

Programme EPIZONE Schmallenberg virus satellite symposium

14th June Thursday		
18.00-20.00	Welcome Reception and canapés in Atrium, Thistle Hotel, Brighton	
15th June Friday	Renaissance Room, Thistle Hotel, Brighton	
	Session 1 Chairs: Wim van der Poel, Simon Carpenter	
8.45-8.55	Wim van der Poel , coordinator EPIZONE	-Welcome -EPIZONE ERG -Short introduction Schmallenberg virus research
8.55-9.05	Elisabeth Erlacher-Vindel , OIE, France	-OIE views on the Schmallenberg virus outbreak and importance of a research network.
9.05-9.30	Martin Beer , FLI, Germany	-Schmallenberg virus in Germany, Detection, characterization and experimental infection in cattle.
9.30-9.50	Richard Elliott , University of St Andrews, Scotland	-Orthobunyaviruses and in particular simbu serogroup viruses in Europe.
9.50-10.10	Piet Vellema , GD Deventer, Netherlands	-Schmallenberg virus in the Netherlands with focus on clinical and pathological findings in sheep and cattle.

10.10-10.30	Christianne Bruschke , Min. EL&I, Netherlands	-Schmallenberg virus from policy point of view.
10.30-11.00	Coffee break and poster viewing	
	Session 2 Chairs: Falko Steinbach, Martin Beer	
11.00-11.30	Peter Kirkland , Elizabeth Macarthur Agriculture Institute, Australia	-Experiences with Simbu serogroup viruses in Australia, and future prospects.
11.30-11.40	Stephan Zientara , Anses, Maison Alfort, France	-Schmallenberg Virus in France.
11.40-11.50	Franz Conraths , FLI, Germany	-Epidemiology of Schmallenberg Virus Infections in Germany.
11.50-12.10	Simon Carpenter , IAH, United Kingdom	-Role of culicoides biting midges in the transmission of Schmallenberg virus.
12.10-12.20	Anette Bøtner , VET-DTU, Denmark	-Evidence for Culicoides obsoletus group as vector for Schmallenberg virus in Denmark.
12.20-12.35	Nick De Regge , VAR-CODA, Belgium	-RT-PCR screening for Schmallenberg virus in Culicoides spp. caught in Belgium in 2011.
12.35-12.50	Benoit Muylkens , University of Namur, Belgium	-Natural infection of a sheep flock with Schmallenberg virus : clinical, serological and virological features. & Biological and genetic characterizations of two isolates of Schmallenberg virus (SBV) propagated from naturally infected sheep fetuses.
12.50-13.00	Marcel Hulst , Animal Sciences Group Wageningen UR, Netherlands	-“Schmallenberg” virus from sheep: Molecular characterization of virus present in the brain of a malformed lamb.
13.00-14.00	Lunch and poster viewing	
	Session3 Chairs: Brigitte Cay, Stephen Zientara	

14.00-14.20	Ana Afonso, EFSA, Italy	-Schmallenberg virus risk assessment EFSA.
14.20-14.30	Chantal Reusken, RIVM, The Netherlands	-Evaluation of the zoonotic potential of Schmallenberg virus.
14.30-14.40	Armin Elbers, CVI, Lelystad, The Netherlands	-Seroprevalence of antibodies to Schmallenberg virus in dairy cattle, winter 2011-2012, The Netherlands.
14.40-14.50	Linda Van Wuijckhuise, GD Deventer, The Netherlands	-Detection en epidemiological findings of Schmallenberg virus in the Netherlands.
14.50-15.00	Melina Fischer, FLI, Germany	-Development of a pan-Simbu real-time RT-PCR for the reliable detection of Simbu serogroup viruses.
15.00-15.10	Ruth Bouwstra, CVI, Lelystad, The Netherlands	-Schmallenberg virus outbreak in The Netherlands: Routine diagnostics and test results.
15.10 -15.40	Coffee and poster viewing Closure	