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Name of disease (or topic) for which you are a designated OIE Reference Laboratory:	Leptospirosis
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Which of the following defines your laboratory? Check all that apply:	Governmental

ToR 1: To use, promote and disseminate diagnostic methods validated according to OIE Standards

1. Did your laboratory perform diagnostic tests for the specified disease/topic for purposes such as disease diagnosis, screening of animals for export, surveillance, etc.? (Not for quality control, proficiency testing or staff training)

Yes

Diagnostic Test	Indicated in OIE Manual (Yes/No)	Total number of test performed last year	
Indirect diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
NA	NA	NA	NA
Direct diagnostic tests		Nationally	Internationally
Microscopic Agglutination Test	Yes	36695	35772
Leptospiral Culture	Yes	480	0
Real Time PCR	No	400	0

ToR 2: To develop reference material in accordance with OIE requirements, and implement and promote the application of OIE Standards.

To store and distribute to national laboratories biological reference products and any other reagents used in the diagnosis and control of the designated pathogens or disease.

2. Did your laboratory produce or supply imported standard reference reagents officially recognised by the OIE?

No

3. Did your laboratory supply standard reference reagents (non OIE-approved) and/or other diagnostic reagents to OIE Member Countries?

Yes

Type of reagent available	Related diagnostic test	Produced/ provide	Amount supplied nationally (ml, mg)	Amount supplied internationally (ml, mg)	No. of recipient OIE Member Countries	Region of recipients
Culture Reagent	Leptospiral Culture	Yes	>500mL	0	1	□Africa □Americas □Asia and Pacific □Europe □Middle East
Leptospiral Antigen	MAT	Yes	>500mL	0	1	□Africa □Americas □Asia and Pacific □Europe □Middle East

4. Did your	· laboratory	produce	vaccines?
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No

5. Did your laboratory supply vaccines to OIE Member Countries?

No

ToR 3: To develop, standardise and validate, according to OIE Standards, new procedures for diagnosis and control of the designated pathogens or diseases

6. Did your laboratory develop new diagnostic methods validated according to OIE Standards for the designated pathogen or disease?

No

7. Did your laboratory develop new vaccines according to OIE Standards for the designated pathogen or disease?

No

ToR 4: To provide diagnostic testing facilities, and, where appropriate, scientific and technical advice on disease control measures to OIE Member Countries

8. Did your laboratory carry out diagnostic testing for other OIE Member Countries?

Yes

Name of OIE Member Country seeking assistance	Date (month)	No. samples received for provision of diagnostic support	No. samples received for provision of confirmatory diagnoses
LAOS	January	1626	1626

9. Did your laboratory provide expert advice in technical consultancies on the request of an OIE Member Country?

No

ToR 5: To carry out and/or coordinate scientific and technical studies in collaboration with other laboratories, centres or organisations

10. Did your laboratory participate in international scientific studies in collaboration with OIE Member Countries other than the own?

Yes

Title of the study	Duration	Purpose of the study	Partners (Institutions)	OIE Member Countries involved other than your country
Extended study of fever in Laos	Completed	Disease diagnosis and control	1 National Infection Service, Public Health England, London, UK; Lao-Oxford-Mahosot Hospital-Wellcome Trust Research Unit, Microbiology Laboratory, Mahosot Hospital, Vientiane, Laos. 2 Lao-Oxford-Mahosot Hospital-Wellcome Trust Research Unit, Microbiology Laboratory, Mahosot Hospital, Vientiane, Laos; Bart's Health Division of Infection, Pathology and Pharmacy Department, Royal London Hospital, London, UK. 3 National Infection Service, Public Health England, London, UK. 4 Lao-Oxford-Mahosot Hospital-Wellcome Trust Research Unit, Microbiology Laboratory, Mahosot Hospital, Vientiane, Laos. 5 Mahidol-Oxford-Research Unit, Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University, Bangkok, Thailand. 6 Queensland Health Forensic and Scientific Service, WHO Collaborating Centre for Reference and Research on Leptospirosis, Brisbane, Qld, Australia. 7 Queensland Health Forensic and Scientific Service, WHO Collaborating Centre for Reference and Research on Leptospirosis, Brisbane, Qld, Australia; University of the Sunshine Coast, Faculty of Science Health, Education and Engineering, Sippy Downs, Qld, Australia; Faculty of Health, Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, Qld, Australia. 9 Mahidol-Oxford-Research Unit, Faculty of Tropical Medicine, Mahidol University, Bangkok, Thailand; Centre for Tropical Medicine and Global Health	AUSTRALIA LAOS THAILAND

ToR 6: To collect, process, analyse, publish and disseminate epizootiological data relevant to the designated pathogens or diseases

11. Did your Laboratory collect epizootiological data relevant to international disease control?

Yes

If the answer is yes, please provide details of the data collected:

Surveillance data was captured from canines and cattle.

12. Did your laboratory disseminate epizootiological data that had been processed and analysed?

No

If the answer is no, please provide a brief explanation of the situation:

Data is still being reviewed.

13. What method of dissemination of information is most often used by your laboratory? (Indicate in the appropriate box the number by category)

a) Articles published in peer-reviewed journals: 1

Katelaris AL, Glasgow K, Lawrence K, Corben P, Zheng A, Sumithra S, Turahui J, Terry J, van den Berg D, Hennessy D, Kane S, Craig SB, Heading E, Burns MA, Corner HL, Sheppeard V, McAnulty J. Investigation and response to an outbreak of leptospirosis among raspberry workers in Australia, 2018. Zoonoses Public Health. 2020 Feb;67(1):35-43. doi: 10.1111/zph.12652. Epub 2019 Sep 24. PMID: 31550083.

b) International conferences: 0

Cancelled - COVID19

c) National conferences: 0 Cancelled - COVID19

d) Other:

(Provide website address or link to appropriate information) 1

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(Weil's disease), canicola fever, hemorrhagic jaundice, mud fever, swamp fever, canefield fever, swineherd disease, rat urine disease.

Control of Communicable Diseases Manual. An Official Report of the American Public Health Association.

ToR 7: To provide scientific and technical training for personnel from OIE Member Countries

To recommend the prescribed and alternative tests or vaccines as OIE Standards

14. Did your laboratory provide scientific and technical training to laboratory personnel from other OIE Member Countries?

Yes

a) Technical visits: 0b) Seminars: 2

c) Hands-on training courses: 0 d) Internships (>1 month): 0

Type of technical training provided (a, b, c or d)	Country of origin of the expert(s) provided with training	No. participants from the corresponding country
Seminar	Asia/Pacific	90

ToR 8: To maintain a system of quality assurance, biosafety and biosecurity relevant for the pathogen and the disease concerned

15. Does your laboratory have a Quality Management System?

Yes

Quality management system adopted	Certificate scan (PDF, JPG, PNG format)
ISO/IEC17025	17025- Bio.pdf
Medical	Medical.pdf
Biological	17025- Bio.pdf

16. Is your quality management system accredited?

Yes

Test for which your laboratory is accredited	Accreditation body
Microscopic Aggultination Test	NATA
Leptospiral Culture	NATA
Leptospiral Real Time PCR	NATA

17. Does your laboratory maintain a "biorisk management system" for the pathogen and the disease concerned?

Yes

(See Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, Chapter 1.1.4)

ToR 9: To organise and participate in scientific meetings on behalf of the OIE

18. Did your laboratory organise scientific meetings on behalf of the OIE?
No
19. Did your laboratory participate in scientific meetings on behalf of the OIE?
No
ToR 10: To establish and maintain a network with other OIE Reference Laboratorie designated for the same pathogen or disease and organise regular inter-laboratory proficiency testing to ensure comparability of results
20. Did your laboratory exchange information with other OIE Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen or disease?
Yes
21. Was your laboratory involved in maintaining a network with OIE Reference Laboratories designated for the same pathogen or disease by organising or participating in proficiency tests?
No
22. Did your laboratory collaborate with other OIE Reference Laboratories for the same disease on scientific research projects for the diagnosis or control of the pathogen of interest?
No
ToR 11: To organise inter-laboratory proficiency testing with laboratories other than OIE Reference Laboratories for the same pathogens and diseases to ensure equivalence of results
23. Did your laboratory organise or participate in inter-laboratory proficiency tests with laboratories other than OIE Reference Laboratories for the same disease?
Yes
Note: See Interlaboratory test comparisons in: Laboratory Proficiency Testing at: http://www.oie.int/en/our-scientific-expertise/reference-laboratories/proficiency-testing see point 1.3

Purpose for inter-laboratory test comparisons ¹	No. participating laboratories	Region(s) of participating OIE Member Countries
External Quality Assurance	20	□Africa □Americas ⊠Asia and Pacific □Europe □Middle East

ToR 12: To place expert consultants at the disposal of the OIE

24. Did your laboratory place expert consultants at the disposal of the OIE?

Yes

Kind of consultancy	Location	Subject (facultative)
Ad hoc Group meetings	Brisbane and Sydney	Testing protocols

25. Additional comments regarding your report: