

Advice 10-2013 of the Scientific Committee of the FASFC on the draft Royal Decree modifying the Royal Decree of 27th April 2007 regarding *Salmonella* surveillance of pigs (dossier Sci Com 2013/06)

The Scientific Committee is asked to give an advice on a draft Royal Decree which implements a number of modifications to the Royal Decree of 27th April 2007 regarding *Salmonella* surveillance of pigs. The proposed modifications include particularly the frequency of sampling and accompanying modalities for the classification and follow up of farms at risk. The modifications, which are in fact temporary measures until a thorough revision of the *Salmonella* surveillance program in pigs is performed, imply a factual continuation of the present surveillance program under reduced form mainly because of practical and economical considerations.

The Scientific Committee appreciates the fact that a thorough revision of the *Salmonella* surveillance program will be performed and that the recommendations, which were formulated in his advice 03-2012, will be taken into account. In the light of this, already planned, revision of the surveillance program, the Committee agrees with the proposed modifications on the condition that some minor remarks are taken into consideration.

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