

JVARM and NVAL's activities for capacity building on AMR surveillance

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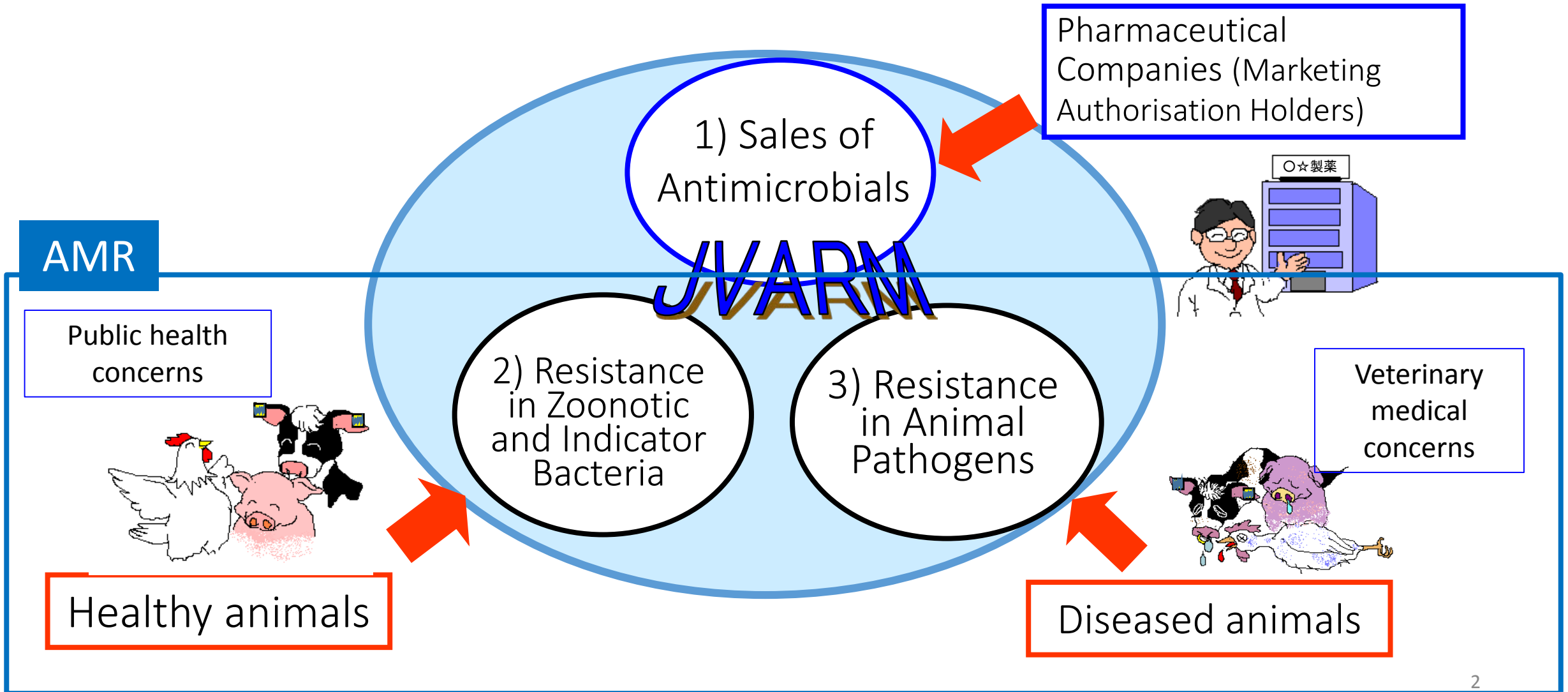
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*NVAL-OIE Joint Seminar on AMR
-Regional reference laboratory activities
on AMR surveillance- Oct. 15th 2018*

JVARM

Japanese Veterinary Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring System



Outline of Livestock and Livestock Hygiene Service Centers in Japan



- Population (×1,000 people) : 126,933
- Number of Livestock (× 1,000 head)

	2006	2016	Increase/decrease (2016/2006; %)
Dairy cattle	1,636	1,345	-18
Beef cattle	2,775	2,479	-11
Pigs	9,620	9,313	-3
Layers	180,697	173,349	-4
Broiler	103,687	134,395	30

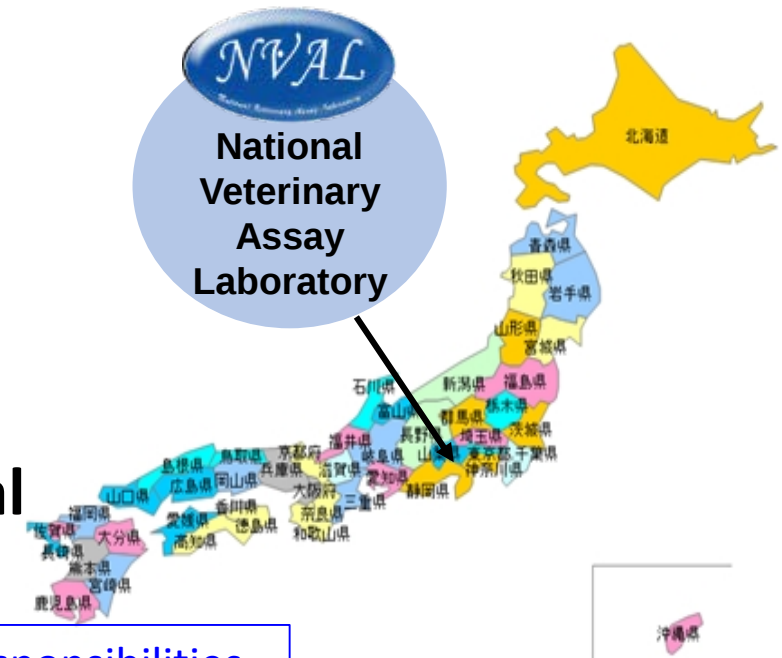
- Japan has **47 prefectures** and each prefecture has several Livestock Hygiene Service Centers (LHSC)

Role of the LHSC

*Diagnosis of the animal diseases are their basic responsibilities

- Annual inspections under the 'Act on Domestic Animal Infectious Diseases Control'
- Check, guide, advise for farms
- Prevent livestock from infectious diseases etc.

Total No. of LHSC ; **170**
Total No. of Vets. ; **2,084**



History (1)

Trial stage; 1999 (Healthy animal's monitoring)

- Settle up the methods (bacterial isolation and MIC).
- Isolate the bacteria from fecal samples, measure the MIC in NVAL

Target bacteria

- * *E. coli* (incl. STEC)
- * *Enterococcus*
- * *Salmonella*
- * *Campylobacter*

Samples; fecal samples from Cattle, pig & chicken

- * Prefecture staff collected fecal samples from farm → send NVAL (within 3 days on 4°C)
- * Collected 515 samples (178 cattle, 179 pigs & 158 broilers) from all 47 prefectures

Isolation/identification; colony morphology, biochemical properties, serotyping
(2 isolates / sample → exp. *E. coli* ;1,018 isolates)

MIC; Agar dilution methods



History (2)

JVARM 20 years
anniversary

1st - 2nd stage; 2000-2007

- Establish the monitoring system (Involvement of Local Government)
- Training course for local government staff (bacterial identification & MIC measurement)

3rd - 4th stages; 2008-2011

- Review the monitoring system (ex. time span, isolation of *Salmonella*)
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5th - 6th stages; 2012-2015

- Monitoring in Slaughterhouses started in 2012 and completely shifted in 2015

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- Enhanced monitoring in animal pathogens (Active monitoring was started from 2016 for *Salmonella* and *S. aureus* to keep a good relationship with Local Government.)
- Expand the AMR monitoring for farm-raised aquatic animals and companion animals.
- Enhance “One health” approach (collaboration with human medical side) etc.



JVARM publications in the early stage (incl. 1999 isolates)

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2. Esaki, H., Morioka, A., Kojima, A., Ishihara, K., Asai, T., Tamura, Y., Izumiya, H., Terajima, J., Watanabe, H., Takahashi, T. **2004**. Epidemiological characterization of *Salmonella Typhimurium* DT104 prevalent among food-producing animals in the Japanese veterinary antimicrobial resistance monitoring program (1999-2001). Microbiol Immunol. 48: 553-556.
3. Ishihara, K., Kira, T., Ogikubo, K., Morioka, A., Kojima, A., Kijima-Tanaka, M., Takahashi, T., Tamura, Y. **2004**. Antimicrobial susceptibilities of *Campylobacter* isolated from food-producing animals on farms (1999-2001): results from the Japanese Veterinary Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring Program. Int J Antimicrob Agents. 24: 261-267.
4. Kojima, A., Ishii, Y., Ishihara, K., Esaki, H., Asai, T., Oda, C., Tamura, Y., Takahashi, T., Yamaguchi, K. **2005**. Extended-spectrum-beta-lactamase-producing *Escherichia coli* strains isolated from farm animals from 1999 to 2002: report from the Japanese Veterinary Antimicrobial Resistance Monitoring Program. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 49: 3533-3537.
5. Kijima-Tanaka, M., Ishihara, K., Kojima, A., Morioka, A., Nagata, R., Kawanishi, M., Nakazawa, M., Tamura, Y., Takahashi, T. **2005**. A national surveillance of Shiga toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* in food-producing animals in Japan. J Vet Med B Infect Dis Vet Public Health. 52: 230-237.

Monitoring System in Farm (2000-)

Target bacteria;

- Indicator (*E. coli*, *Enterococcus spp.*), Zoonotic bacteria (*Salmonella spp.*, *Campylobacter spp.*) (-2015)
- Animal pathogen (Clinical isolate; *Salmonella*, *Staphylococcus*, *Actinobacillus pleuropneumoniae* etc.)

➤ **MAFF** (Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan)

- Design risk managements and provide the data for risk assessments to FSC

Report (Every year)

➤ **NVAL** (National Veterinary Assay Laboratory)

➤ **FAMIC** (Food and Agricultural Materials Inspection Center) (-2015)

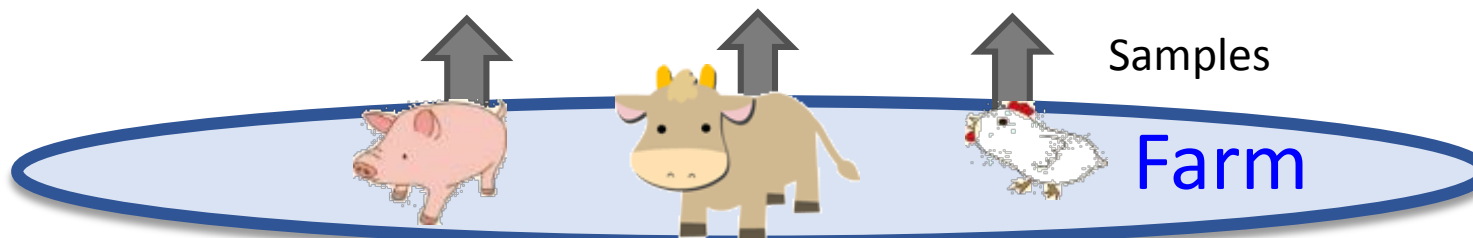
- Sum up, analyze, and evaluate data
- Research into molecular epidemiology, resistance mechanism

Isolated bacteria, Data

Advice, Training seminar

➤ **Livestock Hygiene Service Center** (170 centers)

- Collect feces in farm, isolate and identify bacteria, and measure MIC



Monitoring System in Slaughterhouses (2012-)

MAFF added the monitoring in slaughterhouses since 2012.

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- Slaughterhouse monitoring -

<Merit>

- * More close to the meat
- * Sampling is easier
- * Could get 'intestinal contents'

<Demerit>

- * No feed back to the farm
- * Seldom background data (AMU etc)
- * Sample mix-up (insufficient connection between sample and farm) could be occurred.

Data

Report

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FSC (Food and Agricultural Materials Inspection Center)

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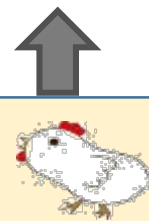
Quality control

Organization

Slaughterhouses, isolate and identify bacteria, and measure MIC

Samples

Samples



Slaughterhouses



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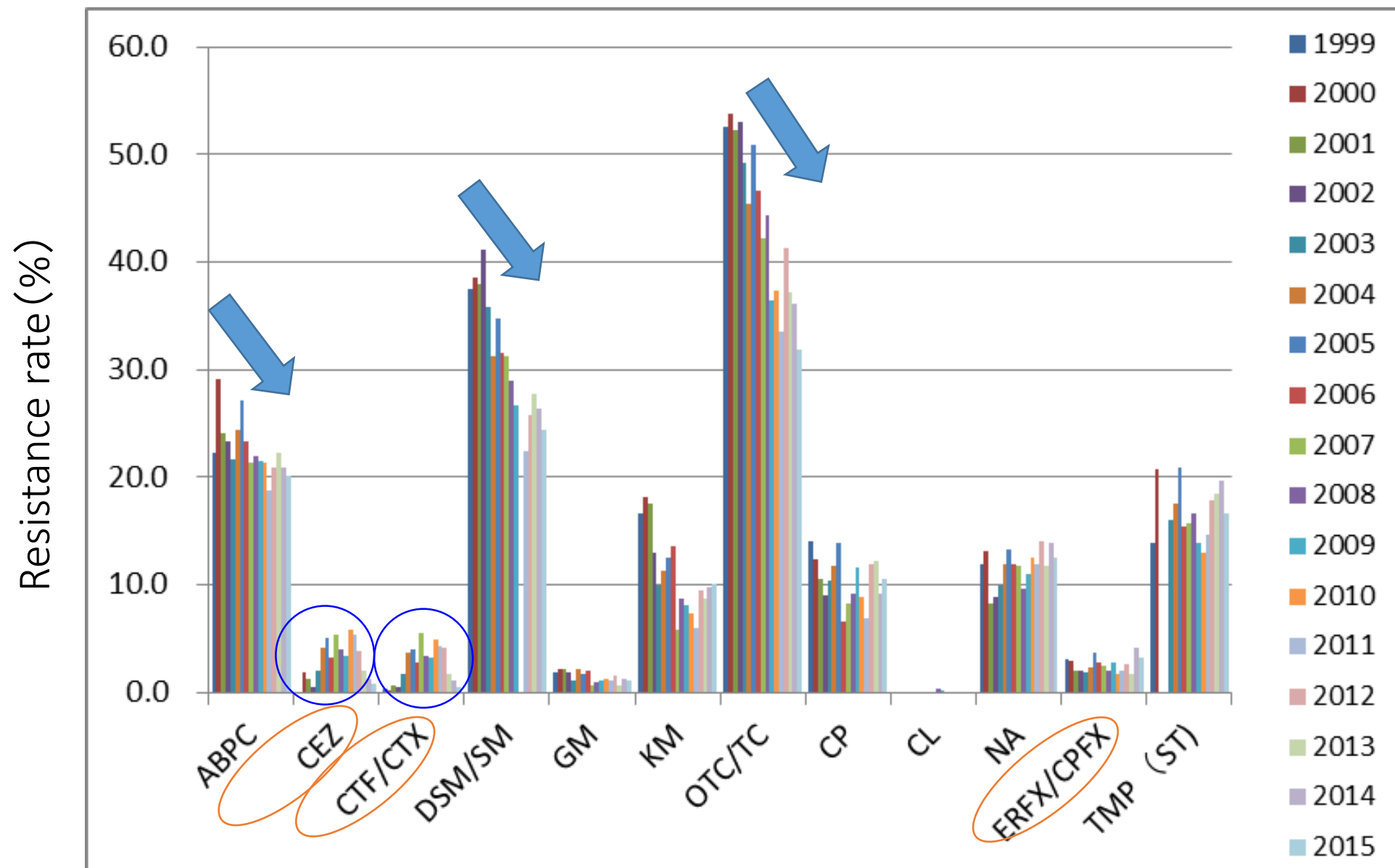
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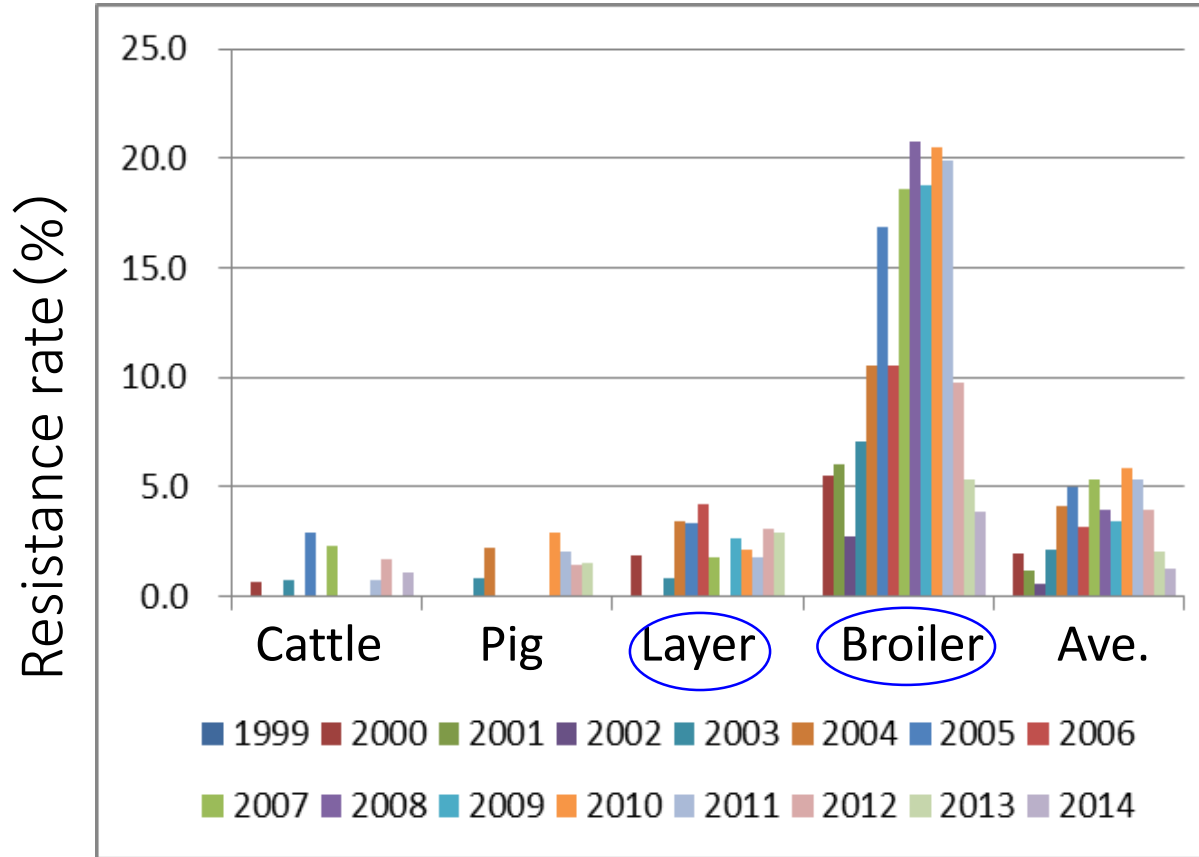
Resistance rate in *E. coli* isolated from healthy animals



Resistance rate of **cephalosporins** in *E. coli* isolates from healthy animals

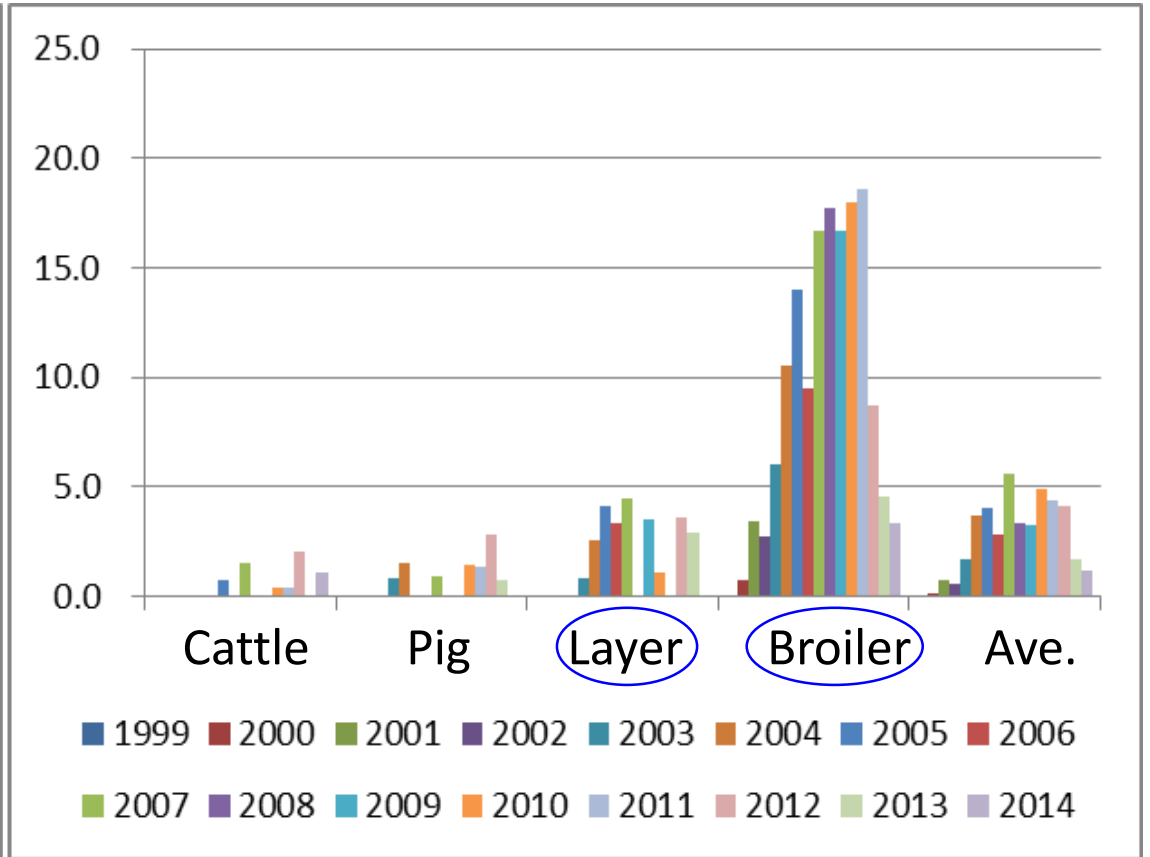
Cefazolin

(1st generation cephalosporin)



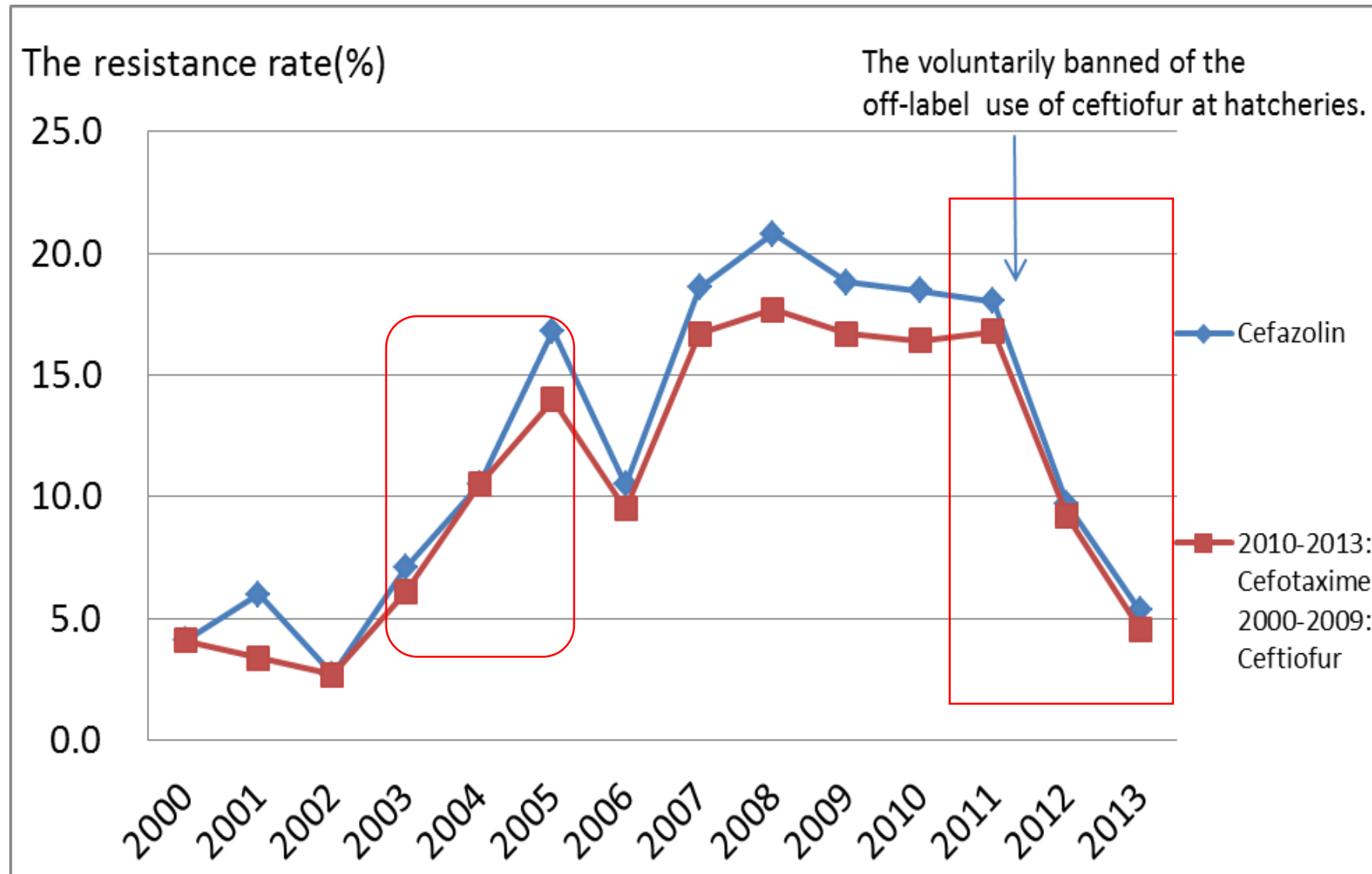
Ceftiofur (2000-2009) / Cefotaxime (2010-)

(3rd generation cephalosporin)



In Japan, cephalosporins have **NOT** been approved for poultry, however, resistance rate was obviously increasing in Layer and Broiler.

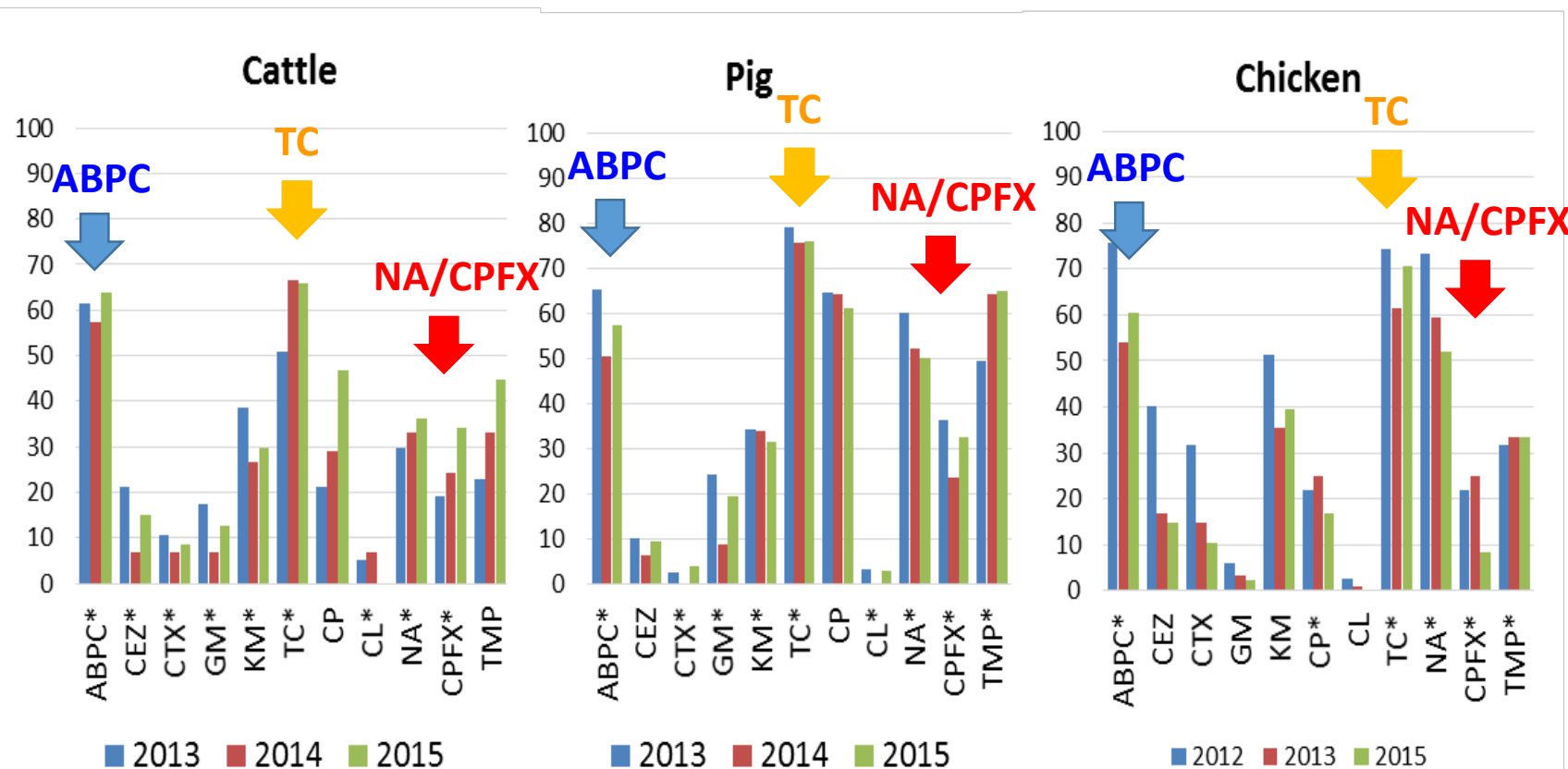
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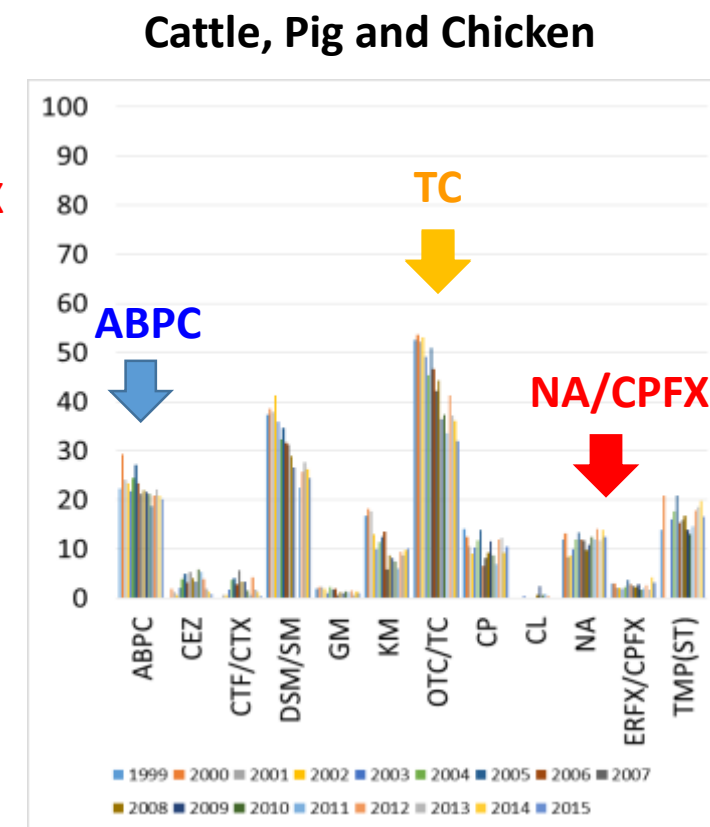
Hiki M et al. Foodborne Pathog Dis. 2015 Jul;12(7):639-43.

Resistance rates in *E. coli* isolated from Diseased and Healthy animals

【Diseased animals】



【Healthy animals】



Significance of Nationwide Monitoring in **animal bacterial pathogens**

- To detect emerging resistance that may pose a concern for animal and human health;
- To detect changes in susceptibility patterns;
- To provide information for *risk analysis*;
- To provide data for *veterinarians* to inform their treatment decisions;
- To provide information for epidemiological studies and trend analysis.

OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code Chapter 6.8; Article 6.8.5.

Prefectural Livestock Hygiene Service Center

- To take the interest in the antimicrobial resistance in animals
- To improve the lab technique concerning AMR



We could get the information about the situation of the farm, and could keep the connection with the prefecture.

Current Efforts – AMR Japanese National Action Plan–



6 Key Frameworks

Awareness through
education

Surveillance
& Monitoring

Infection
Prevention & Control

Optimal use of
antimicrobials

Research
& Development

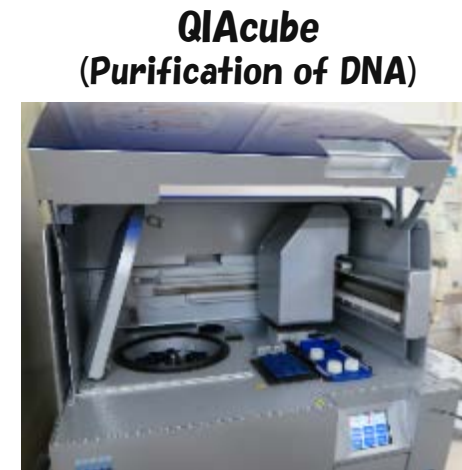
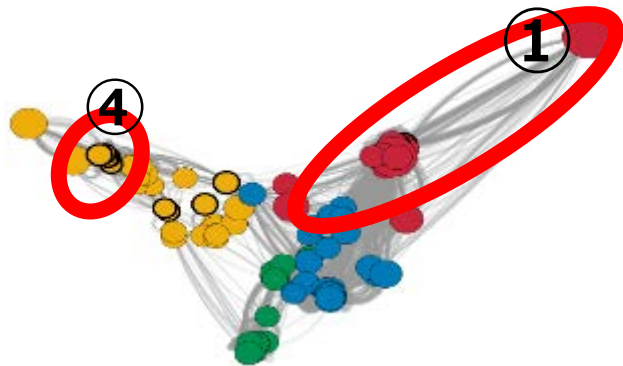
International
Cooperation

Our Strategies

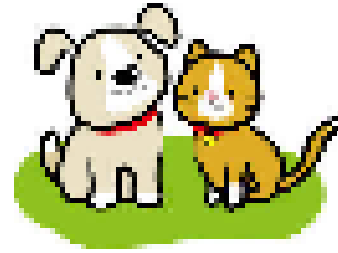
1. Introduce **molecular analysis** approach to AMR surveillance
2. Establish a monitoring system for **companion animals**
3. Strengthening the **One Health Approach** (e.g., between human and animal monitoring)
4. Expand the scope of monitoring in aquaculture
5. Further promoting the risk assessment based policies (e.g., prudent use)
6. **Working with OIE and other international organizations to contribute to the Asian region**

1. Introduce **molecular analysis** approach to AMR surveillance

Characterization of resistant bacteria with **next generation sequencing**
- under Japan Agency for Medical Research and Development (**AMED**) Grant -



2. Establish a monitoring system for companion animals - Recommendation by Expert Working Group -



1. AMR Monitoring with Clinical Isolates

Every year

- 1) Sampling Scheme; * From Dogs and Cats.
 - * Collect isolates through Private Animal Clinical Laboratories.
 - * Sampling should be done nation-widely, and sampling number should be assigned depending on the number of animal hospitals in that regions, generally.
 - * One isolate/ animal hospital/ bacterial species and animals.
- 2) Target bacteria, origins and isolates numbers are as follows.

☐ AMR Monitoring in 2017

	Priority	Target bacteria	Origin of specimen	Isolates No/Year	
				Dog	Cat
Gram Negative (G-)	1	<i>Escherichia coli</i>	Urinary/Reproductive organ	100	100
	2	<i>Klebsiella</i>	Urinary/Reproductive organ	100	100
	3	<i>Enterobacter</i>	Urinary	100	100
	4	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	Urinary /Ear	100	100
	4	<i>Proteus mirabilis</i>	Urinary /Ear	100	100
	4	<i>Acinetobacter</i>	Urinary /Skin	50	50
Gram Positive (G+)	1	Coagulase-positive <i>Staphylococcus</i> (<i>S. aureus</i> , <i>S. pseudintermedius</i> etc)	Urinary /Skin	100	100
	2	<i>Enterococcus</i> (<i>E. faecalis</i> , <i>E. faecium</i> etc)	Urinary /Ear	100	100

←200 each

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2. AMR Monitoring with isolates from Healthy Animals

Once in several years



3. Strengthening the **One Health Approach** (e.g., between human and animal monitoring)

Nippon AMR One Health Report (NAOR) 2017

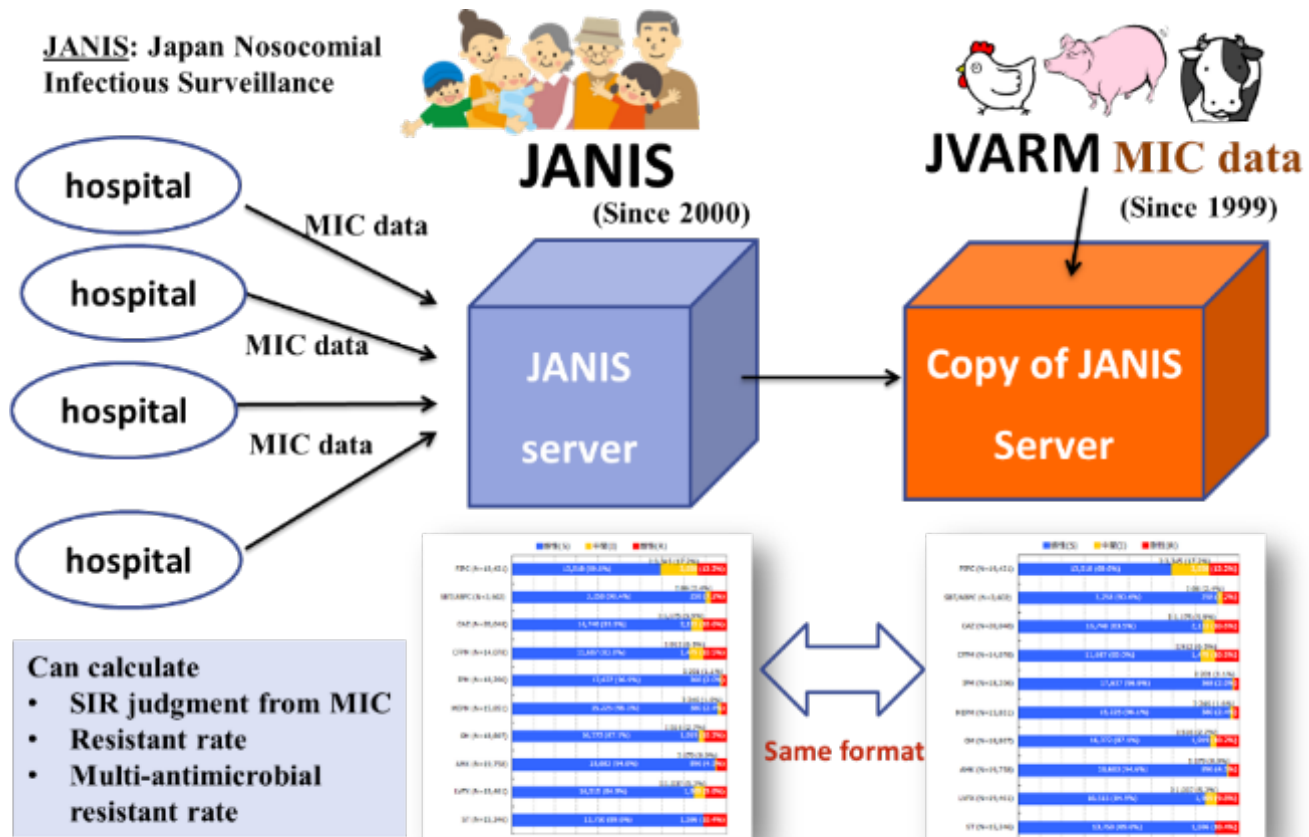
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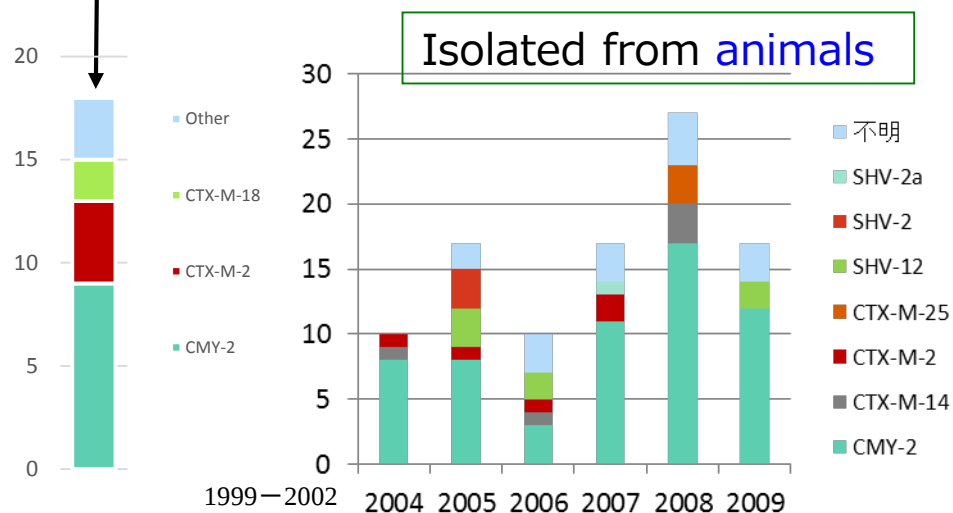
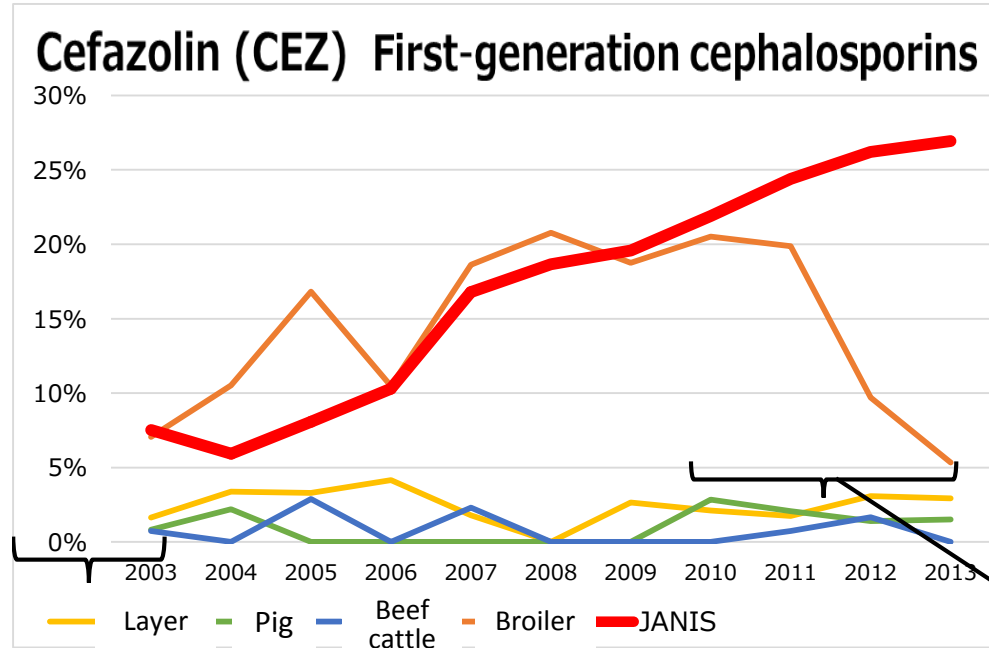
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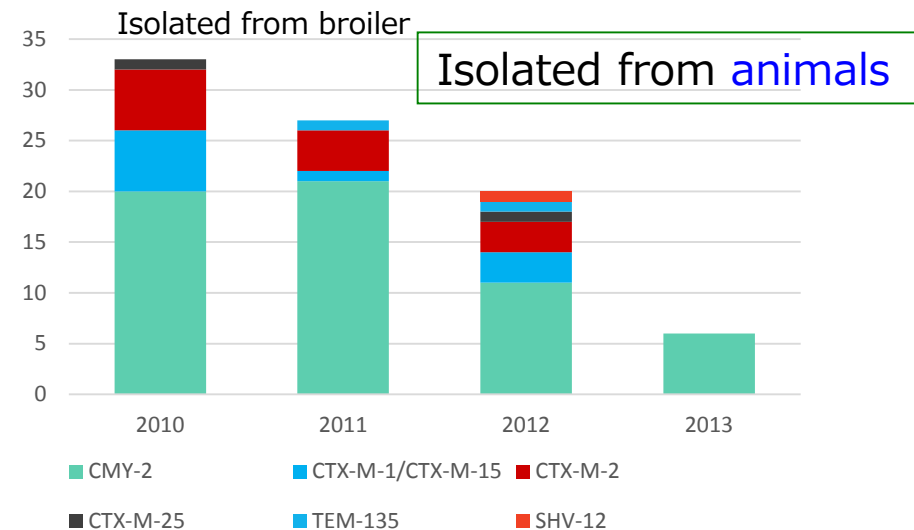
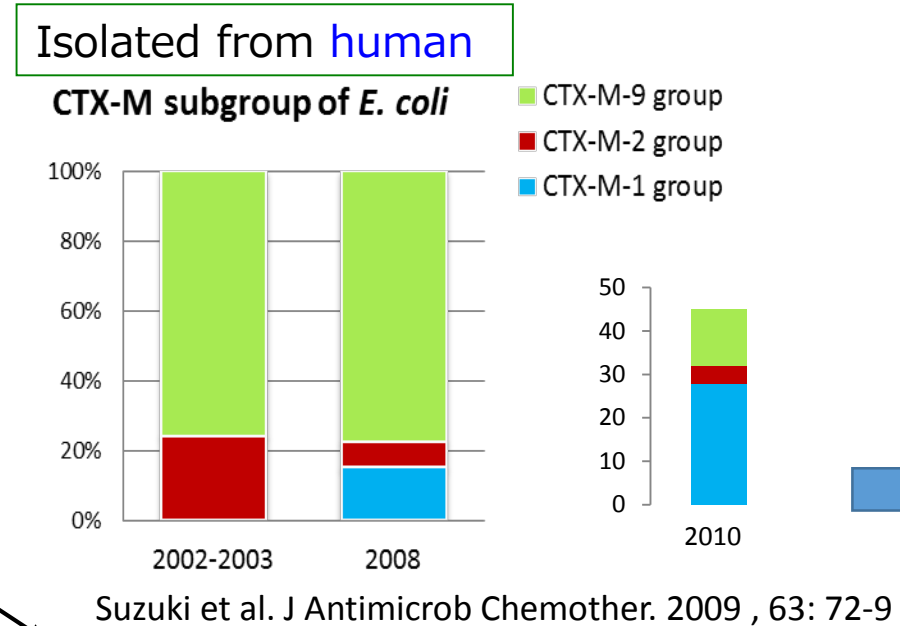
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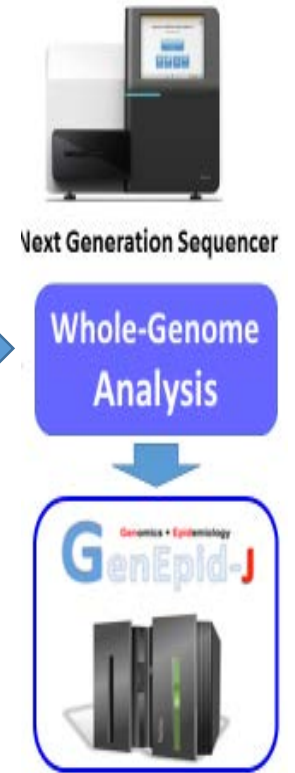
Comparison of resistance rate and β -Lactamase genes between human- and animal-derived *Escherichia coli*



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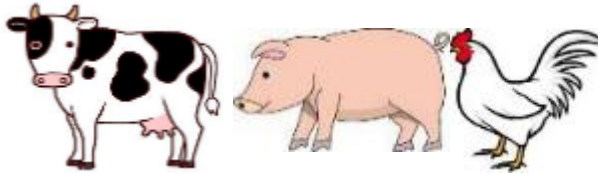
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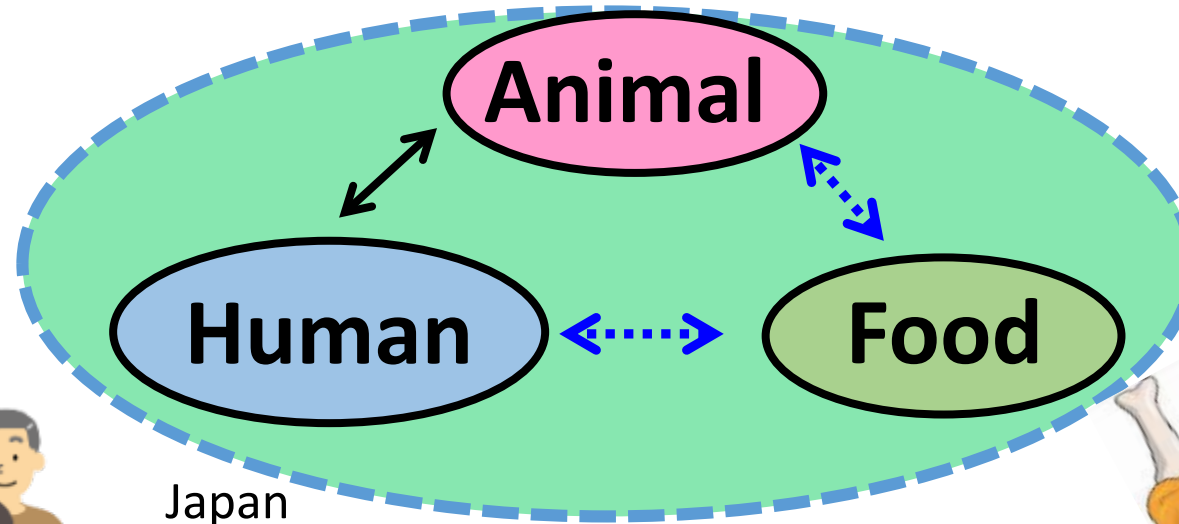
A collaborative research project on One Health Monitoring - under Health and Labor Sciences Research Grant -

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Ministry of Agriculture

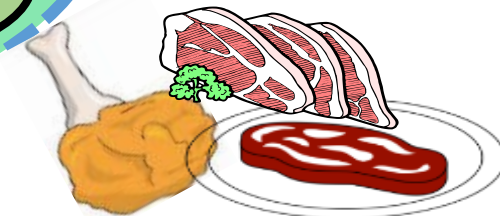
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Antimicrobial Resistance
Monitoring (JVARM)



Join the project
2017~



Prefectural Institutes
of Public Health



National Institute of
Infectious Diseases

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Nosocomial
Infections
Surveillance



Under the control of Ministry of Health

AMR Training Course for local government staff



Target; Local governmental staff

1) Livestock Hygiene Service center (Every year; 3 days training × 2 times; total 44 trainee in 2018)

2) Fisheries experimental station (2017, Nov & Dec ; 2days training × 2 times; total 32 trainee)

Contents;

- * **Technique transfer**; Isolation/Identification of bacteria, MIC (disk etc), (Option; PFGE, ESBL/MRSA etc)
Standardize material and methods, Improve technique level, Eye alignment,
- * **Presentations**; Visiting lecture, MAFF head office staff, NVAL staff,
- * **Information sharing**; Case study by local government staff, Workshop

--Training course for Livestock Hygiene Service center (5/30-6/1 & 6/13-6/15, 2018) --

< Workshop/Lecture >

< Isolation/Identification, MIC >

< ESBL/MRSA >

< PFGE >



OIE Regional Short-Term Training on AMR in Tokyo 2017 (Oct. 16th-24th)

*Participants (12 countries) ; Governmental agency staff on vet AMR in Asia
Bhutan, Cambodia, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, Mongolia, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea
Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand & Vietnam



*Laboratory Training Course;

- Pre Advanced course & Advanced course -

<Antimicrobial Sensitivity Tests> <identification of Resistant Bacteria>



*AMR Joint Seminar; from food safety perspective (in Tokyo Univ.)

<Morning Seminar> Japanese Trials in the National Monitoring and Risk Management

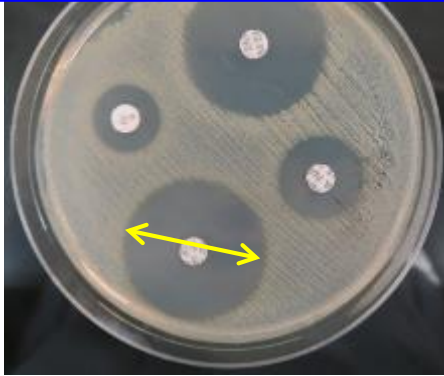
<Afternoon Seminar> From Food Safety Perspective

<Group Work> How to Establish and Strengthen the
AMR National Monitoring effectively

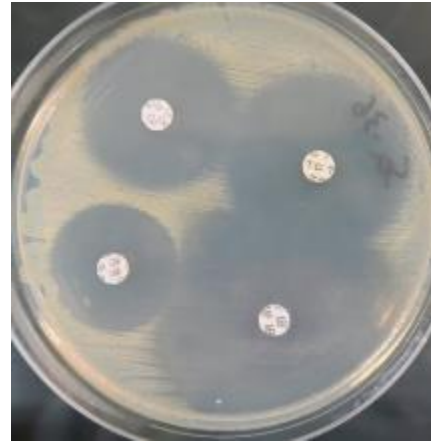
*Presentation; Topics for resistance



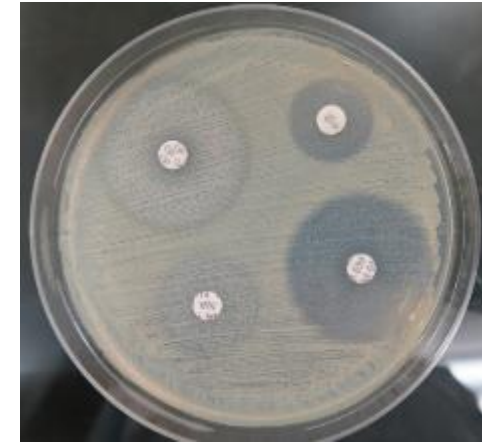
Disk diffusion method



OK → measure diameter



Overlap/ill-shaped inhibition zone
→ Re-layout the disk and retest



Contamination
→ Cloning, re-identification and retest



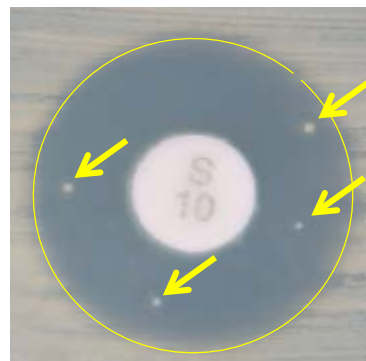
<Eye alignment for inhibition zone>



Complete
inhibition zone



Inner circle shaped by
 $\geq 70\%$ of colony



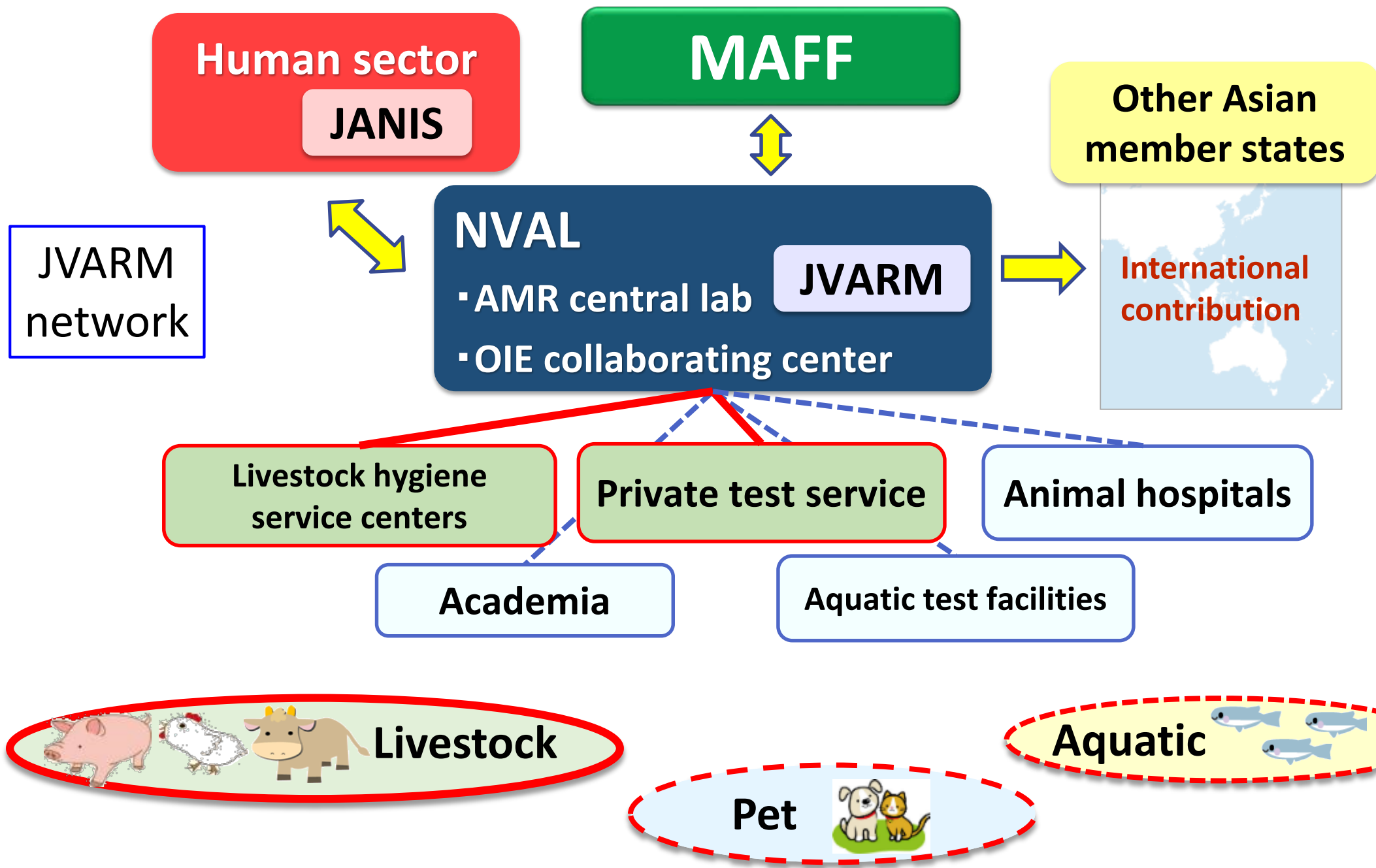
How to judge
inner colonies

<Adjust bacterial concentration>



- * Adjust **Turbidity**
- * **Incubation Time/°C, Thickness of agar** would affect the inhibition zone.

* Refer to quality control ranges of **Reference Strain** (exp. ATCC) every test.



Thank you for your attention !



International Cooperation on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements
for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products

