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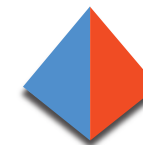
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**Sheep pox and goat pox in Mureş county
OUTBREAKS IN ROMANIA
Disease Confirmation and Control Measures**

**NATIONAL SANITARY VETERINARY
AND FOOD SAFETY AUTHORITY**

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GLOBAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE
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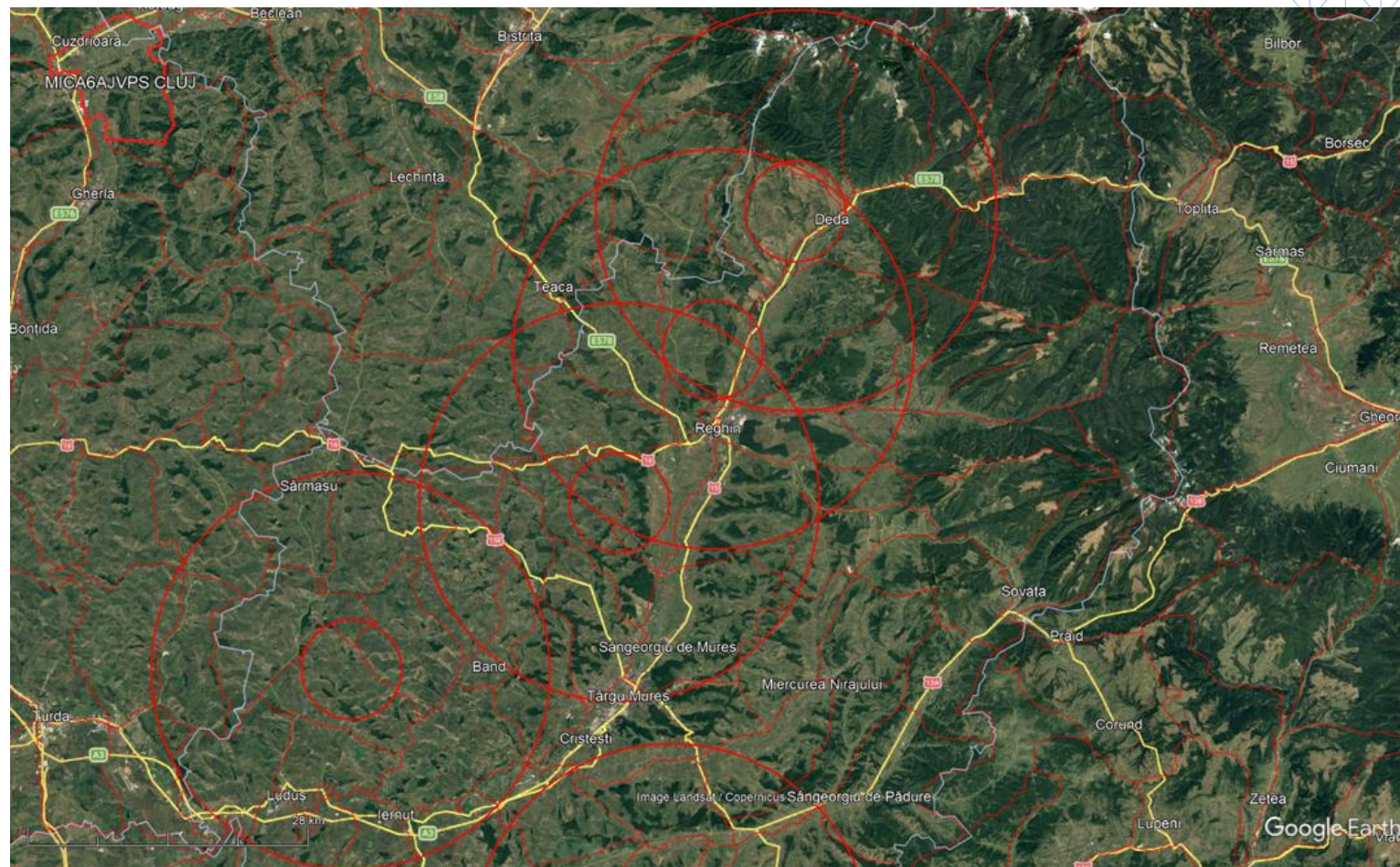
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AFFECTED AREAS BY SGP IN 2026

4 outbreaks:

- **Outbreak No. 1** conf. on **23.04.2026**
- **Outbreak No. 2** conf. on **30.04.2026**
- **Outbreak No. 3** conf. on **15.05.2026**
- **Outbreak No. 4** conf. on **18.05.2026**





Outbreak No. 1 Toldal locality, Mures county

Outbreak No. 1

- In a sheepfold: **398 sheep**
- **15.04.2026** - the owner observed a decline in the health status of the flock, with animals exhibiting apathy and mild anorexia;
- **18.04.2026** - clinical signs reported by owner to a private veterinarian, who initially applied a treatment with antibiotics and antipyretics;
- **21.04.2026** - the official veterinarian was notified and, together with the private veterinarian, conducted a clinical examination at the sheepfold;
- Animals with clinical signs: high fever, ocular and nasal discharge, and the presence of skin nodules on the head, abdomen, mammary gland, and genital organs;
- **22.04.2026** - an official veterinary team from county competent authority sampled three symptomatic animals, collecting whole blood, EDTA blood, and nasal swabs;

Confirmation

Test Results: **Positive for SGP via Real-Time PCR on 23.04.2026**

BA: no.11580 and 11581/ 23.04.2026 issued by NRL - IDAH Bucharest

The serological tests (ELISA) for these animals were negative for antibody detection



Outbreak No. 2 Dumbrava locality, Mures county

Outbreak No. 2

- In a sheepfold: **226 sheep**
- **22.04.2026** -sheep with clinical signs: high fever, ocular and nasal discharge, and the presence of skin nodules on the head, abdomen, mammary gland, and genital organs;
- **29.04.2026** - clinical signs and mortality reported by: Owner to the official veterinarian;
- **29.04.2026** - the official veterinarians from DSVSA Mureș carried out the inventory of the animals - **248 (226 sheep and 22 goats)** collected from 23 owners;
- Sampled three symptomatic animals, collecting whole blood, EDTA blood, and nasal swabs

Samples taken: 3 sets of nasal swabs, whole blood, EDTA blood sent to NRL

Confirmation

Test Results: **Positive for SGP via Real-Time PCR and serological tests ELISA on 30.04.2026**

BA: no. 11726 and 11725/ 30.04.2026 issued by NRL - IDAH Bucharest



Outbreak No. 3 Malea locality, Mures County

Outbreak No. 3

- Number of animals: **830 sheep**
- On **14.05.2026**, the official veterinarian of the Official sanitary-veterinary and food safety district (CSVSAO) Luduş was notified by an animal owner -clinical signs of disease and mortalities
- On clinical examination, the sheep presented: fever, abundant ocular and nasal secretions, nodules in the thickness of the skin on the head, abdomen, mammary gland and genitals;
- On **14.05.2026**, official veterinarians collected and sent biological samples from 5 animals with clinical signs to the laboratory: whole blood, EDTA blood and nasal swabs
- **Confirmation**
- On **15.05.2026**, by **NRL SGP- IDAH Bucharest confirmed** the presence of the Capripox virus in the 5 sheep
- Positive by the **Real Time PCR test on both the EDTA blood samples and the collected nasal swabs.**
- **ELISA serological tests (4 positive)**



Outbreak No. 4 Luieriu, Mureș County

Outbreak No. 4

▪ Number of animals: **392 sheep**

On 15.05.2026, the official veterinarian from CSVSAO Reghin was notified by an animal owner about the existence of clinical signs of disease and mortality in the sheep from his sheepfold.

Clinical examination- fever, abundant ocular and nasal secretions, nodules in the thickness of the skin on the head, abdomen, mammary gland and genitals;

On 15.05.2026, the official veterinarians collected and sent biological samples to the laboratory from 3 animals with clinical signs: whole blood, EDTA blood and nasal swabs.

Confirmation

On 18.05.2026, by NRL SGP - IDAH Bucharest confirmed the presence of the Capripox virus in the 3 sheep

Positive for SPG via: - Real Time PCR test on both EDTA blood samples and nasal swabs collected.

- ELISA serological tests (2 positive)



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Control Measures Implemented

Zoning:

Protection Zone: 5 km

Surveillance Zone: 20 km

Stamping out: Killing of all animals in the sheepfold affected

Safe disposal: Burying of carcasses in the area where the animals were grazing, in a space arranged and approved

Control of animal movements: Application of movement restrictions within the zones, as described in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/687

Cleansing and disinfection: Cleaning and disinfection of sheepfold

Biosecurity measures: Implementation of enhanced biosecurity measures in holdings in the restricted areas.

Surveillance of all animals in the protection and surveillance areas.

After the appearance of the first 2 outbreaks, prior to the confirmation of outbreaks 3 and 4, ANSVSA imposed movement restrictions in accordance with decisions (CE).

Notification Mureș County Police Inspectorate

- purchase of unidentified animals without veterinary health documents-inconsistencies in declarations;

Contraventional sanctions were applied to several owners



Control Measures Implemented

Census

Production, health and traceability records analysis

Clinical examination

Control of biosecurity measures

Passive surveillance

Data	EU Legislative action in 2026	Zone in Mures -Data until aplicable		ANEXA II
		ANEXA I		
29.04.2026	CID 2026/1015	ZP (5 KM) 28.05.2026	MURES	
		ZS (20KM) 12.06.2026	MURES , BISTRITA NASAUD	
13.05.2026	CID 2026/1108	ZP (5 KM) 01.06.2026	MURES	
		ZS (20KM) 16.06.2026	MURES , BISTRITA NASAUD	
02.06.2026	CID2026/1217	ZP (5KM) 16.06.2026	MURES	
		ZP(20 KM) 26.06.2026	MURES, BISTRITA NASAUD, CLUJ	
		FRZ (all county MS, CJ, BN) 26.06.2026	MURES, BISTRITA NASAUD, CLUJ	31.07.2026

Killing and disinfection





The outbreak No.1

Date of killing: 25.04.2026

398 animals were killed

The first disinfection - 25.04.2026

The second disinfection - 27.04.2026

The third disinfection - 04.05.2026

The outbreak No. 3

Date of killing: **16.05.2026**

815 animals were killed /15 dead

The first disinfection - 17.05.2026

The second disinfection - 18.05.2026

The third disinfection - 25.05.2026

The outbreak No.2

Date of killing: 01.05.2026

sheep and goats were killed /16 dead

The first disinfection - 02.05.2026.

The second disinfection - 04.05.2026

The outbreak No. 4

Date of killing: 19.05.2026

382 were killed /10 dead

The first disinfection - 20.05.2026.

The second disinfection - 21.05.2026

The third disinfection - 26.05.2026



Possible sources and pathways of introduction of the virus Capripox

- trading of lambs during the Easter holidays
- movement of animals during the incubation period of the disease;
- use of unauthorized and undisinfected means of transport;
- improper neutralization of corpses;
- vector circulation;
- possibly contaminated pastures.



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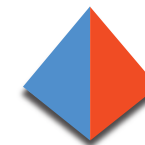
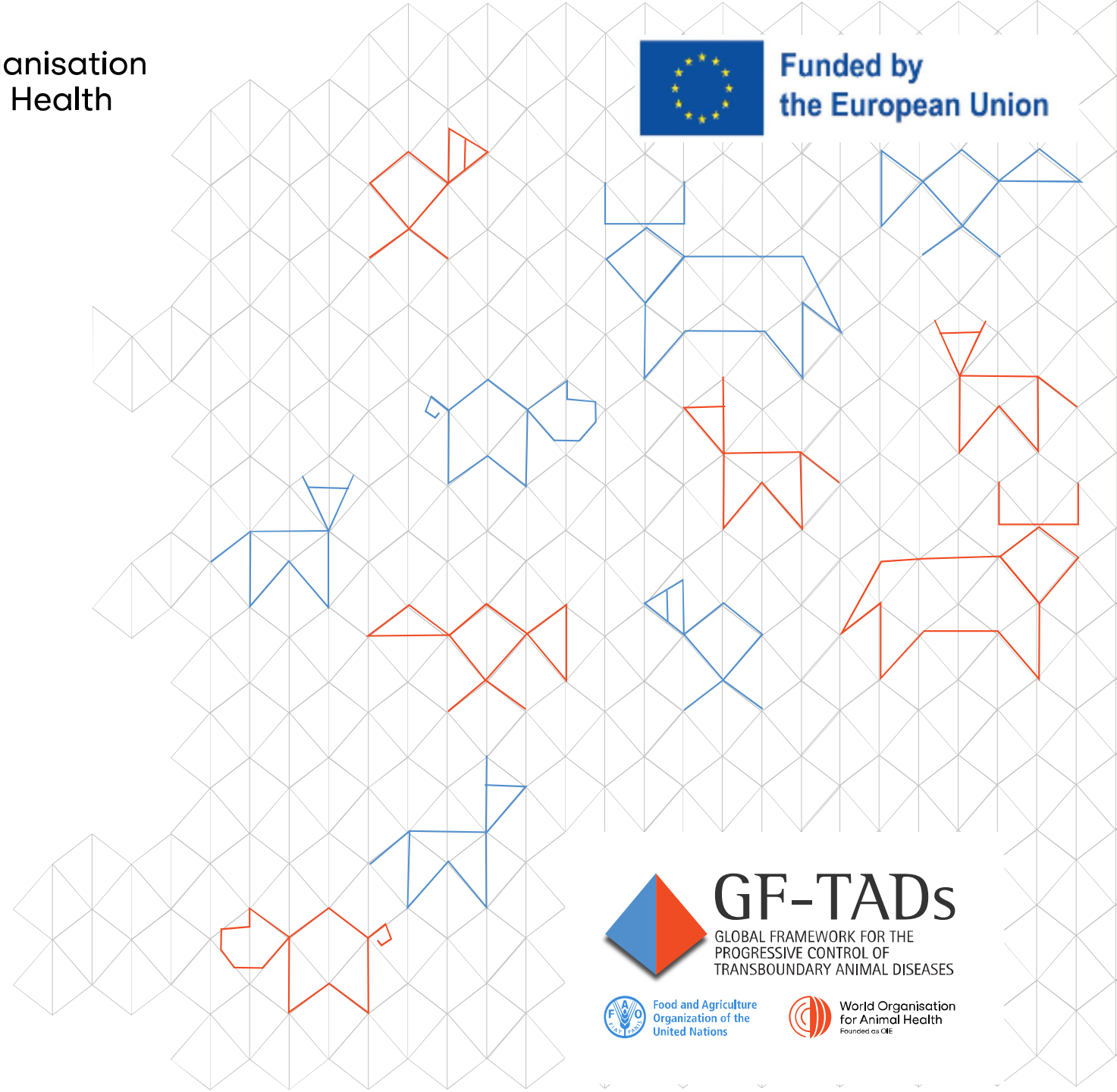


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