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Introduction



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Short communication

A new predilection site of *Mycoplasma bovis*: Postsurgical seromas in beef cattle



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ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Veterinary Record Case Reports

FOOD/FARMED ANIMALS

Atypical case of parietal fibrinous peritonitis in a Belgian Blue heifer without a history of laparotomy

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SUMMARY

A 19-month-old Belgian Blue heifer was referred to the Veterinary Clinic of Liege University. The heifer was 2 months pregnant by insemination and presented hyperthermia, anorexia and weight loss. Rectal palpation revealed a large, depressible abdominal mass. Diagnosis of parietal fibrinous peritonitis (PFP) was made by ultrasound, revealing a liquid and fibrin filled

University of Liège. The heifer had undergone an artificial insemination (AI) 2 months before and had been confirmed pregnant by ultrasound examination. After that, the heifer had shown a gradual reduction of feed intake, increasing symptoms of abdominal pain and hyperthermia. The referring veterinarian had treated the heifer intravenously with a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory

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Comparison between generalised peritonitis and parietal fibrinous peritonitis in cows after caesarean section

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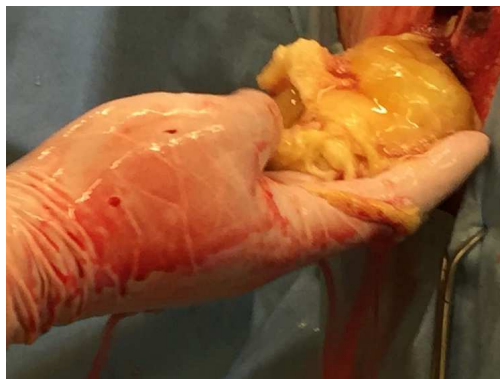
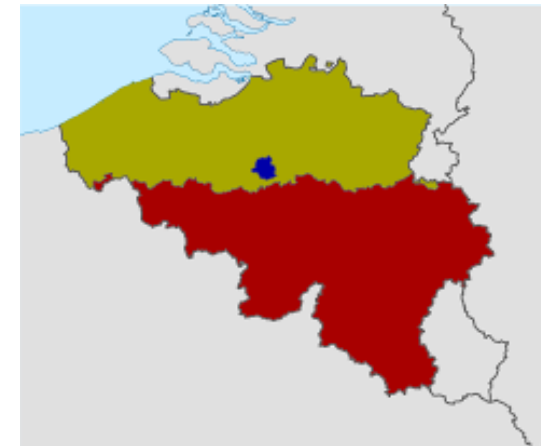
Abstract

Background Parietal fibrinous peritonitis (PFP) and generalised peritonitis (GP) are two postoperative complications in cows, characterised by fluid and fibrin accumulation throughout the peritoneum (GP) or in an



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Material and methods



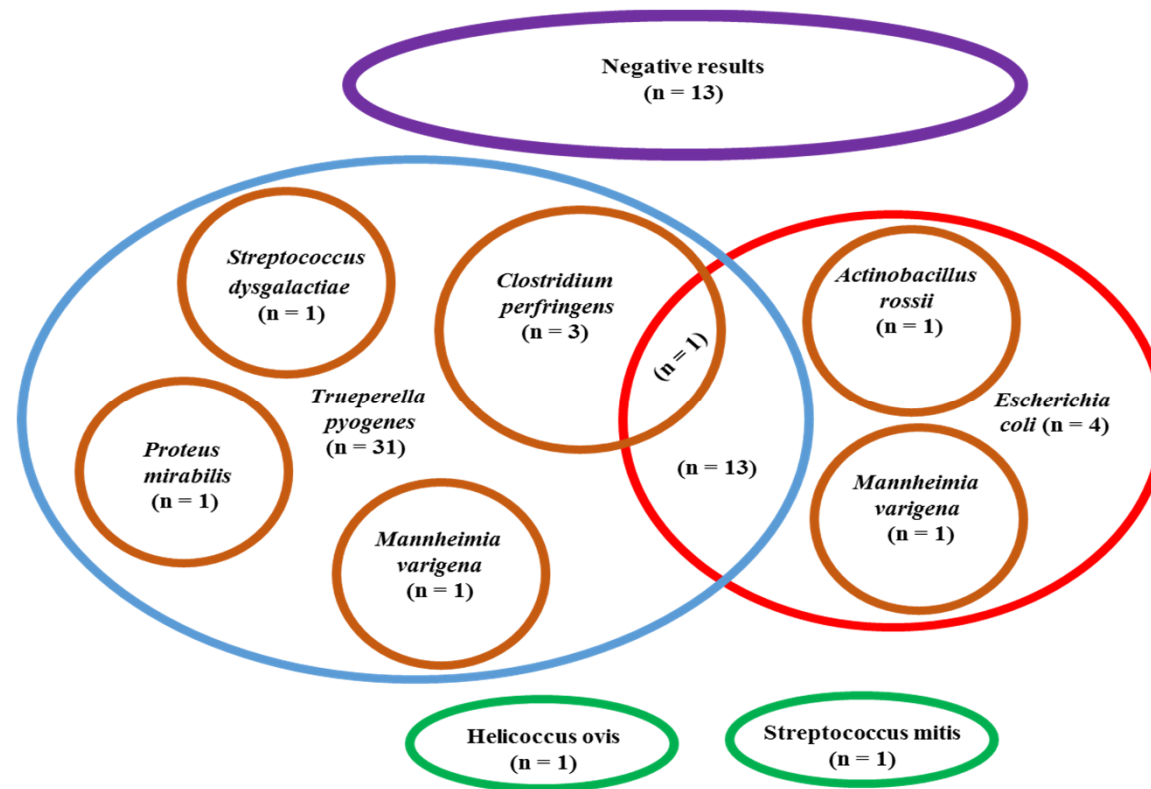
qPCR + serology
(*BoHV4*, *M. Bovis*, *C. burnetii*)
+
bacteriology





Results and discussion

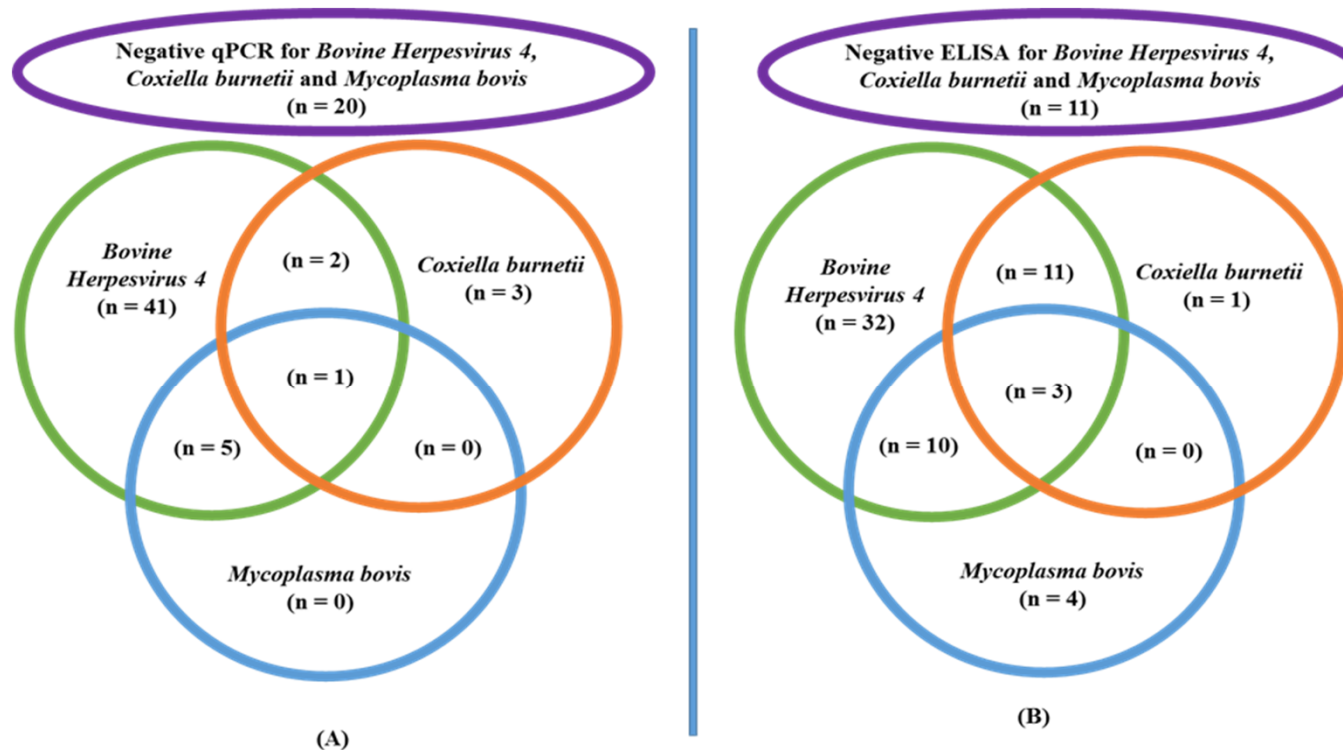
Results of bacteriological culture in peritoneal exudate samples, with specific focus on the 51 positive samples for *T. pyogenes* and 20 positive samples for *E. coli*.





Results and discussion

- A) Results of qPCR** in peritoneal exudate samples, with a specific focus on the 49 positive samples for *BoHv4*.
- B) Results of ELISA** in blood samples, with specific focus on the 56 positive samples for *BoHv4*.





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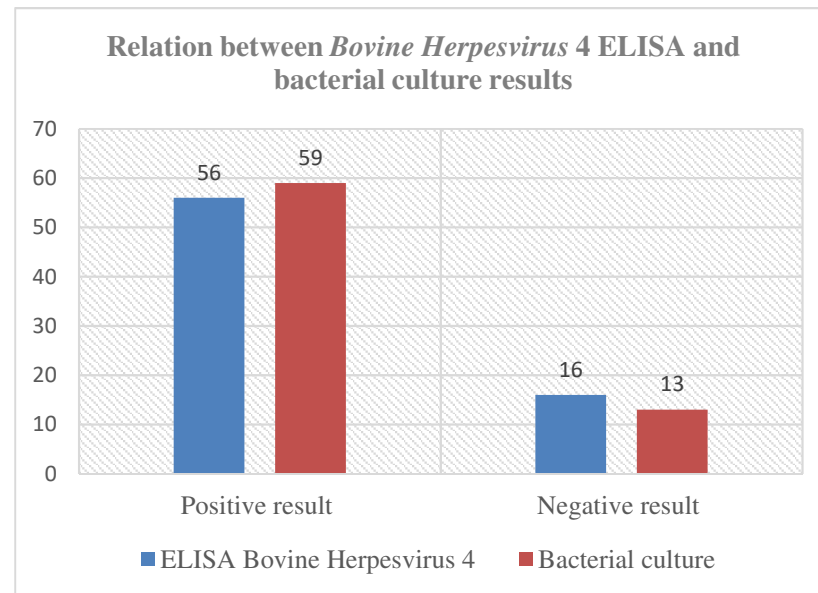
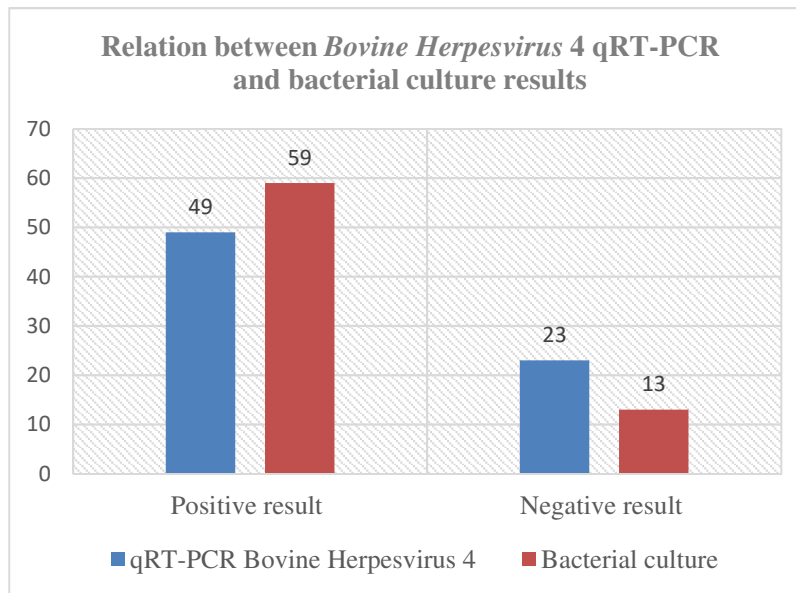
Combined results of ELISA (blood Samples) and qPCR (peritoneal sample) for *BoHv4*, *C. burnetii* and *M. bovis* in the 72 cows affected by parietal fibrinous peritonitis.

Results of qPCR and ELISA of the three searched germs		qPCR	
		Positive	Negative
<i>Bovine Herpesvirus 4</i>			
ELISA	Positive	45	11
	Negative	4	12
<i>Coxiella burnetii</i>			
ELISA	Positive	2	13
	Negative	4	53
<i>Mycoplasma bovis</i>			
ELISA	Positive	3	14
	Negative	3	52



Results and discussion

Relation between ELISA and qPCR of *BoHv4* with the bacterial culture results





Conclusion

- Parietal fibrinous peritonitis (PFP) can no longer be considered as a sterile process.
- Our study confirms previous reports of *M. bovis* in the peritoneal fluid of cows
- PFP is a new target sites for *BoHV4*, *C. burnetii* and other bacterial species
- The origin of the identified germs endogenous and exogenous contaminations of CS or due to the haematogenous spread.
- The exact role in these germs in the pathogenesis of PFP cannot be concluded, it requires further studies.

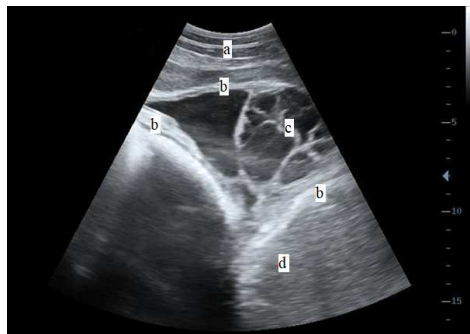


Article

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