

# FAO / IAEA CENTRAL LABORATORY: ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH LABORATORY (APHL)



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## Statement made by the Director General of FAO, Mr Jacques Diouf, at a Conference In Early 2010

- The world population is expected to reach **9.1 billion in 2050**
- We now have more than **1 billion people** in the world who are **suffering from hunger**, **105 million people more than in 2008**



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## This is a Strong argument for the Relevance of our Objective:

**CONTRIBUTE** to ensuring **FOOD SECURITY** in a Sustainable Manner in Member States through Capacity Building and Development of Tools to Improve:

- Breeding and feeding Strategies
- Control of Important Infectious Animal Diseases



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## Which MS are targeted?

**J. D. Statement: “Food production will have to increase by 70% worldwide and to double in the Developing Countries if we are to meet food requirements”.**

**So our targeted MS are those which are struggling to ensure Food Security: Latin America, Asia and Africa**



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## An Example: AFRICA

**FAO ADG-AG at the ALIVE Meeting in Ethiopia (April 2010):**

**“Since 2009 in sub-Saharan Africa, over 269 million people are malnourished and 30 percent of the population suffers from hunger.**

**-Since the 1970s, agricultural imports have continued to outpace exports. Africa is becoming a larger net importer of food commodities.**

**- Each year it spends 33 billion US dollars on agricultural imports, mostly foodstuffs, while its exports have stood still at 14 to 15 billion US dollars”**



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## The Right to Food is the Right to feed Oneself in dignity

It is the right to **have continuous access to the resources that enable you to Produce Enough Food to not only Prevent Hunger, but also to Ensure Health and Well-being.**



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## Our Activities are based on THREE PILLARS:

- Providing Support to TCP and CRP
- Conducting R&D To Prepare FUTURE demand and FUTURE use of the OUTPUTs
- BUILDING CAPACITY in MS with the vision of making sustainable the transfer of technologies

*So the new vision is not to provide diagnostic kit nor diagnostic service but to develop and transfer technologies for MS use*



## APHL is the FAO/IAEA Central Laboratory for ELISA and Molecular Techniques in Animal Disease Diagnosis



Application of Nuclear and nuclear related techniques in **APPLIED RESEARCH** to Develop Tools for the Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases (TADs)



Application of Nuclear and nuclear related techniques in **APPLIED RESEARCH** For The Preservation of Animal Genetic Resources



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Ensure Transfer of Technologies to FAO-IAEA MS after Adaptation, Evaluation and Standardization  
Contribute to Capacity Building in MS Veterinary Laboratories

Provision of Services upon Request:  
Advice on technologies to be Used,  
Reference sera for diagnostic tests  
and Reference DNA Bank for Genetic studies



**CRP-D3.10.25 - Gene-based technologies in livestock breeding: Characterization of small ruminant genetic resources in Asia (2004–2009)**



Resource population with crosses (Red Masaai - resistant and Dorper – susceptible, to gastrointestinal parasites)

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26 sheep chromosomes mapped with 150 DNA microsatellite markers

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Quantitative Trait Loci (QTL) identification

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Marker Assisted Selection (MAS) programmes implementation in order to achieve the introgression of this characteristic in indigenous breeds

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**APHL:** Genotyping of 4 sheep chromosomes (from 26) and data analysis



Red Masaai (resistant)

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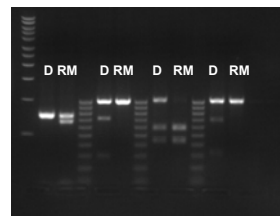
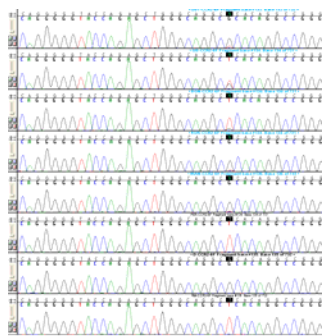
Dorper (susceptible)



**CRP-D3.10.25 - Gene-based technologies in livestock breeding: Characterization of small ruminant genetic resources in Asia (2004–2009)**



**Development of a test to detect genetic markers associated with nematode resistance in small ruminant**



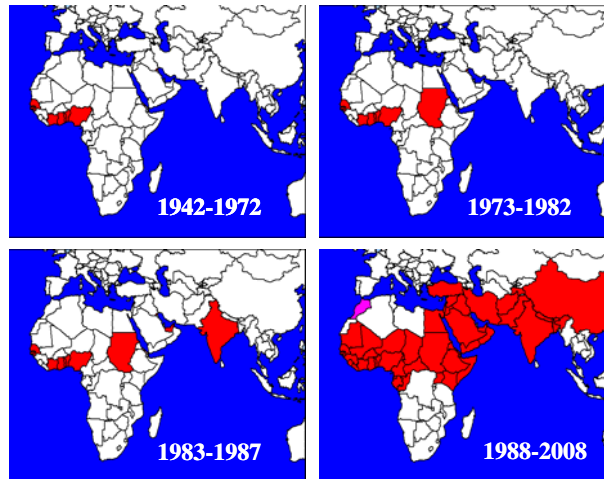
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Dorper (susceptible)



# Diagnostic and Molecular Epidemiology of Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR) Disease



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## Mapping Poverty and Livestock in the Developing World

A report commissioned by the  
UK Department for International Development,  
on behalf of the Inter-Agency Group of Donors Supporting Research  
on Livestock Production and Health in the Developing World

P.K. Thornton, R.L. Kruska, N. Henninger, P.M. Kristjansson,  
R.S. Reid, F. Atieno, A.N. Odera and T. Ndegwa

International Livestock Research Institute, PO Box 30709, Nairobi, Kenya  
2002



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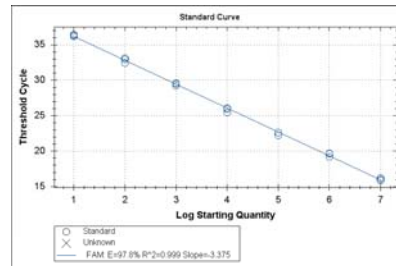
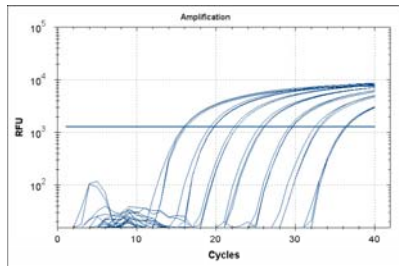
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## CRP-D3.20.21: Development of PPR Diagnostic test

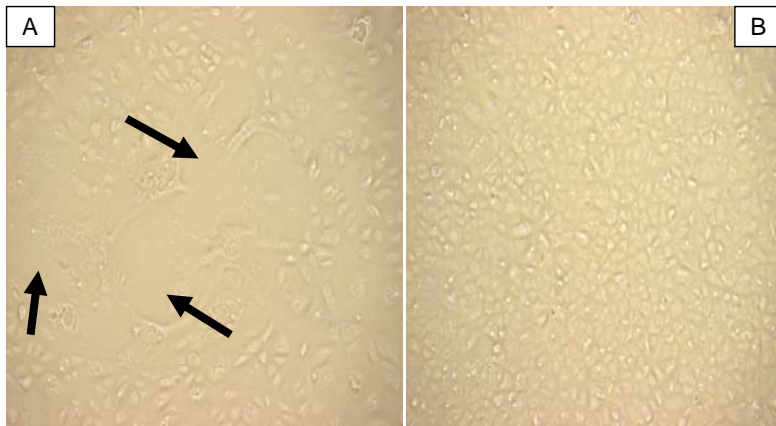
### Detection of PPRV by TaqMan MGB real time PCR



The amplification plots were realized on 10-fold serial dilutions ( $10^7$  to  $10^1$  copies) assayed in triplicate using a plasmid containing the PPRV N gene.



## Development of PPR Diagnosis Test: Production of CV1 Cell line expressing Ruminant SLAM

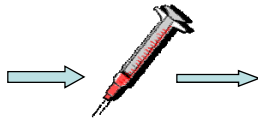


CV1 cells (CV1 cells expressing the PPRV receptor: SLAM protein):  
 -Photo A: Syncytia indicated by the arrows in the cell layer infected with PPR suspected pathological sample. This virus cytopathic effect (cpe) appears 2 days after infection instead of 2-3 weeks for normal cells  
 -Photo B: Control cell, no syncytium detected.



## Future Need: Use of DIVA techniques in disease management

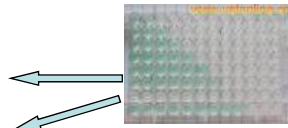
What is the disease status of this cow?



Take blood



Run a serological DIVA Test



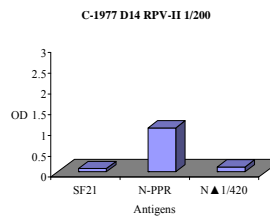
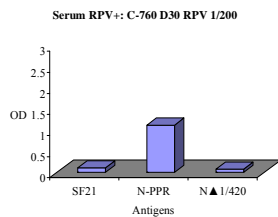
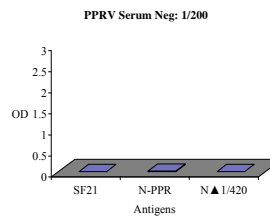
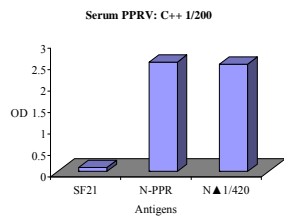
Analyze the result

Infected  
Naive  
Or Vaccinated

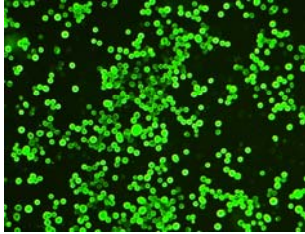


## Development of PPR and Rinderpest Marker Vaccines

Using C-terminus aa Seq. 421-525 (N  $\Delta$  1/420) of N PPRV for iELISA



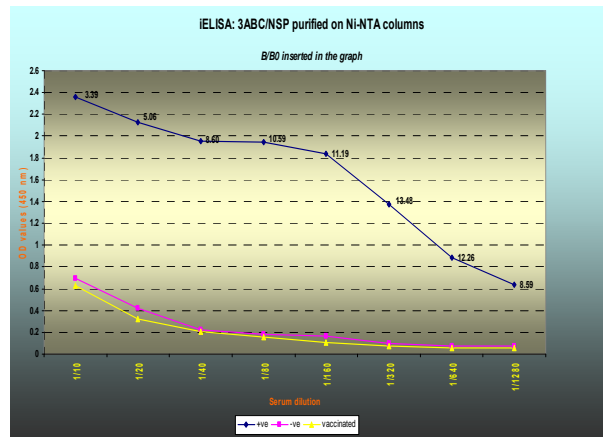
## CRP-D3.20.21-DIVA: Test to differentiate FMD infected from vaccinated animals



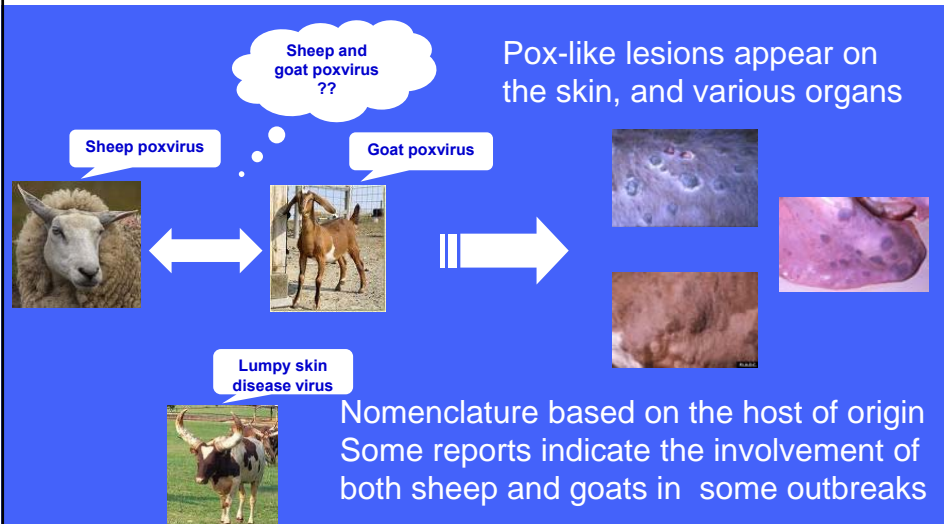
Expression of Recombinant FMD 3ABC/NSP by Baculovirus in Insect Cells



Indirect ELISA for the detection of anti 3ABC/NSP antibodies in CATTLE



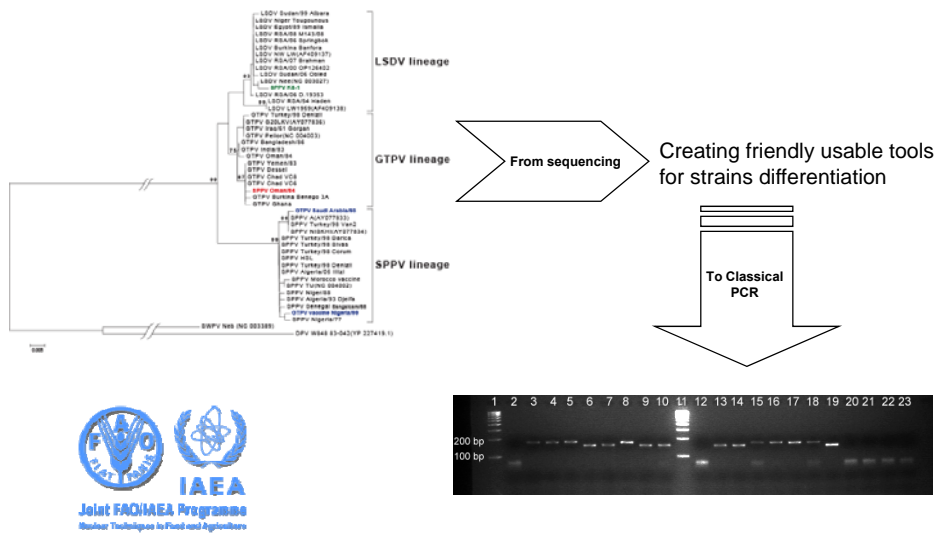
## The Genus *Capripoxvirus* (CaPV): sheep poxvirus (SPPV), goat poxvirus (GTPV) and lumpy skin disease virus (LSDV)



Infections cannot be distinguished clinically or serologically



## Molecular Epidemiology and Genotyping tools for Capripoxviruses



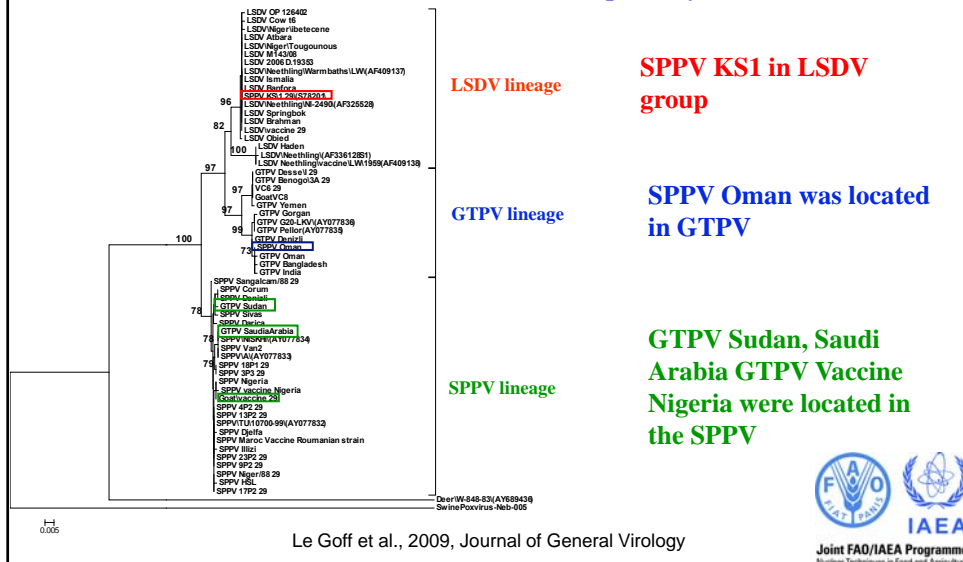
## Future Need: Molecular Epidemiology for Disease Management

- Increase of Human Movement
- Intensification of Animal and Animal Products Trade
- Climate Change with the consequence of Pathogen Vector Distribution

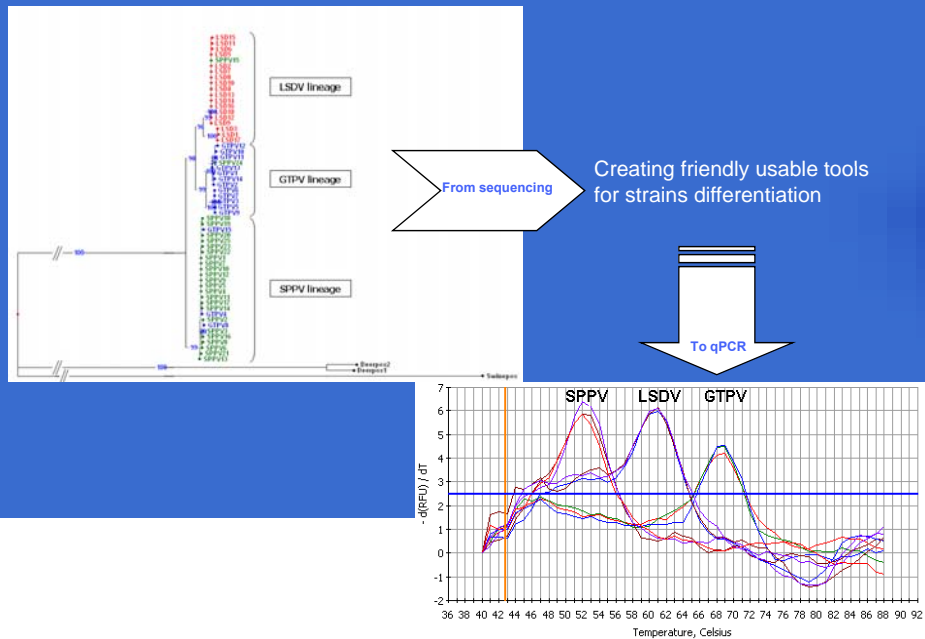
All Are Factors Contributing to Contagious Disease Extension for Effective Disease Management  
Need Tools for Tracing the Movement of Pathogen:  
Molecular Epidemiology

# Phylogenetic analysis of the CaPVs G-protein-coupled chemokine receptor (GPCR) gene

GTPV, SPPV and LSDV cluster separately



# Realtime PCR Capripox



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## Research with extra-budgetary funds

1) Development of PPR and Rinderpest MARKER VACCINES with COMPANION TESTS (MARKVAC): EC-FUNFED PROJECT (2005-2009)

- CIRAD-EMVT (France) :
- IAH (UK)
- RVC (UK)
- IBET (Portugal)
- LCV (Mali)
- NVI (Ethiopia)



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## Capacity building through TC-funded and Extra-bugetary projects



Fellows Training at IAEA laboratory

Group Training courses carried out in IAEA laboratory



## Capacity building through Long term training for a degree: PhD



**Charles BODJO:**  
PhD granted in  
2007



**Abdalla TRAORE**  
PhD planned for  
2010



**Caroline ADOMBI**  
PhD planned for  
2010



## 8 potential virulence genes in SPPV

SPPV A	GB	TU	Niskhi	Djelfa	Denizli	Corum	Mar	GTPV SA	Ortholog Group Name
SPPV-A-002	2	x	x	x	x	x	27.9	X	Virulence factor (Cop-B9R)
SPPV-A-003	3	x	x	x	x	x	24	X	IL-10
SPPV-A-004	4	x	x	x	x	x	49	X	IL-1 receptor (LSDV-N-006)
SPPV-A-007	7	x	x	x	x	x	54.7	X	Alpha-amanitin sensitivity
SPPV-A-017	17	x	x	54.2	x	x	X	X	Ribonucleotide Reductase small subunit
SPPV-A-080	79	x	x	57.6	x	x	X	x	NTPase, DNA replication
SPPV-A-084	83	x	x	x	34.8	x	X	X	muT motif/NPH-PPH/RNA levels regulator
SPPV-A-092	91	x	x	x	x	x	X	11.8	Core protein (Cop-A4L)
SPPV-A-097	96	x	x	x	54.9	x	X	X	Membrane protein (Cop-A9L)
SPPV-A-115	113	x	x	x	x	39.3	X	X	IMV MPV/virus entry (Cop-A28L)
SPPV-A-127	124	x	x	x	x	x	44	X	Unknown (MYX-L-m130R)
SPPV-A-128	125	x	x	x	x	x	48	X	Unknown (LSDV-130)
SPPV-A-141	138	x	58.8	x	x	x	X	X	Ankyrin (SPV-N-144)
SPPV-A-149	146	x	x	x	x	x	27.9	X	Virulence factor (Cop-B9R)

8 genes in SPPV are likely to affect the virulence because there are highly disrupted in only vaccine strains and well conserved in virulent field strain.

Ankyrin repeat gene (SPPV-A 138) highly disrupted only in the vaccine strain SPPV NISKHI. 7 genes are highly disrupted the Morocco vaccine strain but are well conserved in all the others viruses including the NISKHI vaccine strain:.

*The full genome sequencing of the Morocco vaccine strain has revealed the existence of 7 other potential genes for attenuation.*





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OIE Procedure for the Validation and Certification of Diagnostic Assays: 2002, 2003 and 2010



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- Validation Transfer of RP ELISA for RP seromonitoring and Serosurveillance of RP
- Validation of CBPP ELISA test which, now the OIE Recommended animal Trade



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Head of APHL invited to each meeting of the IAEA BSL

Head of APHL invited to different Ad hoc Groups



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## Search for suitable target for genotyping

*Journal of General Virology* (2009), 90, 1967–1977

DOI: 10.1099/vir.0.010686-0

Capripoxvirus G-protein-coupled chemokine receptor: a host-range gene suitable for virus animal origin discrimination

Christian Le Goff,<sup>1†</sup> Charles Euloge Lamien,<sup>2†</sup> Emna Fakhfakh,<sup>3</sup> Amélie Chadeyras,<sup>1</sup> Elexpeter Aba-Adulugba,<sup>4</sup> Geneviève Libeau,<sup>1</sup> Eeva Tuppurainen,<sup>5</sup> David B. Wallace,<sup>6,7</sup> Tajelser Adam,<sup>8</sup> Roland Silber,<sup>9</sup> Vely Gulyaz,<sup>10</sup> Hafsa Madani,<sup>11</sup> Philippe Caufour,<sup>1</sup> Salah Hammami,<sup>3</sup> Adama Diallo<sup>2</sup> and Emmanuel Albina<sup>1</sup>



# Search for suitable target for genotyping

Accepted Manuscript

Title: Use of the *Capripoxvirus* homologue of *Vaccinia virus* 30 kD RNA polymerase subunit (RPO30) gene as a novel diagnostic and genotyping target: development of a classical PCR method to differentiate *Goat poxvirus* from *Sheep poxvirus*.



Authors: Charles Euloge Lamien, Christian Le Goff, Roland Silber, David B. Wallace, Vely Gulyaz, Eeva Tuppurainen, Hafsa Madani, Philippe Caufour, Tajelser Adam, Mehdi El Harrak, Antony George Luckins, Emmanuel Albina, Adama Diallo

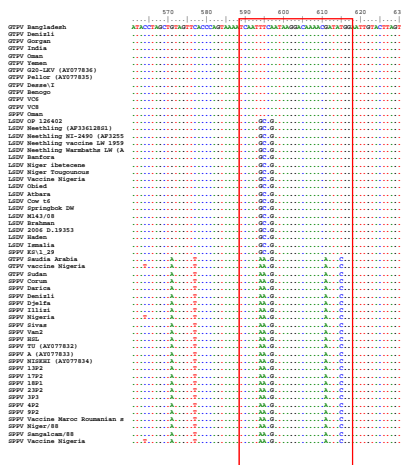
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 DOI: doi:10.1016/j.vetmic.2010.09.038  
 Reference: VETMIC 5054



Joint FAO/IAEA Programme  
 Nuclear Techniques in Food and Agriculture

# Dual hybridization probes real time PCR (FRET) for CaPVs genotyping

Primers were designed to amplify a 200 bp fragment on the CaPV GPCR gene and probes were designed to bind within this PCR product



FRET acceptor: matches 100% with GTPV, 3 mismatches with LSDV and 5 with SPPV



Lamien et al., 2010, Journal of Virological Methods



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## Example of Request from MS

- Country I: « Despite of Vaccination of Sheep of our local Produced vaccination, We have Sheeppox Outbreak in some Vaccinated Flocks »
- Country II: « We Produce a Capripox Vaccine that We Use for Sheep, Goats and Cattle. From time to time, 3-6 months after vaccination, we have capripox outbreak in the vaccinated Flocks »
- Country III: Contagious Pulmonary Disease in Camels, PPR Antigen Has been Detected by Immunocapture. Camels is not a usual host for PPRV.



## Recognition of the APL Input in R&D and Capacity Building



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
RESEARCH DIRECTORATE-GENERAL  
Directorate E - Livestock: Biotechnology, agricultural and food research  
Security of Food Production Systems

Brussels, 07 June 2006  
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PCU : FP6-2004-SSP5-EVAL-COORD

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Framework Programme 6 - Call Identifier: FP6-2005-SSP-5 A & B INFLUENZA  
Proposal No 044462 - ConFluTech

### Evaluation Summary Report

**Proposal number:** 044462

The objectives are sound and the approach will be effective in meeting the straightforward training goals identified in the proposal. The methodology and work plan are satisfactory. With such a wide range of participants there is expertise in all the areas related to the work plans. Members have the expertise to manage the project and to deliver the technical content of the proposed workshops and training courses. The activities follow the standards and validation procedures according to the OIE guidelines.

The consortium includes participants with a wide range of experience who are well known internationally and who have a good track record. The inclusion of the FAO / OIE / IAEA is a valuable component of the proposal and will draw on their considerable experience in diagnostics, training and technology transfer.

There is good synergy between the partners which will enable the consortium to deliver effective training and technology transfer.

Mark: 4,0  
Weight: 1,00



## FAO/IAEA Animal Production and Health Laboratory (APHL)

- IAEA Laboratory
  - FAO Laboratory
  - OIE Collaborating Centre
- International Organisation Laboratory without Any Commercial Interests
- All Research Outputs are Free, Given to MS on request.
  - Our Objective: To **STRENGTHEN** Animal Disease Diagnostic Capacities in MS



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