



STAR-IDAZ Update

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STAR-IDAZ Objectives

The overall aim of STAR-IDAZ is to improve coordination of research activities on the major infectious diseases of livestock and zoonoses so as to hasten the delivery of improved control methods.

International Research Consortium on Animal Health - STAR-IDAZ IRC



Higher level of commitment for coordinated research activities through the STAR-IDAZ International Research Consortium for Animal Health (IRC)

- Agree minimum level of investment in research on priorities over a five year period (threshold \$US 10 million; group funding commitment possible)
- Agree delivery targets
- Agree to coordinate/align funding to deliver these targets (members' own funding procedures, unless agreed otherwise; governance document & policy guidelines)
- Agree to share research results (as much as necessary, without jeopardising IPR)
- 25 Partners from 16 countries including one international research organisation (ILRI), one charity (BMGF), the European Commission and three industry have signed the Letter of Intent to participate.
- Total combined five-year research budget of \$US 2.5+ billion

IRC Objectives and Deliverables



The overall objective of STAR-IDAZ IRC is to coordinate research at international level to contribute to new and improved animal health strategies for at least 30 priority diseases/infections/issues

The deliverables include:

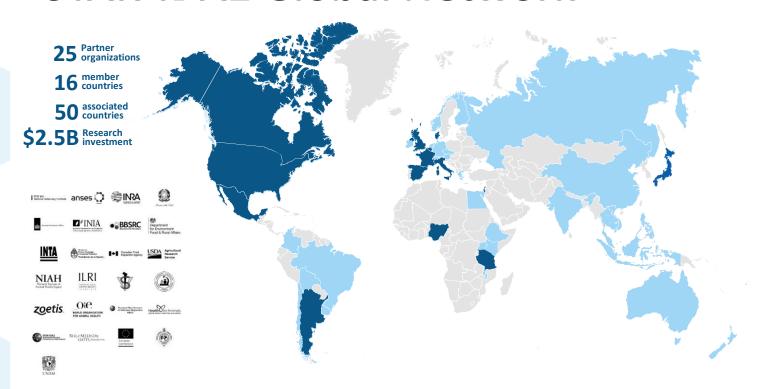
- Candidate vaccines
- Diagnostics
- Therapeutics
- Other animal health products and procedures
- Key scientific information/tools to support risk analysis and disease control







STAR-IDAZ Global Network



IRC ExC Partners



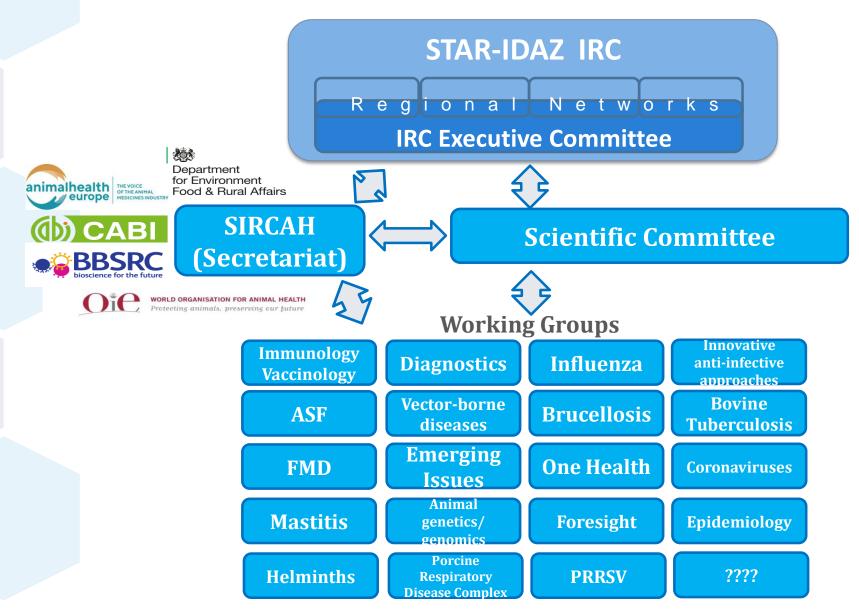
- 1. Danish National Veterinary Institute (DTU Vet), Denmark
- 2. National Institute of Agricultural Research (INRA), France
- 3. The French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health & Safety (ANSES), France
- 4. Ministry of Health, Italy
- 5. Ministry of Economic Affairs (MinEZ), The Netherlands
- 6. National Institute for Agriculture and Food Research and Technology (INIA), Spain
- 7. Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), UK
- 8. Biotechnology and Biological Science Research Council (BBSRC), UK
- 9. Regional Consortium; Universiteit Gent (Ghent University), Université de Liège, the Federal Public Service Health, Food Chain Safety and Environment (unit Contractual Research) and CODA-CERVA (Veterinary and Agrochemical Research centre)
- 10. Kimron Veterinary Institute, Israel
- 11. International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), Kenya
- 12. Tanzania Veterinary Laboratory Agency (TVLA), Tanzania
- 13. National Institute of Animal Health, National Agriculture and Food Research Organisation (NIAH), Japan
- 14. Agriculture Research services, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA ARS), US
- 15. National Institute of Agriculture Technology (INTA), Argentina
- 16. Ministry of Science, Technology and Productive Innovation (MINCYT), Argentina
- 17. Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), Canada
- 18. World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)
- 19. Zoetis
- 20. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)
- 21. HealthforAnimals (Global Animal Medicines Association)
- 22. Diagnostics for Animals (Veterinary Diagnostics Manufacturers) (formerly EMVD)

23. European Commission

- 24. Regional Consortium; Nigerian Animal Health Research Network led by National Veterinary Research Institute Vom
- 25. National Advisory Council on Animal Health (CONASA) and the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Zootechnics (FVMZ)

Governance Structure





Secretariat for the International Research Consortium on Animal Health (SIRCAH)



- Establish working groups for priority diseases and crosscutting issues assisting with the organisation of meetings, including helping to pull together the gap analysis and mapping funding activities against identified research needs.
- Produce and publish gap analysis and roadmap reports from working groups.
- Advise the Scientific Committee (SC) and ExC on how research
 programmes could be aligned and make funding
 recommendations based on the gap analysis, roadmap reports and
 current funding activities.
- Maps funding activities against identified research needs, and helps mobilise resources to address them
- Facilitating knowledge transfer to bring innovation to the market

Scientific Committee



Don Knowles

Dieter Schillinger

Gary Entrican

Martin Beer

Edwin Claerebout

Wim van der Poel

Denis Kolbasov

Stéphan Zientara

Bruno Goddeeris

Clara María Marín Alcalá

Gustavo Zielinski

Glen Gifford

Jeremy Salt

Anette Bøtner

Irit Davidson

Sergio Rosati

SC representation in WGs



| Working Group | SC Member | Deputy |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Coronaviruses | Don Knowles | |
| One Health | Dieter Schillinger | |
| Vaccinology | Gary Entrican | Bruno Goddeeris |
| Influenza | Martin Beer | |
| Helminths | Edwin Claerebout | |
| Emerging issues | Wim van der Poel | |
| ASF | Denis Kolbasov | Anette Bøtner |
| FMD | Stéphan Zientara | Jeremy Salt |
| VBD | Bruno Goddeeris | Don Knowles |
| Brucellosis | Clara María Marín Alcalá | Gustavo Zielinski |
| PRDC | Gustavo Zielinski | |
| Mastitis | Gustavo Zielinski | |
| bTB | Glen Gifford | |
| Pox viruses | Jeremy Salt | |
| PRRS | Anette Bøtner | |
| Diagnostics | Irit Davidson | Sergio Rosati |
| Innovative anti-infective | | |
| approaches including ATA | | |
| Foresight | | |



Scientific Committee Meetings

Vienna, August 2018

- Agreed a system for the renewal of the Scientific Committee Membership
- Discussed ways to measure and increase impact of roadmaps
- Discussed priorities from Africa and Middle East Region and decided on mycoplasmas to recommend to ExC as new topic
- Agreed next steps for working groups

London, January 2019

- Agreed to cut testing from therapeutics roadmaps and focus on research
- Agreed to develop roadmap for animal genetics
- Discussed how to approach issue of standardised challenge models and agreed that the IRC should develop guidelines only
- Agreed to focus VBD working group on the (arthropod) vector rather than diseases

Recommendations to ExC from SC meetings August 2018 and January 2019



- IRC to contribute to international standards for vaccine efficacy research.
- Modify draft SC rotation policy to say that when someone is standing down from the SC the SC will nominate suitable alternatives, taking into account the discipline covered by the person stepping down, and present the name(s) to the ExC for their decision.
- Mycoplasmas including CBPP/CCPP be added to the list of IRC priority topics and taken forward as a Working Group.

Beijing meetings March '19



Reception – Monday 11th March

Workshop – Tuesday 12th March

 EU-China collaboration on pig disease research with a particular focus on African Swine Fever

STAR-IDAZ IRC EC Meeting Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th March

AM visited the Harbin, Shanghai and Lanzhou Veterinary Research Institutes

Beijing meetings March '19



Reception (Monday 11th):

Welcome address - Chris Wood (Deputy Head of Delegation)

Importance of pig production and trade to China and the EU - Nicolas Dandois (EU Delegation)

EU research programmes and the importance of collaboration in addressing our common challenges (including emergence of diseases in animal production) - Jean Charles Cavitte (EC-DG AGRI)

STAR-IDAZ IRC as a platform for coordinating animal disease research globally – Alex Morrow

EU-China collaboration on pig disease research with a particular focus on African Swine Fever



Session 1

Welcome

EU Research programmes on Animal health and collaboration with China

- Collaboration in the area of Food Agriculture and Biotechnology -Nicolas Dandois
- Animal Health Research programmes and opportunities for collaboration -Jean-Charles Cavitte

CAAS and Chinese Ministry of Science Research programmes - Hong Yin HealthyLivestock – EU-China Collaborative programme -Jan Vaarten and Shuming Yang

New technologies – Gene editing and Classical Swine Fever - Hongsheng Ouyang

Session 2

Current Situation and Control Strategy of African Swine Fever in China - Xiaodong Wu

Overview of ASF situation in Europe - Gudrun Gallhoff

Research needs on ASF identified by the Global ASF Research Alliance (GARA) - Sandra Blome and Cova Alonso

ASF Research Roadmaps on Vaccine Development and Epidemiology and Disease Control strategies - Stefano Messori

EU-China collaboration on pig disease research with a particular focus on African Swine Fever



Session 3

COST Action ASF-STOP – Dolores Gavier-Widén
Discovery of AFSV and Epidemiological analysis - Rongliang Hur
Lessons learned from recent animal trials - Sandra Blome
Risk of African swine fever transmission in veterinary biologics - Qizu Zhaor

Virus host interactions in support of vaccine development - Cova Alonso

Session 4

Development of diagnostic tools of ASF Potential vector ticks - Zhijie Liu

DEFEND Project with an overview of ASF research at the Pirbright Institute - Pip Beard

Development of vaccine against ASF - Huaji Qiu Concluding remarks

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STAR-IDAZ IRC EC meeting Beijing



Welcome and introductions

Minutes of the last STAR-IDAZ meeting, held 14-15 March 2018 in Madrid Current Status of STAR-IDAZ and IRC

- Update on activities
- IRC Governance Structure and Modus Operandi, and STAR-IDAZ MoU
- OIE General Session event

Secretariat for the International Research Consortium on Animal Health (SIRCAH)

- Deliverables
- Periodic review

Report from the IRC Scientific Committee meetings

SC recommendations to the ExC

STAR-IDAZ IRC links to DISCONTOOLS

ERA-Net Co-fund on Animal Health: a platform for a joint funding initiative

Lead Roadmaps

- Candidate vaccine development
- Diagnostic test development
- Therapeutics
- Epidemiology and development of disease control strategies
- Others

Website and data capture

Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome

Research gaps and roadmaps

Followed by other priority topics

Working Groups



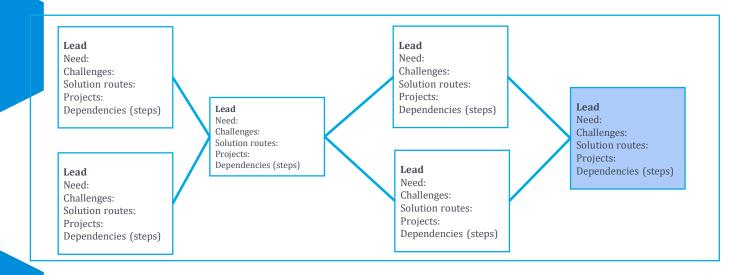
- Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome
- Influenza
- Bovine tuberculosis
- Foot and Mouth Disease
- Brucellosis
- African Swine Fever
- Vector-borne diseases
- Corona viruses
- Mastitis
- Helminths including anthelmintic resistance
- Porcine respiratory disease
- Pox virus infections
- Others to come

- Vaccinology
- Emerging issues
- One Health (including foodborne pathogens and AMR)
- Animal genetics/genomics for animal health
- Epidemiology
- Diagnostics (tools and technologies)
- AMR and the Development
 of Innovative Alternatives to
 Antibiotics (Integrated pathogen
 control for the reduction of resistance/
 Innovative anti-infective approaches,
 including alternatives to antimicrobials)



Lead Roadmap

Roadmap can be plotted by showing all the leads that are dependencies



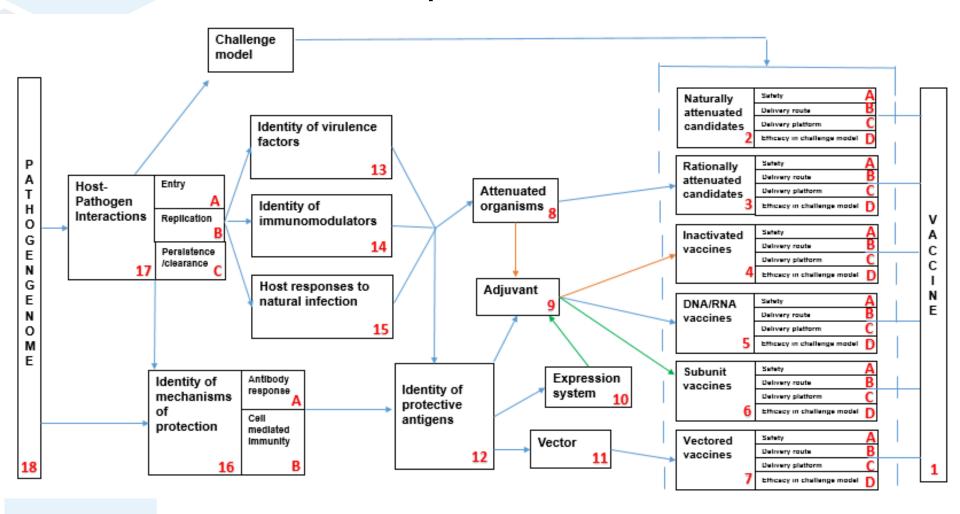
Roadmaps



- Way of visualizing a complex problem showing the gaps and helping to decide what projects need to be developed to create workable solutions.
- Available online providing a valuable tool for the research community including funders.
- The interactive vaccine candidate roadmaps will be launched shortly
 - Diagnostics, therapeutics and epidemiology and control to follow
- Current research projects from IRC partners are being mapped onto the roadmaps and linked to the challenges associated with each lead allowing users to assess the extent to which the challenges are being addressed and identifying areas requiring further attention.

Research Roadmap for Vaccine Development





Lead Summaries



Title:

Research Question

What are we trying to achieve and why? What is the problem we are trying to solve?

Challenge(s)

What are the scientific and technological challenges (knowledge gaps needing to be addressed)?

Solution Routes

What approaches could/should be taken to address the research question?

Dependencies

What else needs to be done before we can solve this need?

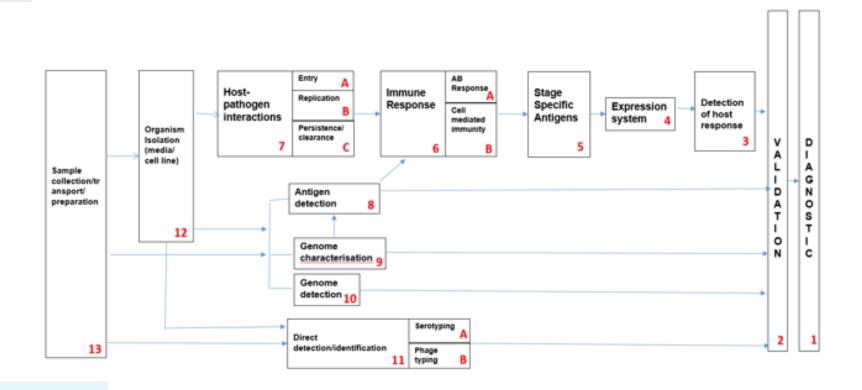
State of the Art

Existing knowledge including successes and failures

Projects

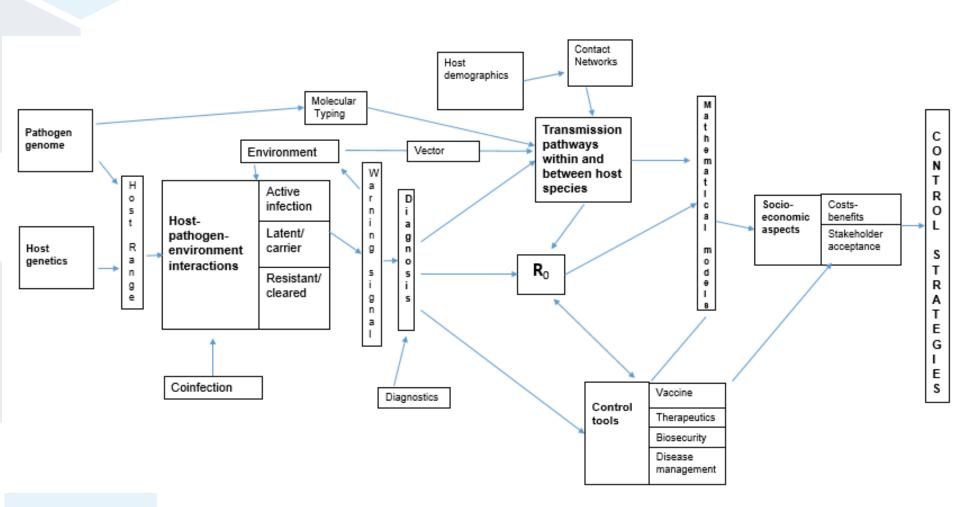
Diagnostic Test Development Roadmap





Epidemiology and Control Research Roadmaps







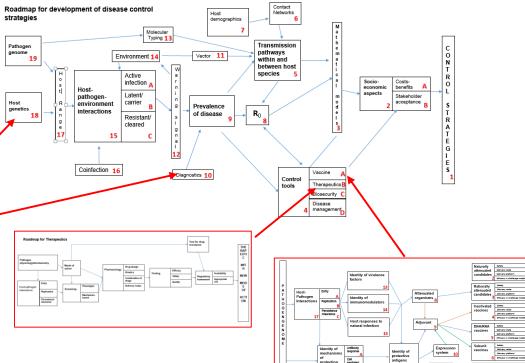


Research roadmaps for focused gap analysis



Each lead/box is underpinned by...

- 1. Research question
- 2. Challenges
- 3. Solution routes
- 4. Dependencies
- 5. State of the art
- 6. Projects



Projects mapped onto gaps

- Overview
- Objectives and deliverables
- Outputs
- Progress

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Research projects



Project Title

Funding organisation

Research organisation

Animal and pathogen

Project objectives

(Expected) deliverables with (expected) delivery dates and links to outputs (reports and data)

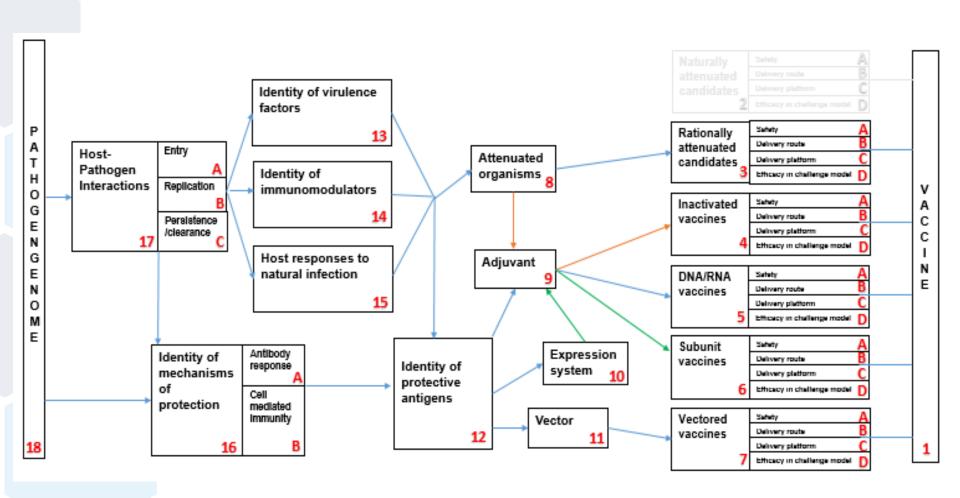
PRRS Research Gaps



| | | | [Organisation 1 name] | | |
|--------|---------------------|--|-----------------------|-----------|-------------|
| | Research area | Gaps | ongoing * | planned b | collabor. c |
| 1. | Diagnostics | | | | |
| 1.1. | Serological | | | | |
| 1.1a | | <u>Development of differential ELISAs to allow detection of different strains</u> (Type 1, Type 2 and High Path) | | | |
| 1.1b | | Potential and limitations of the use of oral fluids for the virological and serological diagnosis | | | |
| | | Analysis of PPRV herd immune status using oral fluid samples | 1 | | |
| 1.1c | | Pen-side tests for antigen/antibody detection |] | | |
| 1.1d | | Strain divergnece and diagnostics | | | |
| | | System for the reliable and rapid detection of new strains | | | |
| 1.1e | | Multiplex platforms | | | |
| 1.1f | | DIVA test | | | |
| | | Tests to assess immune status and protection | | | |
| 1.2. | Molecular diagnos | Molecular diagnostics | | | |
| 1.2.a. | | PCRs for detection of all strains. | | | |
| 2. | Vaccines | | | | |
| 2.1. | Vaccine development | | | | |
| 2.1a | | More effective vaccines | | | |
| 2.1b | | Oral/nasal vaccines that give a local immunity at the place of entry | | | |
| 2.1c | | Development of marker vaccines together with differential ELISAs | | | |
| 2.1d | | Development of farm-specific vaccines | | | |
| 2.1f | | Safe adaptable attenuated and vector vaccines | 1 | | |
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PRRS Vaccine Research Roadmap







Title: An improved multivalent PRRSV vaccine preventing disease, virus transmission and carrier state in vaccinated animals

Research Question

What are we trying to achieve and why? What is the problem we are trying to solve?

Protection against disease caused by the various virus strains. Sterile immunity

Prevent vaccine virus contributing to evolution of field isolates

Virus eradication from a herd

Challenge(s)

What are the scientific and technological challenges (knowledge gaps needing to be addressed)?

Cross-protection against the various isolates

Attenuated live viruses can contribute to virus evolution

Generation of both a CTC and VN response

The dominant immunogens may not be protective

Solution Routes

What approaches could/should be taken to address the research auestion?

Establish protection levels with various candidate vaccine options, including priming with one vaccine and boosting with a different vaccine.

Establish if pig genetics influences responses

Incorporate the candidate vaccine in a vaccine platform covering a number of diseases

The development of farm strain-specific vaccines (autologous vaccines)

Dependencies

What else needs to be done before we can solve this need?

Development of cross protective/multivalent killed vaccine

Development of a cross protective/multivalent vectored varrine

Development of a subunit vaccine

Development of an attenuated vaccine that doesn't persist or is excreted

State of the Art

Existing knowledge including successes and failures

Projects



Title: Development of an attenuated vaccine that doesn't persist or is excreted.

Research Question

What are we trying to achieve and why? What is the problem we are trying to solve?

Replicating organisms are likely to give the most appropriate immune response but wild-type virus manipulates the host response. The aim is to reduce the virulence of the organism so that the vaccinated animal can mount a protective immune response

Challenge(s)

What are the scientific and technological challenges (knowledge gaps needing to be addressed)?

The generation of GM organisms that are viable but lack virulence and non-protective immune-dominant antigens. Identification of strains that give the greatest cross protection.

That vaccination prevents excretion of the organism – both the vaccine strain and wild type virus or any combination of the two that may have been generated

Solution Routes

What approaches could/should be taken to address the research question?

Monitoring the immune response following immunisation with the various candidates.

Challenge experiments with the various vaccine candidates, including challenge with other strains Identity of cell lines that allow higher production of PRRSV

Dependencies

What else needs to be done before we can solve this need?

The generation of stable genetically modified organisms Identity of virulence factors in PRRSV Identity of immunomodulators in PRRSV

State of the Art

Existing knowledge including successes and failures

Projects



Title: The generation of rationally attenuated genetically modified PRRSV

Research Question

What are we trying to achieve and why? What is the problem we are trying to solve?

To generate organisms that are less virulent in terms of pathological changes that they cause and/or their ability to modulate the host's immune responses – rationally attenuated vaccine

Challenge(s)

What are the scientific and technological challenges (knowledge gaps needing to be addressed)?

That the organisms are stable and can be produced in cell culture

That they still generate a protective response

Solution Routes

What approaches could/should be taken to address the research question?

Generation of infectious cDNA clones

Generation and characterisation of a range of rationally attenuated organisms (using codon pair deoptimisation) Immune response to the attenuated organisms

Dependencies

What else needs to be done before we can solve this need?

Identity of Virulence factors and their genes Identity of immunomodulators

State of the Art

Existing knowledge including successes and failures

Projects



Title

To establish the identity of the immunomodulatory factors/stealth mechanisms in PRRSV

Research Question

What are we trying to achieve and why? What is the problem we are trying to solve?

PRRSV attempts to modulate the host's immune responses so that it can survive and replicate.

The early Ab response isn't protective and VN-Abs don't appear until 6 weeks into infection

Identifying and removal of the factors contributing to the virus stealth mechanisms could contribute to the generation of improved attenuated vaccine candidates

Challenge(s)

What are the scientific and technological challenges (knowledge gaps needing to be addressed)?

Solution Routes

What approaches could/should be taken to address the research auestion?

Generation of a range of knock-out viruses where the genes for various immunomodulatory factors or other stealth mechanisms have been removed and their use in experimental infections.

Modulation of innate immune responses

Dependencies

What else needs to be done before we can salve this need? Improved understanding of virus-macrophage interaction – viral and macrophage gene expression in different in vivo environments (macrophages from naïve and immune hosts)

State of the Art

Existing knowledge including successes and failures

Projects

What activities are planned or underway?

Dysregulation of NK cell function/suppression of NK Cell activity

Dysregulation of IFNα production (nsp. 1, 2, 4, 11)





Title: Host Pathogen interaction in PRRSV infection

Research Question

What are we trying to achieve and why? What is the problem we are trying to solve?

To gain an improved understanding of how PRRSV enters, replicates and survives in and is released from infected cells

Challenge(s)

What are the scientific and technological challenges (knowledge gaps needing to be addressed)?

PRRSV infects macrophages which are an important contributor to the immune response so establishing how the virus interacts with macrophages is central to identifying the protective mechanisms and how the virus evades them.

Solution Routes

What approaches could/should be taken to address the research auestion?

Establish the basis of virulence/pathogenicity - including in high virulence strains - is it related to related to inflammatory response or viral replication

Viral and macrophage gene expression in different in vivo environments (macrophages from naïve and immune hosts). Comparative response to highly pathogenic/virulent and mild/attenuated strains of the virus Role of GP5 and Protein M peptides and binding.

Dependencies

What else needs to be done before we can solve this need?

The genome sequence of various PRRSV isolates

State of the Art.

Existing knowledge including successes and failures

Projects

What activities are planned or underway?

Rale of GP3 in infectivity miR-181 and CD163 expression Role of GP2a and GP4 in viral attachment

Publication of Roadmaps



The use of pre-print journals for community review could be considered (e.g bioRxiv), as this provides an opportunity for review by a wide community of informed stakeholders. This approach is often used for bioinformatics papers as it provides free 'trouble-shooting' – you could get something similar for the STAR-IDAZ approaches.

You can then still go on to publish in a 'normal' journal – they often take bioRxiv review as sufficient.

Lancet Infectious diseases Veterinary Record Transboundary and Emerging Diseases

One of the recommendations of the project review in the summer was 'Describe step by step construction of the roadmaps and concept of online versions' so putting together a paper describing the approach would answer that one.

Meetings that SIRCAH attended/participated in



- AM CRWAD and associated satellite meetings on PRRS Chicago, 30th November – 4th December
 Emerging diseases: Addressing the unmet vaccine needs
- RT and AM visited Elanco in Indianapolis, 5th December
- SS, RT, SM and LD reception and workshop in Washington 12 – 13th December
- SS and AM International Veterinary Vaccinology Network London, 9th &10th January
- AM SAPHIR Project (final) meeting 22nd &23rd January
 - PRRSV and M hyopneumoniae; Eimeria and Clostridium perfringens; BRSV and Mycoplasma bovis

Update on activities (continued)



- •AM workshop facilitated by Dame Sally Davies on "Shaping the agenda on AMR: A discussion with the private sector on draft recommendations of the Ad hoc Interagency Coordination Group (IACG) on Antimicrobial Resistance", 7th February
- AM Zoonoses and Emerging Livestock Systems (ZELS)
 Dissemination Event, 25th February
- AM Animal Health Investment Europe conference,
 26-27 February
- AM PARAGONE Worm Vaccine Workshop, 28th February

Washington reception, 12 December



Lord Gardiner - opened and chaired event

Dame Sally Davies - AMR

Lorenzo Terzi - EU Animal Health Research programmes

Christine Middlemiss – Disease challenges

Alex Morrow - STAR-IDAZ IRC

Objective: to 1) galvanise international political support to increase investment for strategic research on animal disease control strategies to reduce the use of antimicrobials in livestock production and 2) generate enhanced commitment (from public and charitable funders, and industry) to the systems approach being developed for the coordination of this research from basic science through to product development, which will shorten the innovation pathway and hastening the delivery of animal disease control tools.

Washington Workshop, 13 December



- Welcome (Professor Dame Sally Davies)
- Animal production and the environment (Edward Topp)
- Vaccines to reduce dependency on antimicrobials- (Cyril Gay and Stefano Messori)
- Ecology and Evolution of Infectious Diseases: a US-UK bilateral funding initiative (Sadhana Sharma)
- ERA-Net Co-fund on Animal Health: a platform for a joint funding initiative (Scott Sellers)
- Overview of STAR-IDAZ IRC- (Alex Morrow)
- Animal Disease Control and Vaccine Development: A Systems Approach (Chris Thompson)
- Introduction to the Research Roadmaps: Vaccines, Therapeutics, Diagnostics, Epidemiology and development of disease control strategies- (Luke Dalton)
- Data capture and engagement with roadmaps Breakout groups
- Cross-cutting research needs and priorities between sectors:
 shortening the innovation pipeline General discussion

Washington Workshop



 Presentations and Workshop Report available from STAR-IDAZ website

https://www.star-idaz.net/2018/12/workshopon-irc-research-roadmaps-shortening-theinnovation-pipeline/

Newsletter





Newsletter November 2018



African Swine Fever

In recent months outbreaks of African swine fever (ASF) have occurred in China, and its spread has continued through Europe with first reports in Belgium and Romania. ASF arrived in China in August 2018, which is particularly significant as the country has around half of the world's pig population. The spread of the disease has shown how diseases are a global threat and has emphasised the need for a global response to coordinate research to discover a vaccine. ASF is endemic in parts of Africa and was discovered in Georgia in the Caucasus in 2007, and subsequently spread to neighbouring countries and further into Eastern Europe.

Currently, ASFV is present in parts of the Russian Federation and neighbouring countries, including Ukraine, Poland, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia and Moldova, as well as, more recently, the



STAR-IDAZ IRC new Website launched

The STAR-IDAZ web-site (http://www.star-idaz.net) has been redesigned and relaunched. The web-site will help coordinate global research on Important topics in animal health. A key aspect of the new site is the roadmaps for the priority topics identifying research gaps for vaccines diagnostics and disease control. There are vaccine

November 2018

- African Swine Fever
- Global Foot and Mouth Disease Research alliance (GFRA) meeting in Argentina.
- Antimicrobial Resistance and Disease Control
- Events

Circulated to members and available for download from www.STAR-IDAZ.net



International Coordination of Research on Infectious Animal Diseases (ICRAD) ERAnet.

Purpose:

To support multi-disciplinary research to improve animal health and welfare, addressing some of the key endemic and (re)-emerging threats e.g. African Swine Fever and Animal Influenza, and developing novel detection and intervention strategies (including vaccines).

How:

Establish and operate a joint funding mechanism for animal health research on an international basis.

Reduced duplication of effort, better alignment of science, access to a wider knowledge base, collective action against global threats and challenges.



Previous ERAnets in Animal Health

EMIDA (Animal Health Research):

- 25 funding organisations
- €45m invested
- 26 projects funded (collaborative international networks)

ANIHWA (Animal Health and Welfare Research)

- €30m invested
- 33 projects funded

bTB, BTV, FMD, Campylobacter, Mastitis, TSEs, etc...



ICRAD ERAnet (progress)

- Proposal under review with European Commission
- Currently 26 funding organisations committed to support (Europe)
- Additional expressions of interest and commitments from other international funding bodies (Americas, Asia, Africa)
- EU will also contribute funds toward the joint call
- Approximately €20m for the first research call



Themes of ICRAD research call

- Improved understanding of endemic and emerging infectious animal diseases
 - ASF, Animal Influenzas and other priority diseases
 - Host/pathogen interactions, Epidemiology, Host immunology
- 2. Generic technology platforms for producing novel and/or improved vaccines
 - Including in relation to reduced use of anti-microbials
- 3. Rapid, accurate and easy to use in-field diagnostics technology



Alignment of European research investment with other international initiatives

- Are you planning research calls that align with any of the 3 themes?
- Opportunity to align investments (currently €20m committed)
- Potential for better co-ordination of research efforts
- Shorten the innovation pathway
- Lead to delivery of research output that has an impact
 - Disease control
 - AMR
 - Food security

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