

Standing Group of Experts on Lumpy Skin Disease in Europe under the GF-TADs umbrella

> First meeting (LSD1) Brussels, Belgium, 4-5 July 2016

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No preventive vaccination

Animals remain in Vac Zone -> except procedure via art 26 No licensed vaccine in Europe Vaccination experience from Israel Homologous Vac (Israel) <-> Heterologous Vac (RF; exp)

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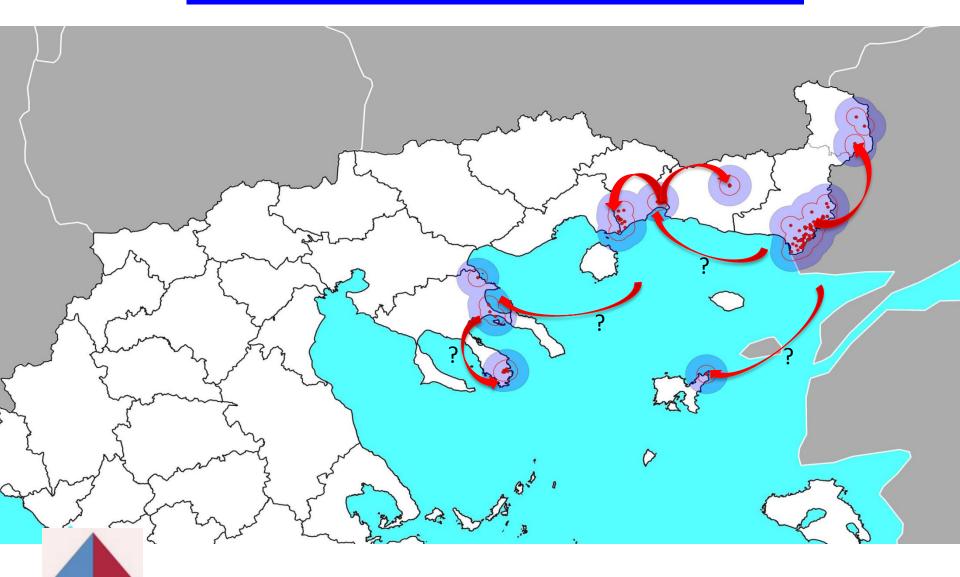


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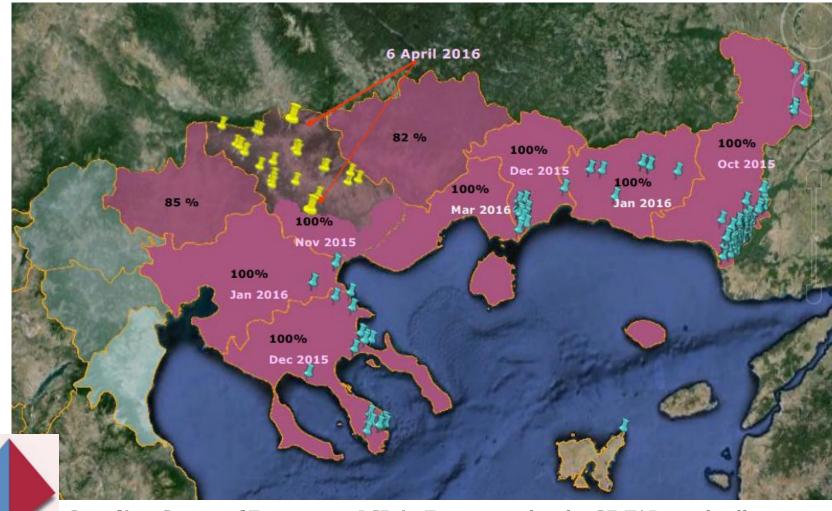
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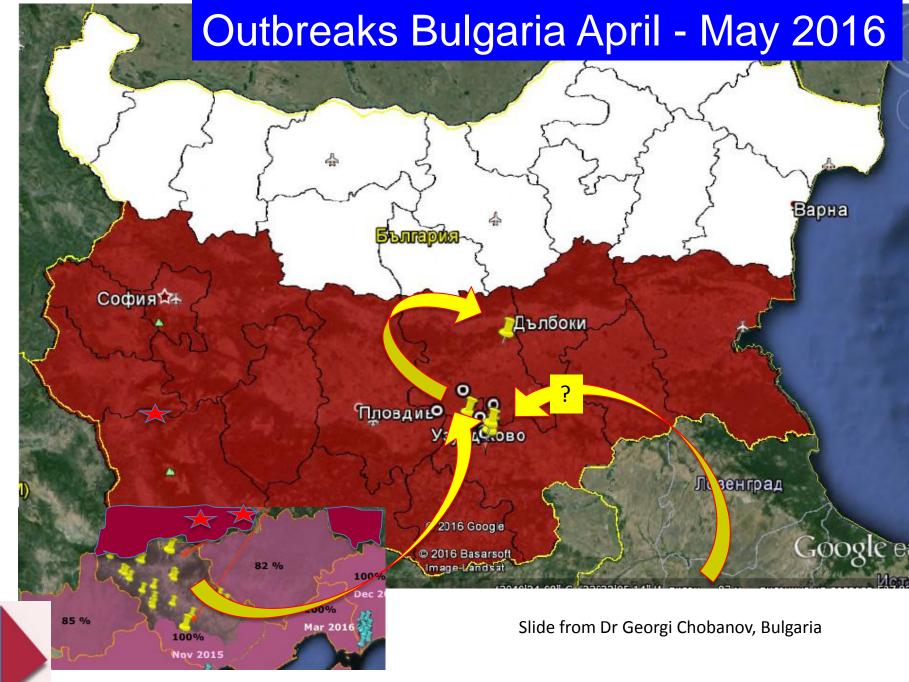
Situation in Greece 9 Nov 2015



Last outbreaks Greece 15/12/2015 Rodopi 14/12/2015 Chalkidiki Re-Emerge Greece 6/4/2016

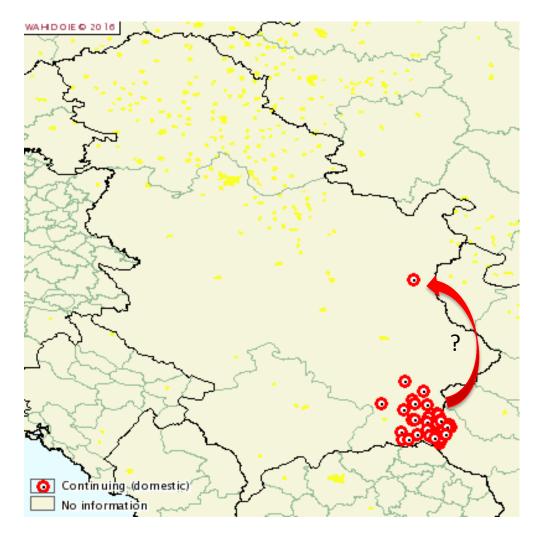


Standing Group of Experts on LSD in Europe under the GF-TADs umbrella Slide from Dr Sotiria Eleni Antoniou, Greece



LSD situation in Serbia 23 June 2016

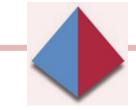






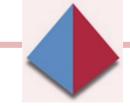
Spread/transmission of LSDV: Jumps

- Vectors (species / mechanical <-> biological)
- Unauthorised / illegal movement
- Trucks: cleaned and disinfected (control)
- Legal movement of animals



Legal Framework in EU:

- Commission implementing decision (EU) 2016/645 concerning certain protective measures against LSD in Bulgaria
- Derogation from the prohibition on the dispatch of bovine animals from restriction zone (RZ), for direct slaughter
 - Bovine on disease free holding > 28 days
 - Transport no stop + immediate slaughter (<36h)
 - Before and during transport protected against vectors
 - Animal not vaccinated + holding not vac, outside PZ/SZ
 - Animal not vaccinated + holding vac, outside PZ/SZ, wait min 7d
 - Animal not vaccinated + holding in SZ >30d
 - Animal vaccinated min 28d + holding vac min 28d



RISK?

Risk of movement of animals outside restricted zone

- Animal in incubation period (Not vac or Vac)
- Animal subclinical infected

Experience:

- Animals detected in slaughterhouse
- Vaccinated herds with clinical infection < 28 dpv
- Some new outbreaks in free areas not far from slaughterhouse or collection centre
- Experimental evidence (Animal Not vac or Vac)

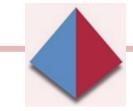
Lack of information:

- Prevalence of subclinical infected animals (Not vac or Vac)
- Vaccinated herds: herd immunity = ? (some animals do not react)
- Collaboration with Greece



Difference with bluetongue

- No stamping out
- Movement of animals
 - 60 dpv if not tested
 - 28 dpv if tested for antibodies
 - 14 dpv if tested for nucleid acid (RT-PCR)
- LSD no testing



Stamping out <-> modified stamping out

- Legislation concerning Environment
- Non-vaccinated herd:

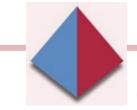
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- Non-vaccinated herd:

Culling of only animals with clinical signs = ? After testing ? All animals or representative number (low prevalence)

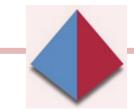
Need for information

Collaboration with Greece



• Laboratory

pooling: no information
CSF <-> BTV



Thank you

