- ✓ Accompanied by public awareness campaigns



Procedures once outbreak identified (I):

- ✓ Depopulation by **slaughtering** all pigs in the affected herd
- ✓ Cleaning and **disinfection** of all facilities during 1 month after depopulation
- ✓ **Extermination** of insects and rodents
- ✓ Removal and **destruction** of all animal feed and animal products
- ✓ **Cleansing** of manure pits by 2% sodium hydroxide
- ✓ **Incineration** of straw bedding



Procedures once outbreak identified (II):

- ✓ **Sanitary zone** of a 3 and 10 Km
- ✓ **Movement of animals**, products, feed and waste into or out the sanitary zone were restricted
- ✓ **Movement of people** to and from the area were restricted
- ✓ After implementation measures were gradual (initially 100% restriction) (although some specific were maintained at least 3 months)



❑ Protection zone

- ✓ 3 km radius
- ✓ All pigs of all herds serologically screened immediately after confirmation
- ✓ Movement prohibited for 30 days

❑ Surveillance zone

- ✓ 10 km radius
- ✓ Screening 30 days after cleaning & disinfection of infected holding
- ✓ Movement prohibited for 30 days



Transmission between herds Special Attention !

- ❑ Biosafety and sanitary measures to avoid transmission between herds played an important role in the eradication**
- ❑ Epidemiological surveys indicated that 84% in 1989 and 93% in 1990, neighbor contact as the most likely source of the new outbreaks**



V- Livestock Movement & Animal Identification

❑ Movement of animals

- ✓ Vehicles required to be washed and disinfected
- ✓ Animals in transit previously identified & provided with veterinary certificate (stating origin & sanitary situation)

❑ Abattoir

- ✓ Vets checking the sanitary certificate (before slaughtering)
- ✓ Life pigs inspected *antemortem* & tissues *posmortem*
- ✓ Sanitary certificates retained at least 1 year
- ✓ Manufacturers retained identification of meat origin



V- Livestock Movement & Animal Identification

❑ Register & Identification

- ✓ Pig farmer census was improved & completed
- ✓ Producers & manufacturers register was improved
- ✓ Infected farms register was daily updated
- ✓ Annual Report of the Program development issued



❑ Involvement and participation of farmers

- ✓ Wide publicity campaign in the mass media
- ✓ Encouraging the creation of *Health Protection Group*
 - Leadership role in the eradication program (voluntary)
 - Common approach against ASF
 - Serological surveillance of breeders
 - Correct sanitary infrastructures
 - Sanitary suitable program for ASF
 - Aids from Administration
 - 1990: 1,000 HPG created grouping 41,500 farmers & 1m animals
 - A register was created classifying farms (health status & facilities)



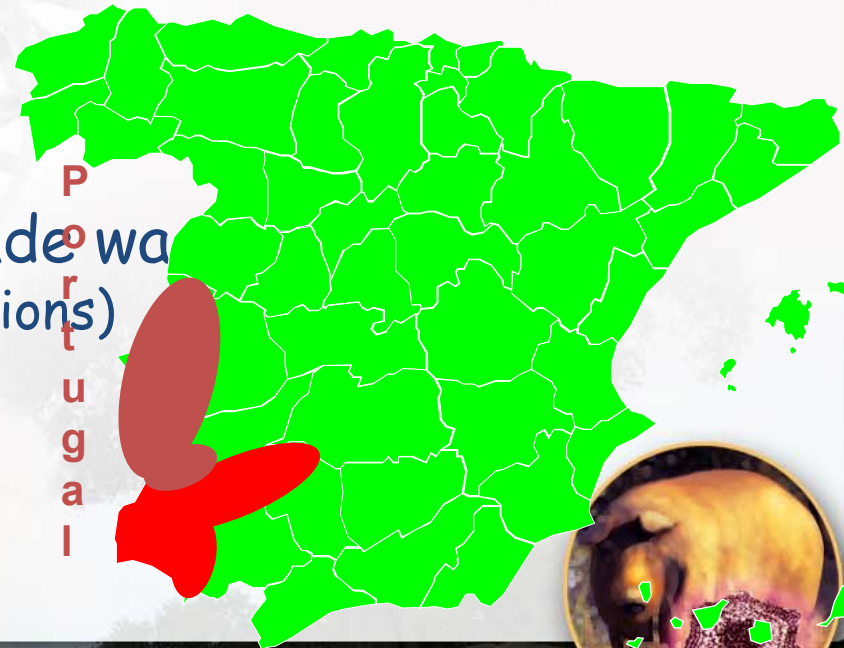
VI- Regionalization

❑ As a result of the progress...

✓ 1989 ECC authorizes dividing Spain into 2 regions:

- ASF-free region (largest part of the country & 70% of pig population)
- ASF-infected region

✓ Consequently prohibition of trade was
(from ASF- free regions)





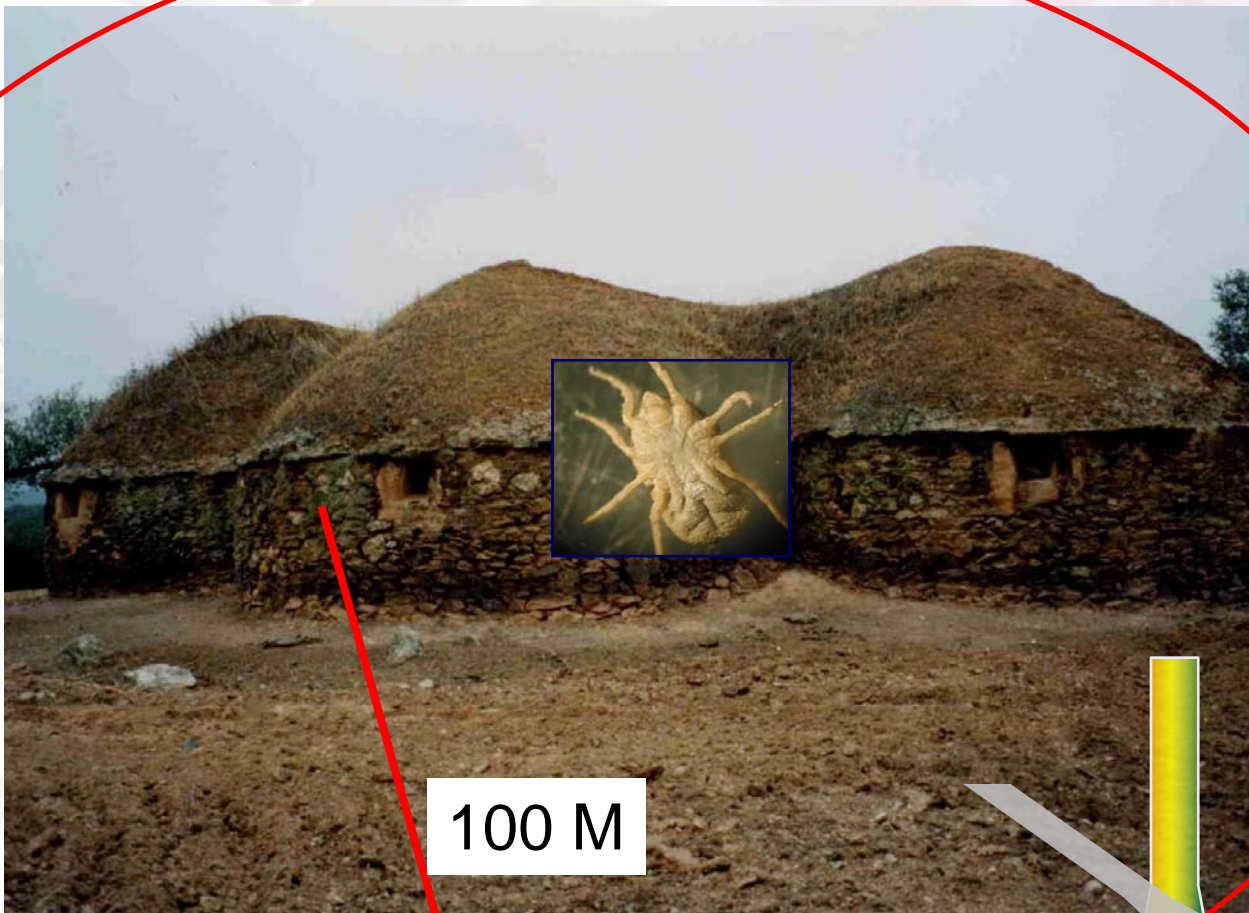
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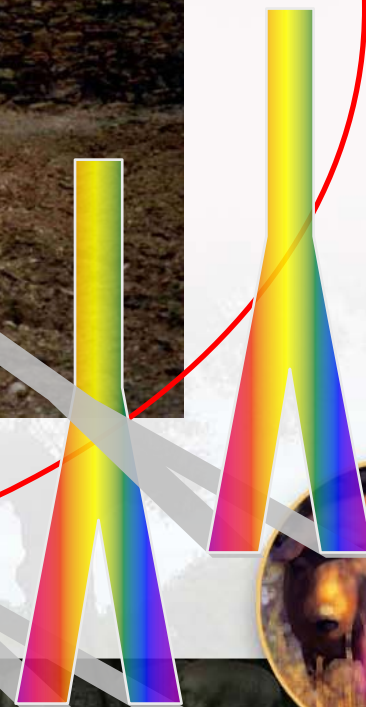




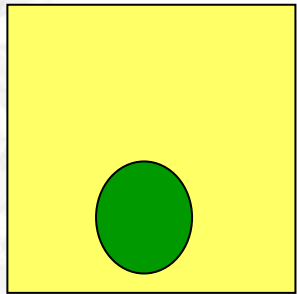




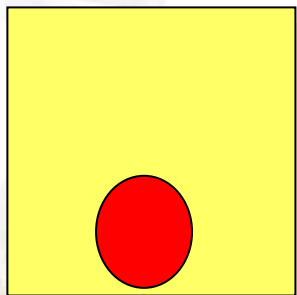
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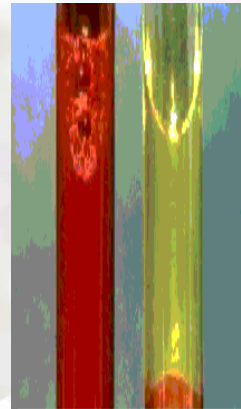
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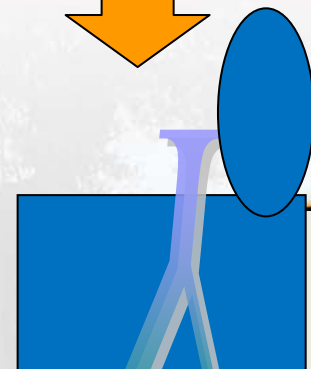
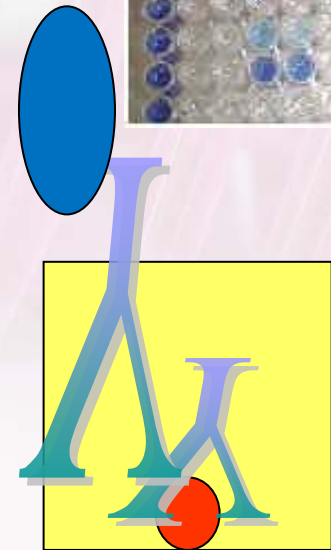
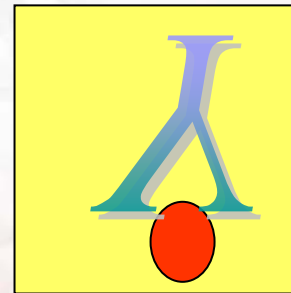
Soluble Salivar
Gland of O.E



Asf Ag (Vp 73



Serum ?



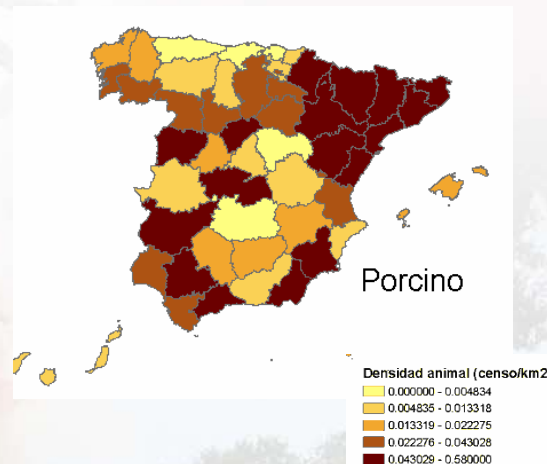
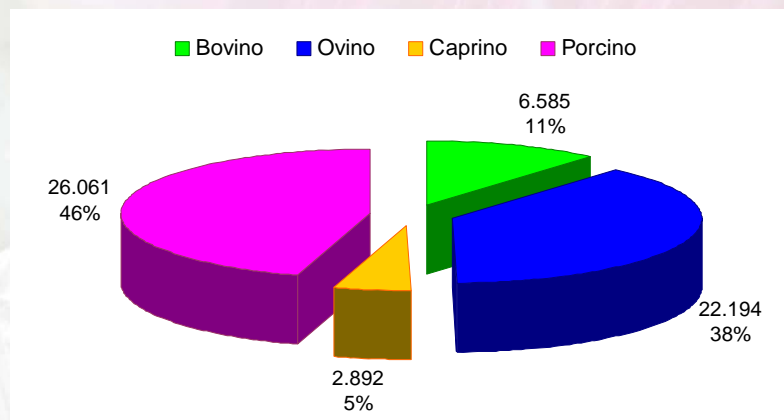
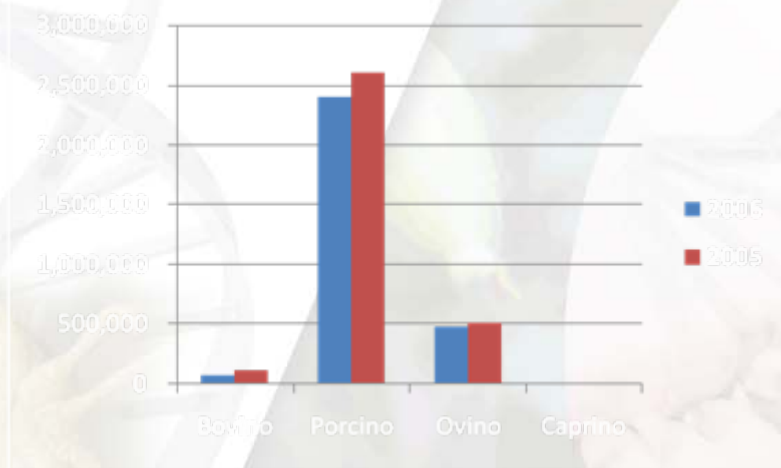
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Swine Sector now

65 Kg/P/Y

- CENSUS: 26.675.267
- 2º EU
- 33,5% PFG

Exportation in 2008 ; 1.250.000 Tm



REAL INTEREST TO DO IT

The most importance tool

YOU CAN DO IT
Я ВСЕГДА С ВАМИ





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