



General topics – 25th March 2015


- 13:00-13:30 Registration
 13:30-13:35 Welcome and opening of the workshop (Laurent LALOUX, Head of the EURL for *L. monocytogenes* (*Lm*))
 13:35-14:00 Presentation of the workshop (Bertrand LOMBARD, EURL *Lm*)
 Roll call of participants
 14:00-14:15 SANCO Update (Martial PLANTADY, DG-SANTE, Brussels, Belgium)

Network

- 14:15-14:30 New LU-NRLs (Catherine RAGIMBEAU and/or Serge LOSCH)
 Changes in Portugal (Hugo GUEDES, INIAV, Vairão, Portugal)

Epidemiology

- 14:30-15:00 Reporting on *L. monocytogenes* in animals and food in the European Union (Valentina RIZZI, EFSA, Parma, Italy)
 15:0-15:30 Listeriosis in humans in EU/EEA (Johanna TAKKINEN, ECDC, Stockholm, Sweden)
 15:30-17:00 Recent outbreaks
 Denmark (Jens KIRK ANDERSEN, DTU, Denmark)
 A *Lm* outbreak in Sweden, 2013-14 (Susanne THISTED LAMBERTZ, SVL, Uppsala, Sweden)

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Lunches

Thursday (13:00-14:00)
 On demand for Wednesday (12:00) and Friday (13:00)

Main working areas (1/2) – 26th March 2015

Characterisation/epidemiology (EURL *Lm*, SEL Unit)

- (9:00-14:30)
 Introduction (Sophie ROUSSEL)
 Training session organized on typing activities (Jean-François MARIET)
 PFGE and serotyping PT trial (Damien MICHELON)
 EURL *Lm* database (Benjamin FELIX)
 EFSA activities on the molecular typing data collection from *L. monocytogenes* isolates in animals and food (V. RIZZI)
 ELITE project update (J. TAKKINEN)

10:45–11:00 Break

Whole genome sequencing of *Listeria* for outbreak detection and investigation in Denmark (Eva Møller-NIELSEN (Statens Serum Institute, Copenhagen, Denmark) and Charlotta LÖFSTRÖM (DTU))

13:00-14:00 Lunch

Detection/enumeration (EURL *Lm*, SEL Unit)

- (14:30-15:30)
 Introduction (S. ROUSSEL)
 Proficiency testing trials (Léna BARRE)
 2014 detection
 2015 enumeration
 EURL *Lm* Guidance Document on outsourcing part of proficiency testing trials organized by NRLs for national networks (B. LOMBARD)
 Practical expertise in proficiency testing trials at NRL Belgium (Marie POLET, ISP-VIIV)

Parallel sessions

- (15:30-17:00)
 Session 1: Research work on *Lm* characterisation by WGS (convenor: S. ROUSSEL)
 EFSA project on comparison of isolates from food chain and humans using WGS analysis" (E. M. NIELSEN and Sophie ROUSSEL)
 Horizon 2020 -COMPARE project (E. M. NIELSEN and S. ROUSSEL)
 Research projects using whole genome characterization (Sophie Roussel, Benjamin Felix)
 or
 Session 2: Implementation of challenge tests at national level (convenor: Annie BEAUFORT)
 or
 Session 3: Visit of the laboratory (Emilie BRASSEUR and J.-F. MARIET)

Main working areas (2/2) – 27th March 2015

Detection/enumeration (EURL *Lm*, SEL Unit)

- (9:00-10:15)
 Comparison of inoculation techniques (D. MICHELON)
 Measurement uncertainty: impact of the test portion size (L. BARRE) 15'
 Applicability of EN ISO 11290-1&2 for *Lm* detection and enumeration in presence of new *Listeria* species (L. BARRE)
 Impact of pooling samples on the detection of *L. monocytogenes* in food (Nathalie GNANOU-BESSE)

10:15–10:30 Break

Microbiological shelf life studies (EURL *Lm*, MODAQR Unit)

- (10 :30- 12 :30)
 Introduction (Annie BEAUFORT)
 Revision of the EURL *Lm* Technical Guidance Document *Lm* shelf-life studies (A. BEAUFORT)
 Development of a new CEN ISO Standard on challenge tests (A. BEAUFORT)
 Improvement of initial contamination mode to conduct challenge tests for *Lm* (Anne-Laure LARDEUX)
 Characterization of temperature distribution in Europe at retail level (Hélène BERGIS)
 Presentation of IT tool of STARTEC project (Taran SKJERDAL, NO)

12:30–12:45 Break

Conclusion of the workshop

- 12:45-13:00 Proposal of work programme for 2016 (S. ROUSSEL and A. BEAUFORT)
 Other items
 Closure

Important

Note that the meeting will be held at the Laboratory: 14 rue Pierre et Marie Curie, MAISONS-ALFORT

Social event

A common dinner is organized on Thursday evening
 Restaurant of « The Musée d'Orsay »
 common departure from Ecole Veterinaire d'Alfort Metro line 8 Station at 5.00 pm

Please do not forget to take in advance one metro ticket with you