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### **Animal Production and the Environment**





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Appropriate use of manures:

- Recycles and conserves nutrients
- Improves soil structure
- Improves crop yields





### But, manures can contain:

-Microorganisms. Pathogenic, antimicrobial resistant.

- -Antimicrobial chemical residues.
- -Nutrients [N,P]

The amount and types of these agents can vary with the production system

The Review on Antimicrobial Resistance "The O'Neill report" 2016 100 trillion USD decline in global productivity attributable to 10 million deaths.

### **DEATHS ATTRIBUTABLE** TO AMR EVERY YEAR





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### Understanding risk: Potential concerns



Fecal material is enriched for ARB. Soils fertilized with these materials become enriched with ARG.

#### Diverse and abundant antibiotic resistance genes in Chinese swine farms

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Applied and Environmental Microbiology Impact of Manure Fertilization on the Abundance of Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria and Frequency of Detection of Antibiotic Resistance Genes in Soil and on Vegetables at Harvest

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### **Evidence that reducing the carriage of STEC** would reduce human exposure via the environment

#### Shiga toxigenic *Escherichia coli* incidence is related to small area variation in cattle density in a region in Ireland

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## More antibiotic-resistant *E. coli* in wells proximal to livestock

Table 4 – Results of testing for antibiotic resistance using NARMS test panels for households participating in studywith E. coli contaminated drinking water sources-Ontario and Alberta, Canada-2005–2006.

Antibiotic class	Number and proportion of E. coli-positive tests		
	No livestock (N = 443)	Livestock <sup>a</sup> (N = 214)	P value
Resistant (any)	133 (30%)	100 (46%)	< 0.001
Tetracycline	94 (21%)	90 (42%)	< 0.001
Sulphonamides	61 (14%)	54 (25%)	< 0.001
Aminoglycosides	48 (11%)	45 (21%)	0.001
Beta-lactams	63 (14%)	30 (14%)	0.94
Chloramphenicol	15 (3%)	11 (5%)	0.28
Quinolones	6 (1%)	2 (1%)	1.00
Sul-Tet	42 (9%)	52 (24%)	< 0.001
Ami-Tet	32 (7%)	43 (20%)	< 0.001
Blac-Tet	35 (8%)	25 (12%)	0.12
Multi-class <sup>b</sup>	44 (10%)	46 (21%)	< 0.001
Sul-Ami-Tet	26 (6%)	39 (18%)	< 0.001
Blac-Sul-Ami	27 (6%)	13 (6%)	0.99
Blac-Sul-Ami-Tet	18 (4%)	13 (6%)	0.25

Ami: Aminoglycosides; Blac: Beta-lactams; Sul: Sulphonamides; Tet: Tetracycline.



Agriculture et a Agroalimentaire Canada Genes associated with antibiotic resistance can persist in soil for multiple seasons following manure application

Vegetables harvested in the year of manure application will carry a larger burden of antibiotic resistance than vegetables grove without manure



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Safely Coupling Livestock and Crop Production Systems: How Rapidly Do Antibiotic Resistance Genes Dissipate in Soil following a Commercial Application of Swine or Dairy Manure?

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### Bugs and Drugs Critical control points













# Consultation with livestock and poultry sectors

What are the key 2-3 health challenges that, if controlled by vaccination [or other means], would lead to the most significant reduction in antimicrobial use?



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## Key drivers of antimicrobial use in livestock and poultry

### **Beef**

Liver abscesses **Bovine respiratory** diseases (BRD) Dairy **Mastitis Metritis Beef/Dairy** Lameness **Respiratory disease and** diarrhea in calves

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### <u>Swine</u> Post-weaning diarrhea Respiratory diseases <u>Poultry</u> Colibacillosis Necrotic enteritis



## Key take home message

- Need to keep animals healthy using means other than antimicrobials, so that the need for antimicrobials is reduced.
  - Reduce selection pressure, transmission.

Vaccination is a key tool to meet this objective.



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