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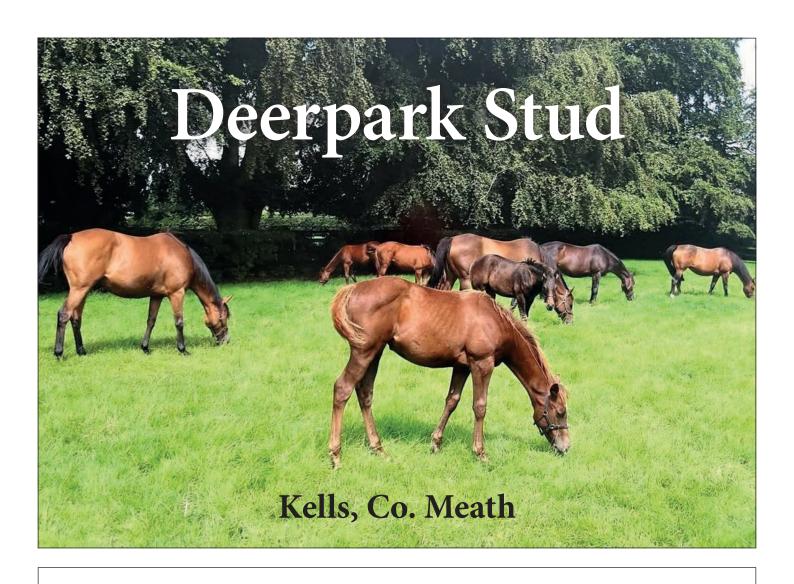
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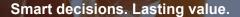


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The funds raised from last year's event were used for essential refurbishments, which we hope you agree have significantly improved the entrance, corridors, laboratories, offices, and staff canteen at our aging facilities. We continue to rely on your support not only for this event but also through the daily and seasonal testing you send us. Without this, we would not be able to uphold Sean's vision of safeguarding the health and wellbeing of Ireland's horse population.

I would like to acknowledge our dedicated staff, who consistently work with drive and enthusiasm, supported by robust quality testing processes, to deliver excellent service, especially during what has been a challenging breeding season. Your samples have enabled us to provide independent diagnostics, education, research, and allied services to the Irish horse industry and beyond, every single day of the year.

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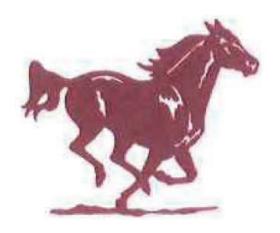
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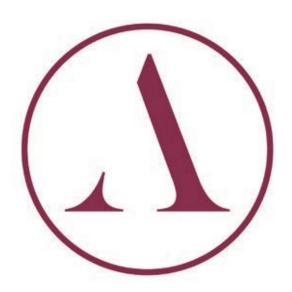
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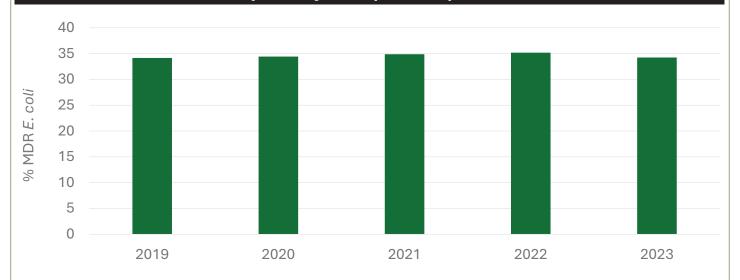
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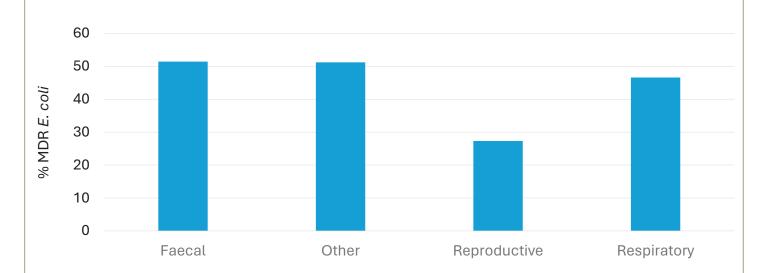


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E. coli from the equine reproductive system display less MDR than those from other body sites (n=2466).



Background

Infections caused by bacteria resistant to various antimicrobials pose a risk to horse health and welfare.

Multi-drug resistant bacteria are of particular concern as there are limited options available for treatment.

E. coli is a common cause of infections in horses and can develop and acquire antimicrobial resistance relatively easily.

Methods

Antimicrobial susceptibility data for *E. coli* isolated at the Irish Equine Centre from 2019 to 2023 were retrieved for analysis. The data was analysed by year of isolation and site of origin. The proportions of MDR *E. coli* were compared using the Z-test.

Results

No significant difference in occurrence of MDR in E. coli between years was detected. Isolates from the reproductive system were more likely to be MDR than isolates of faecal, respiratory or other origin.

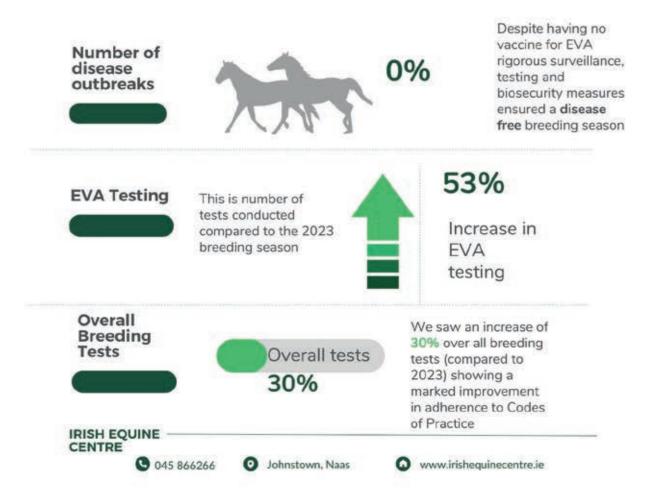
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