Protection of pigs against the Aujeszky's disease by a new oily inactivated vaccine. Practical consequences


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The immunogenic properties of a new oily inactivated vaccine were studied in pigs after weaning and in piglets from immunized sows. The presence of a high level of circulating antibodies in these animals was accompanied by resistance of the pigs after challenge with the virulent strain. A secondary reaction appeared at the moment of the booster injection and seemed to be an allergic phenomenon related to the virus protein. In spite of this disadvantage this vaccine might be useful in prevention of the Aujeszky's disease.

Internal parasites in suckling piglets related to the parasites of the sow and hygienic conditions in the farms

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We controlled the parasites and lesions found in piglets at weaning when the sow voided a high level of nematode eggs: on an average, in 30 sows at farrowing, 3,550 eggs/g of Oesophagostomum, 73 eggs/g of Hysteroglymus and 50 eggs/g of Ascaris. 30 sows and litters in 14 farms were controlled i.e. a total of 262 piglets for egg counts, among which 62 were killed for worm counts. After having distributed the sows and their litters according to the actual hygienic conditions, we controlled: