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Name of disease (or topic) for which you are a designated OIE Reference Laboratory:	Myxomatosis
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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 test performed last year	
Indirect diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
c-ELISA	yes	105	0
Direct diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
Negative staining Electron Microscopy	yes	44	0
Cell Culture isolatio	yes	0	0
Immunoperoxidase	yes	0	0
PCR	yes	17	12
Immunofluorescence	yes	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?

Yes

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 for Myxoma virus	PCR	produced				□Africa □Americas □Asia and Pacific □Europe □Middle East
Serological kits	C-ELISA	produced	8 kit s (over 2500 sera at 4 dilutions)			□Africa □Americas □Asia and Pacific □Europe □Middle East

4.	Did '	your	laboratory	produce	vaccines?
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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?

Yes

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
POLAND	January		12

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
SPAIN	Histological lesions caused by Myxomavirus	By preparing and sending histological sections on slides
FRANCE	Sudy of the immunity induced by vaccination using differnt vaccination programs	Evaluation and interprtation of snalytical data
GERMANY	Opinion on the level of sensitivity and specificity of AGID test for antibodies determination	Written opinion

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?

No

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?

No

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: 0
- 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)
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16. Is your laboratory accredited by an international accreditation body?

Yes

Test for which your laboratory is accredited	Accreditation body
PCR	ILAC MRA, ACCREDIA
Seroloical Competitive ELISA	ILAC MRA, ACCREDIA
Immunohistochemistry	ILAC MRA, ACCREDIA
EM METHODS	ILAC MRA, ACCREDIA

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

No

(See Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals 2014, Chapter 1.1.3a)

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?

Yes

Title of event	Date (mm/yy)	Location	Role (speaker, presenting poster, short communications)	Title of the work presented
THIRD GLOBAL CONFERENCE OF OIE REFERENCE CENTRES Challenges and expectations for the future	14-16 October 2014	Incheon (Seoul) - Korea (Rep. of),		
82°OIE GENERAL SESSION	25-30 May2014	Paris - France		

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 OIE Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen or disease?

Not applicable (Only OIE Reference Lab. designated for disease)

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?

Not applicable (Only OIE Reference Lab. designated for disease)

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?

Not applicable (Only OIE Reference Lab. designated for disease)

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?

Yes

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

Purpose for inter-laboratory test comparisons ¹	No. participating laboratories	Region(s) of participating OIE Member Countries
Comparative diagnosis (Proficiency test for end point PCR and Real time PCR	1	□Africa □Americas □Asia and Pacific ⊠Europe □Middle East

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?

No

25. Additional comments regarding your report:

This OIE Reference Lab for Myxomatosis at IZSLER was recognised just three years ago.

The second year (2013) was mostly dedicated to the revision of the chapter of the OIE Terrestrial Manual that was then approved by the Standard Commission and adopted on May 2014.

During this year we had some informal contacts with laboratories of member countries for supplying PCR methods and reference samples.