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One of the key aspects of biological risk management is maintaining a healthy herd. This not only makes good economic sense but it also decreases the risk of getting a zoonotic disease. If the disease is not present in the herd, people cannot be exposed and become ill. For specific recommendations regarding animal health, please view the other BRM presentations that focus on specific routes of disease spread in cattle. Photo courtesy of Tri Vet Clinic.

As mentioned previously, there are certain populations of people that are more at risk for zoonotic diseases. Work with your herd veterinarian and livestock extension specialist to educate your employees and family members about the risks. Due to the diversity on farm, make sure the education is communicated in both English and Spanish so everyone recognizes the risk and how to protect themselves. Photo courtesy of Bryan Buss, DVM.

One of the best protections against a zoonotic disease is personal hygiene- washing your hands. Many zoonotic diseases can be spread from animals to people through direct contact and the oral route. By washing your hands after handling animals, the risk of exposure decreases because you have removed the infectious agent. Additionally, the use of personal protective equipment can reduce a person's exposure to zoonotic diseases. Wearing gloves is important if you have any cuts or abrasions on your hands as this can lead to exposure. Coveralls will help keep your clothes clean and cover your arms to protect from disease exposure when handling tissues or animals. Boots will protect your shoes from contamination and minimize spread to other areas of the farm or into the home if they are removed after working with animals, much like coveralls. Finally, if you are working with known infectious animals, wearing a mask over your nose and mouth and goggles to protect your eyes can decrease exposure. Photo depicts a steer being necropsied by a veterinary student at a feed yard (courtesy of Dan

Now we will look specifically at control measures you can apply on your dairy farm to minimize disease spread through the aerosol route.



| S<br>1<br>i<br>d<br>e<br>2<br>3 | <ul> <li><b>Transmisión por aerosol</b><br/><b>Resumen</b></li> <li>La transmisión por aerosol podría ocurrir<br/>en su explotación</li> <li>Ántrax, listeriosis, fiebre Q, tuberculosis</li> <li>Abas enfermedades animales exóticas<br/>también pueden propagarse por la vía<br/>de aerosol</li> <li>Melioidosis</li> <li>Los pasos preventivos que hemos<br/>descrito aquí pueden ayudar a<br/>minimizar sus riesgos</li> </ul> | Zoonotic aerosol transmission could occur on farms with diseases that<br>are present in the United States such as anthrax, listeriosis, Q Fever, and<br>tuberculosis. Should a foreign animal disease occur in the U.S., such as<br>melioidosis, this too can be spread through aerosol transmission from<br>cattle to people. Taking some of the basic prevention steps as described<br>in this presentation can help you decrease your risk of acquiring a<br>zoonotic disease.   |
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| S<br>1<br>i<br>d<br>e<br>2<br>4 | Control del contacto<br>directo y de fomites<br>Transmisión zoonótica  | Now we will look specifically at zoonotic transmission and control<br>measures you can apply on your dairy farm to minimize disease spread<br>through the direct contact and fomite routes.   |
| S<br>l<br>i<br>d<br>e<br>2<br>5 | Transmisión por<br>contacto directo• Patógeno en el animal<br>(sangre, saliva,<br>fluidos corporales)<br>o en el entorno• Contacto con heridas<br>abiertas, membranas<br>mucosas, piel• Contacto con heridas<br>abiertas, membranas<br>mucosas, piel   | Transmission by <b>direct contact</b> requires the presence of an agent or<br>organism in the environment or within an infected animal. A person<br>becomes exposed when the agent directly touches open wounds, mucous<br>membranes, or the skin through blood, saliva, or other body fluids. The<br>top photo depicts ear tagging a calf and if blood were to contact the<br>persons hands, they could be exposed via direct contact. The person<br>putting in implants (opposite ear) is wearing gloves, which is a good<br>personal protective measure (courtesy of J. Wichtel). The bottom photo<br>depicts a veterinarian placing a stomach tube in a cow without gloves<br>(courtesy of Bryan Buss, DVM).  |
| S<br>1<br>i<br>d<br>e<br>2<br>6 | <ul> <li>Dójetos inertes contaminados</li> <li>Portadores de los patógenos</li> <li>Cepillos, agujas, vestimenta, camas</li> </ul>   | A component of direct contact transmission is fomites. A <b>fomite</b> is an inanimate object that can carry pathogenic agents from an animal to a person. Examples of fomites include contaminated brushes, needles, clothing, and bedding (straw, shavings). These items must be managed as fomites but they will actually transmit disease through direct contact with a person. Top photo depicts a veterinarian palpating cows with fecal contaminated coveralls and rectal sleeves (photo courtesy of Stacy Holzbauer, DVM). Bottom photo depicts a 4-H boy grooming a steer for the show ring (photo courtesy of USDA Photography Center).   |
| S<br>1<br>d<br>e<br>2<br>7      | Transmisión por contacto directo o fomites         . Ántrax       . Fiebre Q         . Brucelosis       . Rabia         . Dermatofilosis r       . Tiña r         . Leptospirosis       . Fiebre del Valle de Rift*         . Viruela bovina r       . Salmonella         . Tuberculosis       . Tuberculosis         . Stomatitis vesicular   | There are many diseases transmitted by the direct contact route. The diseases that are already present in the U.S. include anthrax, brucellosis, leptospirosis, Q Fever, rabies, ringworm, <i>Salmonella</i> , tuberculosis and vesicular stomatitis. Diseases that can be transmitted by either direct contact or fomites include dermatophilosis, pseudocowpox (SUE-doe-cow-pox) and ringworm. Zoonotic foreign animal diseases of cattle that are transmitted through direct contact include melioidosis (mel-EE-oid-OH-sis) and Rift Valley Fever (RVF). The main point to drive home is that these are all transmitted by the same routes and prevention practices aimed at one will protect against others. |



#### Prácticas preventivas para contacto directo, fomites

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There are various prevention practices that can help ensure direct contact and fomite transmission are minimized, and this section will discuss many of those. Perhaps the most essential step in prevention is to maintain good personal hygiene. Frequent hand washing, especially after contacting animals is one way to prevent harmful organisms from entering your body. Another basic prevention step is to wear the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) when handling animals or animal tissues. Finally, keep equipment clean to prevent it from becoming a fomite that can transmit disease. These basic steps will go a long way in preventing direct contact and fomite disease transmission.

Personal hygiene is an important component of preventing zoonotic diseases through direct contact. Healthy human skin provides a natural barrier against most disease causing organisms that people come into contact with, except Leptospira bacteria from the urine of infected animals (can penetrate intact human skin). Make sure to wash your hands after handling animals. Provide hand washing facilities with warm running water, soap and clean towels located near animal contact areas as pictured here (courtesy of DB Weddle, ISU). Post signs to remind people to wash their hands after handling animals. Be sure to check soap and towels weekly. Frequent hand washing, especially after contacting animals is one way to prevent harmful organisms from entering your body.

Personal protective equipment (PPE) is one way to create a barrier between people and disease agents. Gloves should be worn when working with sick animals or those that you are unaware of their health status (remember that infected animals do not always appear sick). This is especially important if hands have cuts, abrasions or are severely chapped because areas of broken skin provide an entrance for disease agents. Wearing gloves does not replace good hand washing habitswash hands in warm water and soap after removing gloves. Photo courtesy of Dr. Phil Prater, Morehead State University, KY.

Other prevention practices that you can incorporate on your farm are to require or provide personal protective equipment (PPE) such as clean coveralls for everyone entering animal areas. In order to prevent an employee or visitor from carrying potentially infected material off the farm and to their family, restrict work/farm clothing from being worn outside of your operation. Provide laundry facilities on the farm and only use these facilities for work/farm items as pictured here (courtesy of DB Weddle, ISU).

Require clean boots for everyone entering your operation to help decrease the risk of a person bringing a zoonotic disease onto your operation. Provide a boot bath or trashcan at the entrance/exit for ease of cleaning/disposing of footwear. Wash hands in warm water and use soap after removing boots. Photo courtesy of: Dr. Sandy Amass, Purdue University.





| S<br>1 | Prácticas preventivas<br>para vía oral, fomites  |
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| e      | - No contamina el agua potable   |
| 4<br>1 | <ul> <li>Prácticas de higiene personal         <ul> <li>Lavarse las manos después de tener<br/>contacto con animales y antes de<br/>comer, beber, preparar los alimentos</li> <li>Minimizar el contacto con patógenos</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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Manipulación correcta de los alimentos

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Pathogenic agents can also be transmitted from animals to humans orally. This occurs by ingesting food or water contaminated with feces or urine. This can also occur if animal products are not pasteurized or cooked properly. Undercooked meat can transmit diseases such as *E. coli* and *Salmonella*. Eating or drinking after handling animals without washing your hands could also lead to oral zoonotic disease transmission. Photo courtesy of Bryan Buss, DVM.

There are many diseases transmitted through the oral and fomite route. The diseases that are already present in the U.S. that can be transmitted orally include anthrax, brucellosis, cryptosporidiosis, *E. coli, Giardia* (gee-arr-DEE-ah), leptospirosis, listeriosis, Q Fever, *Salmonella* and tuberculosis. Diseases that can be transmitted orally by a fomite include *E. coli*, leptospirosis and *Salmonella*. Zoonotic foreign animal diseases of cattle include bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) and melioidosis (mel-EE-oid-OH-sis). The main point to drive home is that they are all transmitted by the same route and prevention practices aimed at one will protect against others.

There are various prevention steps that can help ensure exposure through the oral route are minimized, and this presentation will discuss many of those. Contamination of food can occur at several points along the food chain: on the farm or in the field, at the slaughter plant, during processing, at the point of sale, or in the home. Today we will focus on areas livestock producers can directly control: on the farm and in the home. On the farm, it is important to manage animal manure so that it does not contaminate surface water (ponds, lakes). Also, good personal hygiene such as washing hands after animal contact will prevent ingesting disease organisms. In the home, it is important to handle food properly as it may have been contaminated prior to arriving in your kitchen. These basic steps will go a long way in preventing oral disease transmission. Photo courtesy of Bryan, Buss, DVM.

To prevent oral transmission of disease on farm, manure should be properly handled and stored so that it does not contaminate surface water or well water used for drinking. Personal hygiene practices such as hand washing after contact with animals is important to prevent ingesting disease agents. This is especially important before eating, drinking or preparing food. Minimizing contact with disease agents will also decrease your chance of contracting a zoonotic disease.

To prevent oral transmission of disease in the home, drink only pasteurized milk and juices. Pasteurization destroys potentially harmful organisms such as brucellosis and Q Fever. Make sure to wash raw fruits and vegetables before eating and thaw frozen meats in the refrigerator to avoid uneven cooling.

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| S<br>1<br>d<br>e<br>4<br>4 | <ul> <li>Transmisión oral, fomites -<br/>Resumen</li> <li>La transmisión oral y por fomites<br/>podría ocurrir en su explotación         <ul> <li>Cripto, leptospirosis, listeriosis</li> <li>Las enfermedades animales exóticas<br/>también se propagan por la vía oral             <ul> <li>BSE, melioidosis</li> <li>Los pasos preventivos que hemos<br/>descrito aquí pueden ayudar a<br/>minimizar sus riesgos</li> <li>Curre fred Barch attention</li> <li>Curre fred Barch attention</li> <li>Curre fred Barch attention</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | Oral and fomite disease transmission could occur on your farm with<br>everyday diseases like and cryptosporidiosis (crypto), leptospirosis and<br>listeriosis. Should a foreign animal disease occur in the U.S., such as<br>BSE and melioidosis could be spread through oral transmission. Taking<br>some of the basic prevention steps as described in this presentation can<br>help you decrease your risk of acquiring a zoonotic disease.   |
| S<br>1<br>d<br>e<br>4<br>5 | Control de vectores<br>Transmisión zoonótica  | Now we will look specifically at zoonotic transmission and control<br>measures you can apply on your dairy farm to minimize disease spread<br>through the vector route.  |
| S<br>1<br>d<br>e<br>4<br>6 | <ul> <li>Transmisión por vectores</li> <li>Insecto</li> <li>Adquiere al patógeno<br/>a partir de un animal</li> <li>Lo transmite a una persona</li> <li>Vectores biológicos <ul> <li>Garrapatas, mosquitos</li> <li>Vectores mecánicos</li> <li>Moscas, cucarachas</li> </ul> </li> <li>L'Brander Marchander Marchander</li></ul> | <b>Vector transmission</b> occurs when an insect acquires a pathogen from<br>one animal and transmits it to a person. Ticks and mosquitoes are<br>common biological vectors of disease, meaning they take the disease<br>agent into their body and then inject it into a person. Flies and<br>cockroaches are a common mechanical vector as they carry the disease<br>agent on their body (legs, feet pads) rather than taking it into their body.<br>The top photo shows a calf with two old insecticide ear tags and<br>numerous face flies (courtesy of DB Weddle, ISU), while the bottom<br>photo shows an adult deer tick, <i>Ixodes scapularis</i> (courtesy of USDA). |
| S<br>1<br>d<br>e<br>4<br>7 | <ul> <li>finance</li> <li>Antrax</li> <li>Moscas</li> <li>Fiebre Q</li> <li>Garrapatas</li> <li>Fiebre del Valle<br/>de Rift*</li> <li>Mosquitos</li> </ul>   | There are three diseases of cattle that are transmitted by a vector; two<br>that are present in the U.S.: anthrax (spread by flies) and Q Fever<br>(spread by ticks); the third is a foreign animal disease, Rift Valley Fever<br>(spread by mosquitoes). (Photos courtesy of the CDC Public Health<br>Image Library).   |





 NO los apliquen a mascotas There are about 200 different species of mosquitoes in the United States, all of which live in specific habitats, exhibit unique behaviors and bite different species of animals. Some lay single eggs on damp soil that is later flooded by water; others lay an egg raft on the water's surface. Eggs hatch to larvae then to pupae, both of which live in the water and come to the surface to breathe by utilizing a siphon tube or trumpet while hanging upside down from the surface of the water. The larva require large amounts of nutrients for maturation and feed on organic matter in the water.

Mosquito source reduction consists of eliminating larval habitats or making them unsuitable for larval development. Tree holes can be good breeding grounds for some mosquitoes, so those should be filled. Containers that hold water, like stock tanks or water troughs, should be emptied weekly or agitated weekly them to keep mosquitoes from laying eggs there. By minimizing standing water through circulating lagoons or water tanks, a lot can be done to minimize mosquito egg laying areas. Another problem on farms is containers that hold water or old tires used for silage piles, as pictured on the bottom (courtesy of DB Weddle). Mosquitoes transmit disease to humans and a farm walk through to identify and eliminate trash containers is good prevention.

Larvicides are used when immature mosquito populations become larger than source reduction can manage or biological control can handle. They are often more effective and target-specific than adulticides, making them less controversial. They can be applied to smaller geographic areas than adulticides because larvae are often concentrated in specific locations, such as standing water.

Adulticides are often the least efficient control program and often require multiple applications. Effective adult mosquito control with adulticides requires small droplets that drift through mosquito areas and come in contact with adults to kill them as pictured here. Insecticides are applied in a concentrated form at very low volumes such as 1 oz (29.6 mL) per acre. Excessive wind and updrafts reduce control, but a light wind is necessary for drifting spray droplets. This photo depicts a man fogging for mosquitoes.

People should avoid mosquitoes if possible as they can transmit Rift Valley Fever and other diseases. Stay inside during the evening when mosquitoes are most active. When outside, wear long pants and sleeves and use repellents on exposed skin. Repellent with DEET is the most effective. DEET is an insect repellant that is safe to use on people. Make sure to follow the label directions when using. Do NOT use DEET on pets. This picture depicts a child being sprayed with a mosquito repellent.



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Tick control involves regular inspection of animals and pastures for ticks. Environmental management such as mowing pastures, as the top picture depicts, can help to reduce tick habitats. Chemical treatments with acaricides (tick killing products) can be used every 2-4 weeks on cattle during tick season. There are personal protection steps you can take to prevent tick-borne diseases. Wear long sleeved shirts and tuck them into pants. Tuck pant legs into socks or boots, as depicted in the bottom photo (courtesy of CDC). This will help keep ticks on the outside of clothing. If you'll be outside for an extended period of time, tape the area where your pants and socks meet to prevent ticks from crawling under your clothes. Use insect repellent with DEET on clothing and skin to prevent tick bites (make sure to follow all product label directions). Inspect your clothing and skin immediately and remove ticks.

Vector-borne transmission could occur on your farm with diseases such as anthrax and Q Fever. Should a foreign animal disease occur in the U.S., such as Rift Valley Fever, it can also be spread through vectorborne transmission. Taking some of the basic prevention steps as described in this presentation can help you decrease your risk of disease introduction and spread on your farm.

Now that we have reviewed various prevention steps for zoonotic diseases, let's learn a little more about the diseases that are spread from cattle to humans.

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Anthrax results from infection by Bacillus anthracis, a spore forming, Gram positive bacteria. Anthrax can be found as a spore in the soil worldwide; it is particularly common in parts of Africa, Asia and the Middle East. In the United States, foci of infection occur in South Dakota, Nebraska, Mississippi, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana and California, with smaller areas in other states. Spores can remain viable for decades in the soil or animal products such as dried or processed hides and wool. Spores can also survive for 2 years in water, 10 years in milk, and up to 71 years on silk threads. However, the vegetative organisms are thought to be destroyed within a few days during the decomposition of **unopened** carcasses (exposure to oxygen induces spore formation). In cattle, sudden death may be the only sign as the photo depicts (courtesy of DB Weddle, ISU).





#### La brucelosis en las personas

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There are three forms of the disease in humans. 1) Cutaneous (skin) anthrax which develops after skin infections through direct contact or a vector, such as a biting fly. Most lesions are non-painful and go away on their own. This is a picture of a cutaneous (skin) anthrax lesion, also known as an eschar. (Photo courtesy of the CDC's Public Health Image Library). 2) Intestinal anthrax develops after ingesting (oral) contaminated meat. The initial symptoms may be mild malaise (all over body discomfort) and gastrointestinal symptoms. Severe symptoms can develop and rapidly progress to shock, coma and death. 3) Inhalational anthrax occurs after breathing in (aerosol) spores from contaminated dust. Natural infections are mainly seen among workers who handle infected hides, wool, and furs (wool sorter's disease). Symptoms may include fever, tiredness, and malaise; a nonproductive cough and mild chest pain which develops into a sudden onset of severe respiratory distress with fatal septicemia (blood infection) and shock within one to two days. Fatalities may be prevented if treated early; however, when symptoms are flu-like and non-specific, early treatment is often not sought.

Brucellosis, or undulant fever, is caused by various species of *Brucella* bacteria. Brucellosis causes abortions in the third trimester of pregnancy when unvaccinated cattle are exposed to the infectious organism. It is stated that greater than 80% of cattle will abort if exposed during this critical time of pregnancy. The organisms enter through the mucous membranes (gums, inside of eyelids, nose) and can cause inflammation of the placenta. Abortion can occur within 2 weeks and up to 5 months following infection. The fetus may look normal if aborted acutely after infection, or decayed if not expelled for a period of time. The pregnancy may end with a stillbirth or a weak calf. Often retained placentas and decreased milk yield follow. The overall appearance of the placenta is a leathery look. Once a cow has aborted from infection, subsequent gestations are normal, after a period of temporary sterility. Only 5% have residual sterility. Most cows will shed the organisms in the milk for life following infection.

Transmission of brucellosis can occur by ingestion of infected food or consuming infected unpasteurized milk or dairy products (**oral**). It can also occur by inhaling infectious **aerosols**, which is thought to be means of infection in slaughterhouses, or through **direct contact** with infected tissues through a break in the skin or mucous membranes (gums, eyes, inside of nose). Brucellosis can involve any organ or organ system and have varying signs of illness. The one common sign in all people with brucellosis is an irregular fever for a variable length of time, thus the term "undulant fever". Other signs and symptoms of brucellosis in people include headache, weakness, joint pain, depression, weight loss, fatigue and liver problems. Illness in people can be very long and painful and can result in an inability to work and loss of income.

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| i<br>d | <ul> <li>La BSE es ocasionada por priones</li> <li>Primer caso en el Reino Unido, 1986</li> <li>Largo período de incubación: 4 a 5 años</li> </ul>             |
| e      | <ul> <li>Avance rápido hacia la muerte una vez<br/>que aparecen los síntomas         <ul> <li>Falta de coordinación de las extremidades</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| 6<br>5 | traseras, estremecimientos, caídas,<br>cambios de comportamiento<br>– No existe tratamiento  |
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Bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) in cattle is thought to have occurred from feeding meat or bone meal from scrapie-infected sheep to cattle, or from spontaneous genetic mutation in a cow then fed to other cows. It is thought to be caused by prions (short for proteinaceous infectious particles). It is considered a foreign animal disease in the U.S. The first cases of BSE appeared in the United Kingdom in 1986. There is a long incubation period with the peak incidence occurring in 4-5 year old cattle. The signs of the disease can be subtle and progress slowly. Once signs of the disease appear, the disease progresses rapidly and is fatal. Signs of BSE in cattle may include hindlimb incoordination, tremors, falling and behavior changes including nervousness and aggression. The morality rate is 100%. There is no treatment.

Currently, it is thought that ingestion (**oral**) of BSE contaminated beef products (prior to the United Kingdom's specified bovine offal ban in 1989) may be responsible for the disease. From 1996 (when the first suspected cases of vCJD occurred) to November 2005, 158 of the 185 cases worldwide were from the United Kingdom (Britain). In humans, BSE presents itself as variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob (KROITZ-felt YAHcub) disease. The average age of people who develop this disease is 26 years. The symptoms include changes in mood or behavior, such as depression and schizophrenia, incoordination and involuntary muscle movement. The disease is fatal.

*Cryptosporidium parvum* (also known as "crypto") is a protozoa that multiplies rapidly and lives in the intestine. These small protozoa are infective immediately upon excretion and found in animals worldwide with peak illness occurring in the spring and late autumn/early winter. Many animals are affected; however, calves are more likely to have profuse watery diarrhea (scours) leading to dehydration and death if not treated. Calves less than 3 weeks of age appear to be the most at risk. They can be infected with crypto and pass it in their feces without showing signs of illness. It is estimated that up to 50% of dairy calves shed crypto

(http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/Factsheets/pdfs/cryptosporidiosis.pdf). (Photo of Holstein calf courtesy of USDA's ARS photo library).

Sources of human crypto infections generally come from ingesting (oral) contaminated food and water or contact with infected scouring calves. Inhalation (aerosol) of the organisms has occurred but it is very rare. Symptoms include profuse, watery diarrhea with cramping and abdominal pain. This disease is usually self-limiting (you will get better on your own) but approximately 10% of human patients require hospitalization for intravenous fluids. Severe, life threatening disease can occur in people with a weak immune system, such as people who are undergoing chemotherapy for cancer and people who are very young or elderly. (Photo courtesy of USDA's ARS photo library).

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Dermatophilosis is caused by the bacterium *Dermatophilus congolensis* (derm-ATOF-ilus con-go-LEN-sis). This bacteria can be found on the skin of diseased animals and also carrier animals that show no signs. Factors that break-down the natural protective barriers of the skin such as prolonged wetting by rain, high humidity, and high temperature allow the bacteria to spread. Dermatophilosis may occur in animals of any age but is more common in the young. Initially there is matting of the hair that has a "paintbrush" appearance. This leads to scabs or crust formation that may have pus underneath. A few animals may be itchy. (Photo courtesy of DB Weddle, ISU).

People can get dermatophilosis after **direct contact** with an infected animal or by a **fomite**, such as a brush or clippers. Pustules will develop at the site of contact, usually on the hands or arms. These sores will later break down to form shallow red ulcers that heal and leave scars. This photo depicts a 4-Her clipping her Brown Swiss heifer before the show (courtesy USDA ARS).

*Escherichia coli* (Esh-e-rik-E-a coe-lie) O157:H7 is a toxin producing bacteria. There are many types of *E. coli* bacteria, some types are normally found in the intestines of people and animals but do not cause illness. However, the specific type O157:H7 is carried in the intestines of some cattle. It is shed in their feces and can be passed to other cattle or people but the cattle do not show signs of illness. This is a picture of *E. coli* under an electron microscope (courtesy of Lawrence Berkeley National Lab).

People can get *E. coli* from cattle by ingesting (**oral**) undercooked or raw hamburger. This is the most common way to get *E. coli*. Other products that may be contaminated with *E. coli* O157:H7 include salami, lettuce and alfalfa sprouts. It has also be associated with unpasteurized milk, apple juice or cider, and contaminated well water. Symptoms of *E. coli* illness include watery or bloody diarrhea, abdominal pain, nausea and cramps. They occur about 2-5 days after exposure and can last for 5-10 days. A complication of *E. coli* infection is kidney failure. It is called hemolytic uremic syndrome (HUS). It is a life threatening condition, most commonly affecting children under 10 years of age. HUS is the most common cause of sudden onset (acute) kidney failure in children. This happens in 2-10% of patients. The photo of raw hamburger (top courtesy of

http://www.otan.us/webfarm/emailproject/rawhamburger.jpg) and lettuce in a grocery store (bottom) courtesy of the USDA Photography Center.



Giardiasis (gee-are-DYE-uh-sis) is caused by a one-celled, microscopic protozoan called *Giardia intestinalis* (gee-are-DEE-ah in-TES-tin-al-is). Adult cattle infected with this parasite typically do not show any signs of illness. However, they may be a source of infection for calves. Giardia can cause scours in calves at any age, but appears to be more common if they are four weeks or older. It can become a chronic (long-term) disease that causes weight loss or failure to gain weight. This photo of a *Giardia* parasite courtesy of the Japanese National Institute of Health.

People can get *Giardia* through ingesting (**oral**) the parasite in contaminated water (like the picture shows) or if there is fecal material on their hands and they eat or drink prior to washing their hands. People with giardiasis may have no signs of illness while others may experience diarrhea, intestinal gas, stomach cramps, and nausea. The disease is selflimiting, usually clearing up on its own in a few months. (Photo courtesy of USDA Photography Center).

Leptospirosis is a disease caused by spiral shaped bacteria. In adult cattle, the most prominent signs of infection are abortions, decreased fertility or decreased milk yield. The placenta is retained in up to 20% of the cows that abort and infertility may occur. Jaundice, or yellowing of the skin, whites of the eyes and gums, may be seen in severely affected animals. In calves, the signs include fever, refusal to eat (anorexia), reddened eyes (conjunctivitis) and diarrhea. In severe cases, jaundice may be seen. Some calves may die within 3 to 5 days, and the survivors can be unthrifty after recovery. This photo depicts an electron micrograph of the *Leptospira* bacteria (courtesy of Noah's Arkive, The University of Georgia).

People can get leptospirosis by ingesting (**oral**) contaminated food or water, through inhaling **aerosolized** urine or water, or **direct contact** with the skin. The bacteria enters the body through mucous membranes (gums, eyes) or through cuts or abrasions on the skin. The *Leptospira* bacteria are found in the urine of infected animals and aborted fetuses or afterbirth (placenta, fluids) of cows who gave birth normally. In humans, the disease may range from mild to severe. Symptoms include flu-like illness (fever, body aches, headache), weakness, vomiting, mental confusion, jaundice (yellow skin color, yellow eyes) and a stiff neck. Severe cases can lead to damage of the liver, kidney or central nervous system (brain, spinal cord). Notice the yellowing of the eyes in this picture which is one sign of jaundice. (Photo courtesy of the CDC's Public Health Image Library). S

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La listeriosis en las personas

Listeriosis is caused by the bacterium *Listeriosis monocytogenes*. This bacteria is widespread in the environment in soil, plants, mud and streams. Cattle usually get this disease by eating contaminated corn silage. Poor quality silage with a high pH (low acid content) like the photo depicts, has been involved in most outbreaks because this sets up a favorable environment for the bacteria to grow and multiply. In cattle, Listeria can cause encephalitis, or inflammation of the brain. The following signs of illness due to encephalitis are facial paralysis, drooling, lack of coordination, circling to one side and head pressing. Abortions and stillbirths mainly occur late in gestation. The infection can also be localized causing mastitis. Without treatment in animals with encephalitis, death can occur within 4 to 14 days. Animals with severe neurological signs usually die despite treatment. Photo courtesy of DB Weddle, ISU.

| i<br>d<br>e<br>7<br>8 | <ul> <li>Ingestión (oral)</li> <li>Inhalación (aerosol)</li> <li>Síntomas</li> <li>Mujeres embarazadas:<br/>muerte del feto</li> <li>Recién nacidos, personas<br/>mayores, personas con<br/>sistema inmune debilitado: infección del<br/>fujo sanguíneo, inflamación del cerebrol</li> </ul> |  |
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| S<br>1                | La melioidiosis en los bovinos   | Melioidosis (mel-EE-oid-Oh-sis) is caused by the bacterium<br><i>Burkholderia pseudomallei</i> . It is considered a foreign animal disease |
| 1                     |  | and is found in tropical or subtropical areas of the world and is  |
| 1<br>d                | Bacteria: <i>Burkholderia pseudomallei</i> Enfermedad animal exótica   | associated with heavy rainfall or flooded areas with high temperatures   |
| u<br>e                | – La mayoría de los casos ocurren  | and humidity. Most cases occur in southeast Asia. This disease is rare in  |
| C                     | en el sudeste asiático<br>• Rara en bovinos  | cattle, but they may develop pneumonia or neurologic signs.  |
| 7                     | Kara en bovinos     – Neumonía   | cattle, but they may develop pheumonia or neurologic signs.  |
| 9                     | – Síntomas neurológicos  |  |
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| S                     |  | The disease is primarily located in Southeast Asia, in countries such as   |
| 1                     | La melioidiosis en las personas  | Thailand. It is thought of as a disease of rice farmers. This is because the   |
| i                     | • Ingestión (oral)   | bacteria can be found in contaminated water and soil in these areas.   |
| d                     | Inhalación (aerosol)   | Isolated cases have occurred in the United States in Hawaii and Georgia  |
| e                     | Contacto directo   | in people who traveled or were from those countries where melioidiosis   |
| -                     | Síntomas     Neumonía  | is found. People can get melioidosis by either ingesting ( <b>oral</b> )   |
| 8                     | – Fiebre   | contaminated water, inhaling (aerosol) the bacteria in dust from   |
| 0                     | <ul> <li>Pequeños abscesos en<br/>todo el cuerpo</li> </ul>  | contaminated soil or through <b>direct contact</b> of the bacteria with cuts or  |
| U                     | – Puede convertirse en una   | abrasions of the skin. Some people may be infected with the bacteria but   |
|                       | enfermedad crónica<br>Center for Food Security and Public Health<br>Ioea State University 2006   | do not get sick. Other people who are infected do not show signs of the  |
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|                       |  | disease for years. If the disease occurs suddenly, the patient may develop   |

pneumonia and a fever and die after a few days. If it enters the blood stream, the bacteria can spread throughout the body creating many small abscesses. This disease can become chronic and last from months to

http://www.escati.com/photos/characters/rice\_farmer.jpg

years. Thailand rice farmer photo;





## La fiebre Q en bovinos

Bacteria: Coxiella burnetii
La mayoría de los animales son asintomáticos
Puede causar abortos

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- e Inicio repentino: parecidos a los de la influenza, neumonía, enfermedad hepática
   8 - A largo plazo: complicaciones cardíacas, inflamación de huesos
   4 Muiseos ambargados: parte promotuso
  - Mujeres embarazadas: parto prematuro, muerte del feto

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Pseudocowpox (SUE-doe-cow-pox) is caused by a virus. The initial signs of pseudocowpox are small, reddish, raised sores on the teats and udders of cows. This is followed by the formation of vesicles (similar to blisters), scabs, and nodules on the udder and teats. The extension of sores often forms a "ring" or "horseshoe" of scabs that are characteristic for pseudocowpox and this occurs over the course of several weeks. Sores can also be seen around the mouth of calves nursing from affected cows. Although the disease spreads slowly through milking herds, it is common for the entire herd to eventually be affected. The length of immunity after infection is usually short and reinfection is common. (Photo of cow teat courtesy of

http://www.countdown.org.au/Teat\_Images.htm).

People can get pseudocowpox by contacting (**direct contact**) a cow's lesions on her teats or udder or a calf's mouth. People may also get pseudocowpox through contact with a **fomite**, such as contaminated bedding or equipment. In people the lesions are also called "milker's nodules". Small, red, raised, flat-topped spots show up one to two weeks after exposure on the fingers, hands, and arms of the infected person. Within a week, the sores will become firm nodules that are red-blue in color and slightly tender. The disease is usually mild and generally the sores disappear after several weeks. Unlike cows, immunity after infection seems to develop and protects against reinfection. (Photo courtesy of Swiss Medical Weekly).

Q (query) Fever in cattle is caused by the bacteria *Coxiella burnetii*. This bacteria is found worldwide, including in the United States. Many animals that are infected do not show any signs of illness. Abortions are the most common outcome of this disease and they generally occur late in pregnancy. Large numbers of bacteria are shed during calving in the placenta, fetal fluids, the aborted fetus as well as in milk, urine and feces.

Q Fever describes the symptoms seen in people, "query fever" or "puzzling fever". People can get Q Fever by inhaling (**aerosol**) contaminated barnyard dust (most common way), ingesting (**oral**) contaminated milk, by **direct contact** with infected animals during calving or through a tick (**vector**) bite (very rare). Q Fever can have a sudden (acute) onset occurring 2-3 weeks after infection. Symptoms of this form include flu-like illness (fever, chills, headache, fatigue), pneumonia and liver disease in severe cases. The disease can become chronic (long term) and can cause bone damage and affect the valves of the heart in people who have pre-existing damage. In pregnant women, infections can cause premature delivery, death of the fetus and infection of the placenta.



#### S La rabia en las personas 1 i Contacto directo Mordedura de un animal infectado o a través de cortaduras en la piel d Síntomas e Fiebre, dolor de cabeza Comezón en el lugar de la mordedura Confusión, comportamiento anormal Dificultad para tragar 8 Muerte en el plazo de 2 a 10 días después de la aparición de los síntomas 6 La vacunación ANTES de que aparezcan los síntomas es sumamente eficaz Center for Food Security and Public Health Iowa State University 2006

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Rabies is a fatal viral disease that can affect all mammals (warm blooded animals that give birth to live young and produce milk). From 2000 to 2004 there were approximately 100 cases of rabies in cattle per year. Cattle usually get rabies from the bite of a rabid (infected) animal, such as a skunk or a raccoon. The virus affects the central nervous system (brain, spinal cord). The signs of rabies in cattle can include unexplained paralysis or behavioral signs such as anorexia (refusal to eat), nervousness, irritability, or becoming overly excited (hyperexcitability). Cattle may also develop an unsteady gait and become aggressive. Abnormal bellowing is common in cattle. Death usually occurs with in 7-10 days after signs of the illness begin. The yellow dots in this picture show the cases of confirmed rabies in cattle in the United States during 2004. (Courtesy of the CDC at

http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvrd/rabies/professional/professi.htm).

People can get rabies by being bitten (**direct contact**) by an infected animal or if infected saliva comes into contact with broken skin or mucus membranes (gums, inside eyelids, inside the nose). Signs in humans are similar to those in animals. In most cases, signs of illness do not develop for 1-3 months after exposure. Early symptoms include fever, headache, itching at the site of the bite, confusion and abnormal behavior. People will be overstimulated by light and sounds and have difficulty swallowing. Once signs of disease begin, recovery is very rare and death usually occurs within 2-10 days. Fortunately, vaccination before signs develop is highly effective and life-saving. If you have been exposed to a rabid animal and have never been vaccinated against rabies, you will receive a series of 5 injections, typically in the muscle of the arm. These injections do not hurt any more than a flu shot. You will also receive one dose of rabies immune globulin (antibodies from blood donors given rabies vaccine).

Ringworm is caused by a fungus not a worm. It is also known as a dermatophyte (der-mat-O-fight). This fungus usually grows in the hair, nails and the outer layer of the skin. Animals can get ringworm from infective fungal spores on the hair of an infected animal, in the environment or from a fomite such as a brush or clippers. After exposure, it takes 2-4 weeks before signs begin to show and the signs of illness vary. Usually there are areas of hair loss with the skin scaling and crusting. The skin in the center of the lesion can die leaving a characteristic "ringworm" lesion. These areas may or may not be itchy. There can be small areas affected or the whole body can be involved.

People can get ringworm after **direct contact** with an infected animal or a **fomite** such as a brush or clippers. Infected people can also spread ringworm to other people and animals. Symptoms of ringworm usually occur 1 to 2 weeks after infection. The most common symptom is itchiness and the lesions are most inflamed at the edge with redness, scaling, and occasional blistering. This is a photo of a typical "ringworm" lesion on a person's arm (courtesy of the CDC's Public Health Image Library).





| S<br>1                | La salmonelosis en los bovinos  |
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| i<br>d<br>e<br>9<br>1 | <ul> <li>Bacteria: Salmonella</li> <li>Infectados pero asintomáticos <ul> <li>Sueltan la bacteria bajo condiciones de estrés (transporte, destete, parición)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Bovinos adultos <ul> <li>Diarrea abundante, anorexia, menor producción de leche, pérdida de peso, abortos</li> </ul> </li> <li>Becerros <ul> <li>Diarrea, infecciones en las articulaciones, gangrena en patas, puntas de las orejas, cola</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
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#### La salmonelosis en las personas

i Ingestión (oral) Contacto directo d Síntomas e - 12-72 horas después de infectarse - Náusea, vomito, diarrea - Cólicos, dolor abdominal

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- Dolor de cabeza, fiebre, escalofríos
- 9 Grave en niños, personas mayores y 2 personas con sistemas inmunes debilitados

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Rift Valley Fever is caused by a virus. It is a foreign animal disease that occurs in Africa, Saudi Arabia and Yemen (in the Middle East). Mosquitoes are the main way this disease is passed from animal to animal. If an animal infected with Rift Valley Fever came to the U.S., the mosquitoes here could pass it to other animals. The main sign of this disease is an abortion storm (100% could abort). Adult cattle usually appear normal. Signs of illness include fever, weakness, anorexia, drooling and diarrhea. Yellow skin or mucus membranes (jaundice) is also commonly seen. The death rate in adult cattle may be 10%. Calves develop fever, depression and may suddenly die. The death rate in calves can be from 10-70%. (Photo courtesy of Plum Island Animal Disease Center).

Rift Valley Fever may be transmitted to people from animals through several ways. The RVF virus may be inhaled (aerosol) during slaughter of infected animals (as in an abattoir as the picture shows) or during the birthing process. It may be transmitted by **direct contact** with infected animal tissues, meat, or body fluids with a person's skin. A person may be bitten by a mosquito (vector) infected with RVF. RVF may be transmitted by ingesting (oral) unpasteurized milk from an infected animal, although does not occur as common as the others. The majority of humans who have RVF are asymptomatic (do not have signs) or have self-limiting flu-like signs. These signs include fever, headache, muscle and joint pain, and possible nausea and vomiting. Recovery is usually in 4-7 days. In less than 1% of humans infected, severe disease can occur. This can include inflammation of the retina of the eye (retinitis), high fever with a bleeding disorder (hemorrhagic fever) or inflammation of the brain (encephalitis). The death rate in humans may reach 1%. (Photo courtesy of USDA Photography Center). The handout titled "Transmission Routes of Rift Valley Fever" gives a visual explanation of many ways this disease can be transmitted to people.

Salmonellosis is caused by the bacteria Salmonella and there are many types. Cattle become infected with Salmonella when they eat food or water contaminated with feces. Salmonella often infects animals without showing any signs of illness. These animals will shed the bacteria in their feces during times of stress, such as transporting, weaning and giving birth (parturition). The most common sign of illness is diarrhea. Adult cattle can have profuse diarrhea, depression, refusal to eat (anorexia), a sudden decrease in milk production and weight loss. Pregnant cows may abort without showing any other signs of illness. Calves can have scours but may also develop complications such as joint infections, gangrene of the feet, tips of ears and the tail.

People can get Salmonella by ingesting (oral) contaminated meat or food. You can also get it by handling animals (direct contact) and putting something in your mouth (oral) without washing your hands. Symptoms of salmonellosis begin 12 to 72 hours after infection and include nausea, vomiting, cramping abdominal pain and diarrhea, which may be bloody. Headache, fever, chills and muscle pain may also be seen. This disease is self-limiting (goes away on its own). However, it can be severe and even deadly in young children, the elderly and those with a weak immune system (immunocompromised).





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| d             | <ul> <li>Período de incubación: 1 a 6 días</li> </ul>   |
| e             | <ul> <li>Síntomas parecidos a los de la influenza</li> <li>Dolor de cabeza, fiebre, dolor en la parte<br/>trasera de los ojos, malestar, náuseas,<br/>dolor de extremidades y espalda, vesículas</li> </ul> |
| 9             | orales (raramente)<br>• Enfermedad autolimitante  |
| 6             | Recuperación en el transcurso de 4-7 días   |

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Recuperación en el transcurso de 4-7 días

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Tuberculosis in cattle is caused by the bacterium *Mycobacterium bovis*. In 1917, the Cooperative State-Federal Tuberculosis Eradication Program began. This program includes the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), state animal health agencies, and U.S. livestock producers. Bovine tuberculosis is still present in the U.S. but at a much lower infection rate than before the eradication program began. Bovine tuberculosis is usually a slowly progressive and debilitating disease, but can occasionally have a quick onset and progress rapidly. Early stages of the infection often show no signs. As the disease progresses, weight loss, lack of appetite (anorexia), weakness, and a low-grade fever are common. If the disease involves the lungs, animals will have a cough that is worse in the morning, during cold weather or activity, and they may have difficulty breathing.

Bovine tuberculosis can infect humans and the most common route of infection is from ingesting (**oral**) raw (unpasteurized) milk or eating dairy products made from raw milk. Less commonly, the bacteria can enter the body by inhaling (aerosol) or through breaks in the skin (direct contact). A person can be infected with bovine tuberculosis but not show any signs of illness. It can infect the lungs (pulmonary tuberculosis) causing a fever, chest pain and the person may cough up blood. The disease can also spread throughout the body affecting the kidney, spine and brain. (X-ray of a patient's chest with tuberculosis courtesy of the CDC's Public Health Image Library).

Vesicular stomatitis is caused by a virus. Cattle develop oral vesicles (fluid filled lesions) that cause salivation, vesicles on the mammary gland, coronary band and interdigital (between the toes) region leading to lameness. These vesicles seem to isolate to one area of the body unlike other vesicular diseases. Recovery is within 2 weeks if there is no secondary infection. The top photo depicts the mouth of a cow with vesicular stomatitis. There is extensive ulceration of the dental pad, and severe salivation. (Photo courtesy of Iowa State University, College of Veterinary Medicine,

http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/DiseaseInfo/ImageDB/imagesVS.htm). The bottom photo shows the back of a cow's foot. The coronary band at the heels is thickened, eroded, and covered by dried pus (Photo courtesy of Plum Island Animal Disease Center,

http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/DiseaseInfo/ImageDB/imagesVS.htm). Humans are often infected through **direct contact** with infected tissues, vesicular fluid, or saliva. Following an incubation of 1 to 6 days, humans may display flu-like symptoms. These include headache, fever, pain when moving eyes, malaise (all over body discomfort), nausea, limb and back pain, and rarely, vesicles in the mouth. It is a self-limiting disease (will go away on its own). Recovery usually occurs in 4-7 days.

