Epidemiologija, eradikacija i kontrola besnila u EU – primer Slovenije

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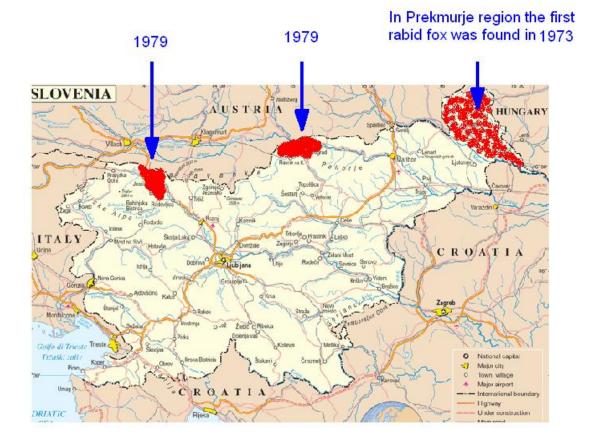
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> Beograd, 23. – 24. marta 2011. Hotel Kontinental, Vladimira Popovića 10 Oralna vakcinacija lisica i drugih divljih mesojeda protiv besnila u Srbiji - epidemilogija, nadzor i monitoring

Rabies in Slovenia– sylvatic form

- ➢ first rabies case in fox was found in 1973 in Prekmurje
- > second wave of rabies come from Austria in 1979
- ➢ fox (Vulpes vulpes) is main vector of rabies

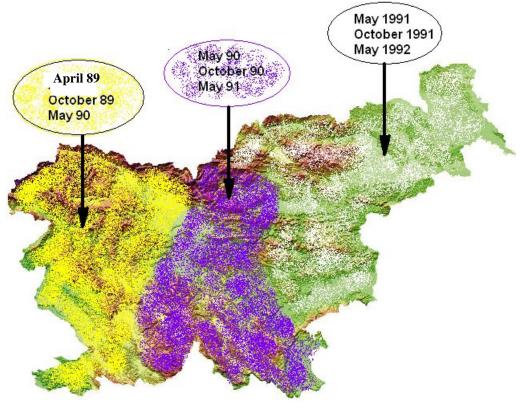




Rabies eradication program – trial period from 1988 - 1992

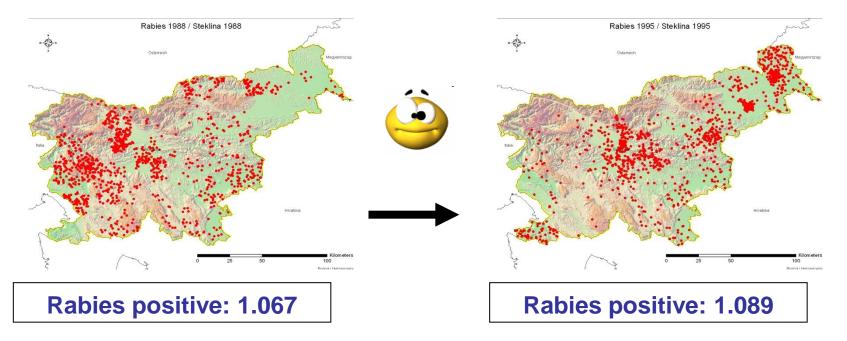
- Baits were distributed by hunters in first three campaigns
- Manual distribution: no GPS was used
- Vaccination area was spread step by step
- Each area was vaccinated 3 times
- > 16 to 20 baits km2





Characteristics of vaccination campaigns from 1988 - 1992

- Vaccination area was too small (3.000 8.000 km2/campaign)
- Difficulties with financing
- New rabies focuses in vaccinated areas
- Manual distribution the control over manual distribution of baits by hunters was not possible
- Density of baits (16 20 baits/km2) was too low



Aerial distribution of baits since 1995

- > Two campaigns per year since 1995
 - ✓ Spring (end of May, June)
 - ✓ Autumn (October, November)



- > Aircrafts are equipped by GPS and computer for storing of data
- Position of dropped baits are recorded (x, y coordinates)
- Distribution data is checked daily by Veterinary administration
- Fuchsoral vaccine has been used (previous also Lysvulpen)
- Density: 20 26 baits/km2

Characteristics of vaccination campaigns from 1995 - 2011

From 1995 – 2000: all territory of county was vaccinated (Lysvulpen® and Fuchsoral®)

2000 – 2008: only south part of country was vaccinated

Since 2009 all territory , only Fuchsoral®

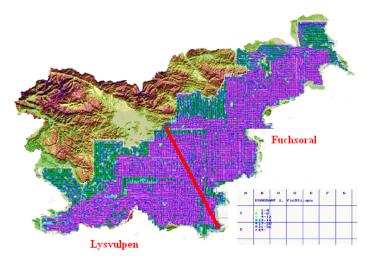
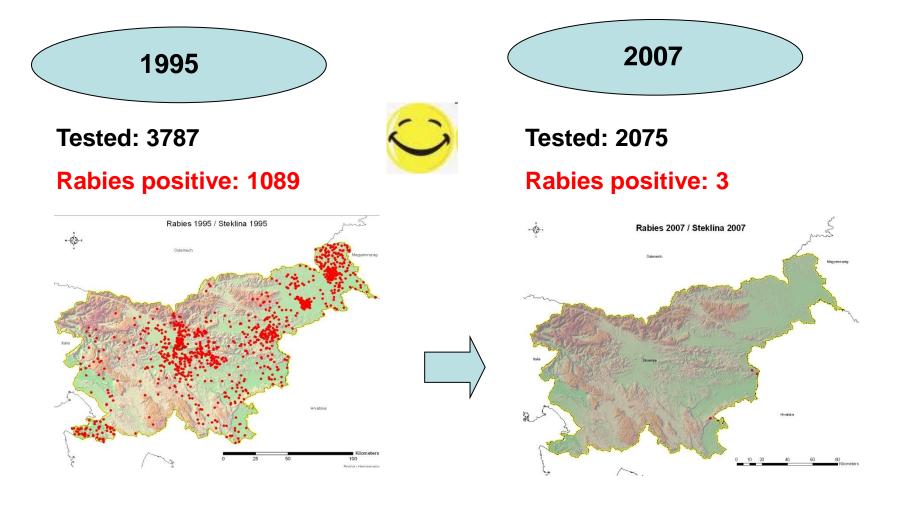
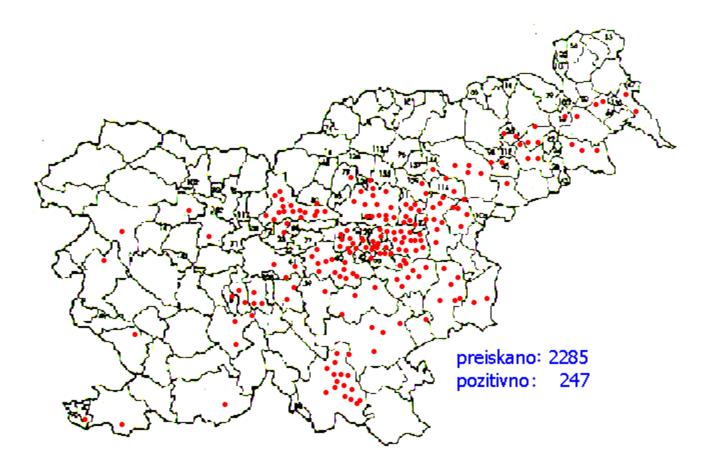
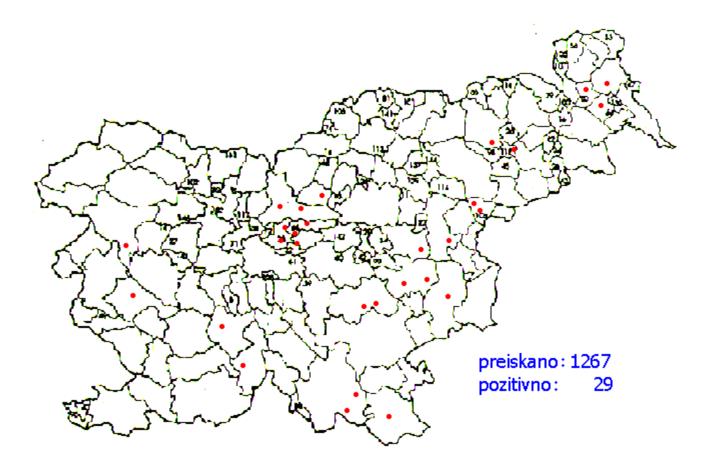


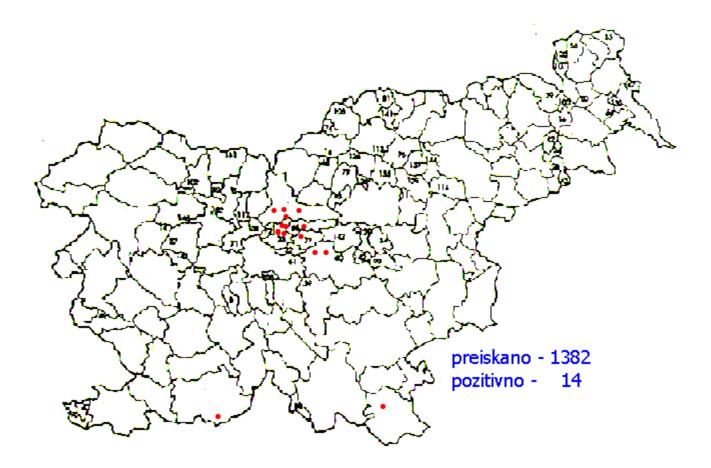
Fig1: Vaccination area from 2000 - 20008

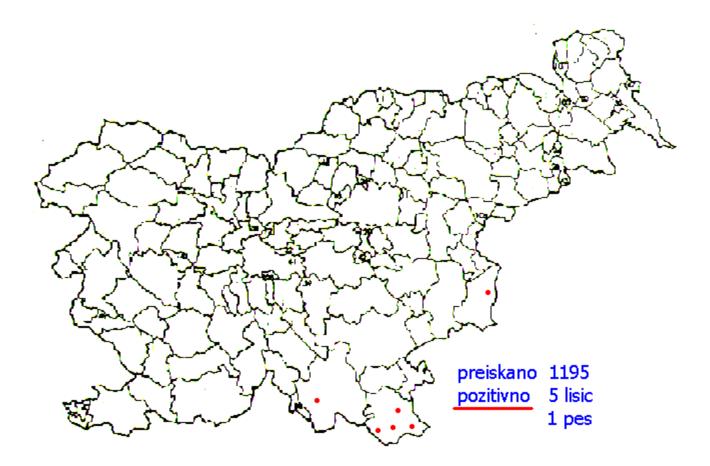
Results of vaccinations





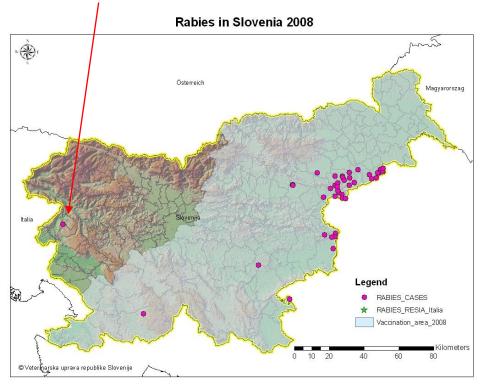






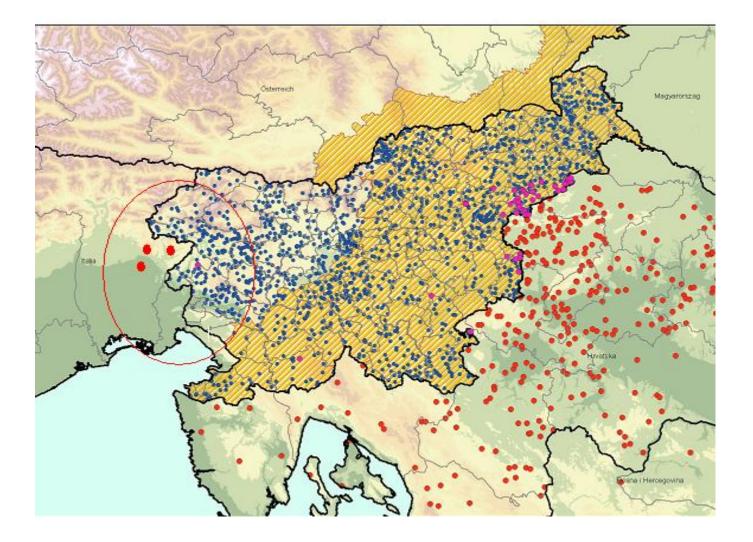
Characteristics of vaccination campaigns from 2001 - 2009

- nort- western part of the country was excluded from vaccination area
- all positive cases have been detected inside the vaccination area
 - ✓ except one fox in 2008

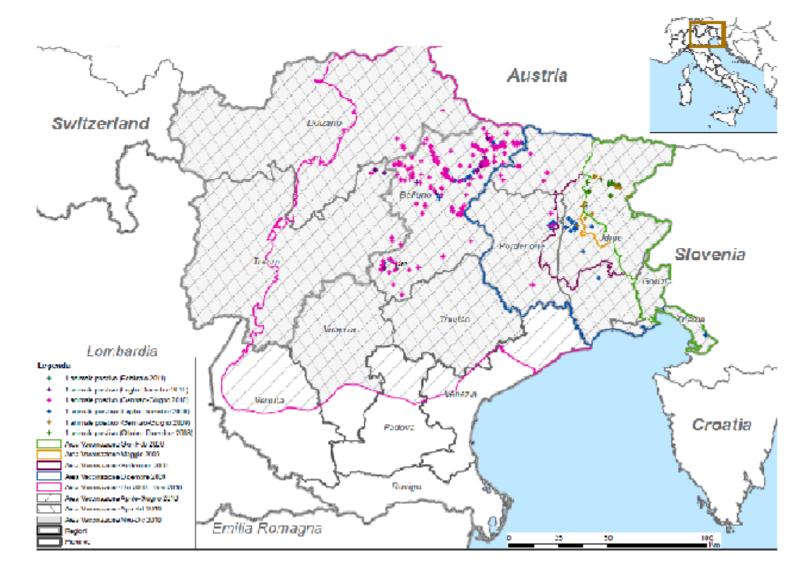


Year	Tested	Positive	
1995	3787	1089	
1996	2285	247	
1997	1224	29	
1998	1381	14	
1999	1195	6	
2000	1509	115	
2001	2153	135	
2002	1495	15	
2003	993	8	
2004	1612	2	
2005	1603	3	
2006	1896	2	
2007	2075	3	
2008	2619 55		
2009	2809	34	
Total	28605	1757	

Surveilance, positive cases and vaccination area in Italy, Slovenia, Austria in 2008



Rabies reintroduction in Italy – 2008, situation in 2010



- Passive surveillance
 - indicator animals are individuals suspected of having the rabies disease
 - > animals showing clinical signs
 - > abnormal behaviour suggestive of rabies
 - wild animals found dead and road-kills



Active surveillance







- Oral vaccination of foxes Report of Scientific Committee on Animal Health and Animal Welfare, October 2002
 - ✓ ORV group
 - VARS
 - RO VARS
 - MAFF
 - NVI
 - Slovene Forest Service
 - Slovene Hunting Association
 - Concessioner



- Veterinary Administration of the Republic of Slovenia HQ
 - ✓ preparation of Rabies eradication program
 - \checkmark submission for approval to the EC
 - ✓ financing
 - ✓ co-operation and communication
 - ✓ reporting, supervision, audit
- Veterinary Administration of the Republic of Slovenia Regional Offices
 - \checkmark control over implementation of the program
 - ✓ control of baits
 - ✓ control of ORV contractor and subcontractors
 - ✓ control of hunters, private practitioners, NVI and other organisations, involved in the program

National Veterinary Institute

- ✓ Central laboratory in Ljubljana (rabies diag.), 6 regional labs
- ✓ Routine rabies diagnostics
 - FAT, Virus isolation, Virus determination, FAVN test antibody titre, PCR

✓ Monitoring of ORV

 Bait titration, ELISA AB, determination of biomarker(TTC), age determination of foxes

✓ VHS - Veterinary Hygienic Service

- transportation of diagnostic material (e.g. foxes) from regional labs to the Central Unit
- on call everybody that finds dead or suspicious animal can call VHS to take the animal for the investigation
- ✓ Inter laboratory control (proficiency and ring tests)
 - NVI is on the list of approved labs for AB titration

Slovenian Forest Service

- ✓ Data on fox population
- ✓ Hunting and breeding plans cca. 5 foxes per 4.000 ha

Slovenian Hunting Association

- ✓ Sampling obligation according to the law on hunting
- ✓ Contracted to VARS
- ✓ 16,00 € per fox

Private practitioners

- ✓ Collect shot foxes and send them for rabies investigation
- \checkmark Observation of animals that bite a person
- \checkmark Vaccination of dogs, cats and other animals

Contractor for OVF

- ✓ Conduct OVF (purchase, distribution, planning, maps,...
- ✓ Develops and upgrades software and system

Co-operation and Communication

Co-operation and communication

- National
 - ✓ Commission for zoonosis
 - Ministry of Health Institute of public Health at least two meetings per year
 - ✓On regular basis
 - exchange of information between regional institutes for public health and central services of MH

International

- ✓ Exchange of information of OVF
 - With neighbouring countries
 - Co-ordinated OV campaign with neighbouring regions, countries (Styria, Hungary, Italy)

✓ Task force for monitoring disease eradication – Rabies subgroup

Co-operation and Communication

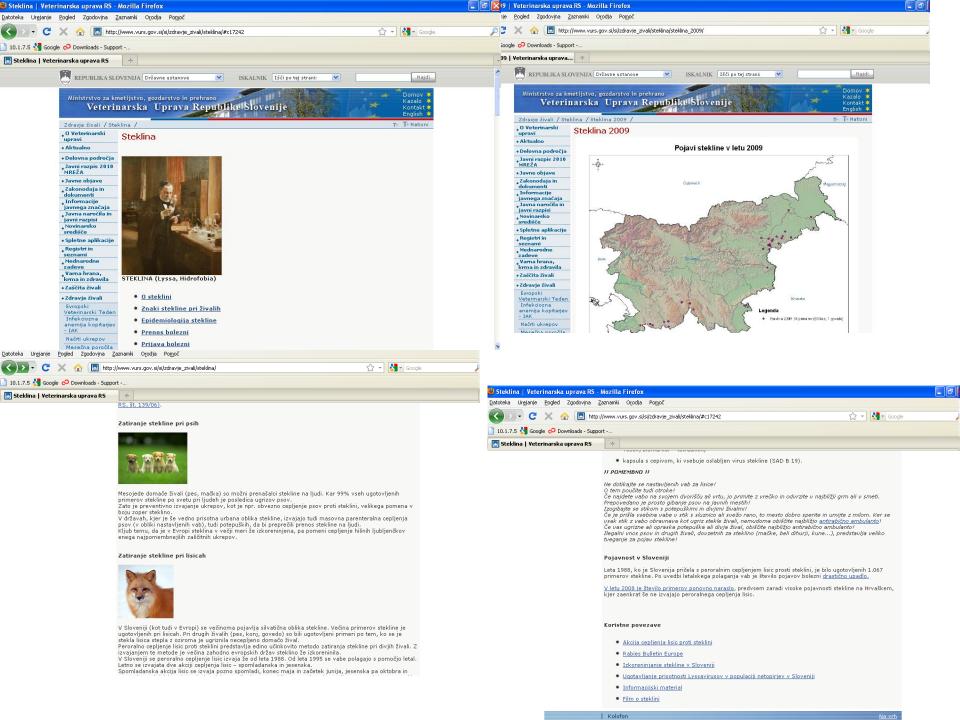
Co-operation and communication

✓ During OVF

- Press-releases, posters, brochures,...
- Information campaigns and lectures on WRD to promote disease awareness

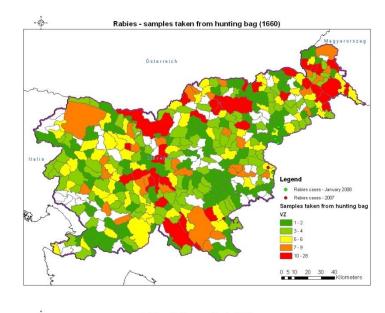


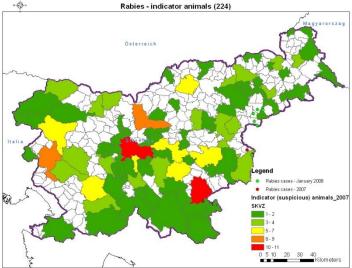




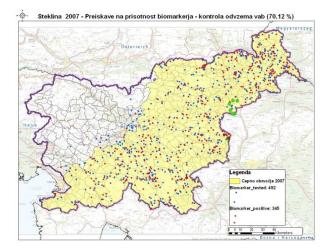
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- Evaluation of 2007 programme
 - Number of tested animals
 - ≥2.075
 - Number of tested foxes
 - 1.884 (1.660 out of hunting bag, 224 indicator animals)
 - Number of positives:
 - ≻3 positive
 - Determination of isolates
 - ≻"field" virus

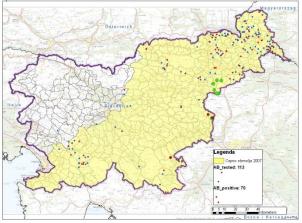




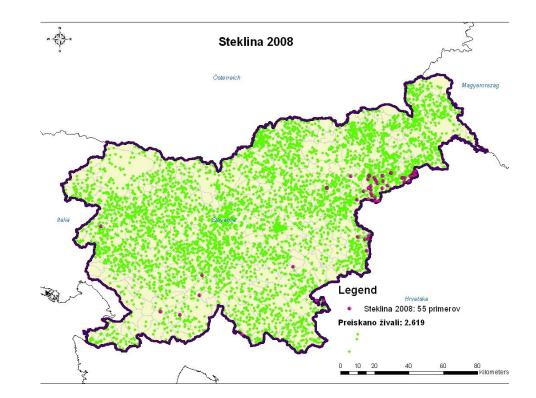
- Evaluation of 2007 programme
 - Control of vaccination
 - >determination of bio-marker TTC - 70 %
 - >detection of antibodies in blood samples – 62 %
 - Control of baits
 - >determination of virus titre in vaccine baits



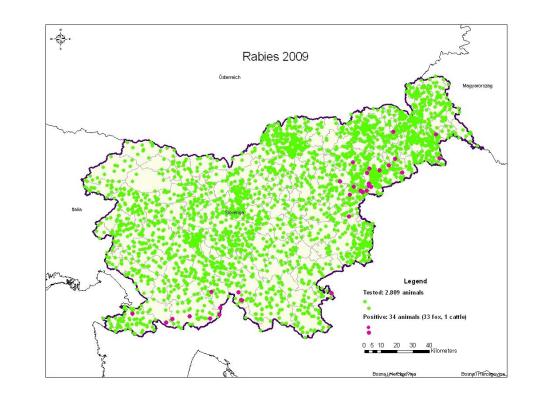
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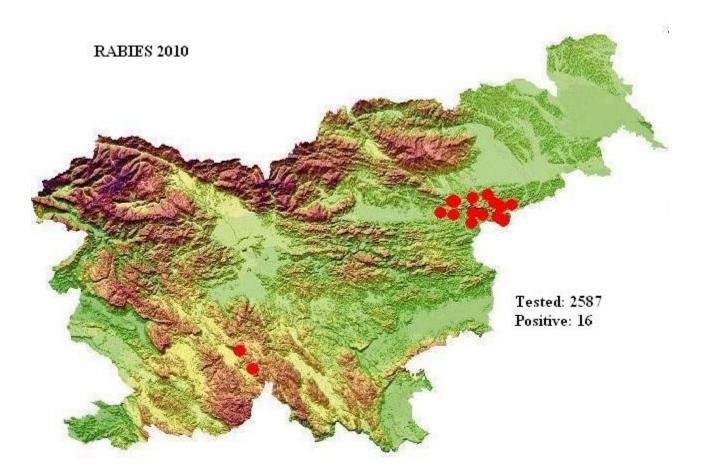


- Evaluation of 2008 programme
 - Number of tested animals
 - ≥2.619
 - Number of tested foxes
 - ≥2.332
 - Number of positives:
 - ≻55 positive (51 foxes, 2 badger, 1 dog, 1 horse)
 - Determination of isolates
 - ➤"field" virus
 - > Bait up-take
 - ≻79,53%
 - Immunity (AB detection)
 - ▶62,26%



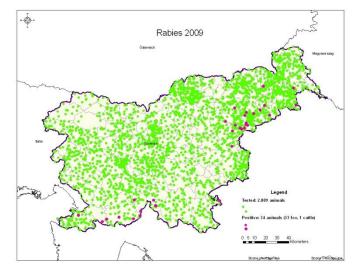
- Evaluation of 2009 programme
 - Number of tested animals
 - ≥2.809
 - Number of tested foxes
 - ≥2.482
 - > Number of positives:
 - >34 positive (53 foxes, 1 cattle)
 - Determination of isolates
 - ➤"field" virus, 1 vaccine
 - > Bait up-take
 - ≽61,42%
 - ≻76,22% over 1 year
 - Immunity (AB detection)
 - ≻70,77 %≻82,96% over 1 year

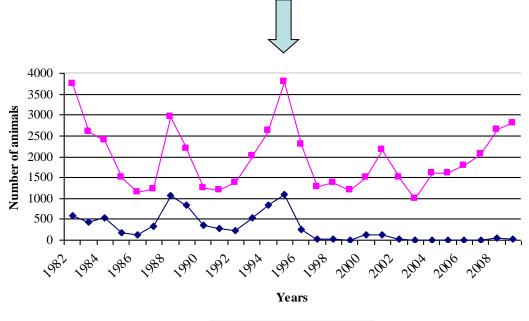




- monitoring of rabies (tested > 8 animals/100 km²)

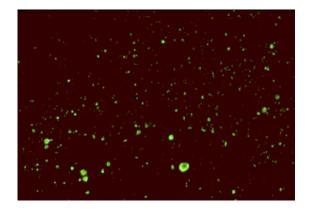
Beginig of the ORV using aerial distribution of baits





– positive –– tested

DECLINE OF RABIES CASES



- detection of biomarker (tetracycline)

Tetracyclin is incorporated in baits

control of bait up- take

Slide of tooth

	Tetracycli	ne	
Age	Tested	Positive	Percentage
< 6 mesec	427	101	23,65
od 6 do 12	493	373	75,66
1	455	331	72,75
2	131	106	80,92
3	53	49	92,45
nad 3 leta	40	31	77,50
Total	1599	991	

Results of baits up-take in foxes in 2009







Tetracycline lines in tooth

Detection of antibodies

- blood or body liquid sample of foxes
- test ELISA (Bio-Rad)

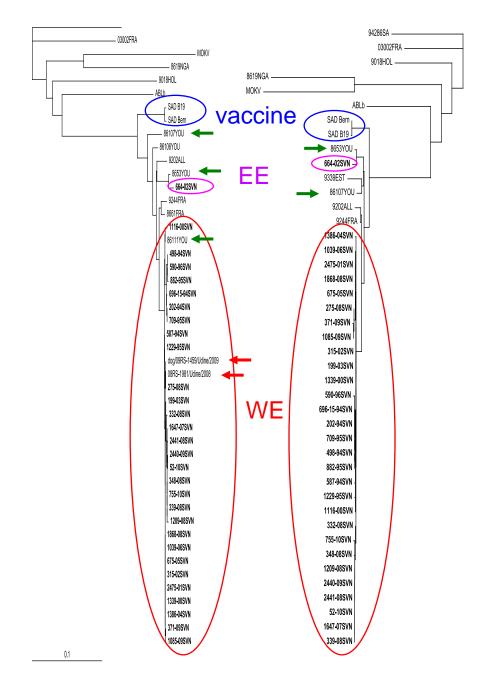


	Antibodie	es	
Age	Tested	Positive	Percentage
< 6 mesec	24	12	50,00
od 6 do 12	114	71	62,28
1	84	62	73,81
2	27	19	70,37
3	6	5	83,33
nad 3 leta	6	6	100
Total	261	175	

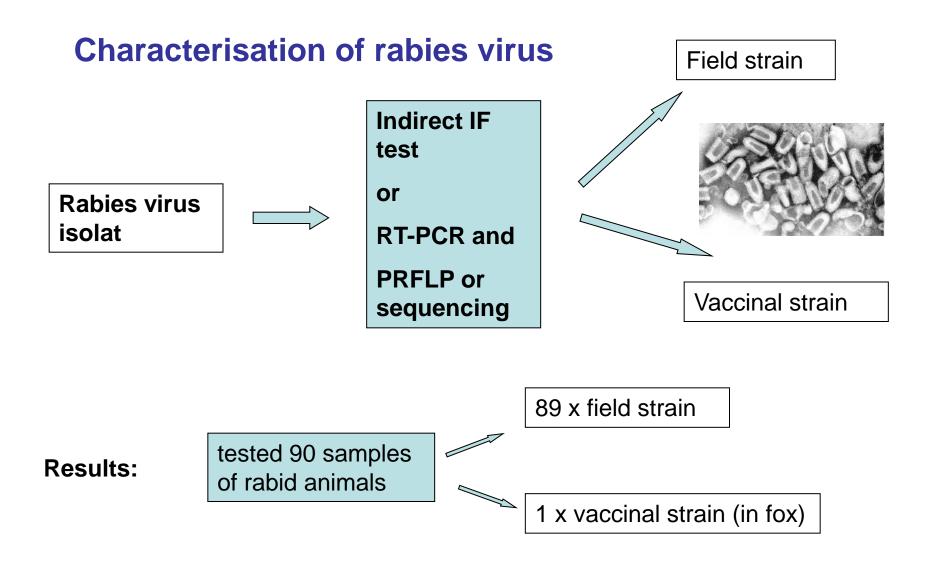
Recomendation:

> 70% prevalence

Prevalence of rabies antibodies in foxes in 2009



- Determination of sequences of N and G gene on the selection of 30 rabies positive samples (1994-2010)
- originated from red fox (n=19), badger (n=3), cattle (n=3), dog (n=2), cat (n=1), marten (n=1) and horse (n=1).
- form two genetic groups of closely related strains; 29 belongs to West Europe (WE) group
- Only one samples belong to East Europe (EE) group.
- strains were clearly different from vaccine strains SAD B19 and SAD Bern



RABIES SITUATION IN EUROPE

Countries eradicated rabies by ORV: Swiss, France, Belgium, Netherland, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Austria, Czech

2010

