

EFSA ACTIVITIES ENETWILD MAMMALNET APP

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EFSA vision and mission

SCIENCE SAFE FOOD SUSTAINABILITY

Protecting consumers, animals, plants and the environment through independent and transparent scientific advice on risks in the food chain from farm to fork





Provides independent scientific advice and support for EU risk managers and policy makers on food and feed safety



Provides independent, timely **risk communication**



Promotes scientific cooperation

EFSA work on African swine fever - SCIENTIFIC ADVICE AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Annual epidemiological reports (since 2017)

Current mandate from 2022- 2028. Next report in May 2024 with 2023 epidemiological situation

DATA

ADIS outbreaks
Laboratory data
(pigs & wild boar)
Pig population data
Wild boar data
(ENETWILD)

ANALYSIS & REPORT

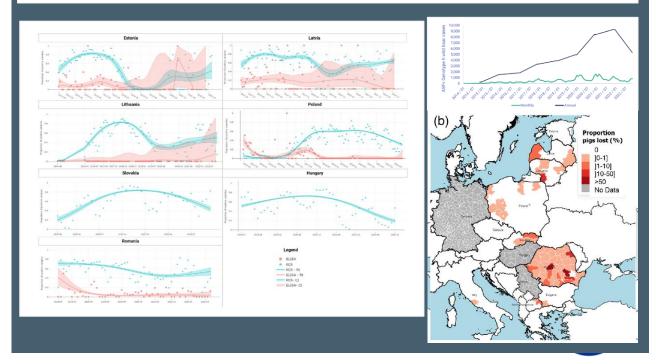
Online application

ASF WG experts

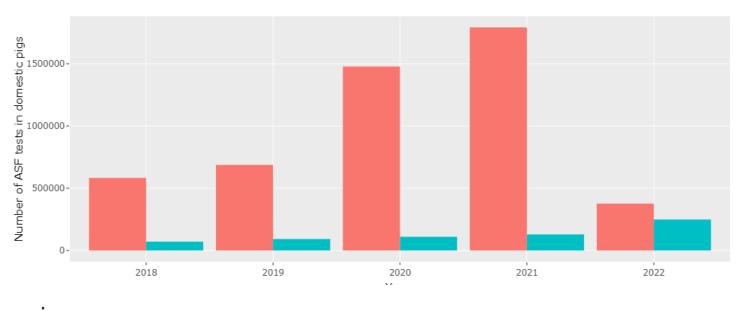
ASF country rep.

Latest epidemiological report: https://efsa.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.2903/j.efsa.2023.8016

Epidemiological analysis of African swine fever in the European Union during 2022



SURVEILLANCE IN DOMESTIC PIGS IN 2022



Number of domestic pig samples analysed for ASFv Genotype II by the reporting countries per year, differentiating active from passive surveillance components

Detection of ASF outbreaks in the EU

testing clinical suspicions (93%)

Active surveillance

Passive surveillance

- enhanced passive surveillance based on weekly test of at least 2 dead pigs per establishment (2%)
- tracing from affected establishments 5%

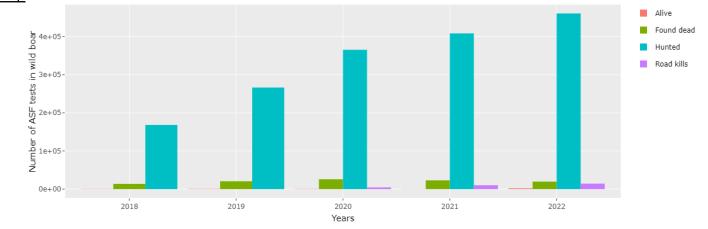


SURVEILLANCE IN WILD BOAR IN 2022

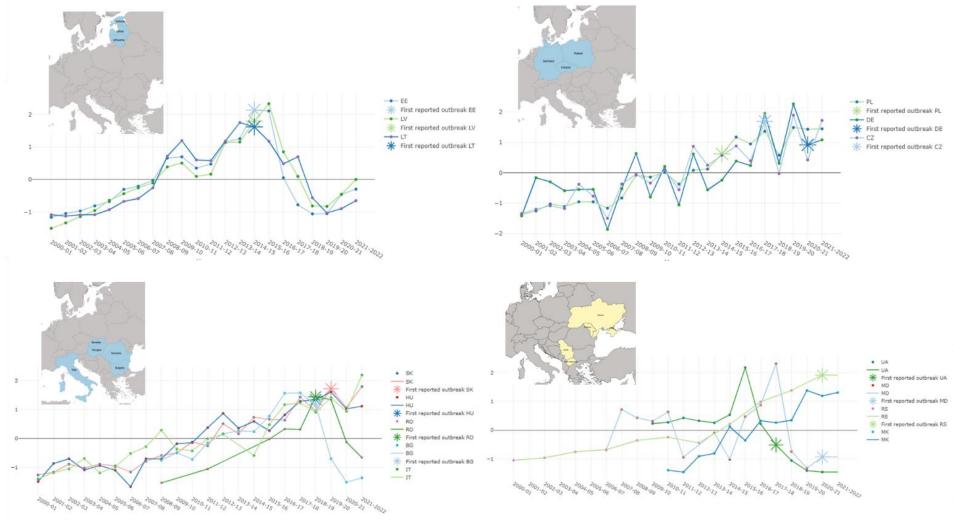
Summary of the surveillance results for ASFv Genotype II per type of wild boar sampled

	ELISA tests		PCR tests		Total ^(a)	
	Number of	%Pos	Number of	%Pos	Number of	%Pos ^(a)
Sampled population	samples		samples		samples	
	tested		tested		tested	
Total hunted	158,150	0.7	427,191	0.4	459,240	0.6
Total found dead	956	0.6	19,158	27.1	19,772	26.3
Total road-killed	425	0.9	14,013	0.5	14,324	0.5
Total wild boar in Member	159,531	0.7	460,362	1.5	493,336	1.6
States						

Testing **found-dead wild boar by PCR** appeared to
be the most effective
surveillance activity to
detect infected individuals



IMPACT ON WILD BOAR





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Scientific advice on specific topics

Since 2010: Risk of introduction, risk factor analysis, wild boar management, exit strategy, outdoor farming, role of ticks, research gaps, virus survival in matrices.

Review, identify and describe **risk factors** involved in the **occurrence**, **spread and persistence** of the ASF virus in the wild boar population and in the domestic pig population flagging the emergences of new risks factors, with a view **to inform risk management** and enable the **preparation of future risk assessment mandates**.

Every two years, starting in October 2024

Update Systematic Literature Review

New

Vectors

Wild boar density

Fences

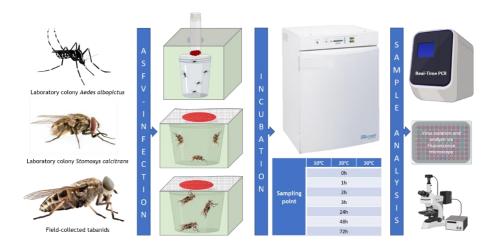
Immunocontracep tion of wild boar

FILLING THE GAPS ON KNOWLEDGE TO IMPROVE SCIENTIFIC ASSESSMENTS THROUGH PROJECTS

Survival of African swine fever virus in feed, bedding materials and mechanical vectors and their potential role in virus transmission

- Laboratory experiments to assess survival of ASFv in different matrixes under different conditions
- Survival in three size mechanical vectors: (*Culicidae*), a biting fly (*Muscidae*), and the horsefly (*Tabanidae*)
- Transmission of ASFV via ingestion of arthropods (Aedes albopictus) after an infected blood meal.

*grass, corn silage, grass silage, potatoes, fodder beet, hay, barks, peat, wood shavings, rapeseed, barley, wheat, oats and straw







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Project

Wildlife and One Health:

wildlife ecology, health surveillance and interaction with livestock, human population and environment

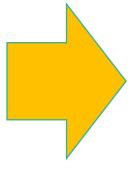




WHY ENETWILD?

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- EFSA been requested to assess risks related to animal diseases for which wildlife are hosts
- Lack of data on the geographical distribution and abundance of the wildlife and the diseases they transmit

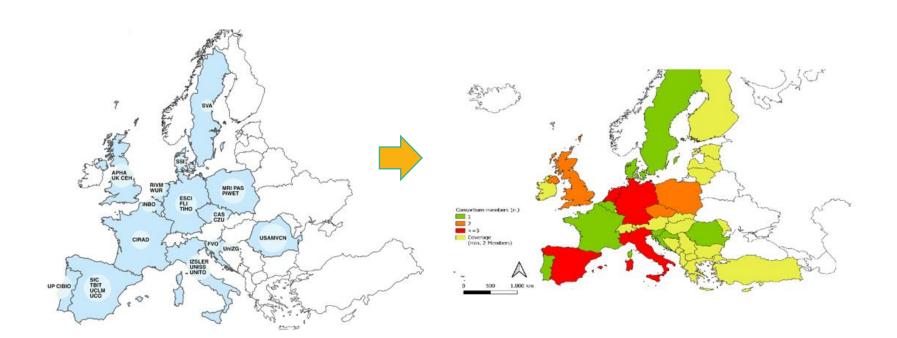


- To collect existing published or unpublished data, to validate and to store in a common database
- 2. To promote and coordinate the generation of new data
- 3. Spatial Modelling
- 4. To enhance the network of wildlife professionals to support data collection activities



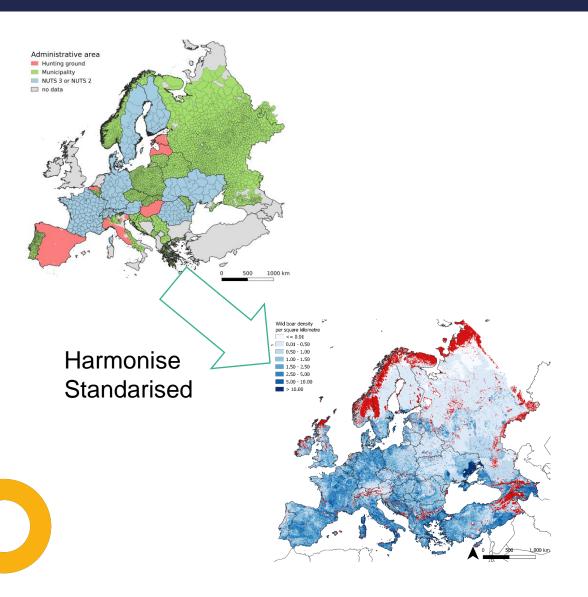
MID-LONG TERM ACTIVITY

- First project >> 2017-2023
- Second project >>> 2023-2029
- Same consortium, now expanded: 27 partners and subcontractors





BUILD ON EXISTING KNOWLEDGE CREATED BY ENETWILD 1.0





Improve and extend **collection of existing data** on the ecology, geographical distribution, abundance of wildlife species, including disease



Automatize data submission and standardization. Develop harmonized protocols for wildlife demography and disease surveillance.



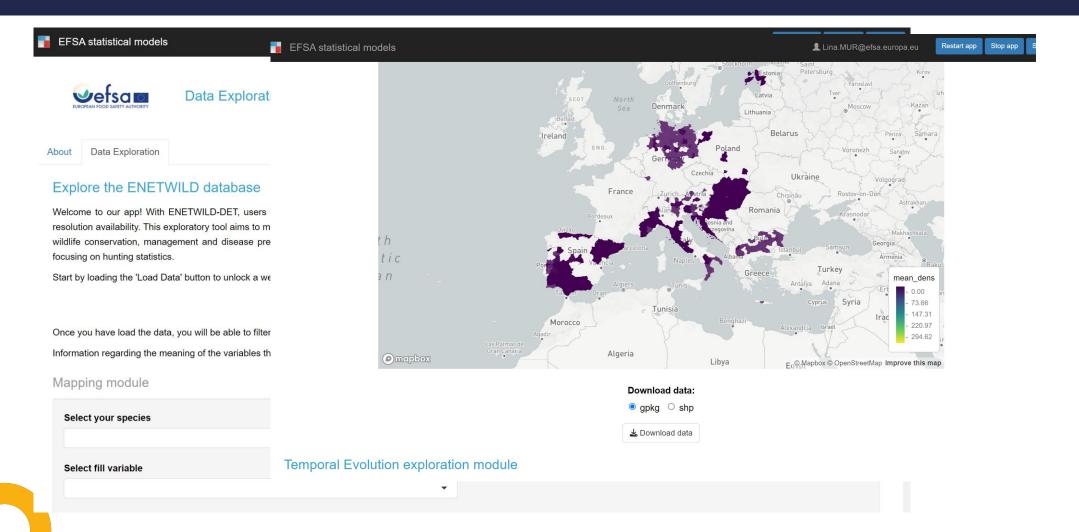
Optimize **data collection** and accessibility



Fill identified data gaps, for animal species and geographical areas



ENETWILD DATA EXPLORATION APP





GENERATE NEW DATA

Where relevant data and information are missing and needed by EFSA, **to generate original data** with *ad hoc* field studies on wildlife population, disease epidemiology, environmental aspects, wildlife management practices





CAMARA TRAPPING



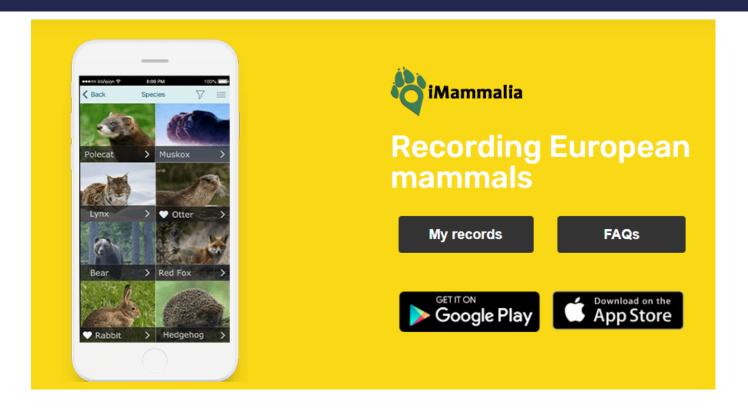








IMAMMALIA



A phone app to collect occurrence data
 >> stored in www.gbif.org





IMAMMALIA - CITIZEN SCIENCE DATA COLLECTION

- Developed by the UK veterinary agency, APHA
- Funded by EFSA and the FAO
- Launched in October 2019
 Can record ANY mammal anywhere in Europe
- Currently in 17 languages, with an emphasis in the Balkans
- Over 22,000 records in 37 European countries of >90 different species
- We can use these records to find wildlife disease.





IMAMMALIA - THE TOOL FOR WILD BOAR CARCASS REPORTING

Citizen report dead wild boar in the App



Photo + details (sex, age, alive, dead, road killed, carcass status)



iMammalia website



Information is verified by experts

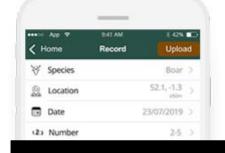




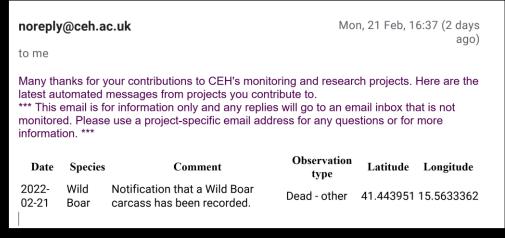
Transferred to an open access data base with appropriate geographical buffering

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iMammalia website





Alert email
notifications
of
'dead wild boar' to
Veterinary Services

Information is verified by experts

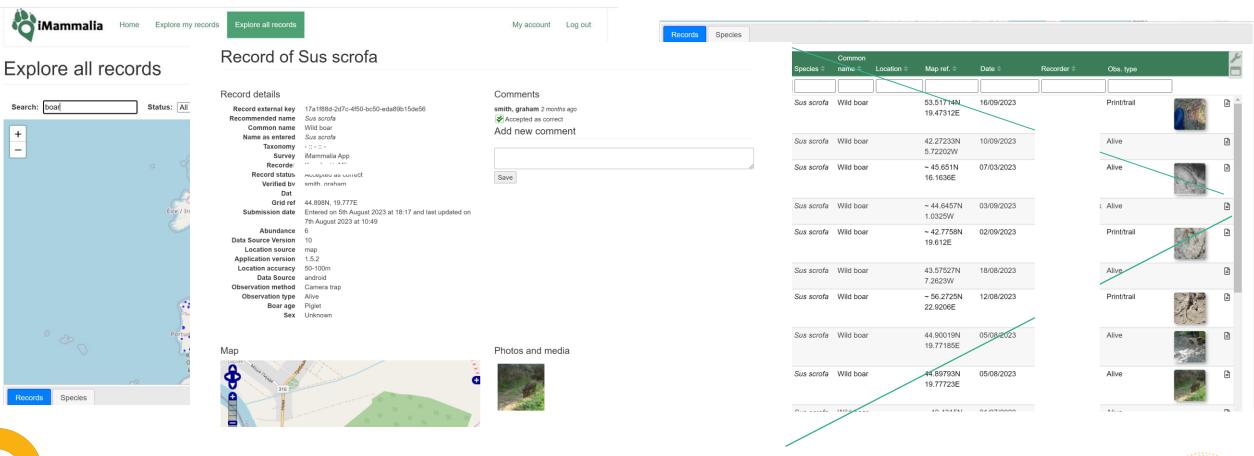




Open access data base

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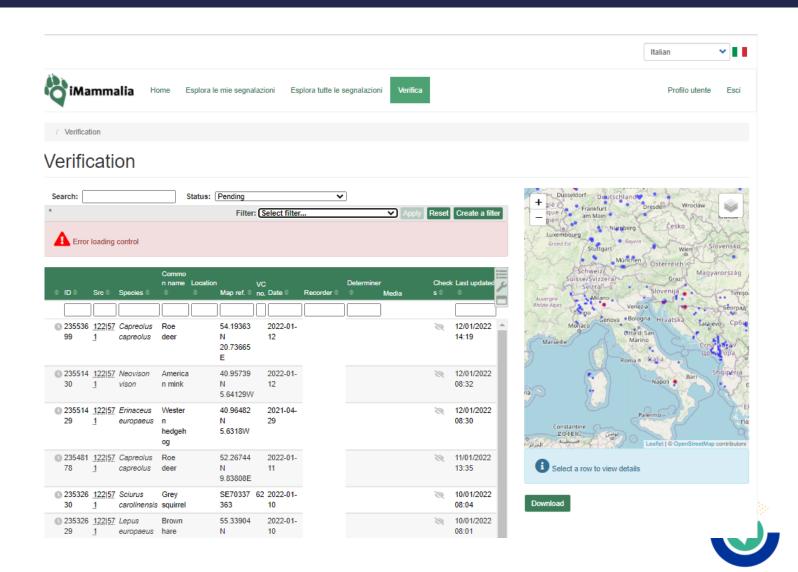
IMAMALIA – DATA VISUALIZATION WEBSITE





IMAMALIA – DATA VALIDATION

In the management of ASF suspected cases, the validator may decide not to share the exact location of the animal



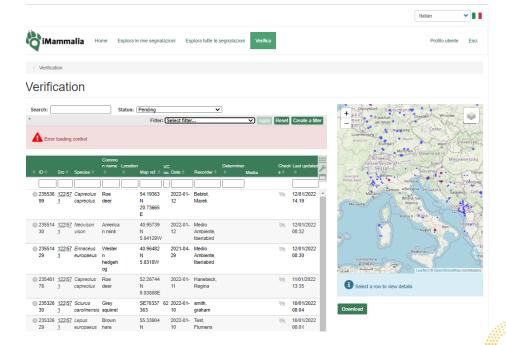
IMAMALIA – EMAIL ALERTS

Create an account via website https://european-mammals.brc.ac.uk/en or

Download iMammalia app and register

2. Send email requesting the alert including: type of record country users if you want to be validator

to graham.smith@apha.gov.uk



REAL CASE





Example: ASF in Easter

Europe: confirmed cases in the

border Serbia-Romania)





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