

#### **Emerging vector borne viral diseases** Strategies for surveillance, prevention and control

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Contingency planning – focus on: vaccination, animal welfare, wildlife and costs. Riga 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> October 2018

### **Status of West Nile virus in Europe**





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#### **Status of Usutu virus in Europe**

Rijks J, Kik M, Slaterus R, Foppen R, Stroo A, IJzer J, Stahl J, Gröne A, Koopmans M, van der Jeugd H, Reusken C. Widespread Usutu virus outbreak in birds in the Netherlands, 2016. Euro Surveill. 2016;21



#### **Risk of Usutu and West Nile virus 2018**



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#### The hunt for Culex pipiens molestus in Göteborg, Sweden 2018



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Pulicaris ensemple

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Obsoletus ensemple

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#### August August

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Obsoletus ensemple



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# November Abundance 0 - 10 >100 - 1000 >10000

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#### **Classical biological vectors**







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Mosquitoes: Malaria parasites Dengue / Zika virus

Biting midges: Bluetongue / Schmallenberg virus

Ticks: Borrellia bacteria TBE virus

#### **Classical biological vectors**







The pathogen develops in the vector

Development in vector may take long time and always depends on the temperature

For successful transmission there must be:

- 1) Vectors present
- 2) AND suitable temperatures
- 3) AND the vector has to survive long enough for the pathogen to complete the development in the vector.

# **Mechanical vectors**









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The pathogen do not develop in the vector. The pathogen merely contaminates the mouth parts of the vector

Transmission between animals is without delay and temperature is not a factor

For successful transmission there must be:

- 1) Vectors present with big mouth parts
- 2) Interrupted feeding so that vectors move from host to host
- 3) Not too far between host animals



# **Mechanical vectors**







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**Mechanical transmission is common** 

We know *Stomoxys calcitrans* (the stable fly) is very efficient in transmitting African Swine Fever for up to 24 hours after biting

Horse flies (Tabanidae) transmit: Brucella abortus Classical swine fever (suspected) Rinderpest Influenza TBE Q fever And even Dirofilaria In EU they transmit Equine Infectious Anaemia and Lumpy Skin Disease

Mosquitoes can transmit myxoma virus between rabbits





#### **Mechanical vectors**



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# Lumpy skin disease



#### DTU **Can mechanical vectors spread ASFV in Europe?**





# **Mechanical vectors oral infection mode**







At infected farms we have found mosquitoes, horse flies and stable flies near the ventilation openings.

Mosquitoes and biting flies are not able to breed in stables – they come from the surrounding forest

#### **Conclusion:**



Stable flies, horse flies and mosquitoes may transport blood samples from infected wild pigs to pigs in stables across any fence.

# Mechanical vectors oral infection mode



# **Mechanical vectors oral infection mode**





- 1) If flies feed on ASF infected host
- 2) and then fly into a stable and dies
- 3) and accidentally gets eaten by pig,
- 4) will the pig get infected?



**Conclusion:** 

Yes !

In this case flies do not need to bite a pig to infect the pig.

# Do mechanical vectors actually spread ASFV in Europe?

















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New tick vector for Denmark September 2018



Hyalomma marginatum

The vector of Crimean Congo Haemorrhagic Fever

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### Crimean Congo haemorrhagic fever - a case story



#### Kazakhstan 2009:

- 24. June: 23 year old woman gives birth at a hospital
- **29. June:** the mother is admitted at the hospital and operated resulting in severe bleeding
- **02. July:** the mother gets operated again twice
- 03. July: the child dies
- 04. July: the mother dies
- 09. July: vascular surgeon dies
- **10. July:** paediatrician assisting with the birth admitted
- **10. July:** chief surgeon from operation admitted
- 10. July: assistant gynaecologist admitted
- 11. July: nurse handling the mother admitted
- 11. July: chief surgeon dies
- 13. July: paediatrician dies







### A ScandTick Innovation survey of migrating birds in Denmark 2016







Common redstart (Phoenicurus phoenicurus)

Spring: 5 positive / 11 birds; 3 ticks per infested bird Autumn: 0 positive / 7 birds;

European robin (Erithacus rubecula)

Spring: 3 positive / 5 birds; 3 ticks per infested bird Autumn: 40 positive / 175 birds; 1.9 ticks per infested bird

Common Blackbird (Turdus merula)

Spring: None examined Autumn: 9 positive / 31 birds; 4.2 ticks per infested bird



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# Micro climatic temperatures drive transmission

May, 2015





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# Micro climatic temperatures drive transmission





#### Mosquito borne Setaria tundra worms in Finnish reindeer – impact of climate

Organ condemnation rate due to Setaria tundra in Finnish reindeer cooperatives:12 years (2004-2015) mean at each cooperative





#### What is next?







New vectors?

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