

SGPV situation in Spain and control measures



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Situation of SGPV in Spain up to date

- **Detection of SPV in Spain** after more than 50 years since eradication.
- At the moment 17 confirmed outbreaks: five in Municipality Benamaurel (Granada; 2022/1, 5, 10, 11 & 12), three in Cúllar (Granada; 2022/2, 13 & 14), one in Baza (2022/17), and eight outbreaks in Villaescusa de Haro (Cuenca; 2022/3, 4, 6-9, 15 & 16).





Outbreak 2022/1: Chronology and description of the outbreak

- 15th September 2022: MAPA receives from OVS of Andalucía (south Spain) a communication of the detection of unusual skin lesions on a sheep holding in the municipality of Benamaurel, in the province of Granada.
- The lesions are compatible with Sheep and Goat Poxvirus (SP/GTPV) and the case is dealt with urgently.
- It is a breeding sheep holding for meat production with a census of 314 sheep and 11 goats. It is a holding with extensive production system where animals graze in own pastures.
- On the 16th in the morning, before having the results and due to the seriousness of the suspicion, MAPA organized a meeting with all Regional OVS to inform and highlight the importance of enhancing awareness and biosecurity in the whole country.



Map: location of the suspect farm in Granada



Outbreak 2022/1: Laboratory analysis and results

16/09/2022

First results from the NRL Algete

Positive results to generic RT-PCR, able to detect SP/GTPV, in 27,8% samples of whole blood (27/60) and 100% samples of tissues (27/27).

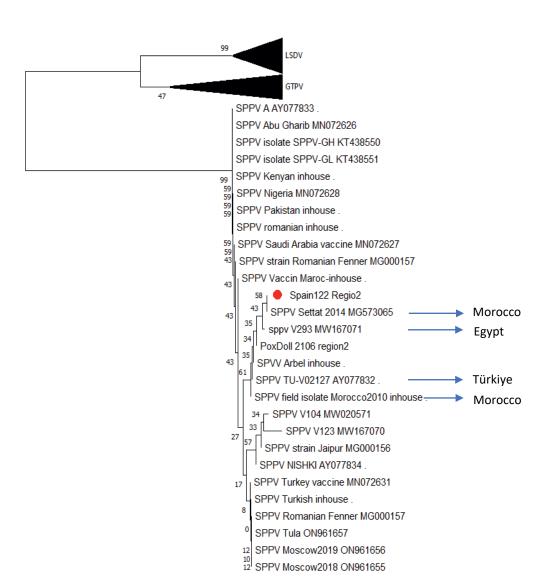
Positive results to ELISA in 42% serum samples (24/60 serums).

| TYPE OF SAMPLE | METHOD | Nº ANALYSED | POSITIVE RESULT | NEGATIVE RESULT | INCONCLUSIVE RESULT |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| SERUM | drELISA | 60 | 24 | 36 | 0 |
| BLOOD EDTA | qPCR (Bowden 2008) | 60 | 13 | 33 | 14 |
| SKIN LESION | qPCR (Bowden 2008) | 27 | 27 | 0 | 0 |

Based on recommendations of experts from other MMSS, it was decided to take **saliva swabs** samples from outbreak 2022/3 on, due to **increased capacity of detection** of the virus in these samples.



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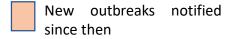
- <u>16/09/2022</u>: **identification by specific PCR** of sheep pox virus strain. On 19/09/22, **sequencing analysis determines** it is a **field strain (not vaccine strain)**.
- 19/09/2022: notification of the outbreak by CA of Andalucía via RASVE (national database) to central level and from central level to ADIS (EU) and WAHIS (WOAH).
- Samples are sent to EURL (Sciensano) for sequencing → linage close to isolates from Morocco (circulating virus in 2014), Egypt (2018) and Turkey (1970) being a frame of genome very stable on these years of virus circulation.



Summary of outbreaks notified to date

| OUTBREAK | AACC | PROVINCE | MUNICIPALITY | PRODUCTIVE PROFILE | CENSUS |
|----------|----------------------|----------|---------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2022/1 | Andalucía | Granada | Benamaurel | Breeding for meat production | 314 sheep 11 goats |
| 2022/2 | Andalucía | Granada | Cúllar | Breeding for meat production | 170 sheep 20 goats |
| 2022/3 | Castilla - La Mancha | Cuenca | Villaescusa de Haro | Assembly center | 890 sheep |
| 2022/4 | Castilla - La Mancha | Cuenca | Villaescusa de Haro | Breeding for milk production | 7.654 sheep |
| 2022/5 | Andalucía | Granada | Benamaurel | Breeding for meat production | 340 sheep 12 goats |
| 2022/6 | Castilla - La Mancha | Cuenca | Villaescusa de Haro | Fattening | 227 sheep |
| 2022/7 | Castilla - La Mancha | Cuenca | Villaescusa de Haro | Fattening | 1.877 sheep |
| 2022/8 | Castilla - La Mancha | Cuenca | Villaescusa de Haro | Assembly center | 5.075 sheep |
| 2022/9 | Castilla - La Mancha | Cuenca | Villaescusa de Haro | Breeding for milk production | 591 sheep |
| 2022/10 | Andalucía | Granada | Benamaurel | Breeding for meat production | 110 sheep 6 goats |
| 2022/11 | Andalucía | Granada | Benamaurel | Breeding for meat production | 79 sheep 6 goats |
| 2022/12 | Andalucía | Granada | Benamaurel | Breeding for meat production | 639 sheep 20 goats |
| 2022/13 | Andalucía | Granada | Cúllar | Breeding for meat production | 192 sheep 9 goats |
| 2022/14 | Andalucía | Granada | Cúllar | Breeding for meat production | 42 sheep |
| 2022/15 | Castilla - La Mancha | Cuenca | Villaescusa de Haro | Breeding for milk production | 7.354 sheep |
| 2022/16 | Castilla - La Mancha | Cuenca | Villaescusa de Haro | Fattening | 3.591 sheep |
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Outbreaks communicated on last PAFF Committee (27/09)

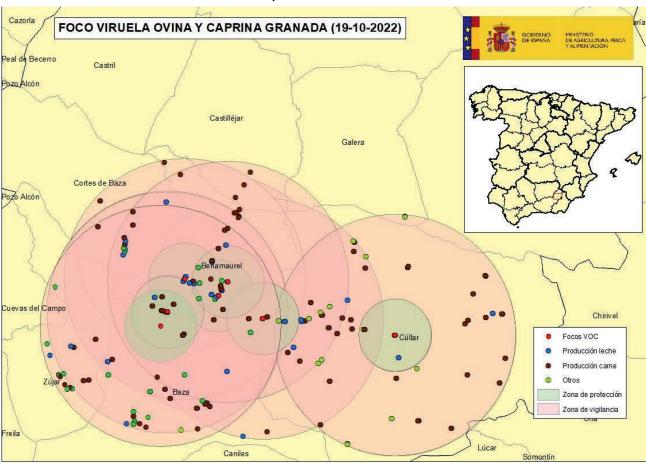




Summary of outbreaks in Granada Province

- In total, 17 outbreaks have been reported to date in Spain, of which 9 outbreaks are in the province of Granada, in the municipalities of Benamaurel (5), Cúllar (3) and Baza (1).
- All of them are breeding farms for meat production.
- Total census of animals in the 9 affected holdings: 1.886 sheep and 84 goats
- Total census of farms in the RRZZ: 200 farms (45 in the PZ 3km and 155 in the SZ 10km) and 108.924 animals

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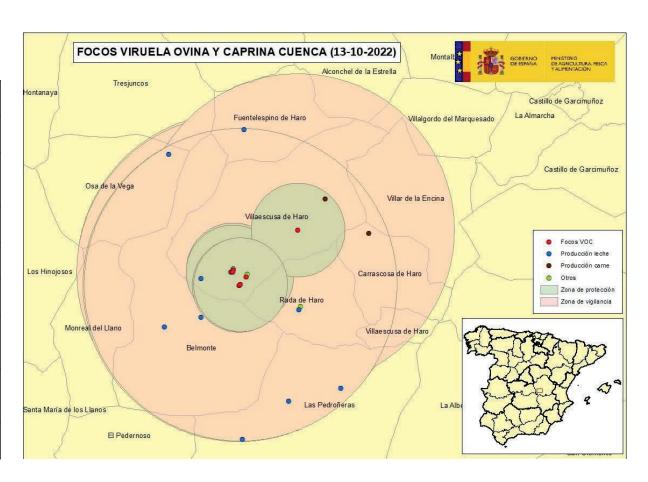




Summary of outbreaks in Cuenca

- In total, 17 outbreaks reported to date, of which 8 outbreaks in the province of Cuenca, in the municipality of Villaescusa de Haro. Total census of 27.529 sheep.
- Same epidemiological unit, since most of the affected farms belong to the same owner and share veterinarians, personnel, machinery, etc.
- Three fattening farms, two assembly centers and three breeding farms for milk production.
- A total of **32 farms** and **41.739 animals** included on the RZ.

| NO. OUTBREAK | AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY | PROVINCE | MUNICIPALITY | PRODUCTIVE PROFILE | CENSUS |
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Measures implemented in the Restricted Zone

Delegated Regulation (EU) 202/687 of the Commission:

- Census of all farms and susceptible animals (species, categories, number of animals/establishment).
- Restriction on the movement and official control of animal and risk products movements, including reproductive materials and ABP.
- Prohibition of fairs, markets, exhibitions and other concentrations of livestock.
- Enhanced biosecurity and passive surveillance.
- Commisson Implementing Decision (UE) 2022/1693: Implementation of authorized treatments equivalent to those for LSD established on Annex VII of D.R. (UE) 2020/687.



Conclusions

- 17 confirmed outbreaks so far in 2 zones epidemiologically linked most of them by animal movements.
- In the restricted area of Cuenca, 6 out of 8 outbreaks are considered actually **one epidemiological unit**. They belong to the same owner and share veterinarian, workers and machinery.
- Samples sent to the EURL (Sciensano, Belgium) for phylogenetic analysis to try to identify possible origin of the strain circulating in Spain. Some regions of the genome connect to strains from North African origin.
- OVS of Andalucía and C. La Mancha are making a great effort visiting immediately all holdings located within and outside the RZs (all affected, suspect and risk-contact farms).
- Origin of the virus remains unknown at the moment, investigations keep ongoing.
- No risk movement identified to other member states.





THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR ATTENTION