



# ASF Vaccination strategy:

In different production system and epidemiological scenarios

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## Difficulties of ASF virus:

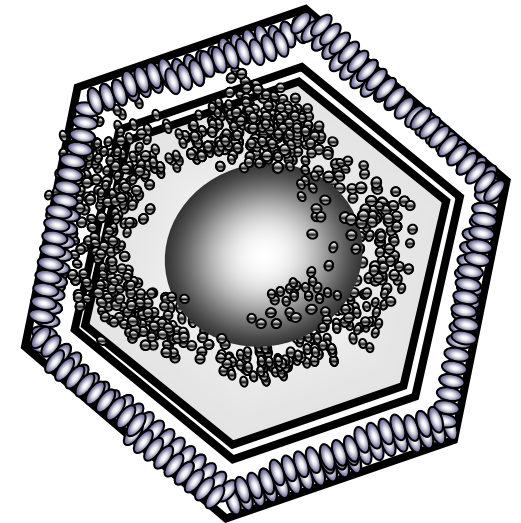
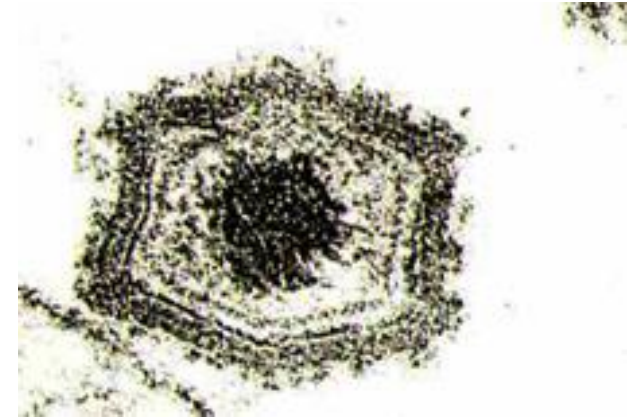
**Complex virus, big size, large genome: 170-194 kb**

**Complex molecular structure**

**Very Resistant in the environment**

**Genetic variability\***

**NO production of neutralizing antibodies**



## Possible ASF candidates:

Many trials have been done in the last decades looking for an effective, safe and DIVA vaccine against ASFV:

**1. INACTIVATED VACCINES** → Ab response. No protection

**2. ATTENUATED VACCINES** → Ab + cytotoxic specific

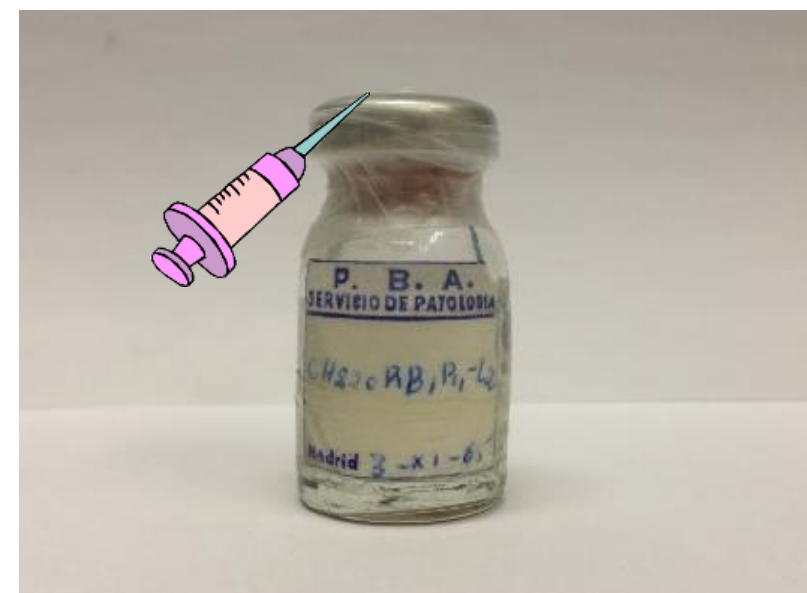
→ PROTECTION against related and not related ASFv

Some induced side effects. Others no. **ARE GOOD**

**CANDIDATES: NATURAL ATTENUATED or DELETED**

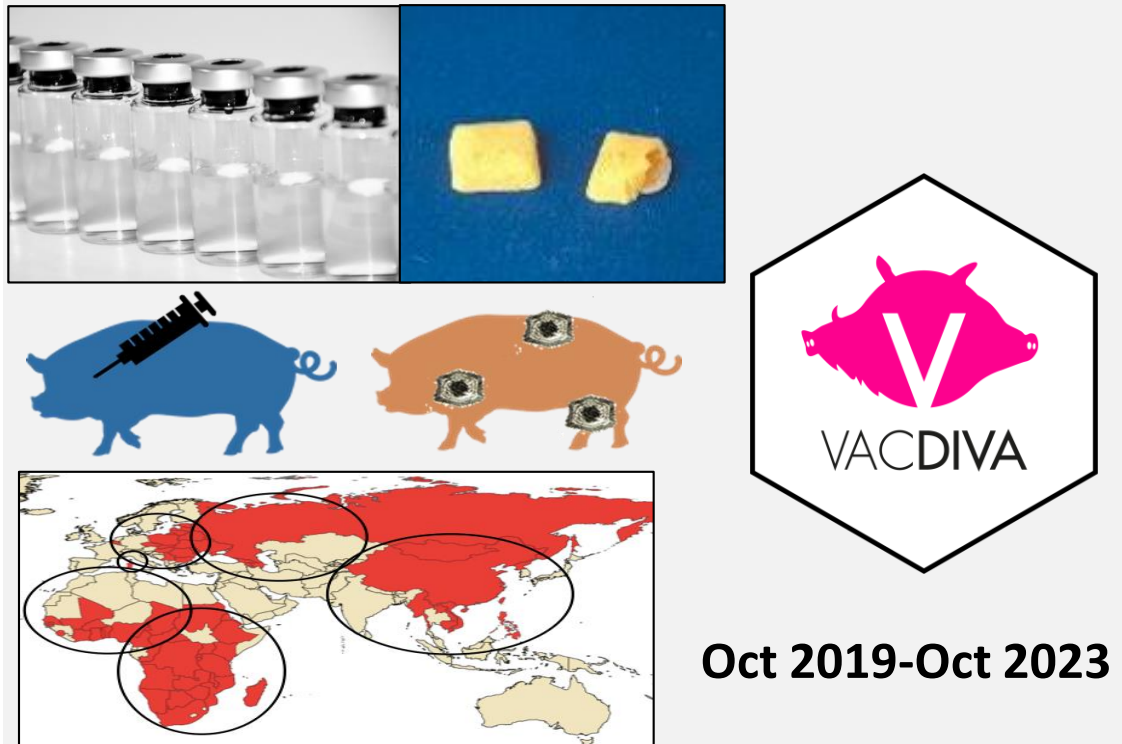
**3. SUBUNITS, DNA VACCINE: LOW PROTECTIONS**

**4. DELETED ATTENUATED VACCINES: GOOD CANDIDATES**



**Attenuated ASF Vaccine 60s  
Portugal and Spain**

## Objectives of VACDIVA project:



- To provide **effective and safe DIVA vaccine(s) for wild boar and domestic pigs** ready for registration.
- **To develop DIVA test** to allow an accurate monitoring of the effectiveness of the vaccine.
- To design **ASF control and eradication strategies** in different epidemiological scenarios worldwide and **test the pilot vaccine** in real environments (including bursitis and warthogs).



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## Candidates prototypes:

- Two natural attenuated isolates and with genes deleted
- One attenuated by celular passages

**TRIALS EVALUATED ALREADY IN:**

**WILD BOAR  
and  
DOMESTICS PIGS**

## First publication on wild boar vaccine:

# First Oral Vaccination of Eurasian Wild Boar Against African Swine Fever Virus Genotype II

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## FIRST WILD BOAR TRIAL UCM

Lv17/WB/Rie1 LAV vaccine  
prototype



**Effectiveness: 92.86%**

## Vaccine research done or on going:

- Genetic stability in vitro and in vivo: **on going**
- Overdoses immunization in WB: **done**
- Duration of Immunity (DP and WB): **on going**
- Immunization in domestic pig with a largest number of animals: **on going**
- DIVA adaptation **on going**
- Immunization with bait: **done**
- Bait conservation on different scenarios: **on going**

### UCM BSL3 FACILITIES



### IMMUNIZATION WITH BAITS

## Domestic pigs immunization: on going

- AT CISA-INIA:
- INTRAMUSCULAR
- INTRADERMIC
- ORAL
- AT PERUGIA:
- INTRAMUSCULA.
- ORAL

### DOMESTIC PIGS TRIAL:

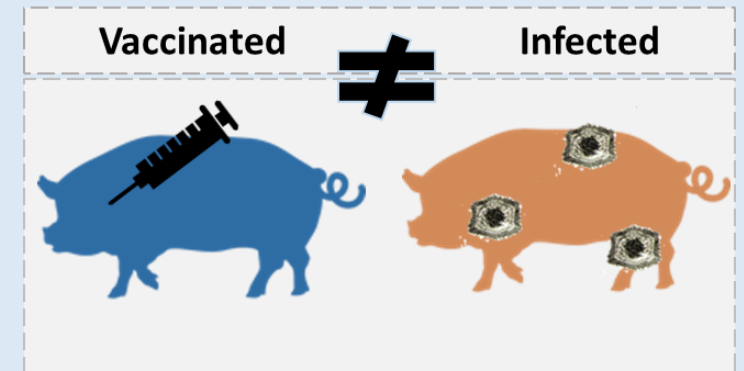
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vaccine prototype

CISA- IINIA, SPAIN

NHV: PERUGIA, ITALY

- To develop companion **DIVA tests**, associated with the prototype vaccines, that will allow the **differentiation of vaccinated from infected animals**. All assays will be adapted to be used with wild boar and domestic pig samples.
- **Specific objectives:**
  - Development of a molecular DIVA assay and DIVA immunoassays.
  - Development simultaneous detection of antigen and antibody.
  - Assessment of non-invasive and alternative samples.
  - Standardization: Proficiency Test (PT) organization.

## AFS vaccine DIVA test



## Efficacy and safety studies of marker vaccines

To select the most promising marker vaccine/s built under WP2 throughout “*in vivo*” experimental efficacy and safety studies in **domestic pigs (DP)** and **W. boar** as animal model for vaccination.

### Specific objectives:

- “In vitro” evaluation of the compatibility of the marker vaccines with adjuvants.
- “In vivo” studies of infectivity, immunogenicity and cross-protective efficacy.
- Selection of vaccine formulation and posology.
- “In vivo” safety studies with selected marker vaccine(s).
- Evaluation of the “in vivo” genetic stability of marker vaccine(s).



## Vaccine production

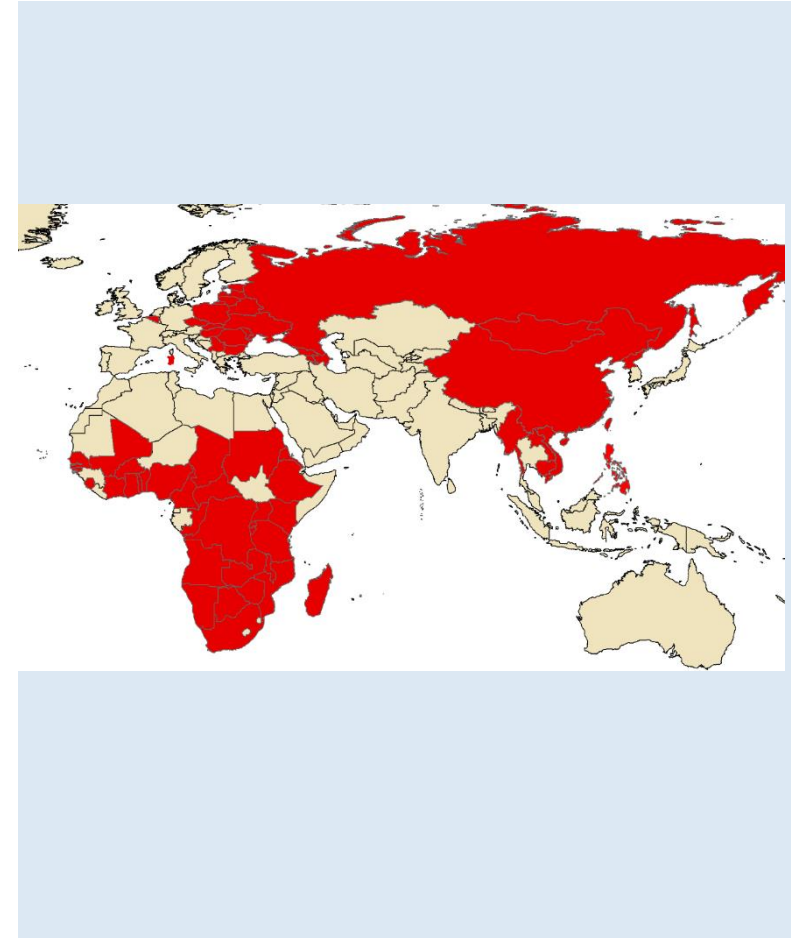
To develop a **manufacturing process for the prototype vaccine/s** with the immunological products previously tested safe and effective enough following the requirements of the **European Medicine Agency** and **authorizing agencies of countries outside EU**.



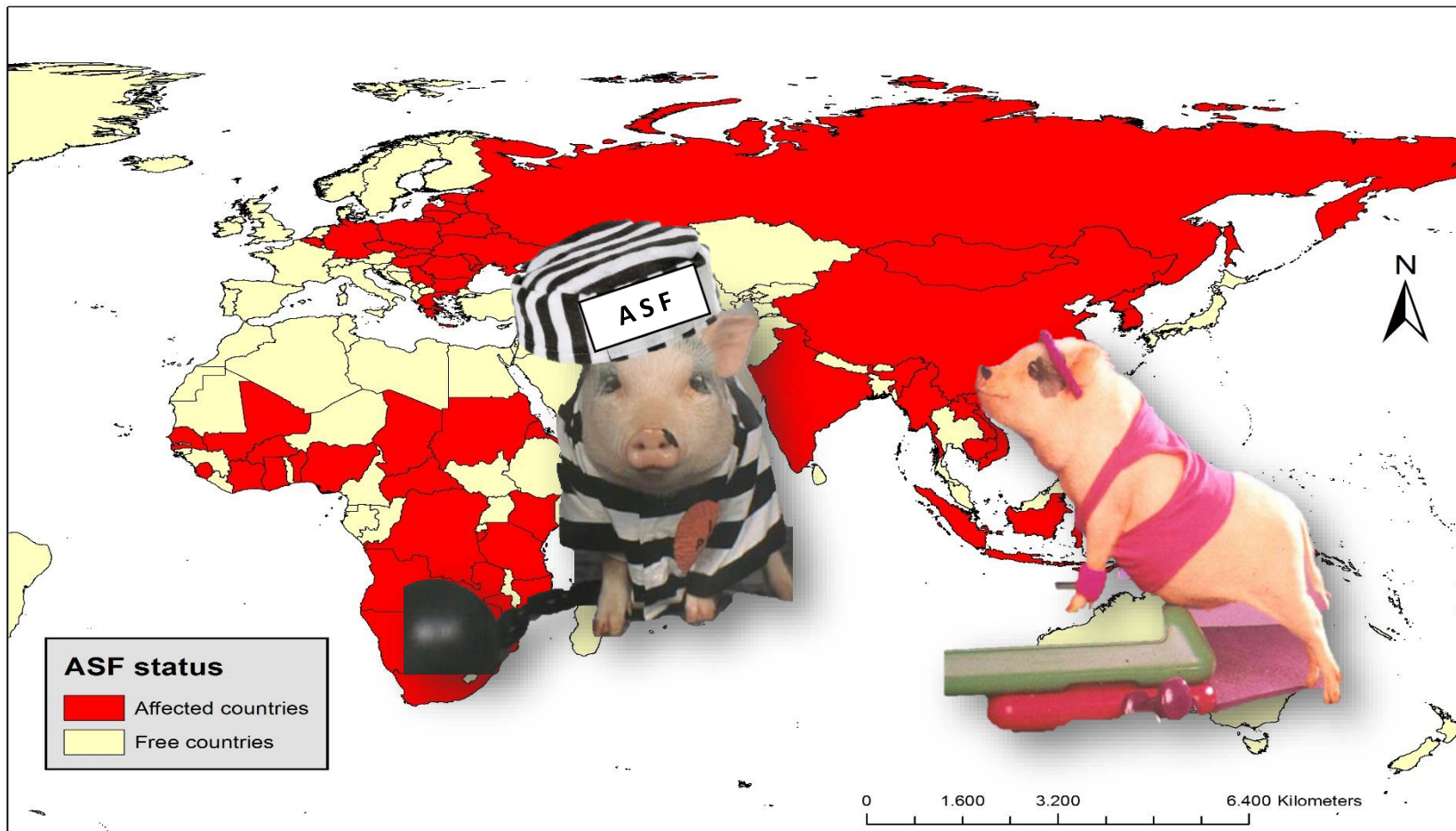
## Vaccine trials in different scenarios

To identify the **different vaccination scenarios** from ASF prevention or control, frame the **target vaccination populations** in each scenario and model different **vaccine and control strategies** to obtain a roadmap with the most cost-efficient methods towards ASF control with vaccination.

The vaccine/s validated under animals trials will be tested in a selected territory in terms of delivery, efficacy, safety and response.



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