



New CASV-ACVP Website

The new CASV-ACVP website is operational! The new web domain which is <http://www.casv-acvp.com/>

We have built in a members' only page which has not yet been activated. It will contain information specifically for swine veterinarians regarding extra label drug use and withdrawal recommendations for common ELDU requests.

Canadian Integrated Program for Antimicrobial Resistance Surveillance (CIPARS)

The CIPARS 2017: Figures and Tables is now available on the Government of Canada Publications website at <http://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/9.879523/publication.html>

For swine, farm surveillance showed a decrease in antimicrobials used in feed (nDDDvetCA/1000 grower-finisher pig-days at risk) between 2014 and 2018. The most commonly reported antimicrobials used in pigs included tetracyclines (Category III), lincosamides (Category II), and macrolides (Category II).

There were regional differences in the quantity and the number of doses of antimicrobials administered through feed over a grower-finisher feeding period. Quebec and Ontario herds decreased their overall AMU in feed. There was an increase in overall AMU in feed in herds from the Prairies.

Reminder: Advertising in the CASV-ACVP Newsletter

CASV-ACVP accepts classified advertising (e.g. job postings) in the e-newsletter. The cost is \$125 per week for classified advertising. For promotional and marketing type ads, we offer one banner ad each week at \$500 per week. The CASV-ACVP newsletter is sent to 180 members each week. If you are interested in advertising in the newsletter, please contact Krista Bates in the CASV-ACVP office at

Mark the Date!

CASV-ACVP AGM October 28, 2020

In 2020, the CASV-ACVP Annual Meeting will be held in conjunction with WCASV's Annual Meeting rather than during the AASV Annual Meeting. The AGM will be Wednesday, October 28, 2020 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. followed by a banquet. Boehringer Ingelheim has graciously offered to sponsor the banquet costs.

The WCASV meeting will be held on October 29th and 30th. The WCASV conference is at the Delta Bessborough Hotel, Saskatoon. More details regarding the CASV-ACVP AGM will be provided closer to the date. The CASV-ACVP AGM will rotate amongst the regional associations' annual meetings depending on the region where the President is located.

African Swine Fever is a Reportable Disease

Reportable diseases are outlined in the [Health of Animals Act](#) and [Reportable Diseases Regulations](#) and are usually of significant importance to human or animal health or to the Canadian economy. Animal owners, veterinarians and laboratories are required to immediately report the presence of an animal that has or is suspected of having one of these diseases to a [CFIA district veterinarian](#). It is prudent for veterinarians to include the contact information for your CFIA district veterinarian in your phone and on your computer.

The CFIA Foreign Animal Disease hotline number that is staffed 24/7 is 1-877-814-2342.

The Canadian Pork Council has produced numerous information pieces regarding the disease and risk mitigation practices including for small scale producers. These are available on their website at <https://www.cpc-ccp.com/ASF-resources-printables>.

CASV-ACVP has discussed with CFIA organizing a webinar for members in early 2020 focusing on identification of ASF and pathology lesions and recording it for members to access if unable to attend the live webinar. Information on the webinar will be provided once details are known.

New Transportation Regulations – Health of Animals Act

The new transportation regulations are still coming into force as of February 19, 2020. However, for the new feed, water and rest times only, CFIA will be treating those as education and awareness rather than enforcement for the first two years for all species. Transporters must adhere to the current transport times (36 hours for pigs) and will be encouraged to try to comply with the new feed, water and rest times (24 hours). If there are poor welfare outcomes with the load, CFIA will take action regardless.

The Guidance Document that provides greater detail around the intent of the regulations is currently being revised. A new version is expected in late January. It will contain some expanded text for some definitions, e.g. lameness. The new regulations state the maximum slope of loading ramps, gangways, chutes, etc. for

krista.tfio@bell.net, 519-669-3350.

pigs is 20°. The revised Guidance Document will clarify that the prescriptive angles for ramps are for external ramps and chutes only (not ramps inside trailers). It will also give guidance regarding flexibility for unforeseen and uncontrollable situations.

The full text of the new regulations can be read [here](#). The existing Guidance Document can be found online [here](#). The guidance document is very important as it expands upon and explains the intent of the regulations.

Susan Fitzgerald on behalf of CASV Board of Directors.

Mission: *To be a responsive, proactive voice for veterinarians involved with the swine industry in Canada.*