



**IX WORKSHOP EURL BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS**  
**Madrid, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023**  
**AGENDA**

<b>Wednesday 25<sup>rd</sup> October 2023</b>	
<b>INTRODUCTION</b>	
9:00 – 9:20	Welcome Dr. Lucía de Juan (Vice-rector for Research and Transference-UCM; EU-RL Director) Mr. Pedro Rosado (Officer European Commission) Dr. Beatriz Romero (Director VISAVET Centre)
<b>EU-RL ACTIVITIES</b>	
9:20 – 9:50	EU-RL presentation & Main activities. Working programme 2023-2024 Dr. Lucía de Juan (EU-RL)
9:50 – 10:20	EU-RL databases – protocol's database Dr. Lucía de Juan/Beatriz Romero (EU-RL)
10:20 – 10:40	CEN (European Committee for Standardization). CEN/TC 469 Animal health diagnostic analyses Dr. Beatriz Romero (EU-RL)
10:40 – 11:05	COFFEE BREAK
11:05 – 11:35	Non-tuberculous mycobacteria: Interference on the Immunological diagnosis of bovine tuberculosis Dr. Julio Álvarez/Alberto Gómez (EU-RL)
11:35 – 12:05	TB in domestic ruminants: anything new for antemortem diagnosis? Dr. Javier Bezos (EU-RL)
12:05 – 12:30	Evaluation of the interferon gamma assay in water buffalo Dr. Anna Donniacuo (Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale del Mezzogiorno, Italy)
12:30 – 14:00	LUNCH
<b>COMPARATIVE TESTS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES</b>	
14:00 – 15:00	Comparative test for Direct DNA extraction from tissue samples and bacteriological culture (2022) Dr. Víctor Lorente (EU-RL)
	Evaluation of the automatic-magnetic bead platform for DNA extraction and verification of the VetMAXTM <i>M. tuberculosis</i> complex kit. Dr. Víctor Lorente (EU-RL)
15:00 – 15:30	Comparative test for detection of IFN-g for the diagnosis of bovine tuberculosis (2022) Dr. Beatriz Romero (EU-RL)
15:30 – 16:00	COFFEE BREAK
16:00 – 17:00	Comparative test for molecular characterization of MTBC (2021) Dr. Víctor Lorente (EU-RL)
	Towards the standardisation of MTBC variant calling analyses – where are we going?. Dr. Víctor Lorente (EU-RL)



<b>Thursday Madrid, 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023</b>	
<b>EU-RL and NRL ACTIVITIES</b>	
9:00 – 9:25	Detecting the drawbacks of histopathology Dr. Antonio Rodríguez-Bertos/Néstor Porras (EU-RL)
9:25 – 9:50	A recent outbreak of bovine tuberculosis in Norway Dr. Marie Myklatun (NRL Norway)
9:50 – 10:15	Tuberculosis in experimental macaques: a little-known but very real problem Dr. M <sup>a</sup> Laura Boschioli (NRL France)
10:15 – 10:40	A case of animal tuberculosis in cats Dr. Janneke Allaart (NRL The Netherlands)
10:40 – 11:10	COFFEE BREAK
11:10 – 11:35	Experiences to date with the use of WGS at the Irish NRL Dr. James OShaughnessy (NRL Ireland)
11:35 – 12:00	The Greek National Reference Laboratory of bovine tuberculosis - ONE HEALTH approach Dr. Nana Karaoulani (NRL Greece)
12:00 – 12:25	New bTB surveillance program in Belgium using serology and IFNg tests Dr. Sylvie Marché (NRL Belgium)
12:25 – 12:45	Closing of the meeting & conclusions Mr. José Luis Sáez (Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food) Dr. Lucía de Juan/Beatriz Romero (EU-RL)