

A Regional and Global Perspective on Pathogens at the Animal-Human-Environmental Interface

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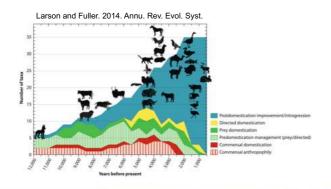
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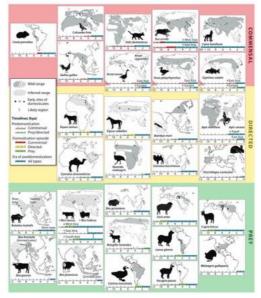


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Human-Animal Relationship

- Domestication started 12k years ago
- Global phenomenon
- Commensal, direct and prey pathway





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Human-Animal Relationship

https://www.foodnavigator.com

Common ground: close contact

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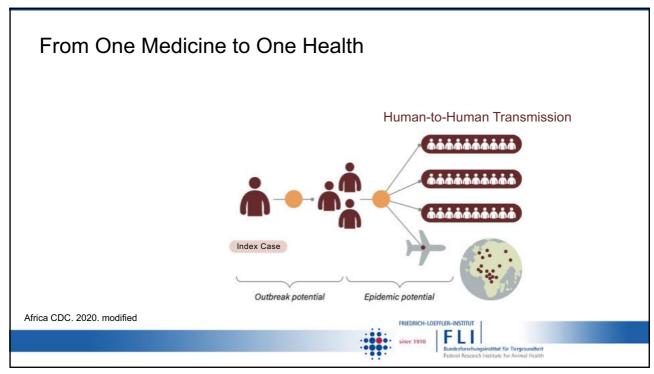


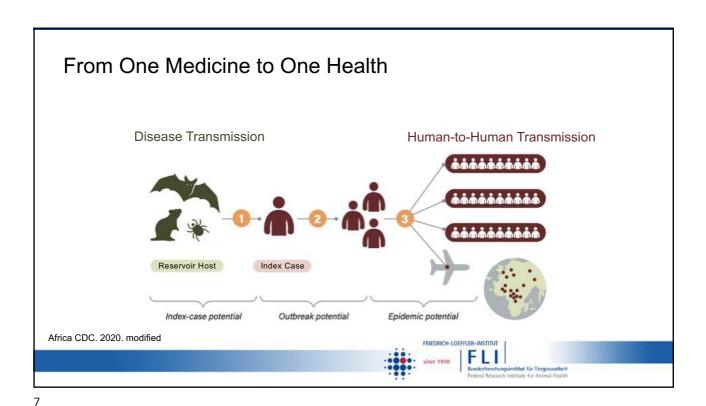
Rudolf Virchow (1855)

"Infectionen durch contagiöse Thiergifte - Zoonosen"



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From One Medicine to One Health

Disease Transmission

Human-to-Human Transmission

Ecosystem

Reservoir Host

Index-case potential

Outbreak potential

Africa CDC. 2020. modified

One Health High-Level Expert Panel (OHHLEP)

Definition of One Health

"One Health is an integrated, unifying approach that aims to sustainably balance and optimize the health of people, animals and ecosystems."

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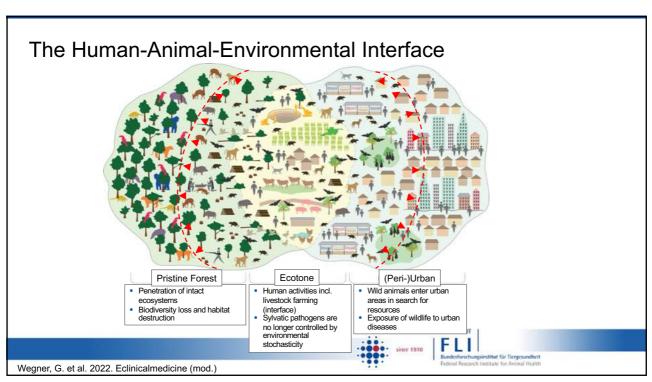


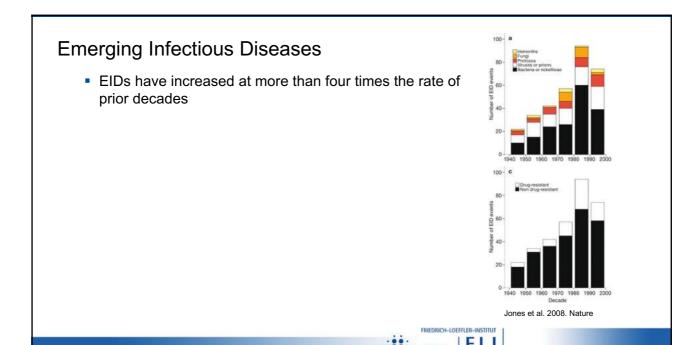


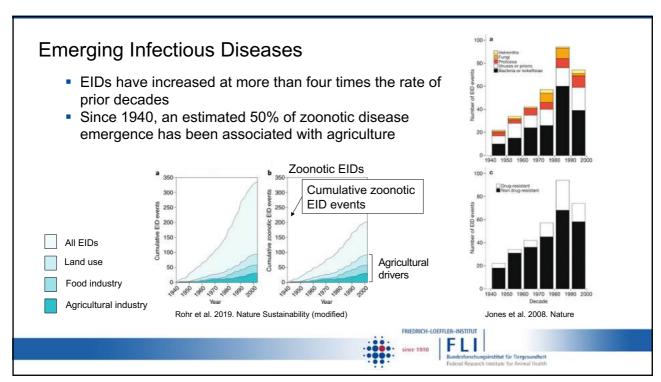


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Major Human Diseases of Animal Origin

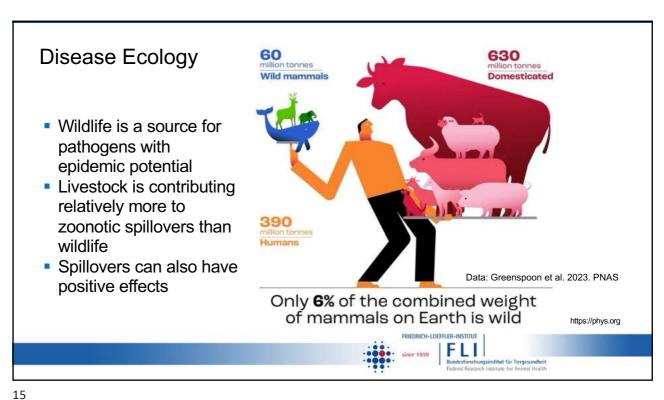
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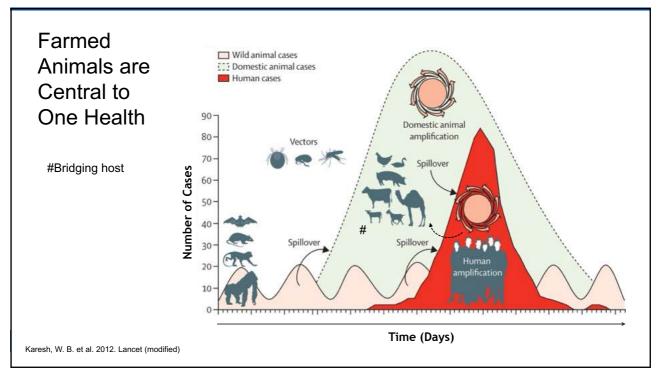
Swine flu (H1N1)

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Amplificatory and Incubator



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Transmission of SARS-CoV-2 on mink farms between humans and mink and back to humans

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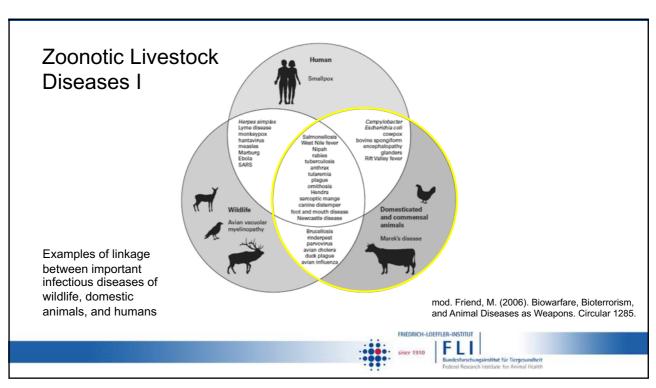
The Wild Side of Livestock (and Human) Health

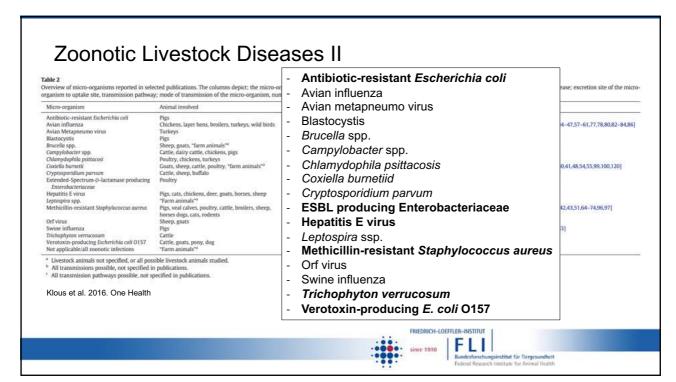
Pathogens transmitted between closely related species
Opportunistic pathogens in multi-genera systems



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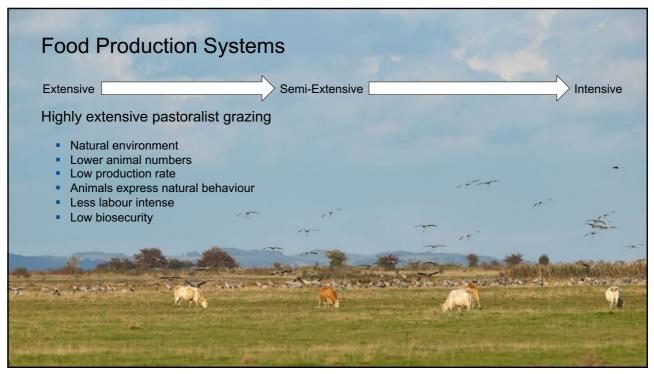






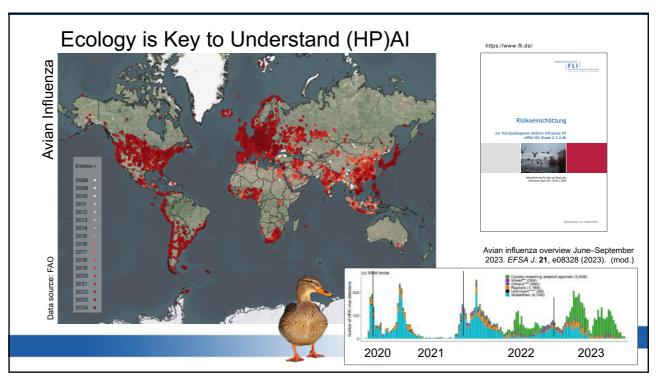
Emerging Infectious Diseases The pandemic risk from zoonotic livestock diseases must be seen in a global context Greatest Burden of Zoonoses Falls on One Billion Poor Livestock Keepers An I.R.I study shows that zoonotic diseases are major obstacles in pathways out of powerty for one billion poor livestock keepers. The diseases also infect more than one in seven livestock every year. ILRI study shows that zoonotic diseases in livestock cause 2.3 billion human illnesses and 1.7 million deaths/year. — ILRI study shows that zoonotic diseases in livestock keepers per spare kilometer to poor betteck keepers per spare kilometer poor livestock poor livestock keepers per spare kilometer poor livestock keeper

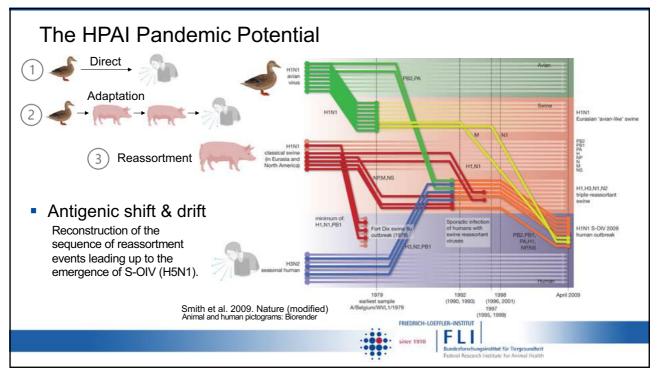
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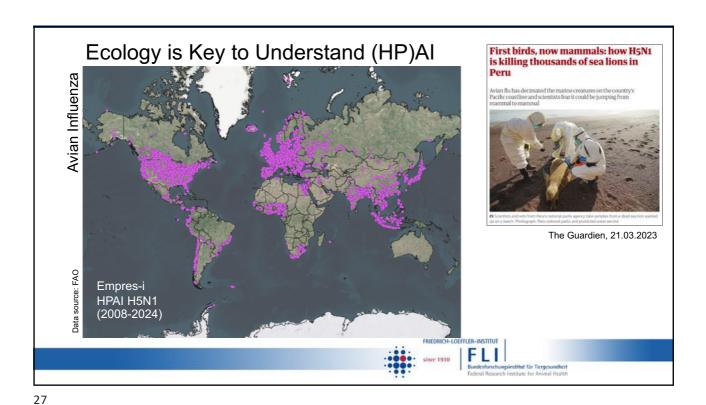








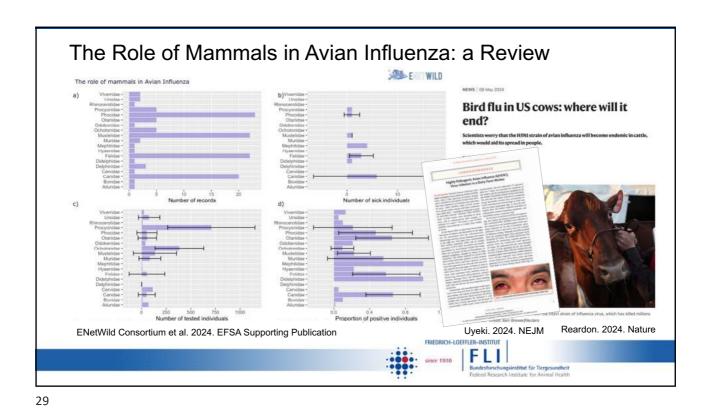




Mass Mortality of Marine Mammals Associated to HPAI (H5N1) in South America

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HPAI — The Ecological Disaster Is Near

Northern Gannet breeding colony in Scotland, UK

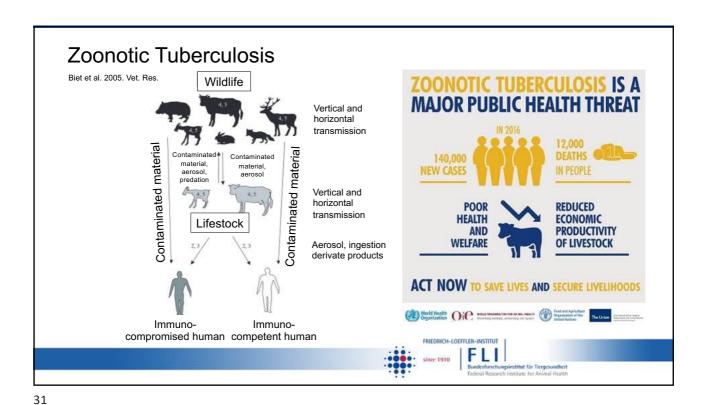
In 2023 HPAI reached Antarctica

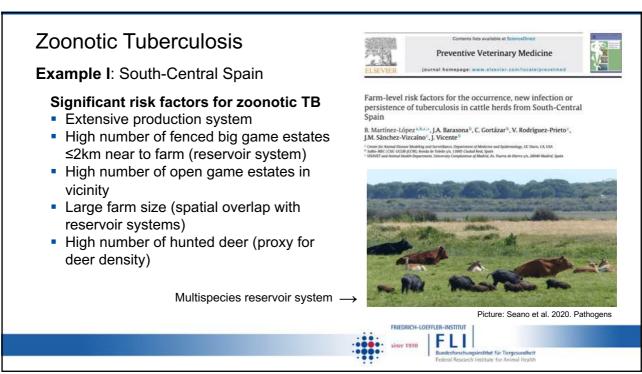
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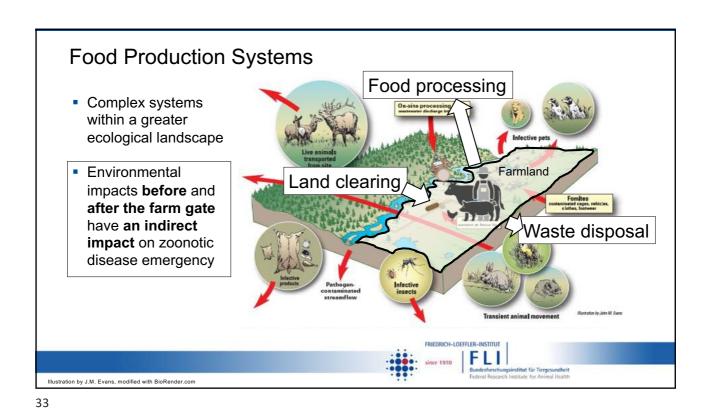
FAO Scientific Task Force on All in Wild Birds, Statement — July 2023

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Intensive Animal Management Strategies

Evidence of zoonotic disease emergence

Elevated risks

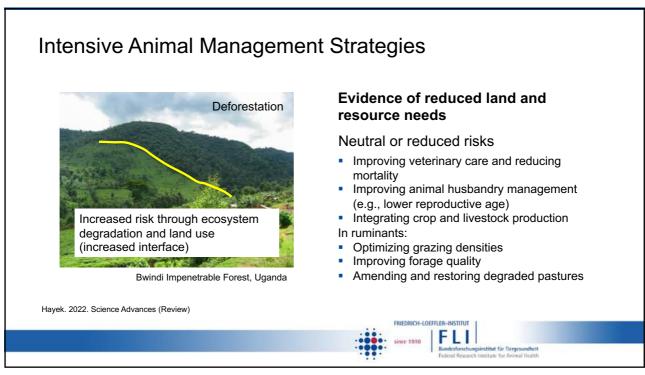
- Indoor production and confinement
- Genetic homogenisation
- Subtherapeutic and growth-promoting antibiotic use
- Long-distance transportation
- Physiological stress from crowding, confinement, and conflict (e.g., gestation crates, veal crates, and battery cages)
- Temporary/seasonal and transient human labour
- Concentrated animal waste

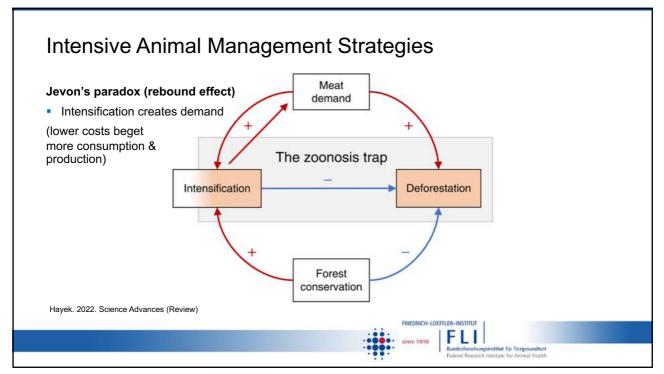
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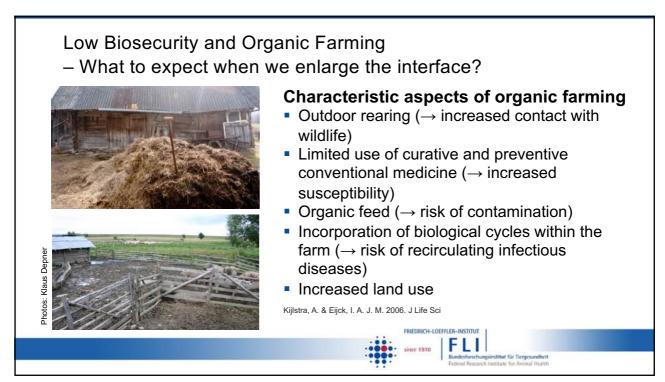
Commercial poultry farming, Ghana













- Dangerous interaction of two or more diseases in a population
- Leads to worse health outcomes

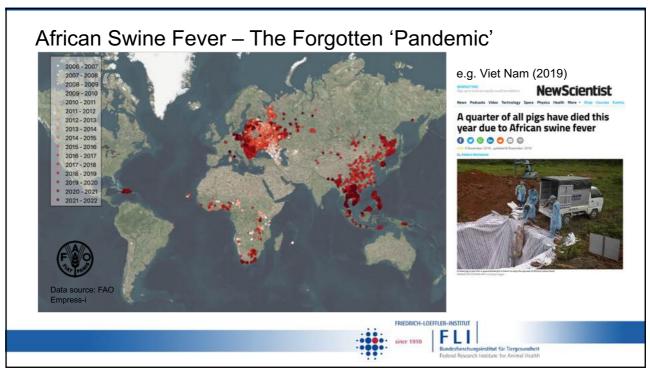
Classical examples in human health

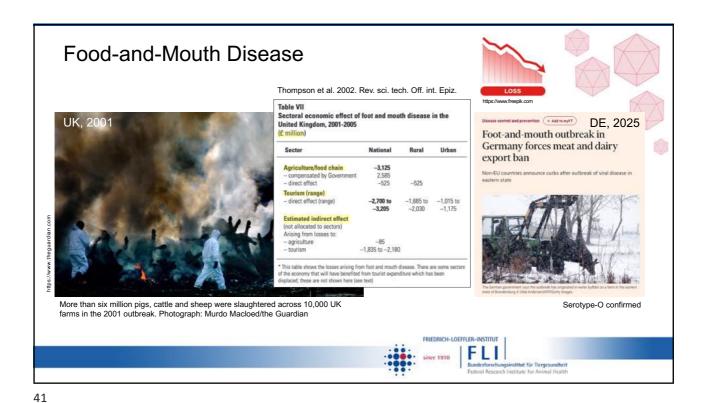
- Flu and bacterial infection
- HIV & tuberculosis
- Syphilis & HIV

Under the One Health approach we should also include non-zoonotic diseases!



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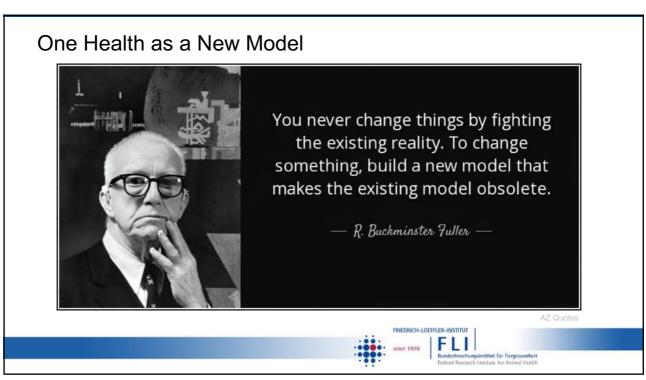


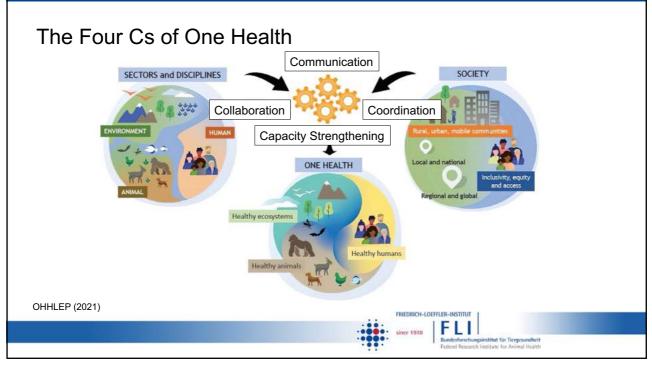
The Socio-ecological and Economical Context



- Farmers are globally aware of livestock diseases
- After reporting an outbreak and subsequent depopulation
 - Only global North gets financial compensation for depopulation
- Consequences
 - Lack of reporting
 - Market sale of sick animals and products (further spread of disease)
 - Increases risk behaviour (e.g., bushmeat consumption)
 - No access to health care







Communication

Authenticity and credibility

One Health is an ethical dilemma: Respect for all and harm for none?

- Conflicting interests
 - not always possible to act in the best interests of all
- Generally anthropocentric viewpoint
- How do we reach all levels of society?





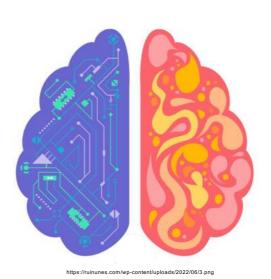




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Collaboration

- One Health does not mean everyone, or every institution is doing everything
 - We need specialists and generalists in all sectors
- Reversing conservative systems from competitive to collaborative
- Appreciation of the different research disciplines and depths
- Respectful and ethically correct
- Listen to the needs of your partner
 - Context specific





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Coordination

One Health Lighthouse Projects

- Local, regional and global showcase projects that demonstrate the positive effect of One Health
- Not only in the academic world
- Innovative thinking (out of the box)
- The motivation to change something (crossing borders)







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Institute of International Animal Health/One Health [est. 2020] Mandate and Mission

§27 (8) Tiergesundheitsgesetz (German Animal Health Law)

- Reinforcing German commitment and visibility in infectious disease prevention abroad
- Capacity strengthening and technical support for international partners





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Capacity Strengthening

The inequity in One Health

- Many countries in the tropics are committed to the One Health thinking (more than countries in the Northern Hemisphere)
- Uneven distribution of resources
 - Imbalance of the health system
- Cross-sectoral collaboration only possible when all partners have basic equipment and training

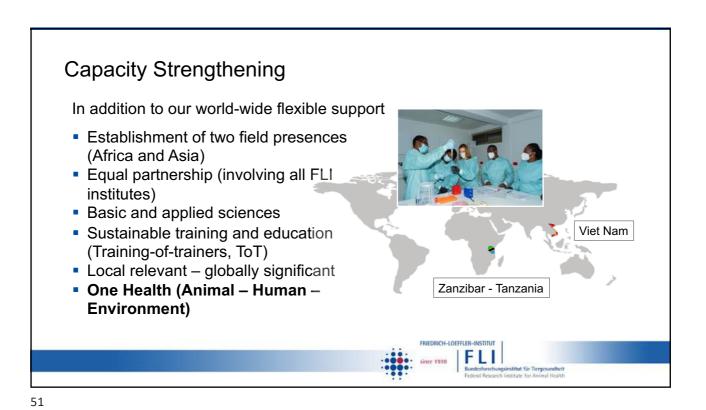


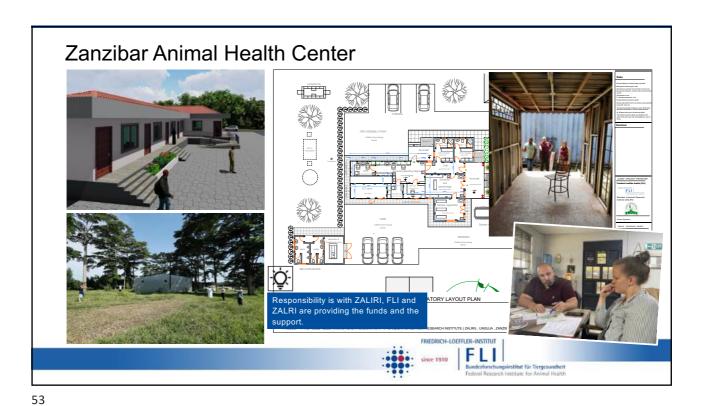
Livestock Health 'Data Hub', Zanzibar 2022



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1st FLI-Field School





"Healthy Livestock - Healthy People" 27.11.-01.12.2023

- Highly recognised by the Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar (Preseident of Zanzibar)
- Opening speech by Hon. Shamata Shaame Khamis (Minister, Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation, Natural Resource and Livestock)
- Training-of-Trainer (ToT) approach

Learning objective

- Recognizing sick animals
- Herd health
- Case definitions
- Differential diagnoses
- Knowledge of correct and high quality sampling
- Overview of livestock diagnostics
- Interpretation of the results





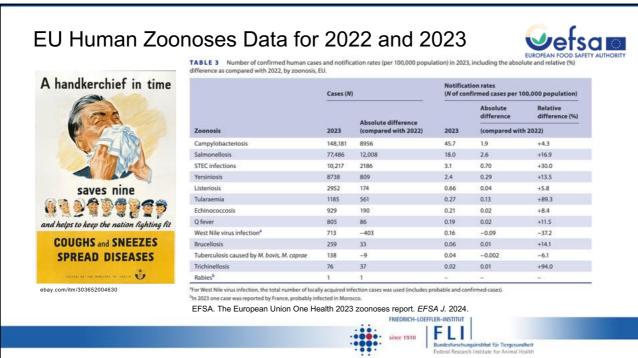
What We Can Learn From The Global South?

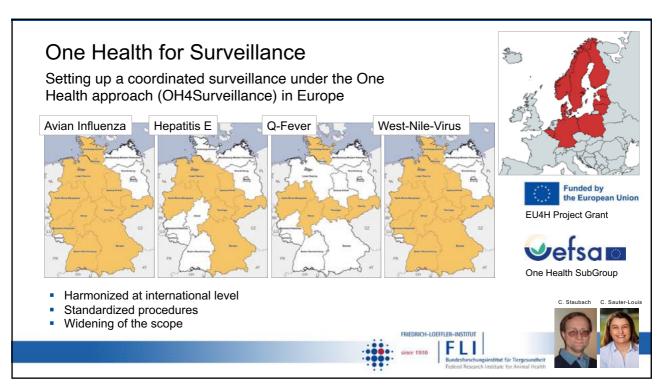


- National One Health Strategic Plans
- Transforming traditional systems into intersectoral transdisciplinary workspaces
- Information about emerging and reemerging pathogens
- Data needed to evaluate the One Health approach



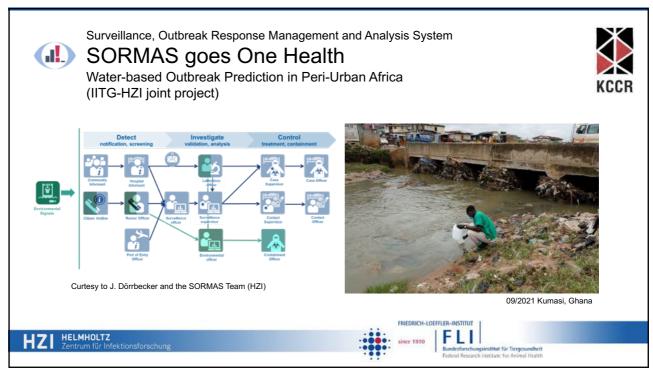












Water Sources Kumasi, Ghana 2 L surface water/site per Antibiotic-resistant week Enterobacteriaceae resistant to thirdgeneration 7 weeks cephalosporins (ESBLsampling producers) High-risk clonal Escherichia coli lineages that are usually multi-drug resistant and highly virulent for humans and animals Eger et al. 2024. JAC-Antimicrob Restist Knauf et al. in prep FLI HELMHOLTZ

Quadripartite's One Health Joint Plan of Action

Action track 1: Enhancing One Health capacities to strengthen health systems

Action track 2: Reducing the risks from emerging and reemerging zoonotic epidemics and

pandemics

Action track 3: Controlling and eliminating zoonotic, neglected tropical and vector-born diseases

Action track 4: Strengthening the assessment, management

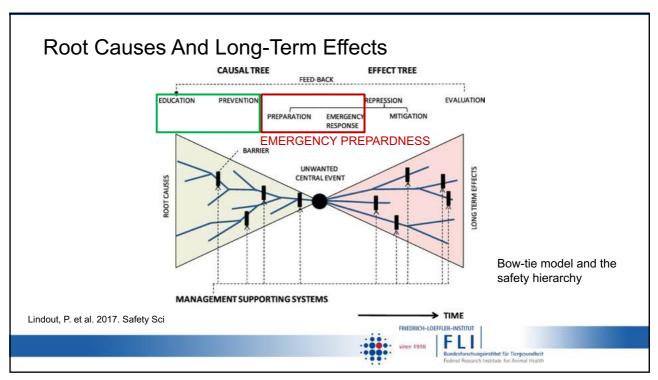
and communication of food safety risks Action track 5: Curbing the silent pandemic of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

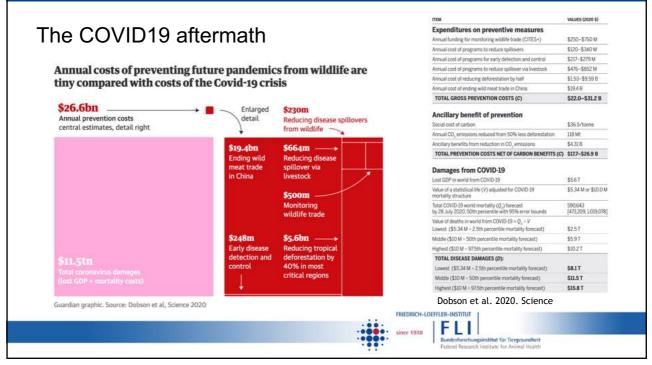
Action track 6: Integrating the environment into One Health





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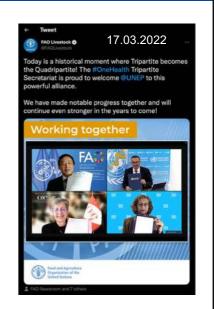




Conclusion

- There is no magic in One Health
- Lead by example
- On the local, regional and global level
- Animal, human AND environment
- Don't allow One Health to become a 'new' silo
- Be committed to 'Good Scientific Practice'
- One Health is politically supported (the momentum is now)

"If you want to go quick, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."





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