

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE REPORT

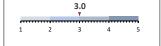
March 8th - March 14th, 2021

SUMMARY: RELEVANT EVENTS (includes all events rated ≥ 3.0)

African Swine Fever

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NEW EVENTS: (events rated > 2)

No new events to report this week

CONTINUED EVENTS: (events rated ≥ 2.3)

African Swine Fever in Asia No. of Signals: 06 No. of weeks in report: 99 Avrg. Rating: 2.6 - 3.0

- · ASF has spread to five additional districts in Malaysia, infecting both domestic swine and wild bearded pigs
- In China, additional outbreaks of ASF were confirmed in Sichuan and Hubei provinces

African Swine Fever in Europe No. of Signals: 01 No. of weeks in report: 90 Avrg. Rating: 2.6

• Russia has reported an outbreak of ASF in domestic swine in Chitinskaya Oblast

<u>Lumpy Skin Disease in Vietnam</u> No. of Signals: 02 No. of weeks in report: 03 Avrg. Rating: 2.0 - 2.6

• LSD continues to spread in Vietnam, to date it has hit 163 communes in 65 districts of 18 cities and provinces, affecting 2200 cows and buffaloes with 300 culled

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Europe No. of Signals: 01 No. of weeks in report: 19 Avrg. Rating: 2.4

- Russian authorities have warned that the mutating H5N8 strain of avian influenza has a high risk of human-to-human transmission
- A summary of the overall HPAI situation in Europe is available here

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in Asia No. of Signals: 02 No. of weeks in report: 18 Avrg. Rating: 2.2 - 2.4

- Kuwait has reported avian influenza on two farms in Wafra and Abdly
- China has reported and outbreak of LPAI H9N2 in Jiangxi Sheng

COVID-19 Worldwide (as of March 14, 2021) No. of Signals: 34 No. of weeks in report: 45 Avrg. Rating: 1.0 - 2.4

- Worldwide, there have been 120,493,042 confirmed cases of COVID-19 with 2,666,682 deaths reported
- In <u>Canada</u>, there have been 909,157 cases of COVID-19 with 22,463 deaths reported
- A cougar has tested positive for SARS-CoV-2 at a facility in <u>Texas</u>, 1st in US
- A Bengal cat in Estonia has tested positive for SARS-CoV-2

SCIENTIFIC FINDINGS:

♦ New strain of Hendra virus (HeV) discovered
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Botanical Medicines Cryptolepis sanguinolenta, Artemisia annua, Scutellaria baicalensis, Polygonum cuspidatum, and Alchornea cordifolia Demonstrate Inhibitory Activity Against Babesia duncani

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