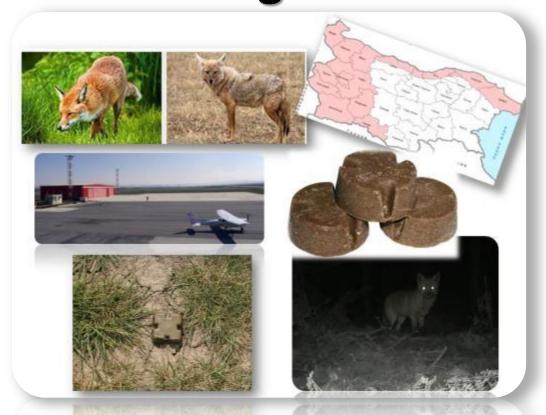
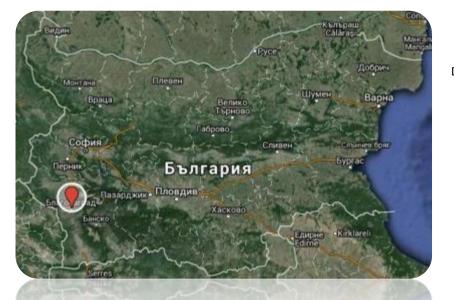
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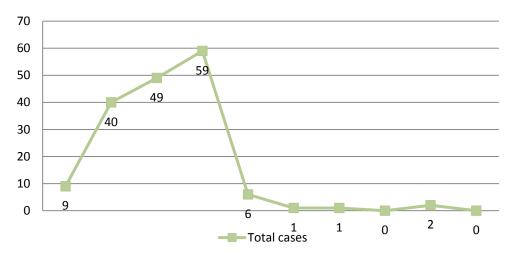
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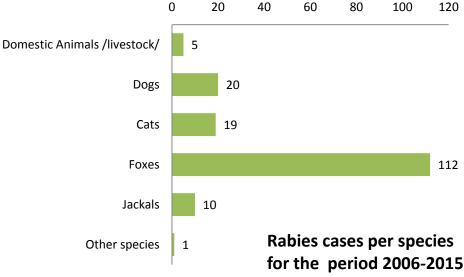
### **Epidemiological situation**

- No cases in 2015
- Total number of cases for the last 10 years – 167
- Last rabies case reported in June 2014



#### Number of rabies cases 2006-2015

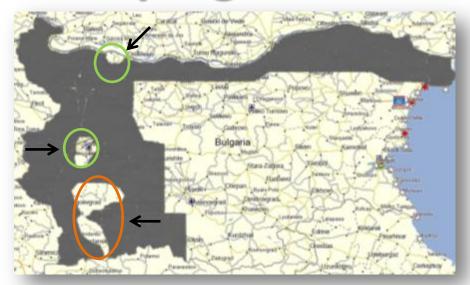




### Vaccination campaigns

- Oral vaccination of foxes operational since 2009
- Lysvulpen vaccine, Bioveta
   Czech Republic, 20 baits/sq
   km

Year	Campaigns	Districts	Territory covered (km²)
2009	2 spring & autumn	18	55 037 km2
2010	1 spring	19	55 995 km2
2011	1 spring	19	55 995 km2
2012	2 spring & autumn	20	59 500 km2
2013	2 spring & autumn	20	59 500 km2
2014	2 spring & autumn	22	79 119 km2
<u>2015</u>	2 spring and autumn	<u>16</u>	<u>54 716 km2</u>



- Manual distribution
- High mountain areas not covered by vaccination
  - Total number of baits distributed in 2015 – 2 043 710
  - 6 batches distributed all tested in ANSES

### **Vaccination campaigns**

	Wildlife oral vaccination – aerial distribution										
Region/Area	Month	Number of baits *	Size of vaccinated area (km²)	Distribution method	Bait density (per km²)						
1	2	3	4	5	6=3÷4						
Blagoevgrad, Kyustendil, Pernik, Sofia city, Sofia region,	spring (28.06.2015 - 08.07.205)	1 009 610	50 473		20,00						
Smolyan, Pazardjik, Dobrich, Silistra, Pleven, Veliko Tyrnovo, Razgrad, Ruse, Montana, Vraca, Vidin	autumn (06.11.2015 - 30.11.2015)	1 010 100	50 450	aircrafts	20,02						
	Total	2 019 710	50 461,5	aircrafts	20,01						

	Wildlife oral vaccination – manual distribution									
Region/Area	Month Number of baits *		Size of vaccinated area (km²)	Distribution method	Bait density (per km²)					
1	2	3	4	5	6=3÷4					
Kozloduy	spring	12 000	4 300		2,79					
Powerplant (Vraca and Montana), Sofia-city - suburbs	autumn	12 000	4 300	manual	2,79					
	Total	24 000	4 300	manual	2,79					

### Monitoring of vaccination effectiveness

		Serningical tests			Tests for the presence of biomarker – Tetracycline (T)				IFT			
Region	Species	Type of	Number	Seroposit	%	Type of	Number	Biomarke r	% marker	Type of	Number	Desitive
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1	2	3	4	5	6=(5÷4)x 100	7	8	9	10=(9÷8) x100	7	8	9
total	<u>foxes</u>	ELISA	894	383	42,84	Т	1236	800	64,72	IFT	1236	0

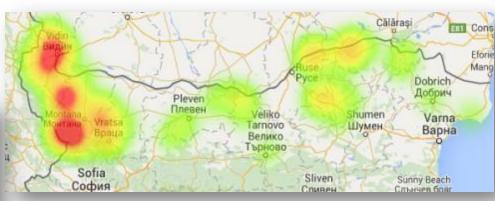
- Seroconversion in foxes 42,84% in 2015  $\longrightarrow$  37,37% in 2014
- Tetracycline biomarker in foxes in  $2015 64,72\% \longrightarrow 59,89\%$  in 2014
- Seroconversion in jackals 24,6% in 2015  $\longrightarrow$  31,25% in 2014
- Tetracycline biomarker in jackals in  $2015-58,45\% \longrightarrow 73,75\%$  in 2014

		Serological tests			Tests for the presence of biomarker – Tetracycline (T)				IFT			
Region	Species	Type of	Number	Seroposit	%	Type of	Number	Biomarke r	% marker	Type of	Number	Dacitiva
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total	<u>jackals</u>	ELISA	126	31	24,60	Т	426	249	<u>58,45</u>	IFT	426	0

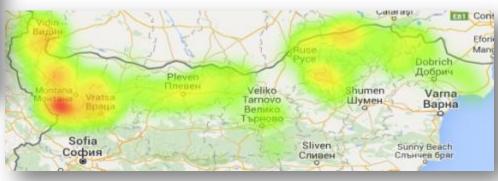
## Monitoring of vaccination effectiveness



Monitoring of vaccination in the northern vaccinated zones of the country



Seroconversion

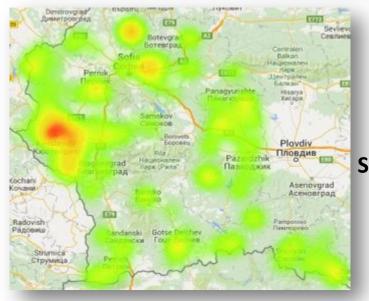


TMT presence

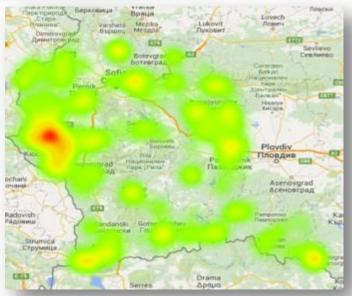
### Monitoring of vaccination effectiveness



Monitoring of vaccination in the southwestern vaccinated zones of the country



Seroconversion

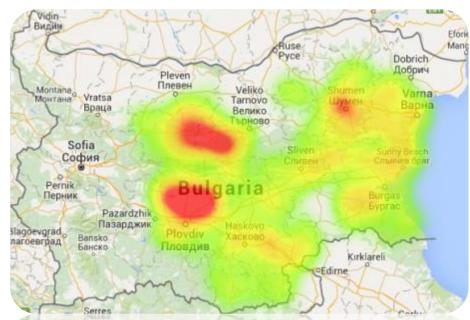


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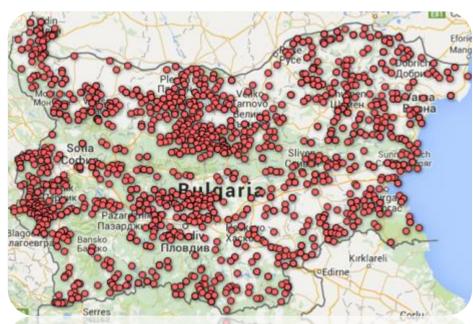
### **Surveillance activities**

Region	Species	IFT					IFT		
		Type of test	Number of tests	Positive	Region	Species	Type of test	Number of tests	Positive
total	foxes	IFT	287	0	total	jackals	IFT	495	0

Active surveillance in non-vaccinated zones on foxes and jackals in 2015



Active surveillance in non-vaccinated zones in 2015



FAT carried out on the territory of the whole country in 2015

# Surveillance activities – passive surveillance and suspects

		Domestic	animals		Wild animals					
Region	dog	cat	sheep	goat	fox	wolf	badger	red deer	jackals	
Total	8	4	6	1	27	2	2	1	2	

#### Domestic and wild suspect animals tested negative by IFT in 2015



- In total 53 suspect animals were tested in 2015
- Decrease in the number of samples for passive surveillance by 55% in comparison to the results in 2014 – main gap in the implementation of the programme

### Thank you for your attention



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