

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

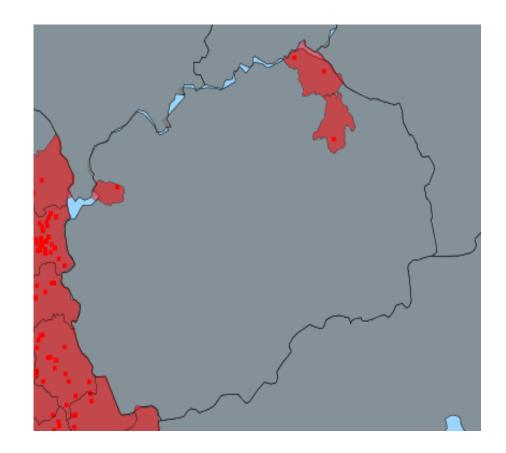
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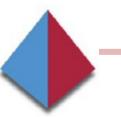
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LSD epidemiology – evolution since the SG4

- In 2017 four outbreaks
- No epidemiological connection
- Last outbreak on 31st May, village Luke





Control measures applied

- BoR on animal health measures on LSD (OJ of RM 51/17 and 138/17) in accordance with Decision 2016/2008 (as last amended 2017/1178 and 2017/1460)
- Vaccination of animals
 - First vaccination March 2017
 - MDS vaccine , 67 500 doses
 - Second vaccination July 2017

	Doses	used	Supply	Vaccinated animals	% leftovers
MDS	67 500	67 500	0	64 851	3,9%
OBP	175 00	150 550	24 450	138 270	8,1%
Total	242 500	218 050	24 450	203 121	6,8%

- Systematic vaccination of the calves 4 moths old that originate from vaccinated dams and imported animals
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Vaccination plan for 2018

- Vaccination of cattle
- Current supply 24450
- In march 2018, 10 000 doses
- Plan to purchase 230 000
- 240 000 to start vaccination

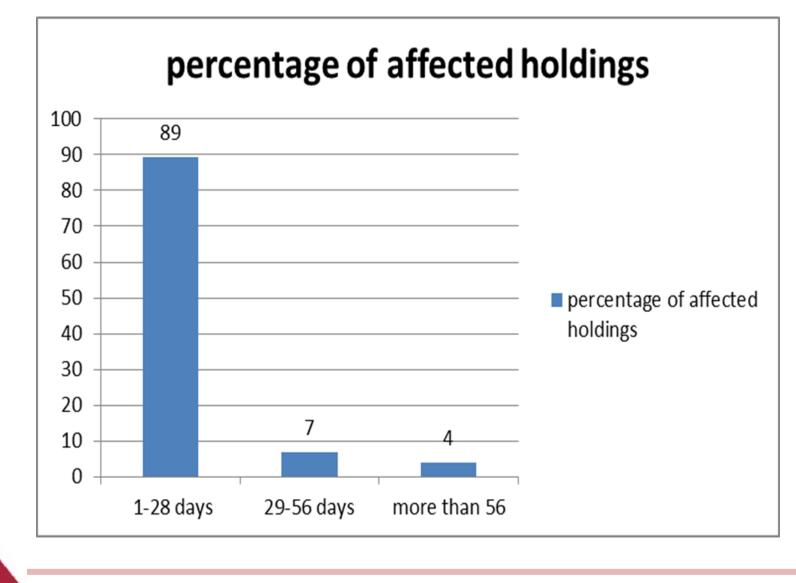


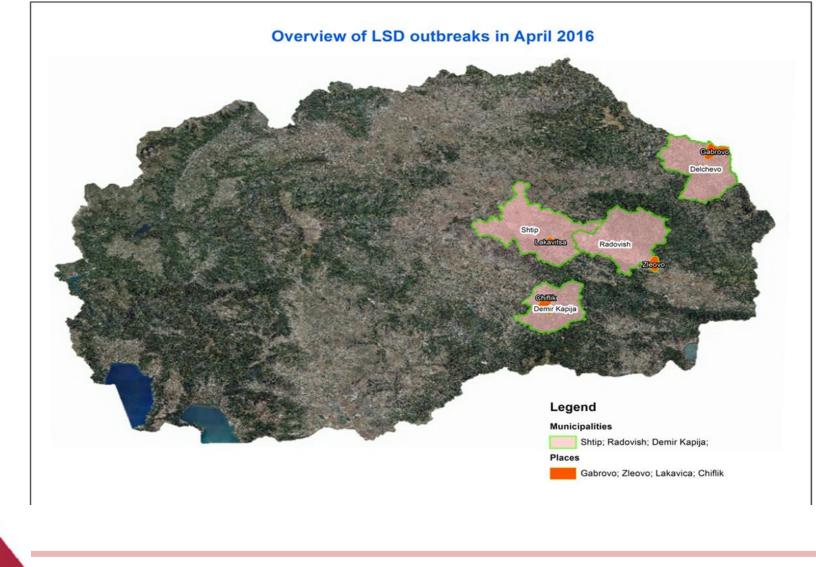
- 1535 reported cases (71 not confirmed)

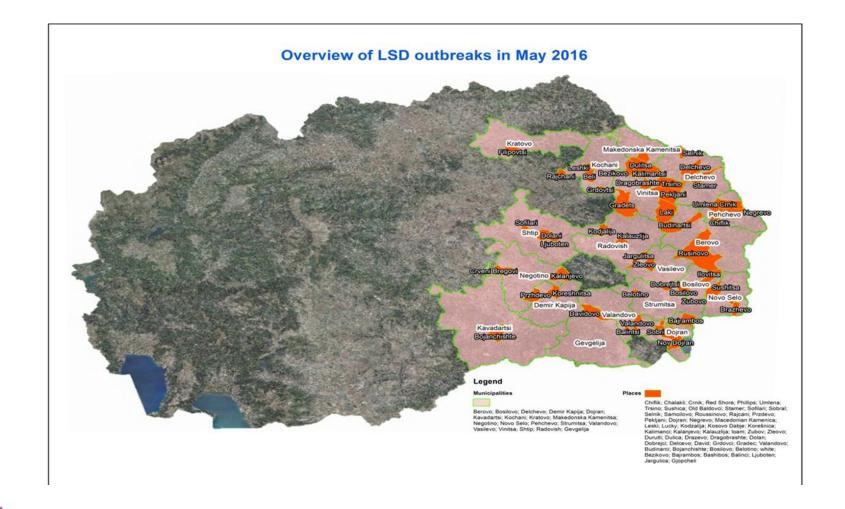
Number of outbreaks	Number of animals on affected holdings	Culled animals	Dead animals
1 464	30 480	3 925	313

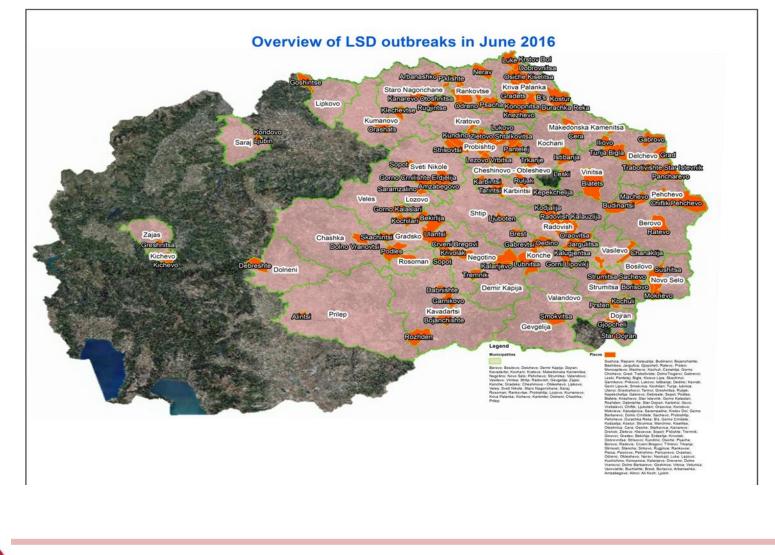
- 91 no vaccinations
- 1373 with vaccination
- 942 reported at least one day after vaccination

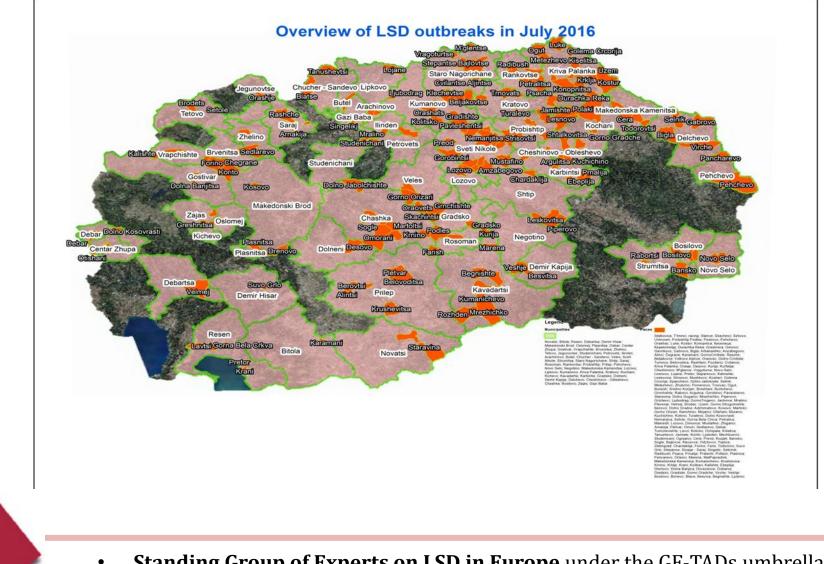


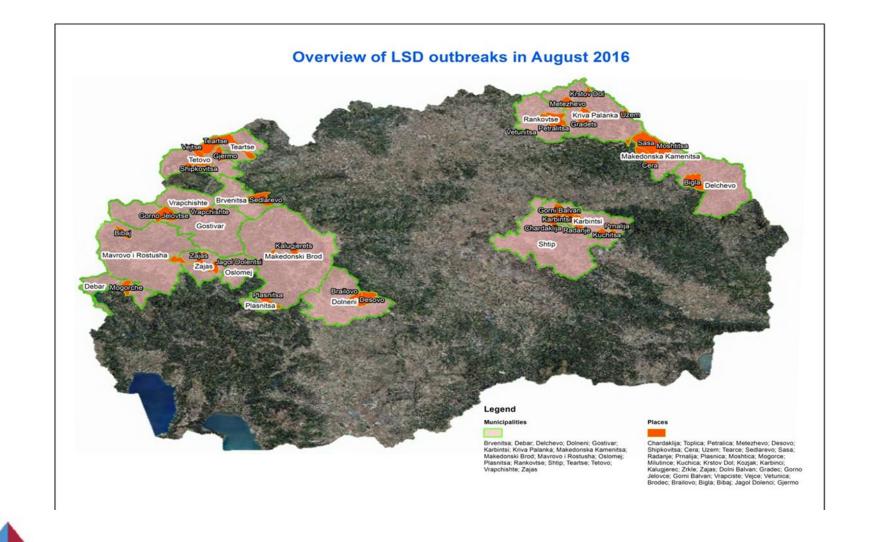


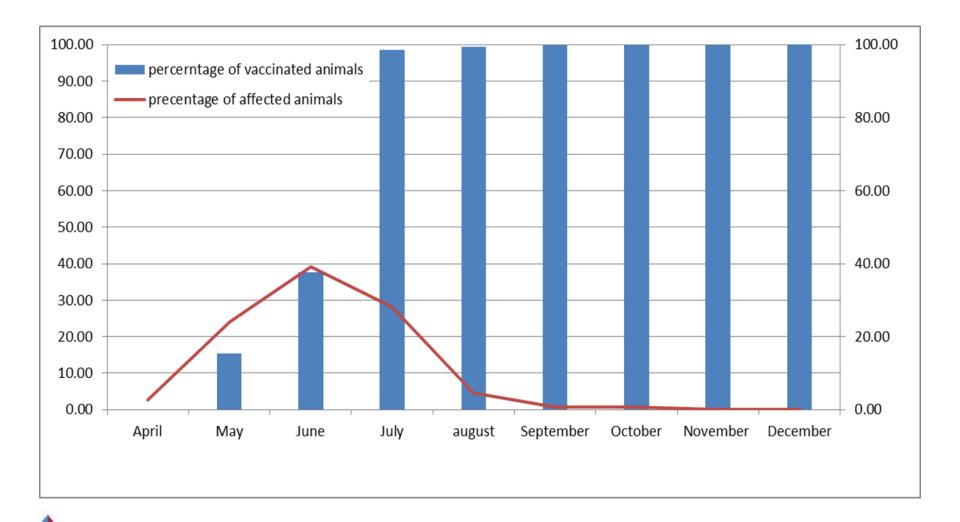












- **vaccination** of animals is the most effective measure in combating LSD;
- **both** vaccines used for LSD in Macedonia were shown to be effective;
- the **regional** approach is crucial for effective control of LSD and BT;
- the LSD situation has helped to identify the **gaps and weakness** of the veterinary services;
- the threat of intrusion of vector-borne trans boundary animal diseases such as LSD or BT cannot be prevented by any means other than vaccination, whereas "wait than vaccinate" policies can lead to the repetition of the LSD situation in 2016;
- control and eradication of LSD and BT solely by regular control measures such as stamping out are **not feasible**;
- with respect to vector-borne trans boundary animal diseases, we have to consider **new approaches** in the light of new scientific findings with a view to greater preparedness to prevent and combat the threats,
- Is it time to start to thinking on exit strategy for the region?



