### Theme 9: Animal Health and Hoof care

# VACCINATION SCHEDULE AND PLANNING

(Level 2)

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# 1. You will learn about (learning objectives):

- ☐ What is a vaccine?
- ☐ How does it work?
- ☐ When to use it?
- Which diseases?





Anthrax and black quarter vaccination in Rwanda

#### 2. What is a vaccine?

A **vaccine** is a medicine that provides immunity to a particular infectious disease\*.

- A vaccine contains a substance looking like a germ or virus and is often made from weakened or killed forms of it, its toxins, or parts of its outside.
- A vaccine stimulates the body's immune system\*\* to recognize the germ or virus as a threat, destroy it, and to further recognize and destroy any of the germs and viruses it may encounter in the future.
- Vaccines can be prevent the effects of a future infection by a germ or virus, or therapeutic to fight a disease that has already occurred.

Some vaccines offer full immunity, in which infection is prevented completely.



French picture celebrating that Jenner, an English scientist, made the first vaccine against small pox by the end of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, by injecting people with cow pox extracted from the hand of a milk maid.

Source Wikipedia

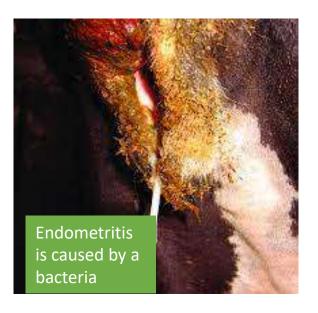
#### 3. What is an infectious disease?

#### According to the world health organization:

 Infectious diseases are caused by sick making <u>microorganisms</u>, such as bacteria, viruses, parasites or fungi; the diseases can be spread, directly or indirectly, from one animal to another.

#### Sick making organisms

- Bacteria
- Viruses
- Parasites (protozoa, worms, ticks, etc.)
- Fungi

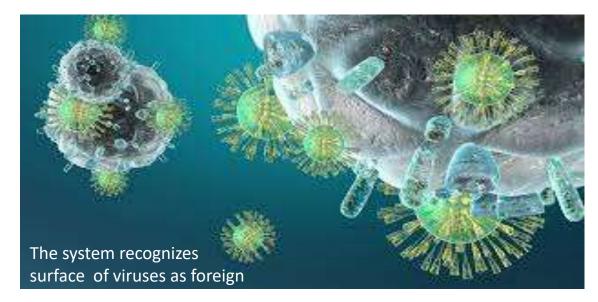


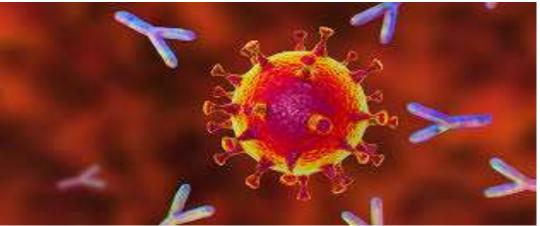




# 4. The Immune system

- The immune system is a complex network of organs, cells and proteins that defends the body against infection.
- The immune system keeps a record of every germ or virus it has ever defeated so it can recognise and destroy it quickly if it enters the body again.



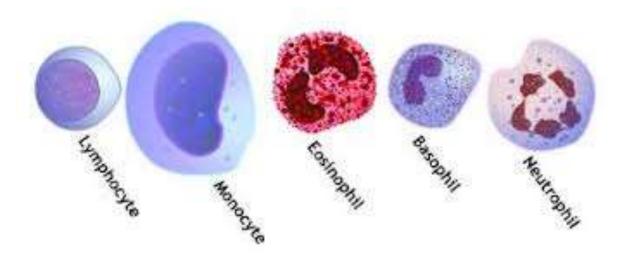


These foreign molecules (antigen) will be attacked by antibodies. Like the corona virus In this picture

# 5. Parts of the immune system

Parts of the immune system include:

- ✓ White blood cells
- ✓ Antibodies
- ✓ Bone marrow
- ✓ Lymph nodes

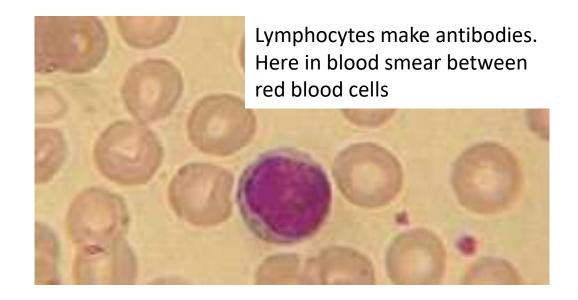


Different types of white blood cells



#### 6. White blood cells

- White blood cells are the key players in the immune system. They are made in bone marrow.
- White blood cells move through blood and tissue, looking for foreign invaders (microbes) such as bacteria, viruses, parasites and fungi.
   When they find them, they launch an immune attack.
- White blood cells include lymphocytes (such as B-cells, T-cells and natural killer cells), and many other types of immune cells.

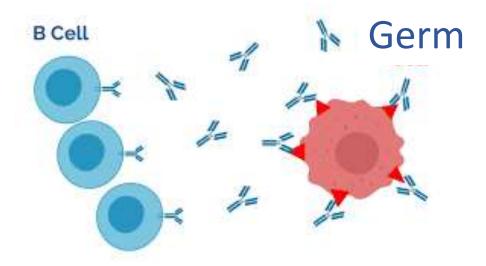




#### 7. Antibodies

- Antibodies help the body to fight microbes or the toxins (poisons) they produce.
- They do this by recognising substances called antigens on the surface of the microbe, or in the toxins they produce, which mark the microbe or toxin as being foreign.
- The antibodies then mark these antigens for destruction. There are many cells, proteins and chemicals involved in this attack.

Source Australian Government



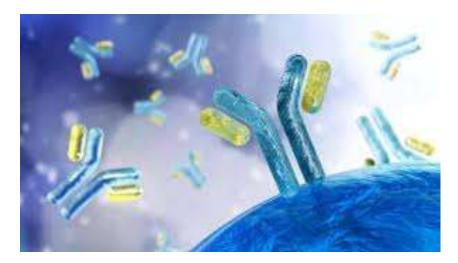
Lymphocytes make antibodies, who connect to germs, so other cells can 'kill' them

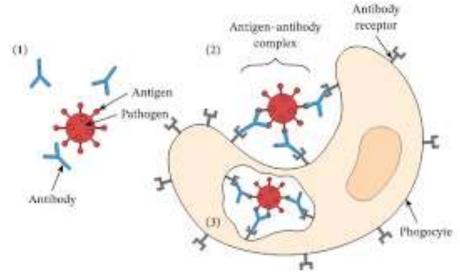


#### 8. About vaccines...

- Vaccines help to building immunity against infectious diseases, without causing the illness.
- Usually, a dead or weakened version of the disease-causing germ or virus is introduced to our immune system. In some cases, inactivated toxins produced by the germ are used in the vaccine to develop immunity We call these antigens and they are the most important ingredient of all vaccines.
- Once cattle have been vaccinated and the immune system encounters the 'real' diseasecausing germ, it responds quickly and creates antibodies and memory cells to give the body protection.

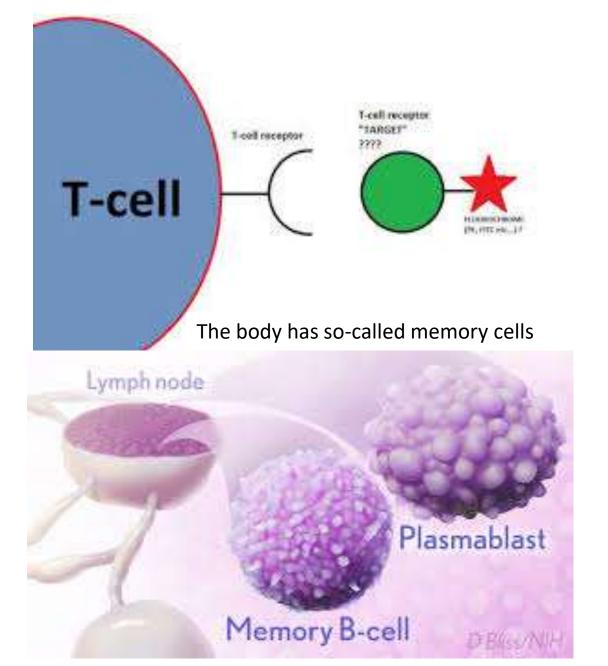
Vaccination is the most effective preventative measure against serious diseases. Some vaccines offer lifelong immunity. In other cases, 'catch-ups' are booster shots are needed.





# 9. How do vaccines help our immunity?

- The immune system is like a library it stores information about every germ or virus ever defeated.
- Some antibodies remain 'on patrol' in our bloodstream. So if the cow ever encounters the real germ or virus in the future, the immune system can quickly trigger the memory cells and produce antibodies to defeat it. This often occurs before the cow experiences any symptoms of illness.



#### 10. What is in a Vaccine?

- ✓ A live (but weakened) germ or virus
- ✓ Dead germs
- ✓ Small parts of germs or viruses (for example, a molecule from the surface of a germ)
- ✓ Inactivated toxins produced by bacteria
- ✓ Antibiotics or preservatives to stop the vaccine from becoming contaminated or going off
- ✓ Diluents (such as sterile water or saline).





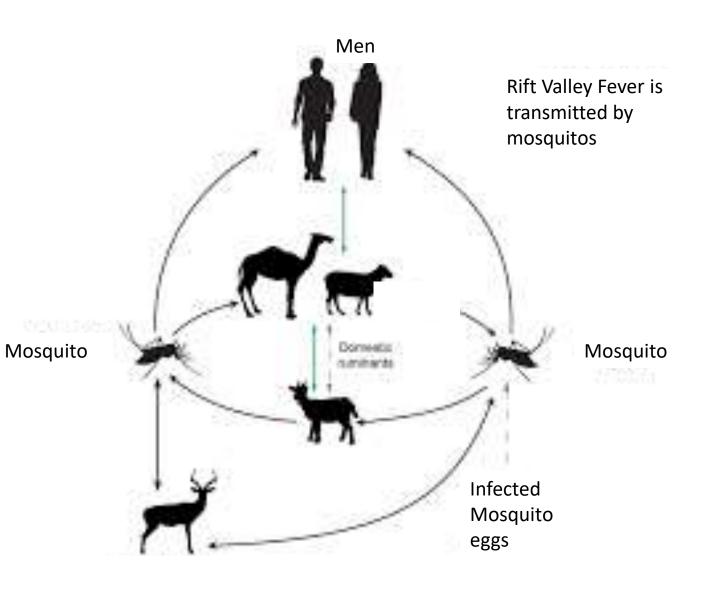
#### 11. Are vaccines safe?

- Millions of animals, people many of them babies and young children – are immunised every year, with no side effects.
- Vaccines are much safer than getting sick from a disease. Diseases that can be prevented by vaccines can cause lifelong complications or death.
- From time to time, the safety of vaccines has been questioned. Most reactions are mild and usually last one to 2 days. Like any other medication, vaccines carry a small degree of risk, but serious side effects are rare.



#### 12. Which Vaccines are available?

- Brucellosis\*
- 2. Anthrax\* & Blackquarter
- 3. Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia (CBPP)
- 4. East Cost Fever
- 5. Foot & Mouth Disease\* (FMD)
- 6. Rabies\*
- 7. Rift Valley Fever\*
- 8. Lumpy Skin Disease
- 9. \* Zoonoses



#### 13. Who vaccinates?

- All vaccines should be given by a licensed veterinarian. (This is obligatory for good reasons).
- Always consult a veterinarian if planning a vaccination.
- The veterinarian can advice
  - ✓ If a vaccination is necessary
  - ✓ When to applicate it
  - ✓ Which animals
  - ✓ Cost effectiveness







#### 14. Brucellosis

- Annual vaccination is required.
- As a zoonotic disease, brucellosis is of serious public health concern. If an animal is infected, vaccination will not cure the infection.
- Bulls **SHOULD NOT** be vaccinated as the vaccine may result in the organism appearing in the semen .
- Vaccination from age of 5-8 months for only female calves
- How? Sub cutaneous (under the skin)





Brucella gives abortion and can't be cured. Also not in men.
Bacteria lives in low oxygen environment, where medicines cannot reach.

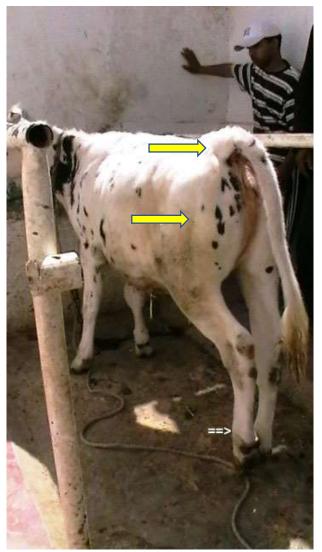
## 15. Anthrax & Blackquarter

- This vaccine will be effective against two diseases
- Vaccination every six months is advisable. Under normal conditions annual revaccination will suffice.
- Anthrax is deadly for humans and animals.
   Blackquarter gives at some farms a lot of sick and dead animals. Vaccines are cheap. SO USE IT.
- Vaccination from age of 3 months and above.
- How? Sub cutaneous (under the skin)

Black quarter is also called blackleg and gives swelling of the thigh.

Bacteria live in swampy peat lands.





# 16. Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia (CBPP)

- It is caused by a bacteria, and the symptoms are pneumonia and inflammation of the lung membranes
- Also called lung plague.
- Yearly vaccination in endemic areas.
- Routine vaccination should be carried out only in cattle over 6 months of age, but in the face of an outbreak all age groups can be vaccinated. Vaccinated into the tip of the tail.
- Do not vaccinate unhealthy animals.
- Vaccination from age of 6 months and above.
- How? Sub cutaneous (under the skin)



Cow out of breath due to damaged lungs.



### 17. East Coast Fever (ECF)

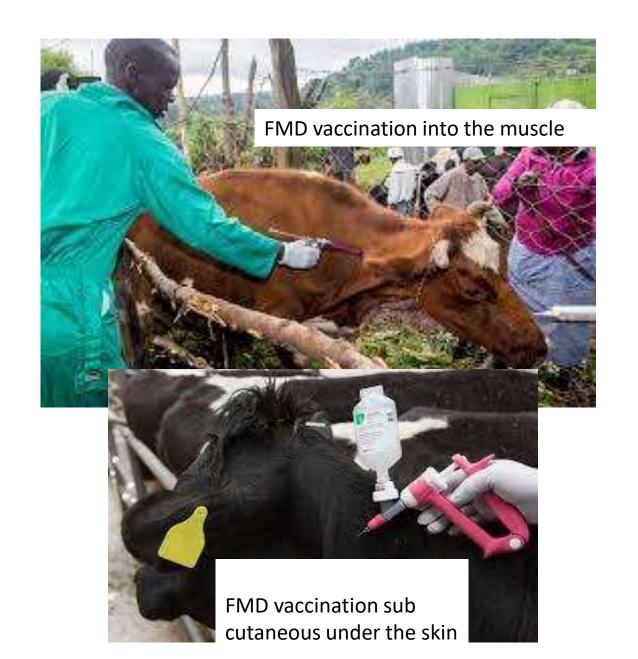
- One vaccination shot protects your animal against ECF for Life.
- Cattle should NOT be vaccinated in the following circumstances:
  - ✓ Cattle incubating or showing symptoms of ECF, these cattle should be treated.
  - ✓ Cattle in the last three months of pregnancy
  - ✓ Cattle treated with levamisole within one month of planned immunisation
  - ✓ Cattle in poor condition and/or suffering from other disease.
- Controlled spraying or dipping against ticks is necessary to maintain immunity and control other tick-borne diseases.
- Vaccination from age of 1 month and above.
- How? Sub cutaneous (under the skin)





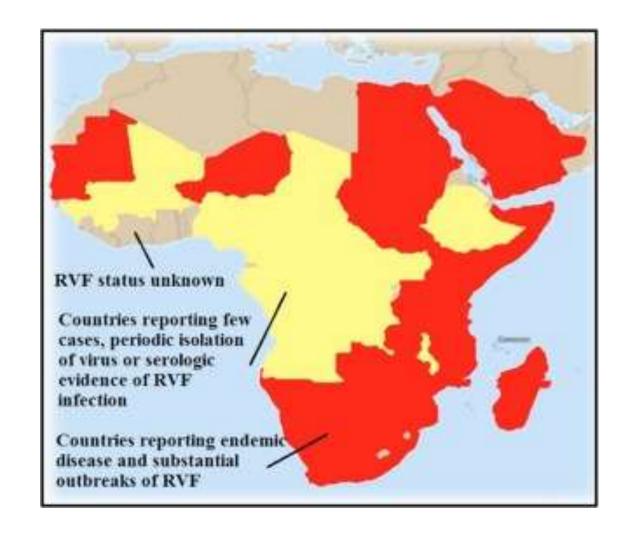
## 18. Foot and Mouth disease (FMD)

- Revaccination should be carried out every 6 months.
- Consult your veterinarian on the choice of vaccine.
- Vaccination for all ages.
- How? Sub cutaneous (under the skin) or intra muscular (into the muscle).



### 19. Rift Valley Fever

- Annual revaccination is recommended.
- Rift Valley Fever is infectious to humans (zoonosis) and therefore the vaccine must be HANDLED WITH CARE.
- Do not vaccinate unhealthy animals.
- Pregnant animals may abort from the vaccination.
- All ages can be vaccinated.
- How? Sub cutaneous (under the skin)

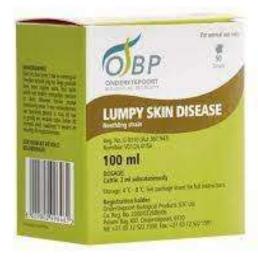


# 20. Lumpy skin disease

- Annual revaccination is recommended.
- Pregnant cows can be vaccinated.
- When using this live vaccine, separate cattle from sheep and goats, as the vaccine is derived from modified sheep pox virus. If sheep and goat come into close contact with freshly vaccinated cattle, the vaccine can cause acute pox disease in sheep and goats.
- Calves from vaccinated/naturally infected mothers should be immunised at the age of 3 to 4 months while calves from naïve mother can be vaccinated at any age
- How? Sub cutaneous (under the skin)







#### **21. Other Vaccines**

- The list of vaccines just described is an overview of the vaccines relevant and available in East Africa.
- There are worldwide more cattle vaccines against dozens of other diseases in cattle for example against:
  - ✓ Rabies
  - ✓ Calf scour
  - ✓ E. Coli
  - ✓ Bovine virus diarrhea
  - ✓ Infectious Bovine Rhinotracheitis



# 22. Summary (Take Home Messages)

- Against many, but not all, infectious cattle diseases vaccines are available.
- Vaccines are an excellent tool to prevent diseases.
- Vaccines when used according to label are safe.
- Side effects are rare.
- Only use them after consulting a veterinarian.
- Only registered veterinarians are allowed to administer vaccines



