

# Current Rift Valley Fever Vaccines Available

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## Onderstepoort area

- Veterinary Faculty:
  - Veterinary Training
- ARC-Onderstepoort Veterinary Institute
  - Services: Diagnostics, production (FMD)
  - Research
- OBP:
  - Vaccines & other biologicals production











### Rift Valley Fever Vaccine

- Current commercial vaccines
- Production methods
- Advantage & Disadvantage
- Challenges
- Recommendations



### RVF Vaccines currently available

Vaccine	Strain	Country
Inactivated (OBP/VSVRI)	Pathogenic field strain	S.A
LIVE attenuated (OBP & KEVEVAPI)	Smithburn	S.A Kenya



#### **RVF-Inactivated vaccine**

### History of vaccine strain

- PathogenicStrain
- 6/mice
- •2/cells

#### **Upstream process**

- •BHK cells
- Infection (seeding)
- Determine titre

#### **Down stream process**

- Inactivation process
- In process testing
- Formulation
- Bottling
- •QC







### ADVANTAGE OF INACT. RVF

- Safe in pregnant animals
- •Can be used in outbreaks situations

#### **DISADVANTAGE INACT RVF**

- Short duration of immunity
- Need more than one inoculation
- Safety on handling the production seed material (human)
- Poor colostral immunity
- •Need more antigen & longer production lead time



### **RVF-LIVE**

**History of strain** 

**Upstream process** 

**Formulation** 

•Smithburn Isolated( 1930-1944)

Mouse brain/eggs/ Mouse-cells



- **•BHK CELLS**
- Infection (Seeding)
- Titre determination



- •STABILIZER
- •BOTTLING
- •FREEZE DRYING
- **•QC TESTING**







#### ADVANTAGE OF RVF LIVE

- Highly efficacious
- Need only single inoculation
- Ease of production & cost effective
- Shorter production lead times
- Able to produce large quantities

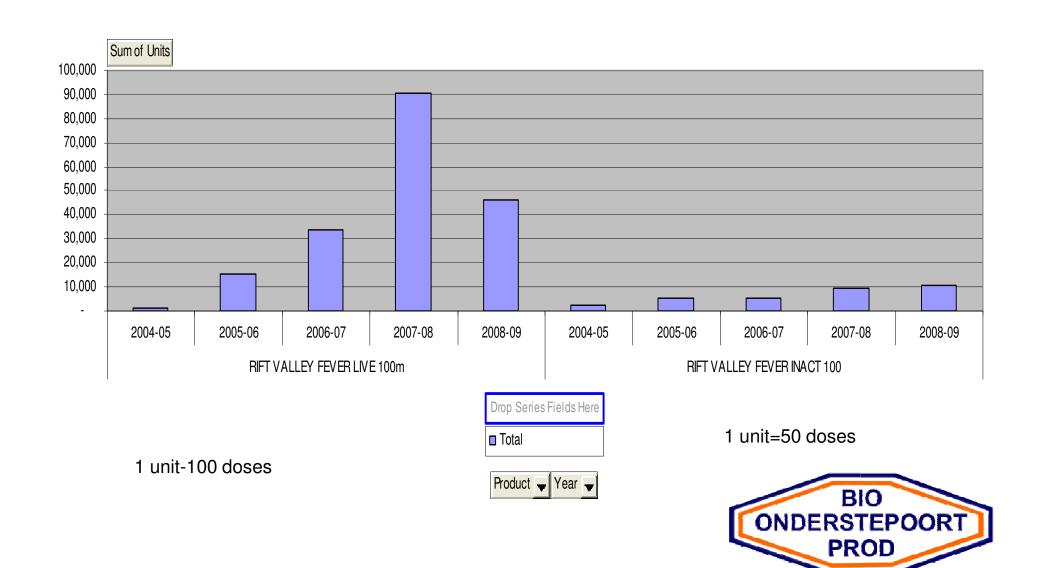
#### **DISADVANTAGE RVF LIVE**

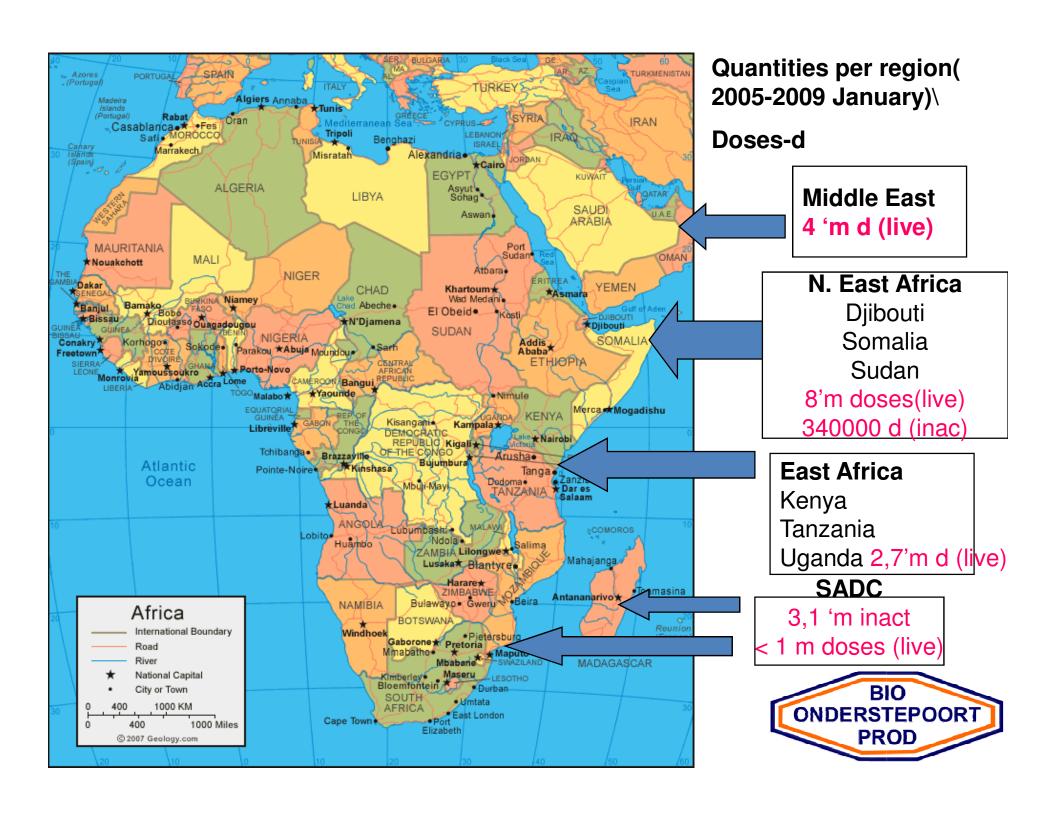
- Teratogenic for foetus/Abortions
- Not advisable to use during Outbreaks
- It cannot be used during high production cycle
- Potential risk reverse to virulence





#### **VOLUME PER PRODUCT**





### Challenges

- Concerns on using live vaccines during outbreaks.
- We need a product that will be safe to use during production cycle.
- Supply products during period of need
- Product that is safe to handle, ease of application and cost effective for farmers.
- Able to produce in large quantities at shortest lead time.

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# Recommendations on the current problems

 We need a common regional approach on vaccination strategy.

 Common understanding on which vaccine between live (High risk areas) or inactivated (low risk areas) will be feasible for the current problem.



## Thank you...



