

AHI Pig HealthCheck Programme

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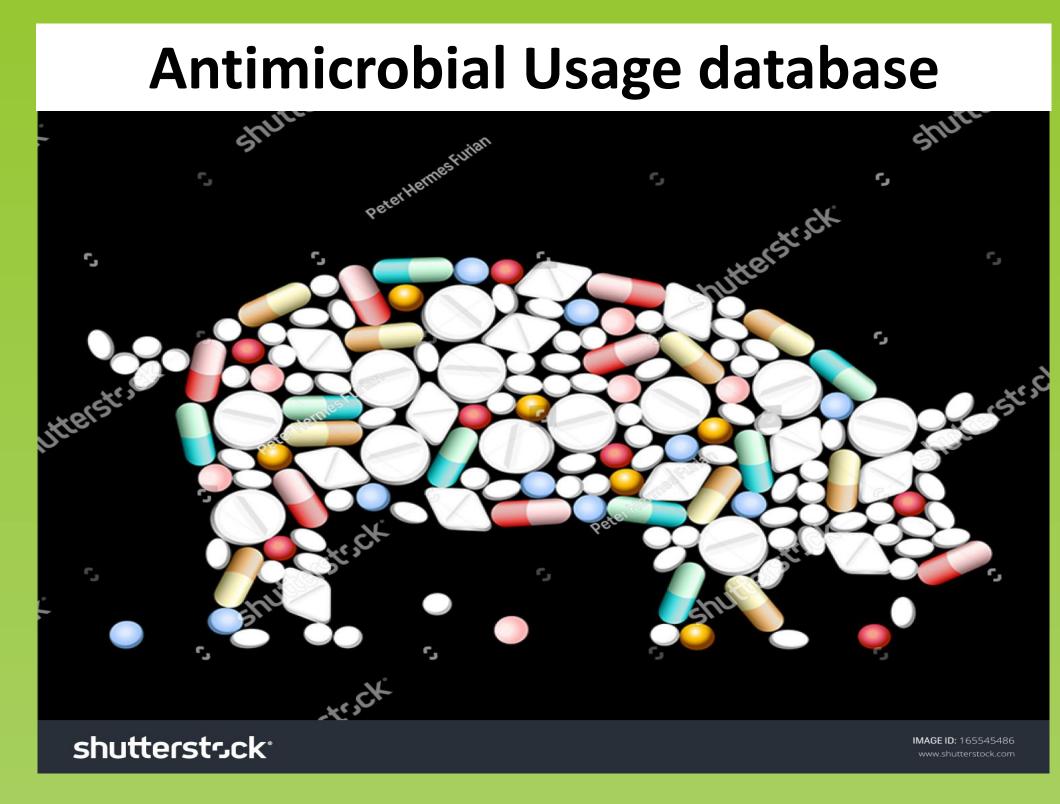


The AHI Pig HealthCheck programme:

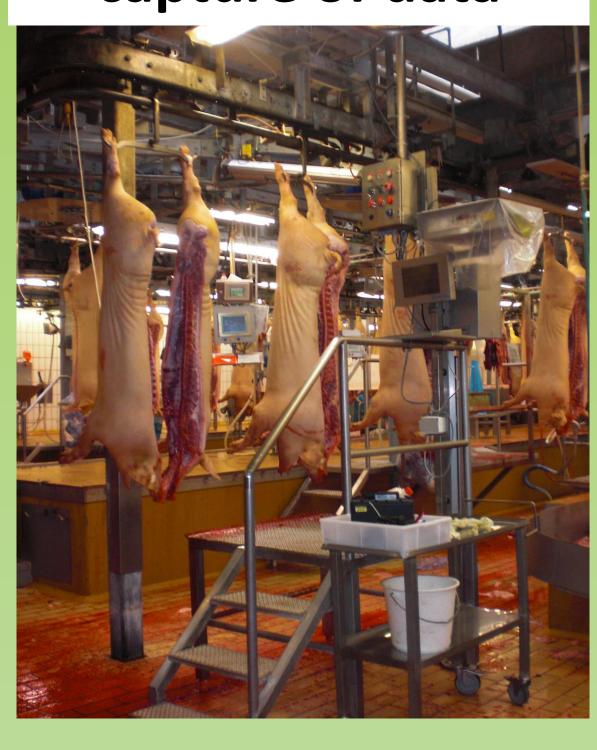
- Co-funded by pig producers and government (Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine)
- Started mid 2019.
- AIM: to improve the profitability and sustainability of the Irish pig industry through improved animal health and welfare.
- HOW: by integrating data and providing bench-marking tools to allow farmers to monitor their status for a range of measures and to compare this with the national profile.



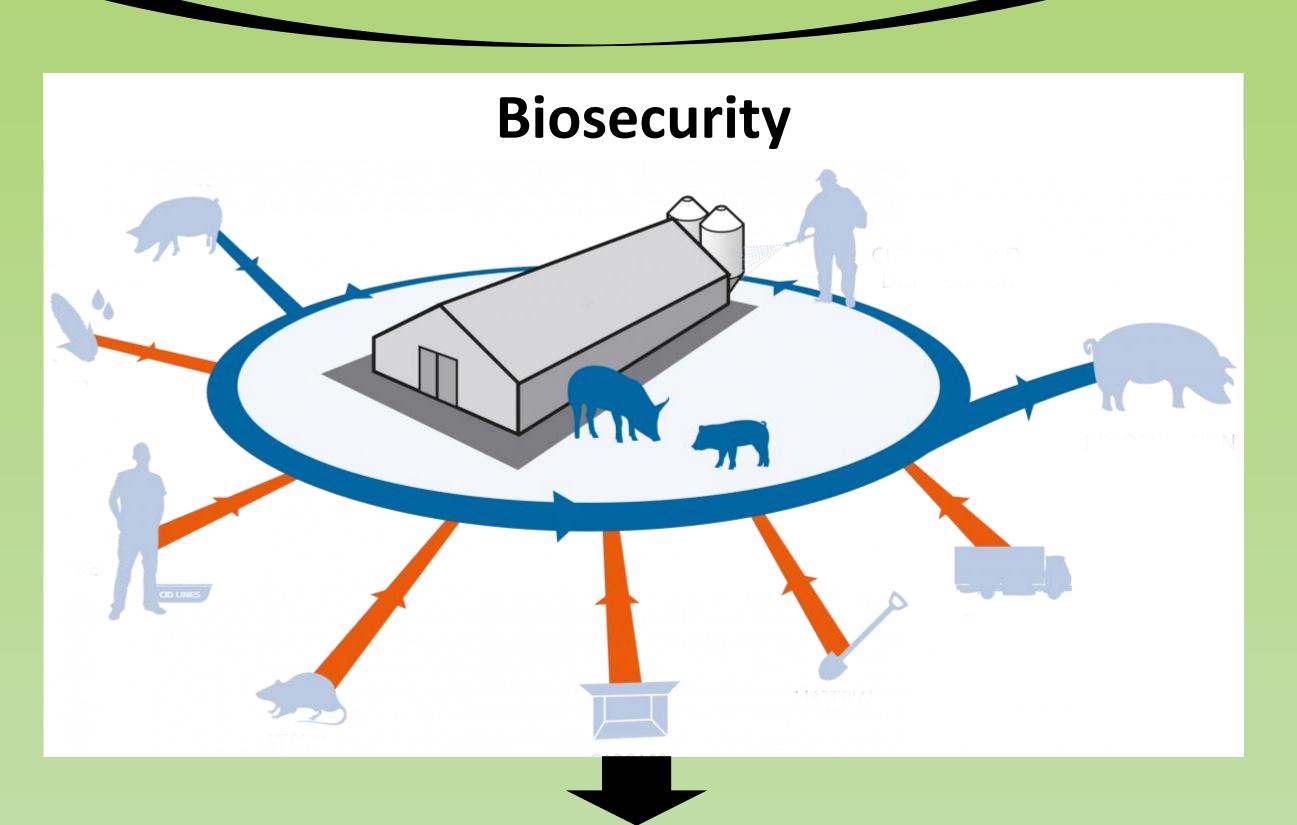
Data streams:



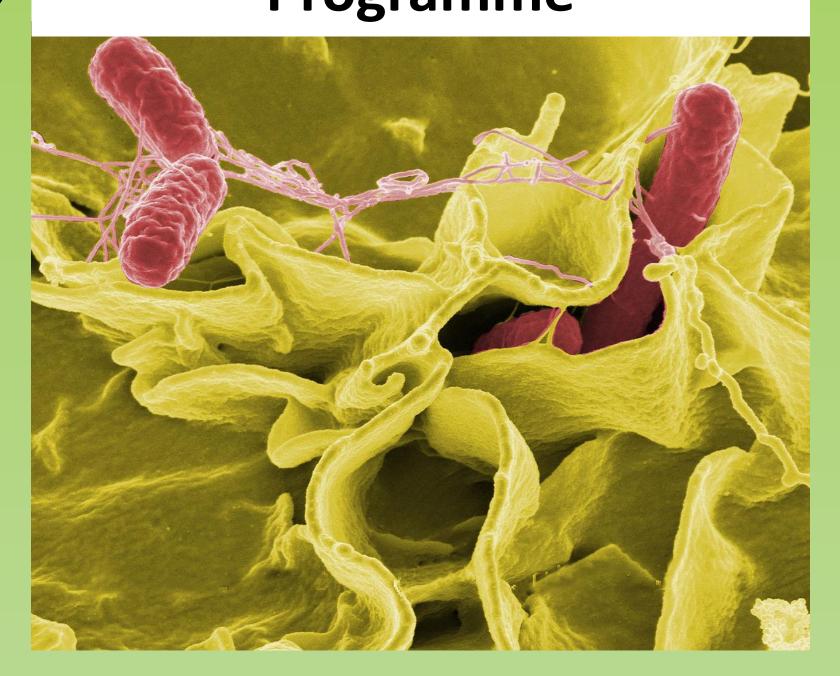
Ante mortem and post mortem capture of data

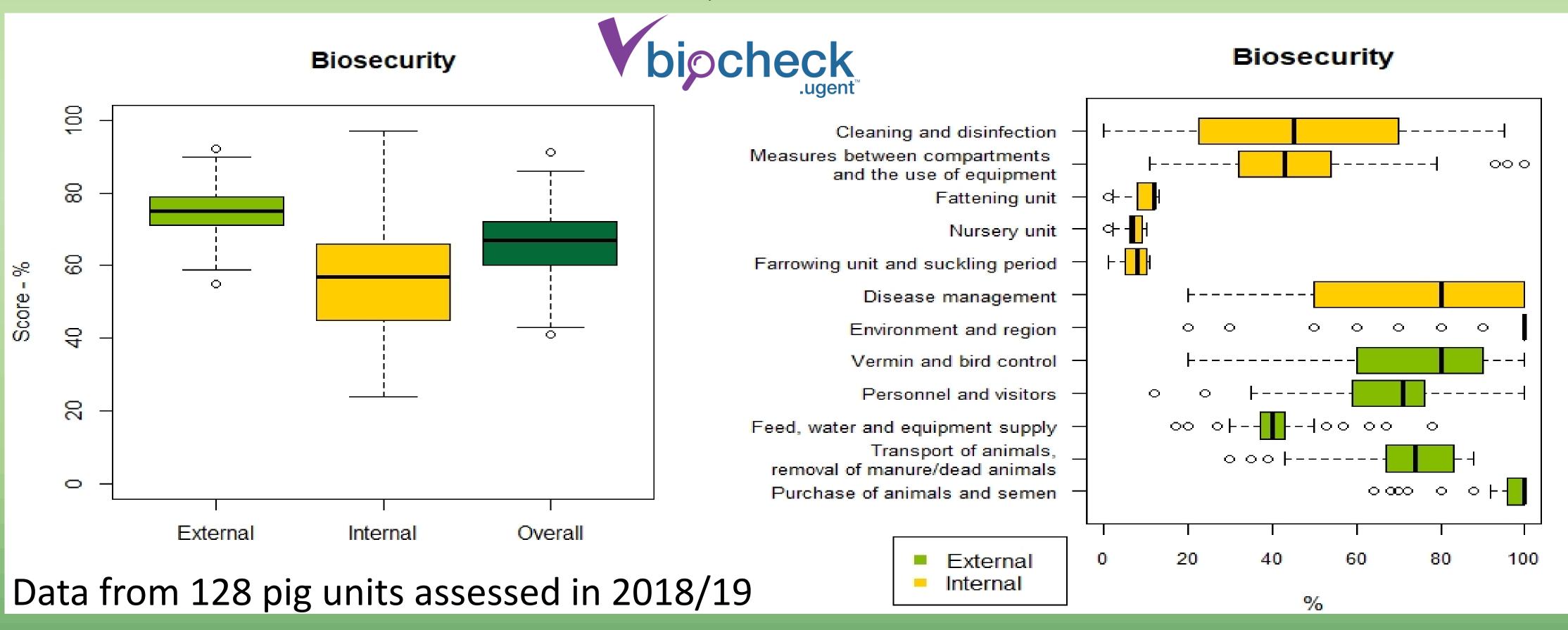






National Salmonella Control Programme





Conclusions:

Irish pig farmers put more emphasis on protecting against external hazards (such as African Swine Fever) than avoiding the spread of endemic diseases (such as Salmonella) within farms Integrating all these data streams into simple bench-marking tools will drive future animal health improvements.