DRAFT RESOLUTION No. 31

Amendments to the

WOAH Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals

CONSIDERING THAT

1. The Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals (Terrestrial Manual), like the Terrestrial Animal Health Code, is an important contribution to the international harmonisation of sanitary standards related to terrestrial animals and animal products,

2. Members were asked for the comments of their specialists for each new or revised chapter of the Terrestrial Manual before it was finalised by the Biological Standards Commission,

3. The Biological Standards Commission developed evidence-based criteria to be applied when deciding to maintain a chapter in the Terrestrial Manual on non-listed diseases

THE ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES

1. To adopt the following texts for the Terrestrial Manual:

1.1.5. ‘Quality management in veterinary testing laboratories’
   With the amendments approved by the Assembly:
   In Section A.3. ‘Accreditation’, point xiv) to replace “Has demonstrable competence to generate technically valid results” with “Effective risk identification and management system”

1.1.9. ‘Tests for sterility and freedom from contamination of biological materials intended for veterinary use’
   With the amendments approved by the Assembly:
   In Table 2. ‘Some American Type Culture Collection strains with their respective medium and incubation conditions’ to add two new lines (microorganisms): “Potato dextrose agar, Aspergillus brasiliensis ATCC #16404, 20–25°C, Aerobic” and “Nutrient agar, nutrient broth, Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC #9027, 30–35°C, Aerobic”
   In Section G.2.4. ‘Example of a general procedure for detection of Salmonella’ to replace “Salmonella spp.” with “Salmonella serovars”

2.2.4. ‘Measurement uncertainty’

2.2.6. ‘Selection and use of reference samples and panels”

3.1.5. ‘Crimean–Congo haemorrhagic fever’

3.3.6. ‘Avian tuberculosis’ (Section C. ‘Requirements for diagnostic biologicals’ only)

3.4.1. ‘Bovine anaplasmosis’
   With the amendment approved by the Assembly:
   In Section A ‘Introduction’, to add the words “A. centrale” after the words “type species,”

3.4.7. ‘Bovine viral diarrhoea’

3.4.12. ‘Lumpy skin disease’ (vaccine section only)

3.6.9. ‘Equine rhinopneumonitis (infection with Varicellovirus equidalpha1)’
3.8.1. ‘Border disease’
3.8.12. ‘Sheep pox and goat pox’

2. To remove the following chapters from the Terrestrial Manual following application of the evidence-based above-mentioned criteria:

3.2.4. ‘Nosemosis of honey bees’
3.3.6. ‘Avian tuberculosis’ (apart from Section C. ‘Requirements for diagnostic biologicals’)
3.3.7. ‘Duck virus enteritis’
3.3.9. ‘Fowl cholera’
3.3.10. ‘Fowl pox’
3.4.13. ‘Malignant catarrhal fever’
3.6.4 ‘Epizootic lymphangitis’
3.8.8. ‘Ovine pulmonary adenocarcinoma (adenomatosis)’
3.9.2. ‘Atrophic rhinitis of swine’
3.9.9. ‘Teschovirus encephalomyelitis’
3.10.2. ‘Cryptosporidiosis’
3.10.4. ‘Infection with Campylobacter jejuni and C. coli’
3.10.5. ‘Listeria monocytogenes’
3.10.6. ‘Mange’
3.10.8. ‘Toxoplasmosis’

3. Once Section C. ‘Requirements for diagnostic biologicals’ of Chapter 3.3.6. ‘Avian tuberculosis’ is adopted, to transfer the information to Chapter 3.1.13 ‘Mammalian tuberculosis (infection with Mycobacterium tuberculosis complex)’.

4. To request the Director General to publish the adopted texts in a revised edition in the on-line version of the Terrestrial Manual.