



# Foot and Mouth Disease

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# Merial Veterinary Public Health

## Rabies

A fatal infection of the central nervous system of warm-blooded animals and humans

*Raboral V-RG*<sup>®</sup>  
Oral Rabies Vaccine For Wildlife

## Foot-and-Mouth Disease

A highly infectious viral infection of cattle, pigs, sheep, goats, buffalo, and other ruminants



## Public Private Partnership

FMD, Wildlife Rabies, RVF, CSF, BTV, EHD



**Merial VPH works with government agencies in the control of these diseases**

North America Rabies Management Plan (NRMP)

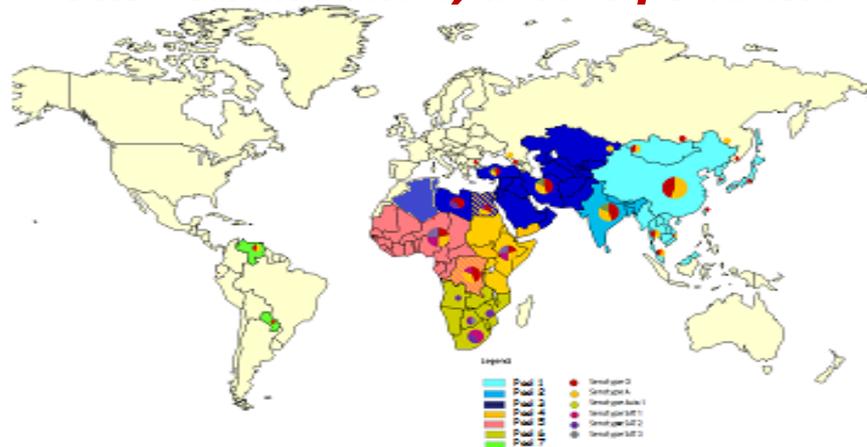
North America FMD Vaccine Bank

- USDA-Veterinary Services
- USDA-Wildlife Services
- Texas State Health Service
- USDA-Nat. Wildlife Res. Center
- State Agriculture Departments, State Veterinarians, State and Local Public Health Departments
- CDC, CFIA, SENASICA, NBAF

Other Merial US Veterinary Public Health infectious and emerging animal diseases areas: Cervid Bluetongue Virus and Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease, Rift Valley Fever and other reportable animal diseases. VPH collaborates with other Merial entities on Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza and Classical Swine Fever as related to USDA Foreign Animal Disease (FAD) Planning

# Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD)

*An old disease, but a present threat*



→ 2015

**1546**  
Italy Disease  
Description



**1897**  
Identification of infectious  
agent



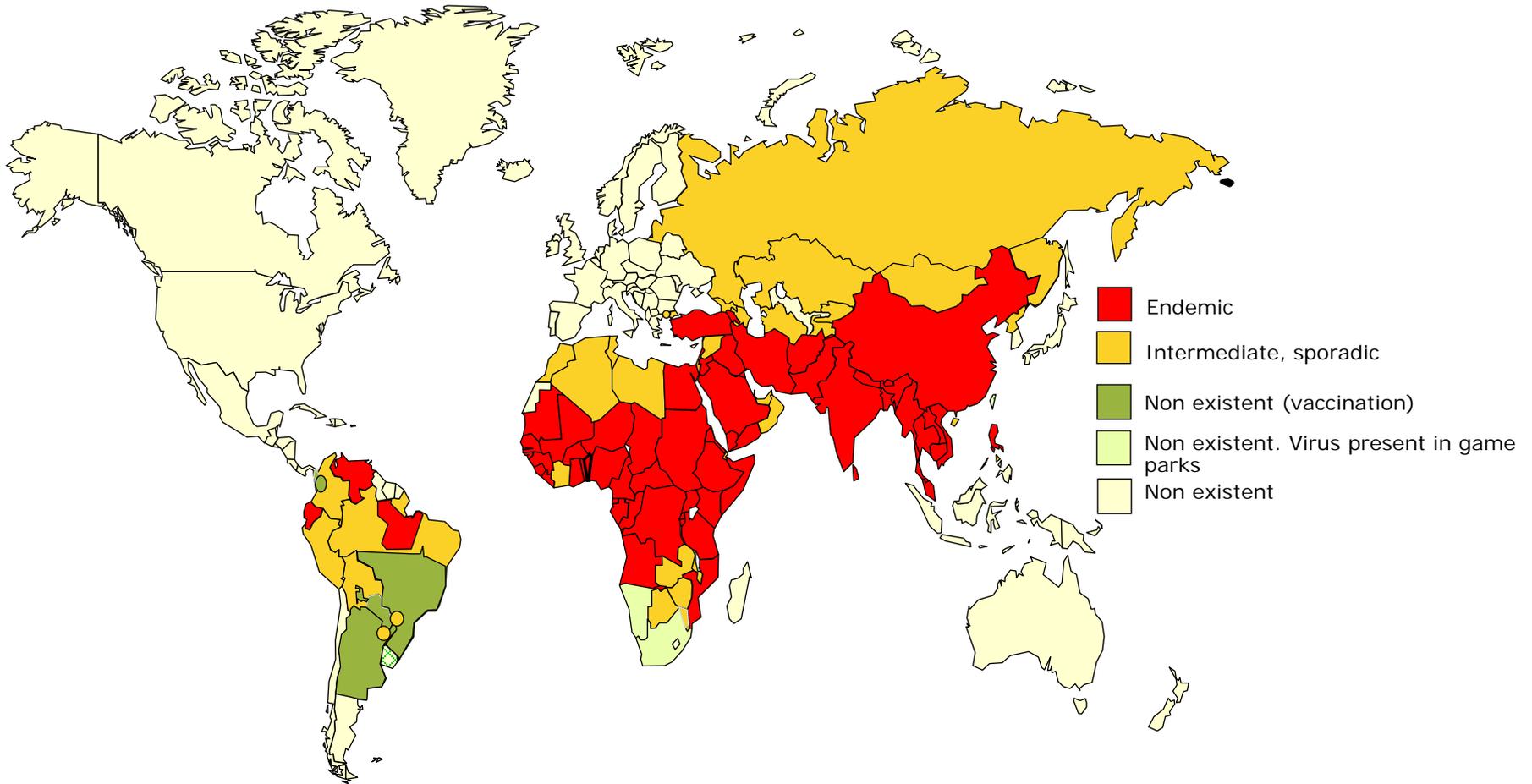
**1929**  
California:  
last US outbreak



**2001**  
UK outbreak



# The importance of FMD

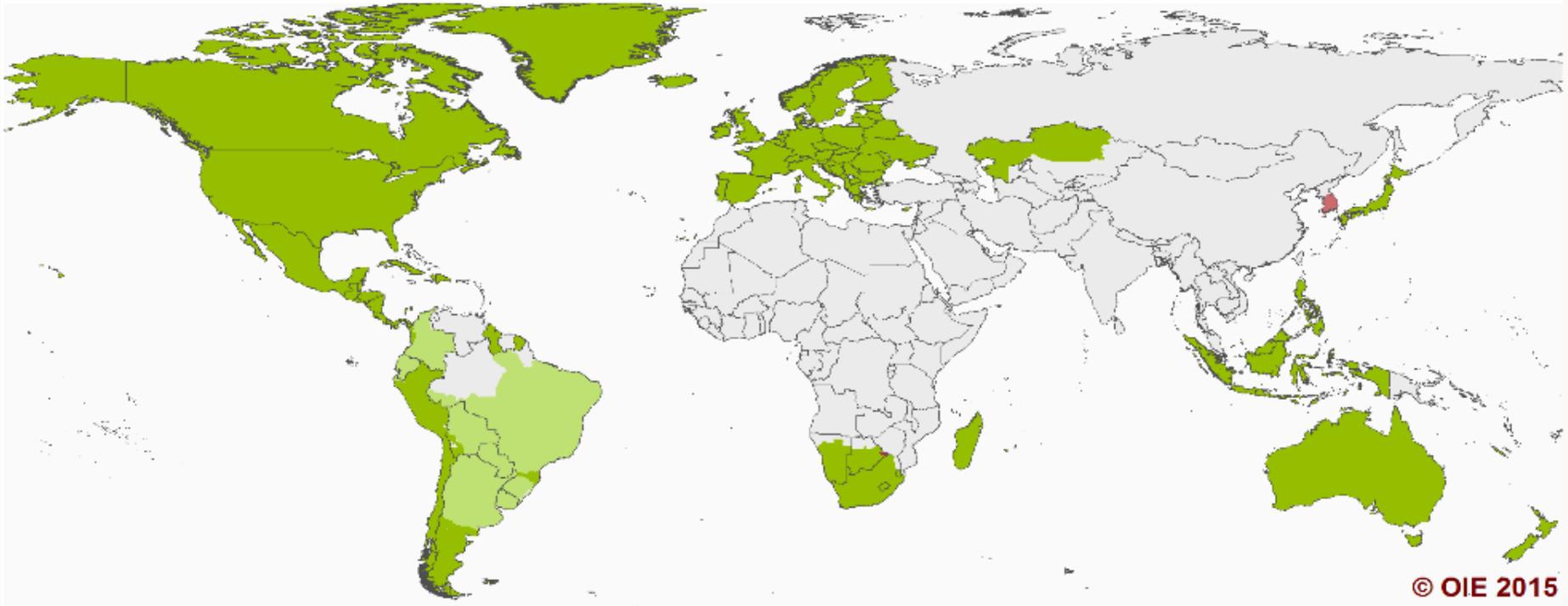


# FMD – OIE Official Status

## OIE Member Countries' official FMD status map

Last update May 2015

[Click on a specific region to zoom in](#)



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 Member Countries/zones recognised as free from FMD without vaccination  
 Member Countries/zones recognised as free from FMD with vaccination

 Suspension of the status free without vaccination  
 Suspension of the status free with vaccination

 Countries/zones without an OIE official status for FMD

# Virus Transmission Routes



# Case study – The South Korea Outbreak

## Historical situation

- South Korea historically "FMD free w/o vaccination "
- Increased frequency of FMD incursions from neighbouring, endemic countries over past decade
- Stamping out policy, average direct cost ~ US\$165M per incursion before restoration of "FMD free" status



## November 2010 outbreak

- Unprecedented magnitude
- Culling of ~3.5 million animals (3.3M pigs /140K cattle)



- January 2011: decision to change control policy into vaccination of the whole susceptible animal population (10M pigs, 3M cattle), culling only unvaccinated animals in new outbreaks.
- Change of country status to "endemic with vaccination".



# Indirect & direct impact

Mass culling and burial of pigs in Korea (Nov. 2010 – Feb. 11)



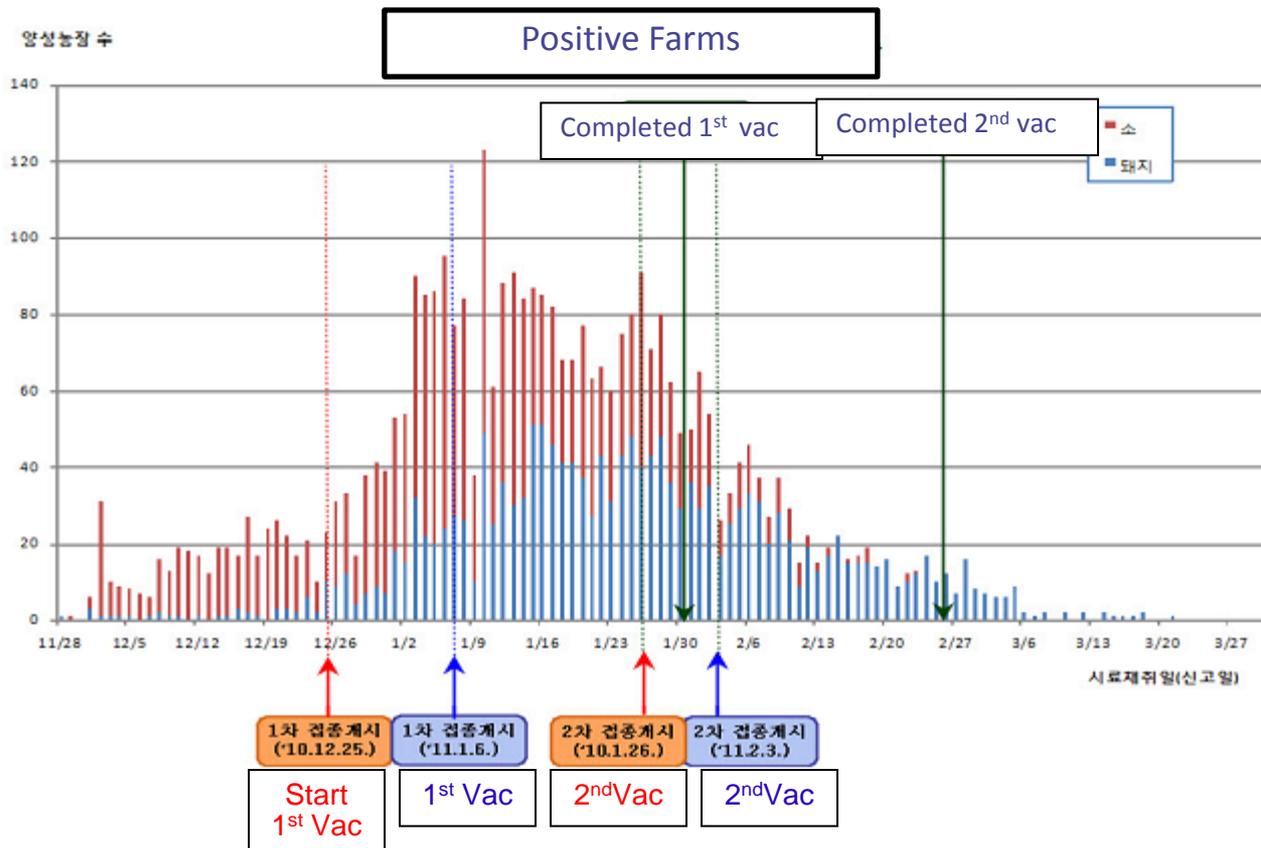
- Direct costs (3.3 millions pigs + 140 000 cattle): \$2 Bn
- Total costs: ~\$8 Bn



# The South Korea Outbreak: Vaccine Impact

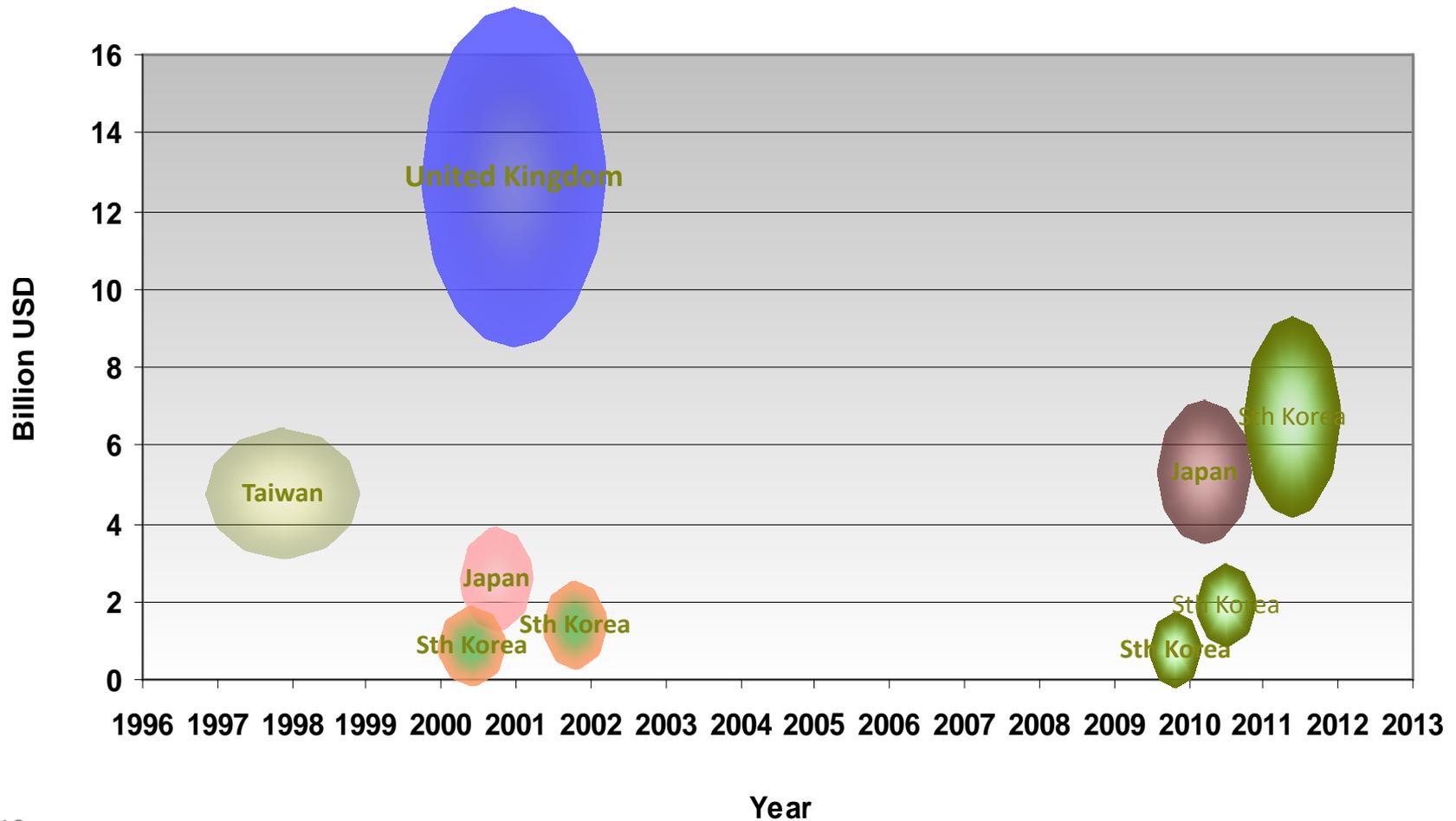
Nov 10 - Mar 11 - FMD outbreak evolution.

- Reduction in cattle outbreak cases 2 weeks after completion of 1st vaccination round
- Reduction in pig outbreak cases 3 weeks after completion of 1st vaccination round



# FMD cost of incursion - Control

## FMD outbreak economic impact – Major incursions into Disease Free Countries



# Epidemiology & Vaccine Recommendations

INTRODUCTION TO FMD



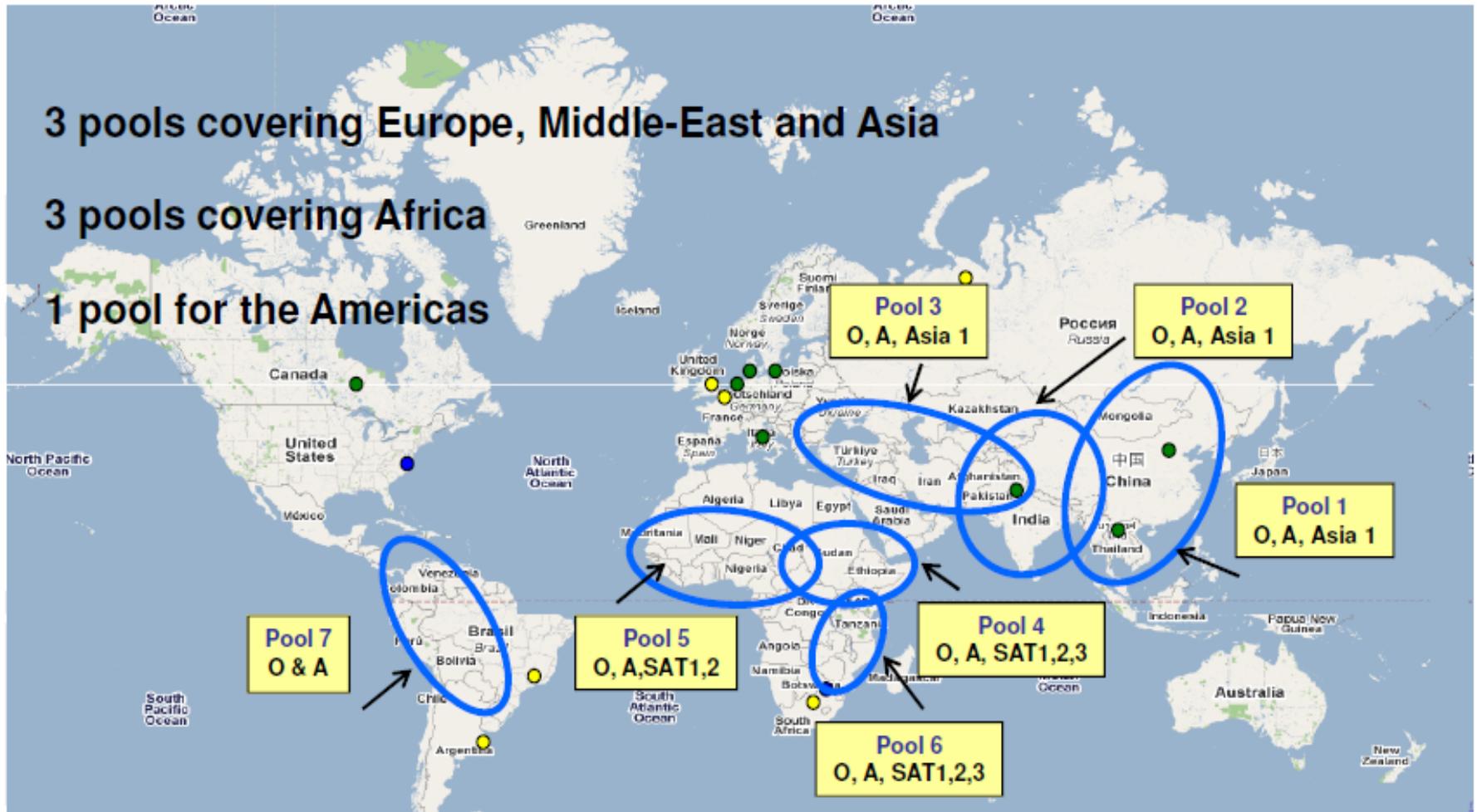
EPIDEMIOLOGY OF FMD



FMD VACCINES



# FMD EPIDEMIOLOGY TRENDS PER POOL / JUNE 2015



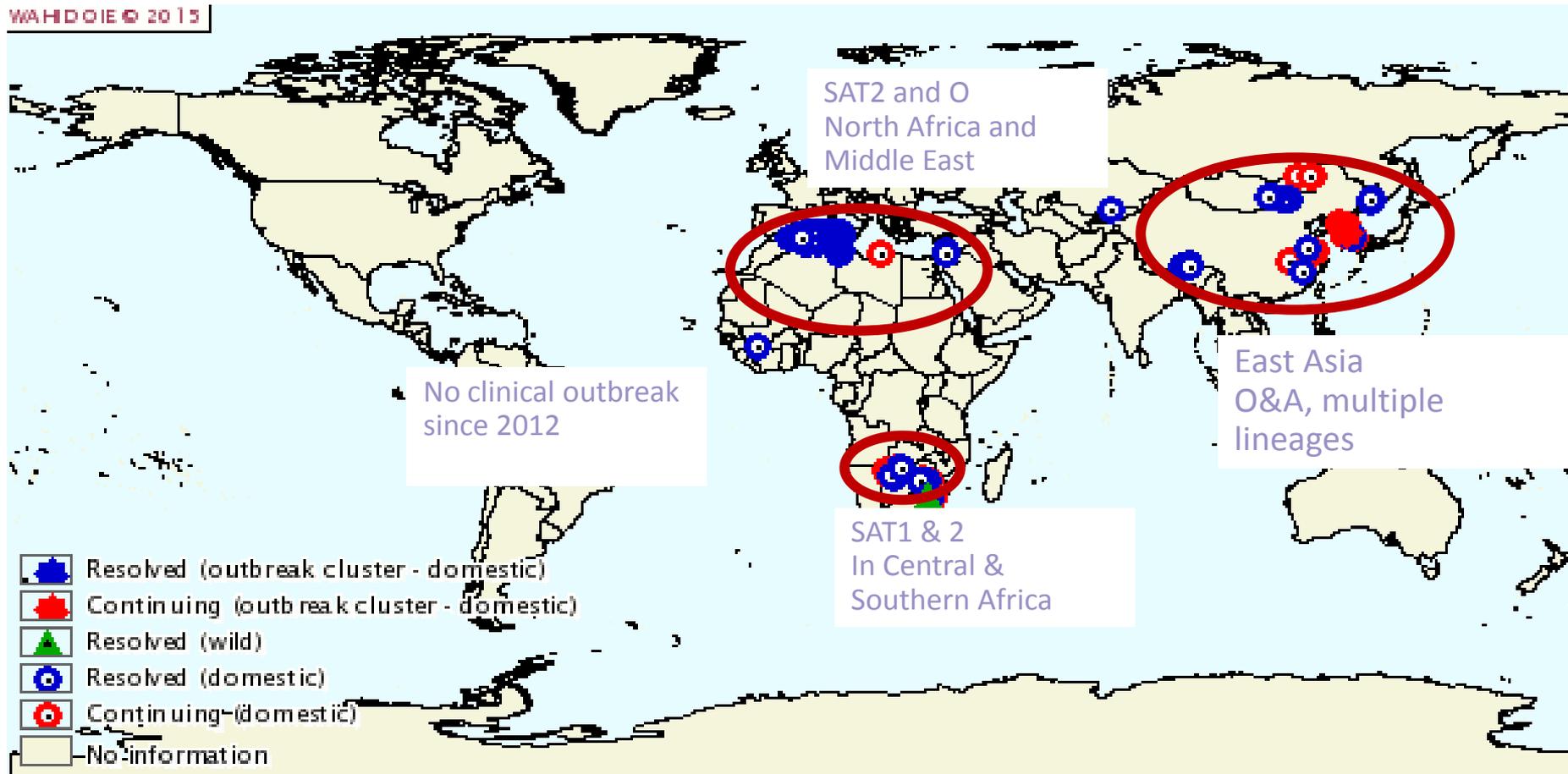
● OIE Reference Laboratories  
And Collaborating Centres

● FAO Additional Reference Centres

● Regional/National  
Reference Centres

# Recent FMD outbreaks (Jan14 - Sep15)

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# FMD Vaccines & Vaccination

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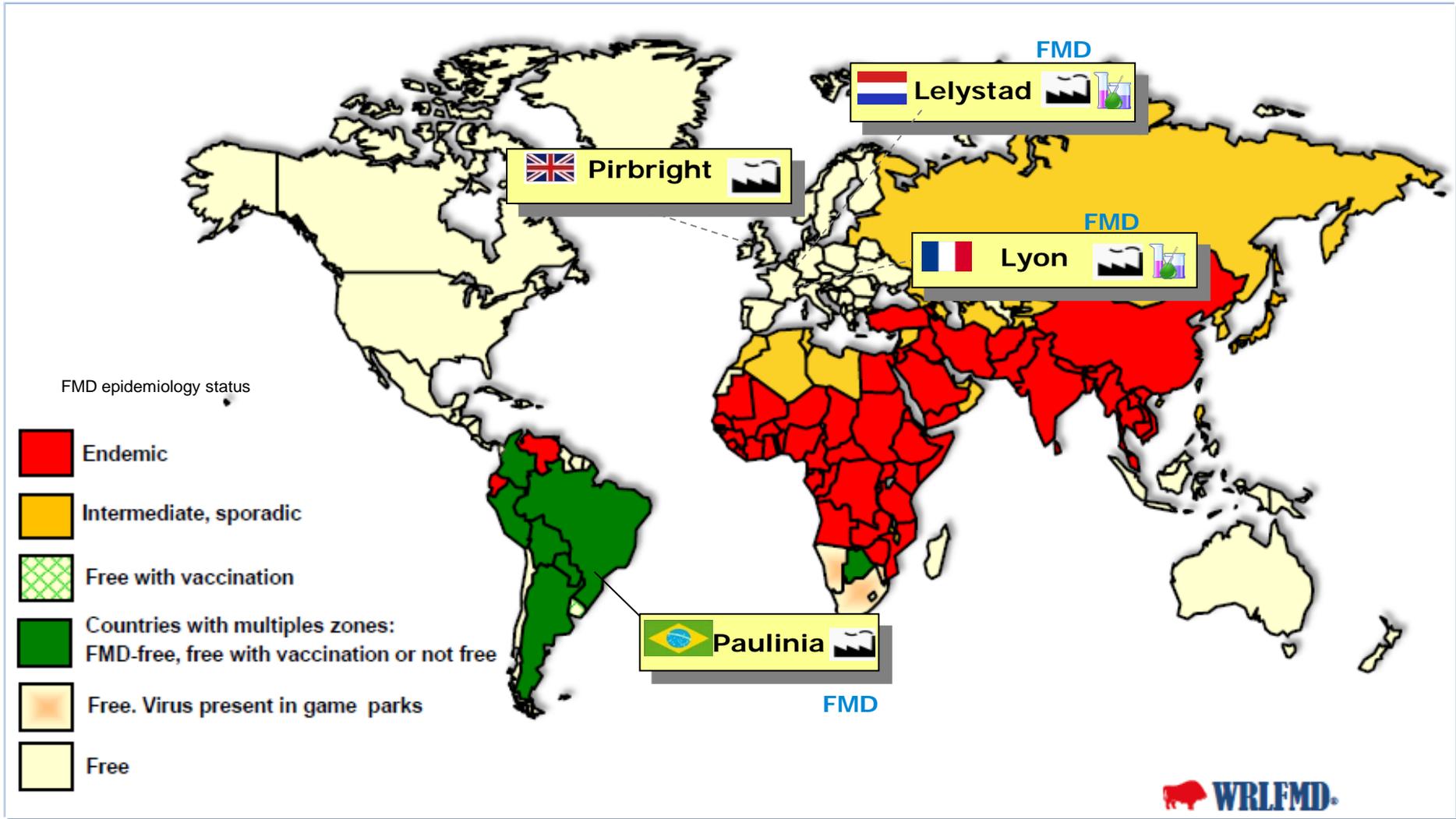
EPIDEMIOLOGY OF FMD



FMD VACCINES



# Merial FMD vaccine sourcing



# FMD Vaccines

- Non-purified, low potency vaccine for mass vaccination campaigns in endemic countries
- Purified, high potency marker vaccines for disease control/eradication programs
  - Aqueous for ruminant only
  - Oily adjuvant for ruminant and swine

# MERIAL FMD Vaccine Supply Alternatives

- **Bulk & Concentrates** for technology transfer in control/eradication programs



- **Antigen banks** for Disease Free Countries

# FMDV ANTIGEN BANKS - STORAGE



Straw	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
1		P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071
2	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071
3	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071	P1-1180P071
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- Antigen banks are stocks of immunogenic materials ready to be formulated into vaccines in case of introduction into FMD-free country
- FMD virus antigen are highly concentrated and stored over liquid N2 (-130C) to guarantee a shelf life of 5 years
- Banks include strains from major topotypes

# FMD Antigen Banks supplied by Merial

## EU STRATEGIC BANK



## EUROPE



France

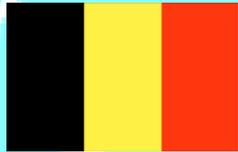


Germany



United Kingdom

## UNITED STATES, CANADA & MEXICO



Belgium



Switzerland

## ASIA & AUSTRALASIA



Japan



Korea



Hungary



Italy

## NORTH AFRICA & MIDDLE EAST



Taiwan



Australia

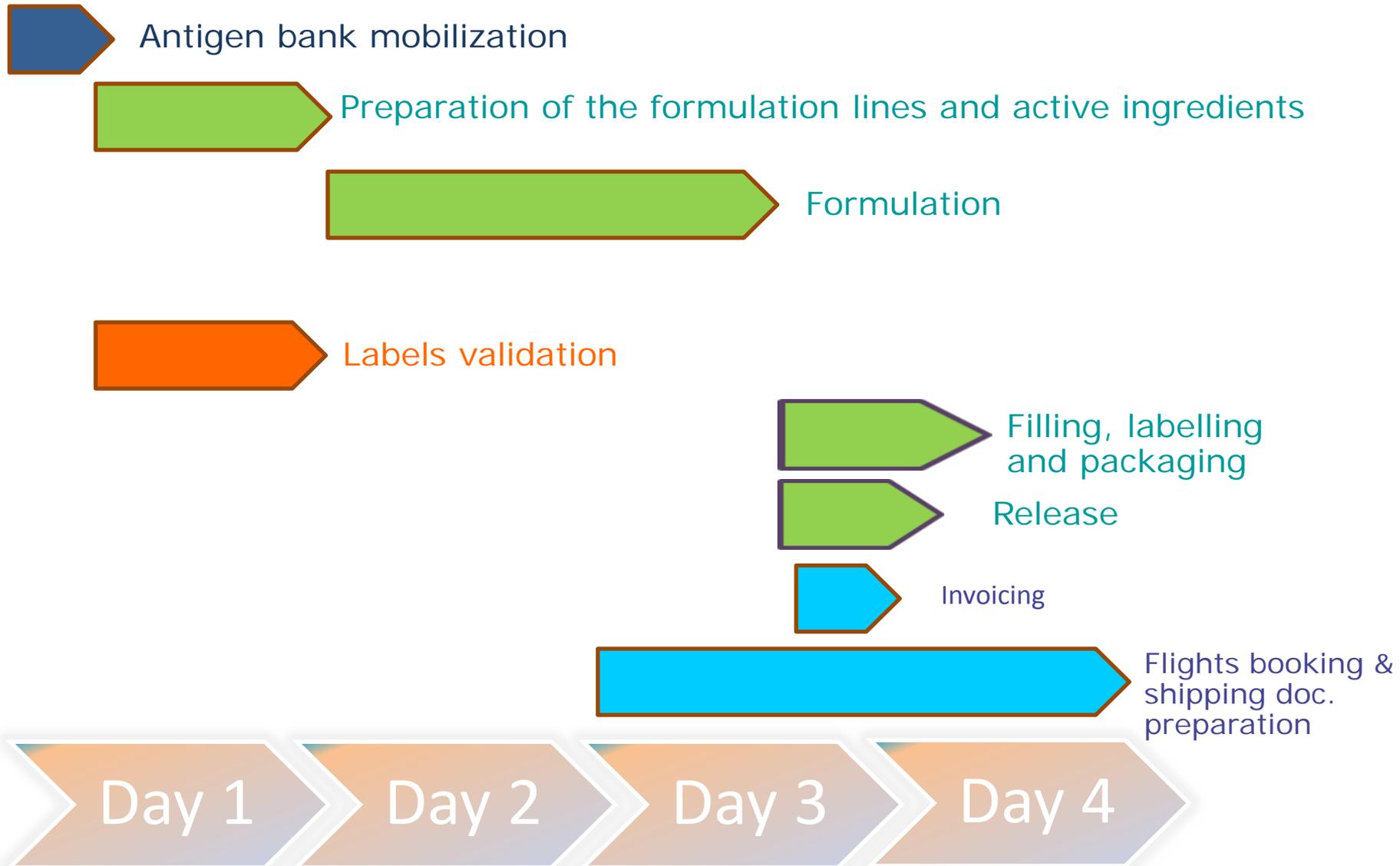


New Zealand

Association with some countries to supply Bulk vaccine or antigen



# ANTIGEN BANK MOBILIZATION PROCESS



By day 4 vaccines available at factory gate

# WRL FMD BANK RECOMMENDATIONS: 7/15



## Annex 3

### RECOMMENDATIONS FROM WRLFMD® ON FMD VIRUS STRAINS TO BE INCLUDED IN FMDV ANTIGEN BANKS (FOR FMD-FREE COUNTRIES) – March 2015

Note: Virus strains are NOT listed in order of importance

<b>High Priority</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>O Manisa</li> <li>O PanAsia-2 (or equivalent)</li> <li>O BFS or Campos</li> <li>A24 Cruzeiro</li> <li>Asia 1 Shamir</li> <li>A Iran-05 (or A TUR 06)</li> <li>A22 Iraq</li> <li>SAT 2 Saudi Arabia (or equivalent i.e. SAT 2 Eritrea)</li> </ul>
<b>Medium Priority</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Eritrea</li> <li>SAT 2 Zimbabwe</li> <li>SAT 1 South Africa</li> <li>A Malaysia 97 (or Thai equivalent such as A/Sakolnakorn/97)</li> <li>A Argentina 2001</li> <li>O Taiwan 97 (pig-adapted strain or Philippine equivalent)</li> </ul>
<b>Low Priority</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Iran '96</li> <li>A Iran '99</li> <li>A Iran 87 or A Saudi Arabia 23/86 (or equivalent)</li> <li>A15 Bangkok related strain</li> <li>A87 Argentina related strain</li> <li>C Noville</li> <li>SAT 2 Kenya</li> <li>SAT 1 Kenya</li> <li>SAT 3 Zimbabwe</li> </ul>

NB: Discussions are currently underway to adopt a risk-based approach for different FMD viral lineages to identify priority vaccines for use in Europe and other FMD-free settings.