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Approaches for quality control testing of LSD vaccines

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EURL for diseases caused by Capripox viruses

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LSD: Vaccination in Europe

Directive 92/119/EEC – art 19 :

However, by way of derogation the decision to introduce **emergency vaccination** may be taken by the **Member State** concerned following notification of the Commission, provided that the fundamental interests of the Community are not affected.

DIRECTIVE 2001/82/EC – art 8:

In the event of serious disease epidemic, **Member States** may **provisionally** allow the use of immunological veterinary medicinal products **without an authorization** for placing on the market, in the absence of a suitable medicinal product and after informing the Commission of the detailed conditions of use.



Decision to use LSD vaccine: Member State – CVO

LSD: Vaccination in Europe

Currently

- Infected countries have been able to limit the spread or eradicate LSD with vaccination
- Only live attenuated LSD vaccines are available
- Live attenuated vaccines provide good protection in case a homologous vaccine is used in combination with sufficient vaccination coverage (>80% needed) and a (re)vaccination policy of young animals and imported animals.
- None of the vaccines used in Europe has a marketing authorisation within the European Union or other European countries
- None of these vaccines is produced under GMP conditions
- None of these vaccines is produced with a QC system as described in the European Pharmacopoeia



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LSD Vaccine QC needed?



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LSD Vaccine: How much quality information or guarantees do you have now? -> Trust on Vaccine Manufacturer Information:

Dossier: License / Registration
Marketing Authorisation
Quality Control

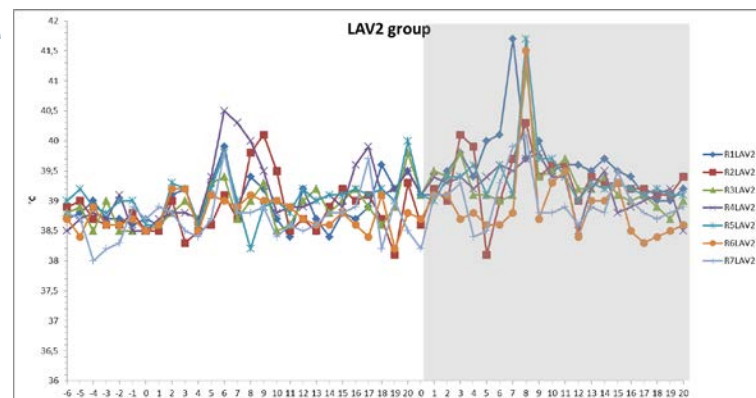
LSD Vaccine: Registration Dossier available outside Europe?

Tender for vaccine Purchase (EC/Country):

Quality criteria - Check criteria fulfilled? --> Needed?

Field information on secondary effects after vaccine campaigns:

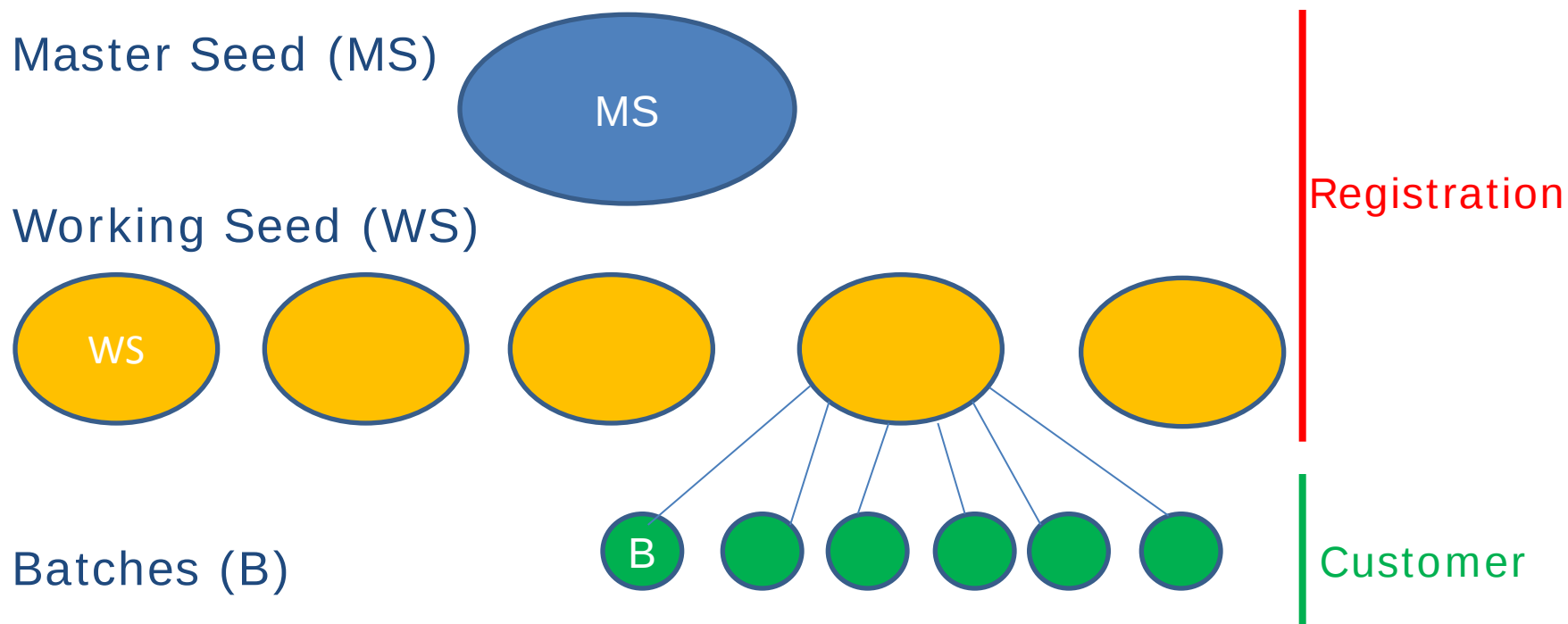
- 'Neethling disease': <1% - 10%
- Milkdrop 6-9 dpv correlated with fever
- Detection and isolation of Bluetongue virus from commercial vaccine batches (Bumbarov et al., 2016)



Independent LSD Vaccine QC



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1. Master and Working Seed Lot

1.1. Description of the production

-Identity of the vaccine strain

Confusing Kenyavac from JOVAC: Kenyan SGPV O-240 and 180 strains despite the name the strain is LSDV (Tuppurainen et al., 2014; Vandenbussche et al., 2016)

-Substrates for seed culture preparation and for production

- Sera, media, primary cells, cell cultures
- Freedom from extraneous agents

1. Master and Working Seed Lot

1.2. Freedom from extraneous agents

- Evidence of absence of bacterial, fungal or mycoplasmal contaminants
- Evidence of absence of viral contaminants
e.g. BTV, EHDV, BVD, BDV, SPPX, GTPX, Lentiviruses
(Maedi-visna virus, Bovine leucosis virus)

1. Master and Working Seed Lot

1.3. Evaluation of safety

- Laboratory studies using MS or WS of maximum titre
 - Administration of one dose: $\geq$ eight animals per group
 - One administration of an overdose: 10 doses, 8 young animals
 - Reproductive Performance: use in pregnant animals
 - Dissemination of vaccine strain in vaccinated animals
 - Increase in virulence – Reversion to virulence – Spread of the vaccine strain
 - Residues
- Abnormal toxicity
 - Laboratory rodents
- Field study

1. Master and Working Seed Lot

1.4. Evaluation of efficacy

- Laboratory studies using WS of minimum titre expected at the end of the period of validity
 - Efficacy tests are carried out in the target species to show at least efficacy in protection against LSD upon viral challenge: ≥ 12 animals
 - Additional evidence must support all the claims being made, e.g.
 - onset and duration of immunity
 - onset and duration of protection
 - influence of passively acquired immunity



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1. Master and Working Seed Lot

1.5. Stability

- Period of validity (shelf-life): periodical re-titration

1.6. Pharmacovigilance

- Continuous monitoring of LSD vaccines used in the field

2. Batch controls

2.1. Description of the production

- Identity of the vaccine strain
- Substrates for batch preparation

2.2. Freedom from extraneous agents

- Evidence of absence of bacterial, fungal or mycoplasmal contaminants
- Evidence of absence of viral contaminants

2. Batch controls

2.3. Safety

- For each batch at least one
 - ‘Administration of an overdose’
 - Abnormal toxicity in laboratory rodents

2.4. Efficacy

- Potency test
- Ascertain that virus titre per vaccine dose of the vaccine batch under control is higher than the minimum protective dose (virus titration)

2. Batch controls

2.5. Stability

- Period of validity (shelf-life): periodical re-titration

2.6. Pharmacovigilance

- Continuous monitoring of LSD vaccines used in the field

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