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Which of the following defines your laboratory? Check all that apply:	Governmental

ToR 1: To use, promote and disseminate diagnostic methods validated according to OIE Standards

1. Did your laboratory perform diagnostic tests for the specified disease/topic for purposes such as disease diagnosis, screening of animals for export, surveillance, etc.? (Not for quality control, proficiency testing or staff training)

Yes

Diagnostic Test	Indicated in OIE Manual (Yes/No)	Total number of te	est performed last year
Indirect diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
CFT	Yes	5025	1649
cELISA	Yes	5025	1649
Direct diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
Culture		0	0
PCR		0	0

ToR 2: To develop reference material in accordance with OIE requirements, and implement and promote the application of OIE Standards.

To store and distribute to national laboratories biological reference products and any other reagents used in the diagnosis and control of the designated pathogens or disease.

2. Did your laboratory produce or supply imported standard reference reagents officially recognised by the OIE?

No

3. Did your laboratory supply standard reference reagents (non OIE-approved) and/or other diagnostic reagents to OIE Member Countries?

Type of reagent available	Related diagnostic test	Produced/ provide	Amount supplied nationally (ml, mg)	Amount supplied internationally (ml, mg)	No. of recipient OIE Member Countries	Region of recipients
Positive control serum	CFT, ELISA and Western blot	Provided	0	25ml	Through private company	□Africa ⊠Americas ⊠Asia and Pacific □Europe □Middle East
Negative control serum	ELISA and Western blot	Provided	0	25ml	Through private company	□Africa ⊠Americas ⊠Asia and Pacific □Europe □Middle East

4. Did your laboratory produce vaccines?

No

5. Did your laboratory supply vaccines to OIE Member Countries?

No

ToR 3: To develop, standardise and validate, according to OIE Standards, new procedures for diagnosis and control of the designated pathogens or diseases

6. Did your laboratory develop new diagnostic methods validated according to OIE Standards for the designated pathogen or disease?

No

7. Did your laboratory develop new vaccines according to OIE Standards for the designated pathogen or disease?

No

ToR 4: To provide diagnostic testing facilities, and, where appropriate, scientific and technical advice on disease control measures to OIE Member Countries

8. Did your laboratory carry out diagnostic testing for other OIE Member Countries?

Name of OIE Member Country seeking assistance	Date (month)	No. samples received for provision of diagnostic support	No. samples received for provision of confirmatory diagnoses
BAHRAIN	January-December	361	0
EGYPT	January-December	47	0
JORDAN	January-December	101	0
KUWAIT	January-December	300	0
OMAN	January-December	211	0
SAUDI ARABIA	January-December	624	0
THAILAND	January-December	4	0
BRAZIL	January-December	0	1

^{9.} Did your laboratory provide expert advice in technical consultancies on the request of an OIE Member Country?

Yes

Name of the OIE Member Country receiving a technical consultancy	Purpose	How the advice was provided
BRAZIL	Advice on the interpretation of serological results	e-mail

ToR 5: To carry out and/or coordinate scientific and technical studies in collaboration with other laboratories, centres or organisations

10. Did your laboratory participate in international scientific studies in collaboration with OIE Member Countries other than the own?

Title of the study	Duration	Purpose of the study	Partners (Institutions)	OIE Member Countries involved other than your country
Molecular characterization of Brzilian B. mallei strain isolated from a donkey	completed in 2018	For the first time molecular characterization of a donkey B. mallei was performed	European Union Reference Laboratory, Anses, France	FRANCE
Assessing the pathogenic ability of genomically altered B. mallei strains which were re-isolated from experimentally infected donkeys and guinea pigs	on going	Assessing pathogenic ability	Institut fuer Mikrobiologie der Bundeswehr, Munich	GERMANY
Evaluation of antibody response of sera from experimentally infected donkey's sera with B. mallei using different B. mallei recombinant proteins	on going	To assess the species specific response to different B. mallei recombinant proteins	Reference Laboratory, Anses, France	FRANCE
Glanders CFT and ELISA testing of melioidosis sera	on going	To assess the cross reaction	Reference Laboratory, Anses, France	FRANCE

ToR 6: To collect, process, analyse, publish and disseminate epizootiological data relevant to the designated pathogens or diseases

11. Did your Laboratory collect epizootiological data relevant to international disease control?

Yes

12. Did your laboratory disseminate epizootiological data that had been processed and analysed?

Yes

13. What method of dissemination of information is most often used by your laboratory? (Indicate in the appropriate box the number by category)

a) Articles published in peer-reviewed journals: 1

Laroucau, K., L.D.A. Santana, G. Girault, B. Martin, D.S.P.P. Miranda, B. M. Machado, M. Joseph, R. Wernery, U. Wernery, S. Zientara and N. Madani (2018)

First molecular characterisation of a Brazilian Burkholderia mallei strain isolated from a mule in 2016. Infection, Genetics and Evolution 57, 117-120

b) International conferences: 0

c) National conferences: 0

d) Other:

(Provide website address or link to appropriate information) 0

ToR 7: To provide scientific and technical training for personnel from OIE Member Countries

To recommend the prescribed and alternative tests or vaccines as OIE Standards

14. Did your laboratory provide scientific and technical training to laboratory personnel from other OIE Member Countries?

No

ToR 8: To maintain a system of quality assurance, biosafety and biosecurity relevant for the pathogen and the disease concerned

15. Does your laboratory have a Quality Management System certified according to an International Standard?

Yes

Quality management system adopted	Certificate scan (PDF, JPG, PNG format)
ISO 17025:2005	Accreditation Certificate, 2017.pdf

16. Is your laboratory accredited by an international accreditation body?

Test for which your laboratory is accredited	Accreditation body
African Horse Sickness	IAS, USA
Equine Piroplasmosis	IAS, USA
Equine Infectious Anaemia	IAS, USA
Equine Viral Arteritis	IAS, USA
Glanders	IAS, USA
Dourine	IAS, USA
СЕМ	IAS, USA
Brucellosis	IAS, USA
West Nile ELISA	IAS, USA
Strangles ELISA	IAS, USA
EHV 1 and 4 ELISA	IAS, USA
Influenza A Virus Isolation	IAS, USA
Avian paramyxovirus type 1(APMV-1) Virus Isolation	IAS, USA
Equine Arteritis Virus Isolation from Semen	IAS, USA

17. Does your laboratory maintain a "biorisk management system" for the pathogen and the disease concerned?

Yes

(See Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, Chapter 1.1.4)

ToR 9: To organise and participate in scientific meetings on behalf of the OIE

18. Did your laboratory organise scientific meetings on behalf of the OIE?

No

19. Did your laboratory participate in scientific meetings on behalf of the OIE?

Title of event	Date (mm/yy)	Location	Role (speaker, presenting poster, short communications)	Title of the work presented
86th OIE General Session at Paris	20-25/05/2018	Paris	observer	observer

ToR 10: To establish and maintain a network with other OIE Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen or disease and organise regular inter-laboratory proficiency testing to ensure comparability of results

20. Did your laboratory	exchange information	with other 0	OIE Reference	Laboratories	designated f	or the same
pathogen or disease?						

Yes

21. Was your laboratory involved in maintaining a network with OIE Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen or disease by organising or participating in proficiency tests?

No

22. Did your laboratory collaborate with other OIE Reference Laboratories for the same disease on scientific research projects for the diagnosis or control of the pathogen of interest?

No

ToR 11: To organise inter-laboratory proficiency testing with laboratories other than OIE Reference Laboratories for the same pathogens and diseases to ensure equivalence of results

23. Did your laboratory organise or participate in inter-laboratory proficiency tests with laboratories other than OIE Reference Laboratories for the same disease?

No

Note: See Interlaboratory test comparisons in: Laboratory Proficiency Testing at: http://www.oie.int/en/our-scientific-expertise/reference-laboratories/proficiency-testing see point 1.3

ToR 12: To place expert consultants at the disposal of the OIE

24. Did your laboratory place expert consultants at the disposal of the OIE?

Yes

Kind of consultancy	Location	Subject (facultative)
E-mail correspondence with OIE technical committee	UAE	Amendment of the OIE Glanders chapter and introduction of Melioidosis

25. Additional comments regarding your report: