

Tetracore supports the US Federal Agri departments with ASF and FMD diagnostic kits

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Tetracore, Inc., a biotechnology company that develops infectious disease diagnostics and assays, has partnered with the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) to supply PCR kits for both African Swine Fever (ASF) and Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD).

Kits are procured to stockpile in National Animal Vaccine and Veterinary Countermeasures Bank to prepare for an unforeseen outbreak of high-consequence Foreign Animal Disease (FAD).

The VetAlert[®] ASF and FMD Diagnostic Test kits have been updated using contemporary viral sequences, to ensure the test remains fit for purpose. As the only USDA licensed PCR kits for these diseases, Tetracore's VetAlert[®] ASF and FMD Diagnostic Test kits will be critical in minimizing the detrimental impacts of a FAD outbreak.

US food production is under threat from ASF in the Dominican Republic. The livestock industry can suffer devastating economic consequences from outbreaks of FMD and ASF. This threat necessitates readily available, accurate, and validated diagnostics.