BELVET-SAC

Belgian Veterinary
Surveillence of Antimicrobial
Consumption

The consortium

Partners

- Federal Agency for Medicines and Health products (FAMHP) ~ BAPCOC
- Ghent University: epidemiology unit (UGent)
- Veterinary and Agrochemical Research Centre (VAR):
 - Bacteriology
 - Coordination Centre for Veterinary Diagnostics
- Scientific Institute for Public Health: epidemiology unit (IPH)

The aims

- Continuously register and analyze Veterinary antimicrobial consumption in Belgium
 - System development for continuous/ semiautomatic upload of consumption figures
 - Analysis of trends
 - Species level
- Reporting to
 - Government
 - Pharmaceutical sector
 - Public: yearly study day

- Primary datacollection
 - Ugent and FAMHP (confidential!)
 - Package level sales figures from wholesalers/distributors
 - Period of sale!
 - Medicated feed: FAMHP
- \rightarrow sum = total vet. antimicrobial consumption

- Supplementary data
 - Species information
 - package/ formulation/ compound
 - SPUR's (FAMHP)
 - Survey among practitioners by veterinary students (UGent)
 - All types (small animal/large/industry)
 - Which product/formulation for what animal species?
 - Indication(s) of use
 - Dose
 - Duration/ administration interval
 - Body weight estimation
 - → estimate what ratio of a product is used for which species

- Supplementary data
 - Number of animals produced per species
 - VAR
 - Extrapolation of species ratio per product to national consumption
 - Continuous update

- Data analysis (UGent)
 - Input from all partners
 - Linking sales figures to supplementary data and extra information from AVG compendium (active compound, formulation, species, indications,...)
 - DDD_{animal} per compound and animal species (Uniform DDD's required!)
 - Calculation of total consuption per compound per species
 - Calculation of Treatment Incidences
 - No reporting of compound level data!

Reported output

- Amount of pharmaceutical subgroup (level 3 ATC) or chemical subgroup (level 4) ~EMA
 - Global
 - Per species
- Treatment Incidence per species at the same ATC level
- Yearly report and study day

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