

Advice 12-2010 of the Scientific Committee of the FASFC on a project of royal decree concerning the control of Aujeszky disease

It was asked to the Scientific Committee to evaluate a project of royal decree concerning the control of Aujeszky disease aimed at forbidding of vaccination and taking measures in case of reemergence of the disease.

In order to avoid to base the suspicion of Aujeszky disease only on the presence of clinical signs and to avoid to prematurely impose compulsory measures with regard to the confirmation of the disease, the Scientific Committee recommends to introduce, in the royal decree, the possibility to take samples aimed at excluding the presence of the Aujeszky disease without placing automatically the farm under suspicion.

The Scientific Committee approves the redaction of a diagnostic manual mentioned in the project of royal decree, under the condition to include a diagnostic procedure for exclusion of Aujeszky disease.

Further on, the Committee recommends to better explain the definitions of the different risk periods for the contact farms.

Finally, the Scientific Committee makes recommendations concerning bio-security in the pig farms, which should be included in the ministerial decree concerning the bio-security measures as mentioned in the project of royal decree.

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