



Reporting on SARS-CoV-2 as per CID 2021/788

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Unit G2 – Animal Health

Reporting on:

- SARS-CoV-2 in minks and other animals of the family *Mustelidae* and in raccoon dogs
- CID 2021/788 adopted on 12 May 2021
- Covers all outbreaks reported since 15 September 2022
- New outbreaks reported by Poland and Italy

Poland

- **3 new SARS-CoV-2 outbreaks** in minks confirmed by RT-PCR:
- **3/2022 to 5/2022** located in voivodeship Wielkopolskie
- No clinical signs nor fatality in any outbreak (samples taken as a part of active surveillance)
- Origin of the virus: investigation ongoing
- Control measures include:
 - Isolation and observation,
 - ban on movement of animals and animal surveillance,
 - official supervision for treatment of animal by-products, feed, bedding,
 - cleaning and disinfection



Poland

- voivodeship Wielkopolskie, powiat **Gniezno**
- **3/2022** – farm with 44.000 minks
 - confirmed by RT-PCR on 30.09.2022
- **4/2022** – farm with 8 275 minks
 - confirmed by RT-PCR on 22.11.2022
 - Further control measures: Supervision of the records of daily fallen stock and issuance of a decision by the Powiat Veterinary Officer – consent to the movement of unskinned mink carcasses killed for fur production

Poland

- voivodeship Wielkopolskie, powiat **Pleszewo**
- **5/2022** – farm with 57.138 minks
 - confirmed by RT-PCR on 26.10.2022
 - Further control measures: monitoring of fallen stock (18.10.2022 – 26.10.2022 – 78 mink have died)

Italy

- 1 new **SARS-CoV-2 outbreaks** in minks confirmed by RT-PCR on 15.11.2022
- **1/2022** located in Forlì-Cesena province, Emilia Romagna region (farm: 1523 minks)
- No clinical sings nor abnormal fatality (samples taken as a part of active surveillance)
- Origin of the virus: investigation ongoing (possible human contact)
- Sequencing ongoing
- All animals culled and destroyed
- Coordination of activities with public health authorities





Thank you



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