



Ministry of Agriculture  
Veterinary and Food Safety Directorate

2019 ERADICATION PROGRAMME FOR  
SHEEP AND GOAT BRUCELLOSIS  
CROATIA

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON PLANTS, ANIMALS, FOOD AND  
FEED (SCOPAFF)**

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# MAIN MEASURES IN 2019

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Only 9 high risk counties included in EU co-financed program

## Main measures of the programme:



- a) Testing for granting/maintenance of OF status
  - a) in high risk municipalities – **all animals in OF herds**, not just representative number of animals, **testing twice - before and after pasture season**
- b) Laboratory investigation of all reported abortions
- c) All animals positive on RBT were retested with CFT
- d) All animals positive on CFT were culled and sampled for bacteriological investigation
- e) No premovement testing

## RESULTS\* IN 2019

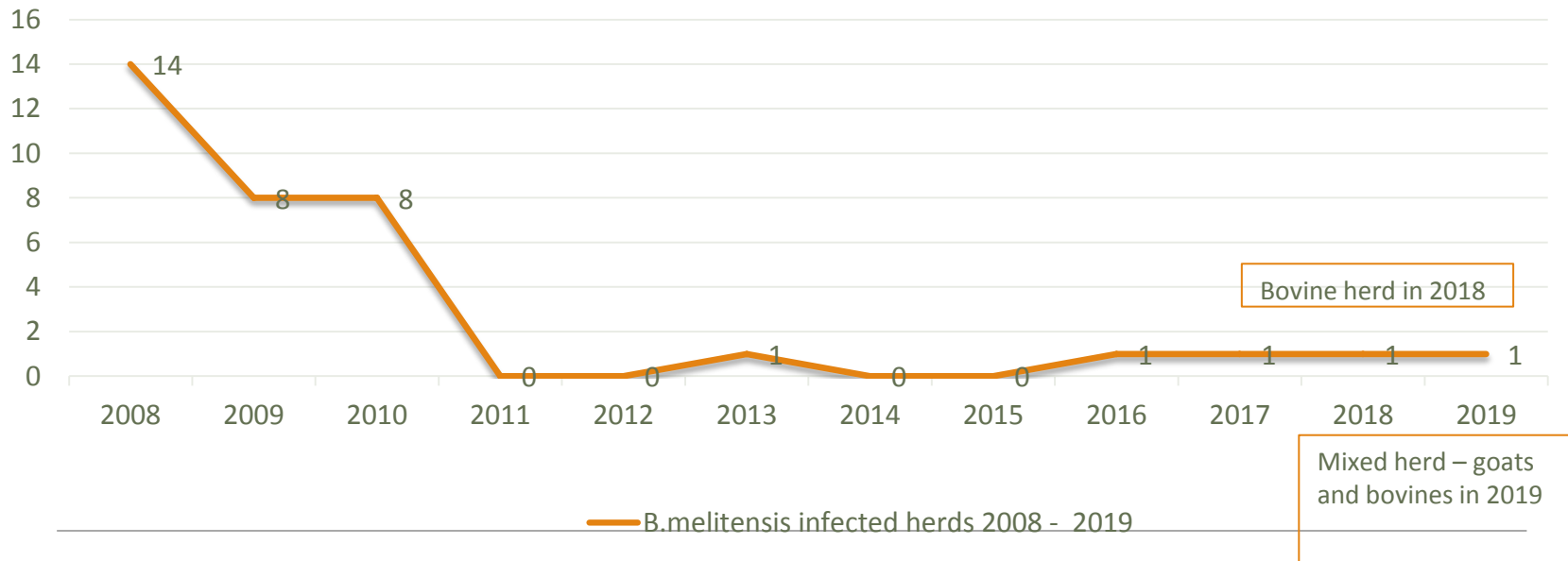
Total number of flocks/tested (%)	Officially free %	Positive flocks (CFT) %	Infected flocks	Eligible number of animals	Tested %	Positive animals (CFT)/positive animals bacteriology
<b>11 641</b>	<b>9277</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1**</b>	<b>334 467</b>	<b>245 369</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>10 772</b> <b>(79,7 %)</b>	<b>92,5 %</b>	<b>(0,026 %)</b>			<b>73,4 %</b>	

Challenges – further increasing testing coverage and keeping I&R database continuously up to date

\* Data only for high risk counties co-financed from EU

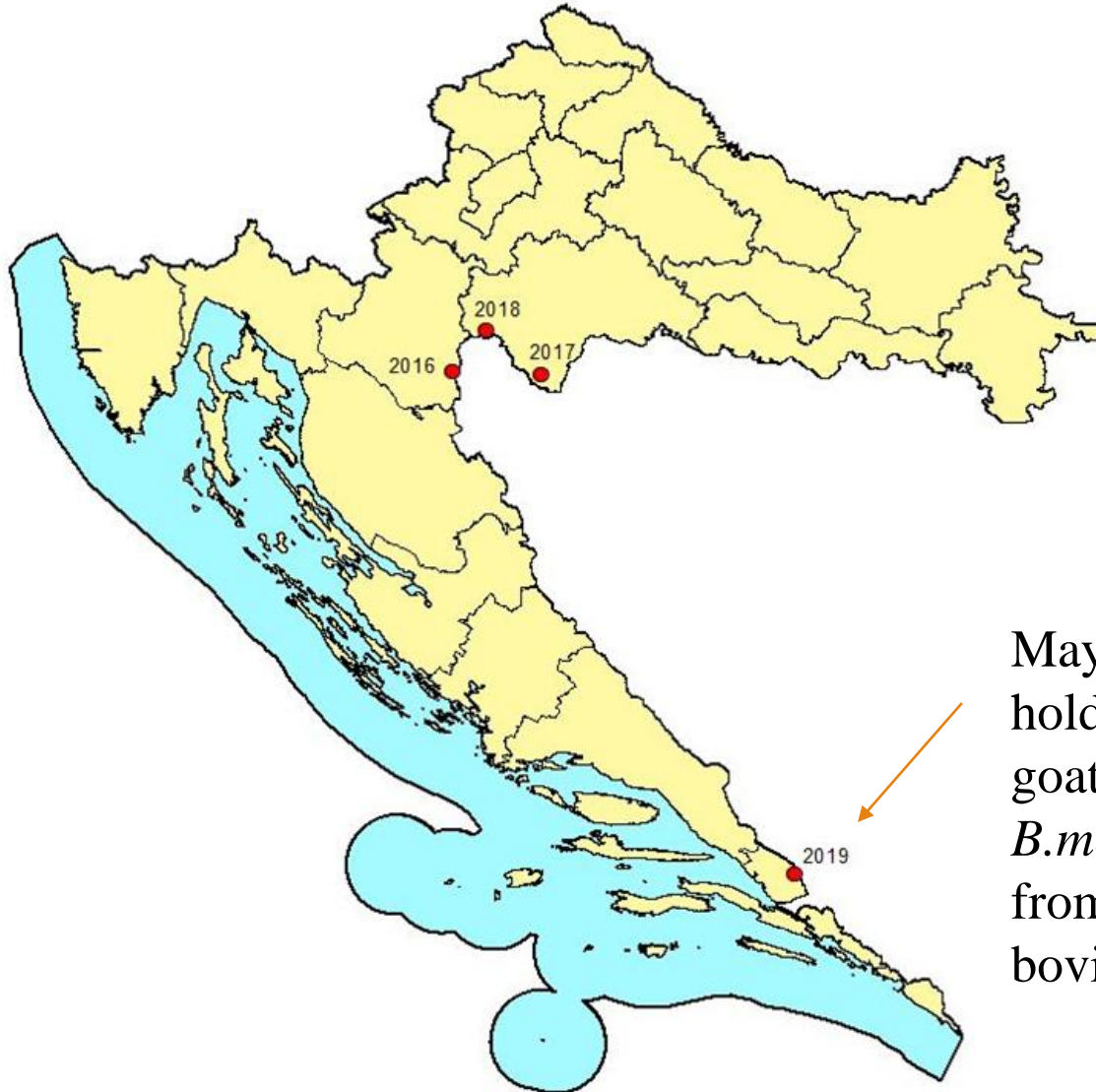
\*\*Mixed herd – goats and bovine animals infected with *B.melitensis*

# Infection with *B.melitensis* 2008 - 2019



# Outbreaks 2013 - 2019 only in high risk areas

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May 2019 – mixed holding with 148 goats and 46 bovines, *B.melitensis* isolated from goats and bovines

# COSTS and FUTURE ASPECTS

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- Total amount claimed from EU for 2019 = 482 246,27 €

Co-financing in 2020 also for 9 counties at risk  
(bordering with Bosna and Hercegovina)



Future aspects:

- a) Increasing testing coverage and OF herds
- b) Raising awareness among sheep and goat owners (notification of abortions, regular testing, identification & registration)
- a) Application for MS officially free possible in 2022



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Thank you for your attention!

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