



# WHO efforts to reduce the impact on public and animal health of antibiotic use in animals



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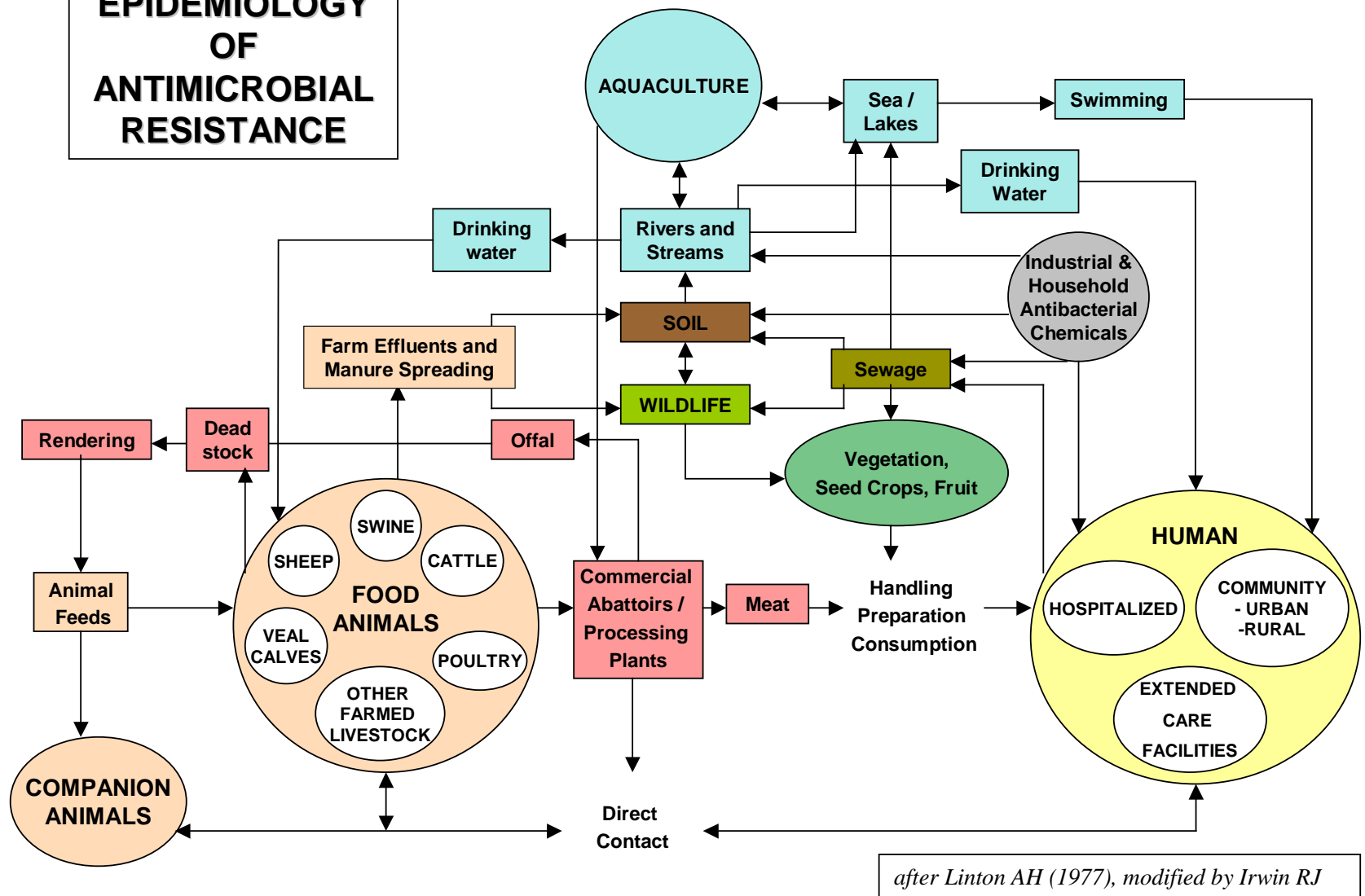
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# Antimicrobial resistance (AMR): a public and animal health issue

- Widespread use of antimicrobials in livestock production
- Same classes used in humans and food-producing animals
- Food chain an important route for emergence and spread of resistance between animals and humans
- Globalization calls for international action
- Resistance growing faster than development of new drugs

# EPIDEMIOLOGY OF ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE



# FAO/OIE/WHO Tripartite

- High-level Coordinating Forum – annual rotating meetings
- 19<sup>th</sup> Tripartite Executive Coordinating meeting (2013):
  - AMR one of 5 priority issues and flagship topic for One Health
  - Agreement to develop joint action plan on AMR, building on existing initiatives
  - One voice on the critical issue of AMR e.g. development of common messages on AMR



# Advisory Group on Integrated Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistance - AGISAR

Tackling foodborne AMR  
through integrated surveillance



- 31 Members, FAO, OIE
- 4 Subcommittees
  - Antimicrobial Usage Monitoring
  - Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance
  - Capacity Building & Pilot Projects
  - Data Management and Communication

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- Technical support:
  - Monitoring Usage in Animals and Humans
  - Surveillance of AMR in animals, food and humans.
  - Data analysis/integration to support policy
- Maintain “Critically Important Antimicrobials” (CIA) list

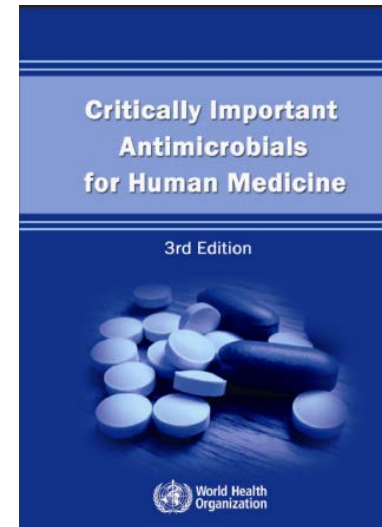
# WHO list of Critically Important Antimicrobials (CIA)

- The World Health Organization (WHO) has developed and applied criteria to rank antimicrobials according to their relative importance in human medicine.
- Clinicians, regulatory agencies, policy-makers and other stakeholders can use this ranking when developing risk management strategies for the use of antimicrobials in food production animals.



# History of the CIA list

- 1<sup>st</sup> WHO Expert Meeting on Critically Important Antimicrobials (CIA) 2005, Canberra, Australia
  - Considered 3 groups (critically important, highly important, important)
- 1<sup>st</sup> revision, 2007, Copenhagen, Denmark
  - Additional prioritization in “critical” category
- 2<sup>nd</sup> revision, 2009, Copenhagen, Denmark (formation of AGISAR)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> revision, 2011, Oslo, Norway





# CIA criteria

- Criterion 1: SOLE THERAPY  
Antimicrobial agent used as sole therapy or one of few alternatives to treat serious human disease
- Criterion 2: NON-HUMAN SOURCE  
Antimicrobial agent is used to treat diseases caused by organisms that may be transmitted to man via non-human sources, or that may acquire resistance genes from non-human sources

# CIA ranking

- ***Critically Important:*** those antimicrobials which meet both criteria 1 and 2
- ***Highly Important:*** those antimicrobials which meet either criterion 1 or 2
- ***Important:*** those antimicrobials which meet neither criterion 1 nor 2

# CIA list 3<sup>rd</sup> revision

## Critically important

Antimicrobial class	C1	C2
Aminoglycosides	Yes	Yes
Carbapenems and other penems	Yes	Yes
Cephalosporins (3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> generation)	Yes	Yes
Cyclic esters	Yes	Yes
Fluoro- and other quinolones	Yes	Yes
Glycopeptides	Yes	Yes
Glycylcyclines	Yes	Yes

# CIA list 3<sup>rd</sup> revision

## Critically important

Antimicrobial class	C1	C2
Lipopeptides	Yes	Yes
Macrolides and ketolides	Yes	Yes
Monobactams	Yes	Yes
Oxazolidinones	Yes	Yes
Penicillins (natural, aminopenicillins and antipseudomonal)	Yes	Yes
Polymixins	Yes	Yes
Rifamycins	Yes	Yes

+ drugs used solely to treat TB or other mycobacterial diseases

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## Highly important

Antimicrobial class	C1	C2
Amdinopenicillins	No	Yes
Amphenicols	No	Yes
Cephalosporins (1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> generation) and cephamycins	No	Yes
Lincosamides	No	Yes
Penicillins (Antistaphylococcal)	No	Yes
Pleuromutilins	No	Yes
Pseudomonic acids	No	Yes

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## Highly important

Antimicrobial class	C1	C2
Riminofenazines	Yes	No
Steroid antibacterials	No	Yes
Streptogramins	No	Yes
Sulfonamides, Dihydrofolate reductase inhibitors and combinations	No	Yes
Sulfones	Yes	No
Tetracyclines	Yes	No

# CIA list 3<sup>rd</sup> revision

## Important

Antimicrobial class	C1	C2
Aminocyclitols	No	No
Cyclic polypeptides	No	No
Nitrofurantoin	No	No
Nitroimidazoles	No	No

Next edition discussed at AGISAR annual meeting in Colombia, September 2013



# European strategic action plan on antibiotic resistance 2011–2016



## Draft resolution Adoption and implementation of the strategic action plan to contain antibiotic resistance in the WHO European Region

The Regional Committee,

Recalling World Health Assembly resolutions WHA 51.17 on Emerging and communicable diseases: antimicrobial resistance, WHA 58.27 on Improving the control of antimicrobial resistance and WHA 62.15 on Prevention and control of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis;

Acknowledging Member States' existing commitments and the WHO Global Strategy for Containment of Antimicrobial Resistance; and  
Recognizing the need for global and regional levels to strengthen forces and informal networks at global and regional levels to meet the challenge posed by antimicrobial resistance (national use of antimicrobials, resistance, etc);

Concerned by the increasing emergence of resistant antibiotics such as carbapenems, and the potential for antimicrobial resistance;

Further concerned that the cost of health care in more than 25 000 people per year is more than 25 000 people per year health care and societal costs;



## Strategic action plan on antibiotic resistance

The use, but especially the overuse, misuse and underuse, of antimicrobial agents often leads to the adaptation of micro-organisms through mutation, genetic recombination and selection, so that resistant strains may become the predominant organism in the community, health care settings or the environment. In the WHO European Region, the development of antibiotic resistance is also complicating the treatment of a large range of sexually transmitted infections in food- and waterborne infections, in some countries, the use of antibiotics in the veterinary, food animal production, and agriculture sectors, which can easily spread between people, animals, products and the environment.

In 29 countries of the Region, an estimated 25 000 people die every year because of infections related to antibiotic resistance, most of them contracted in health care settings. They give rise to considerable health costs as a result of longer hospital stays and more expensive treatment, as well as direct and indirect costs to society. However, bacterial multidrug resistance is increasingly threatening the outcome of many common medical interventions and diagnostic procedures that until recently were considered safe or low-risk.

Although microbial resistance to other antimicrobial agents such as antiparasitic and antiviral drugs is occurring and is important, the focus on antibiotic resistance in the development of the present plan is justified by its extensive prevalence and especially its impact on the health of a number of last-resort antibiotics used to treat life-threatening infections in health care settings, a situation that may soon lead to potentially untreatable infections.

A number of key strategic actions are proposed to mitigate, prevent and control antibiotic resistance. These include promoting national coordination to implement the present plan of action and develop regulatory functions and guidance systems to monitor the use of antibiotics across many sectors; strengthening surveillance of the prudent use of antibiotics and resistant bacteria; and creating awareness onto the market use of antibiotics and the fact that new antibiotic drugs are not coming onto the market soon.

The resistance developed by mycobacteria such as is seen in multidrug-resistant and extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB), is presented in a separate strategy paper, using similar concepts integrated within the tuberculosis control programme.

# Action Plan Strategic Objectives

1. Strengthen intersectoral coordination
2. Strengthen surveillance of antibiotic resistance
3. Promote rational use and strengthen surveillance of antibiotic consumption
4. Strengthen infection control and surveillance in health care settings
5. Prevent emerging resistance in veterinary and food sectors
6. Promote innovation and research on new drugs
7. Improve awareness, patient safety, and partnership



# CAESAR network

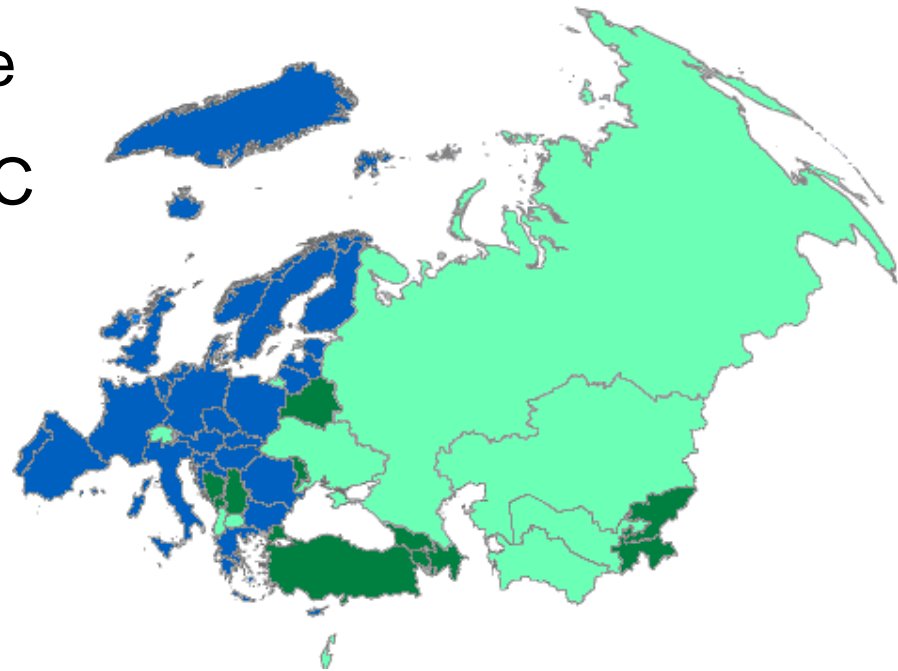
(Central Asian and eastern European Surveillance of Antimicrobial Resistance)

- Network of national surveillance networks
- Compatible to EU surveillance
- Close collaboration with ECDC
- Status:
  - 13 non-EU countries engaged in activities
  - 4 countries submit data to WHO



# WHO/Europe-ESAC project

- Technical support to analyze consumption data
- Compatible to EU surveillance
- Close collaboration with ECDC
- Status:
  - Lancet paper with data from 13 non-EU countries
  - Countries follow up with action





# AMR in veterinary & food sector

- Booklet: AMR from a food safety perspective
- National workshops on integrated surveillance
  - Serbia, Montenegro, Albania, Tajikistan
- Subregional workshops
  - Balkans (Albania), Central Asia (Kazakhstan)
- Exploring collaboration
  - European Surveillance of Veterinary Antimicrobial Consumption (ESVAC)
  - Federation of Veterinarians of Europe



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More information at :

[www.agisar.org](http://www.agisar.org)

[http://www.who.int/foodborne\\_disease/resistance/agisar/en](http://www.who.int/foodborne_disease/resistance/agisar/en)