

**Ministry of Environment and Food of Denmark** Danish Veterinary and Food Administration

# The 'balloon effect' – intervention triggers shift between antimicrobial classes

How interventions on one substance effect the use of other substances – for gastrointestinal disorders in weaner pigs

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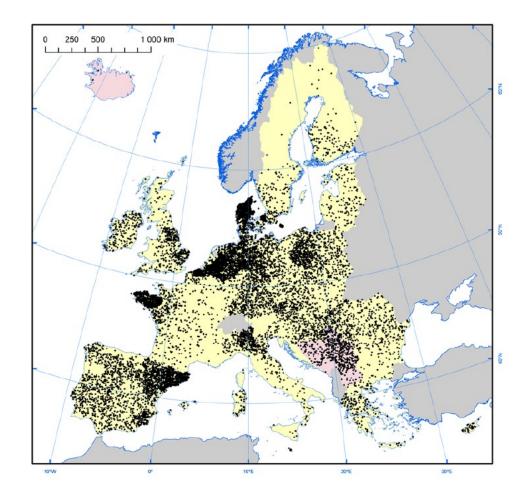
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**Balloon** effect. ... The name draws an analogy between efforts to eradicate the production of illegal drugs in South American countries and the phenomenon of the same name when a latex **balloon** is squeezed: The air is moved, but does not disappear, instead moving into another area of less resistance. (Wikipedia).

Banning the use of specific substances may lead to increase selection pressure on the remaining antimicrobials, and thereby speed development of AMR





Map 1: Number of sows by region (2013) - Source: Eurostat (agr\_r\_animal)

Danish livestock 2017

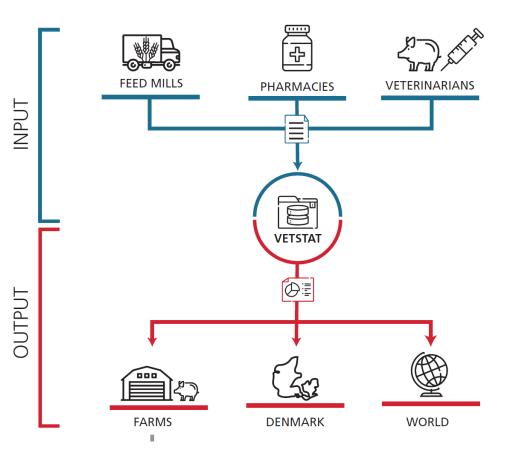
0.5 million cattle0.5 million dairy cows32 million swine (14 million pigs exported)117 million broilers

share 43,000 sq km land with 6 million people



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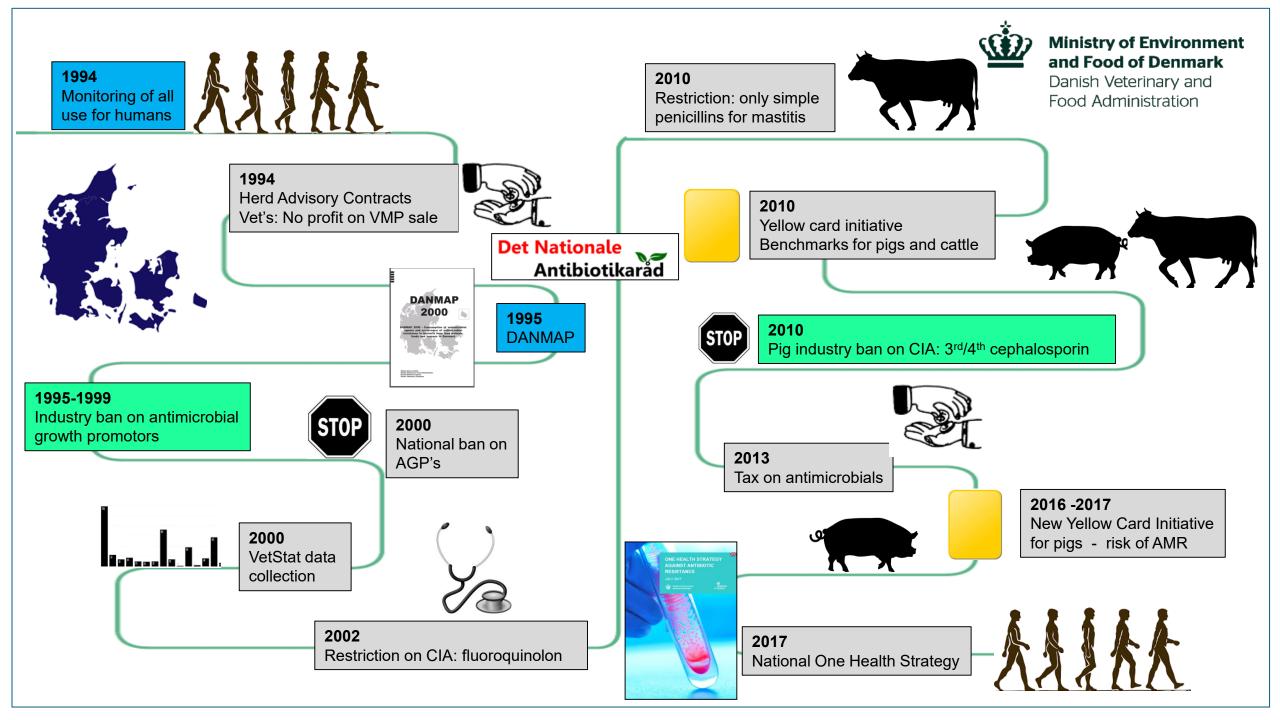
## Surveillance of AMU in VetStat



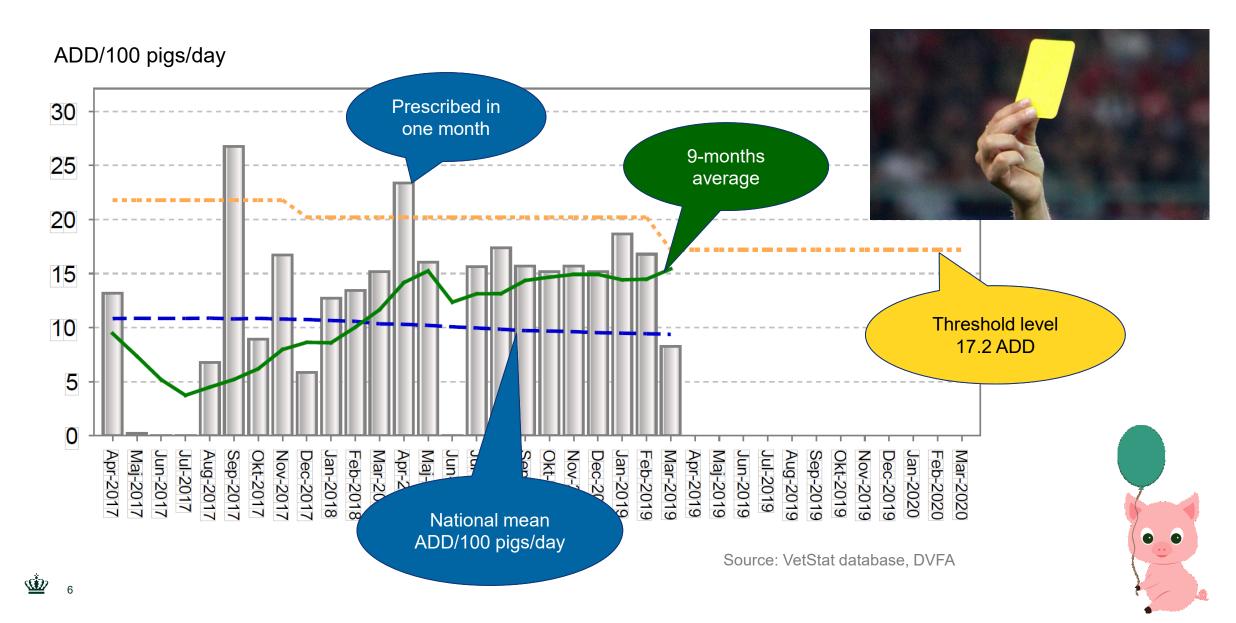
The VetStat database (2000) records the age of the target group and the reason for prescribing antimicrobials

Data on antimicrobial sales for the pig sector are predominantly entered from the prescription information submitted by pharmacies at the point of sale to the pig producer

In addition, medicines used or sold by veterinarians are recorded in VetStat by the veterinarian

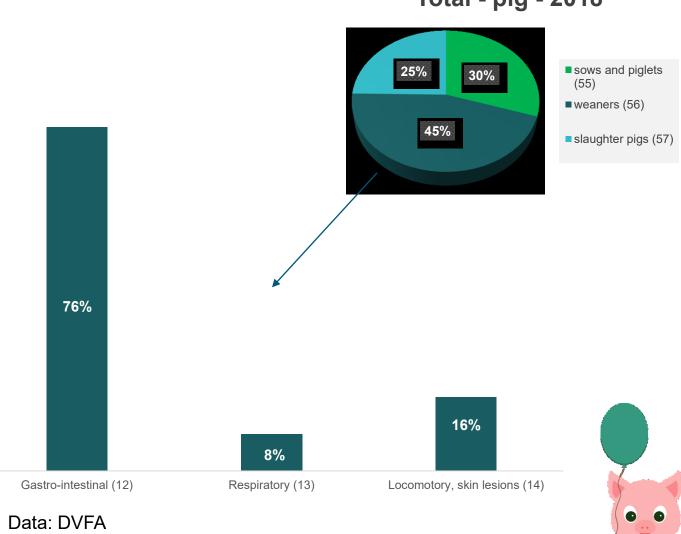


# AMU benchmark for a weaner pigs herd (7-30 kg)



## **Antimicrobial treatment of weaner pigs**





## An incentive to more prudent use

The 'Yellow card' initiative with threshold values for pigs has been in place in Denmark since 2010. In 2015 it was decided politically to promote a more prudent use.

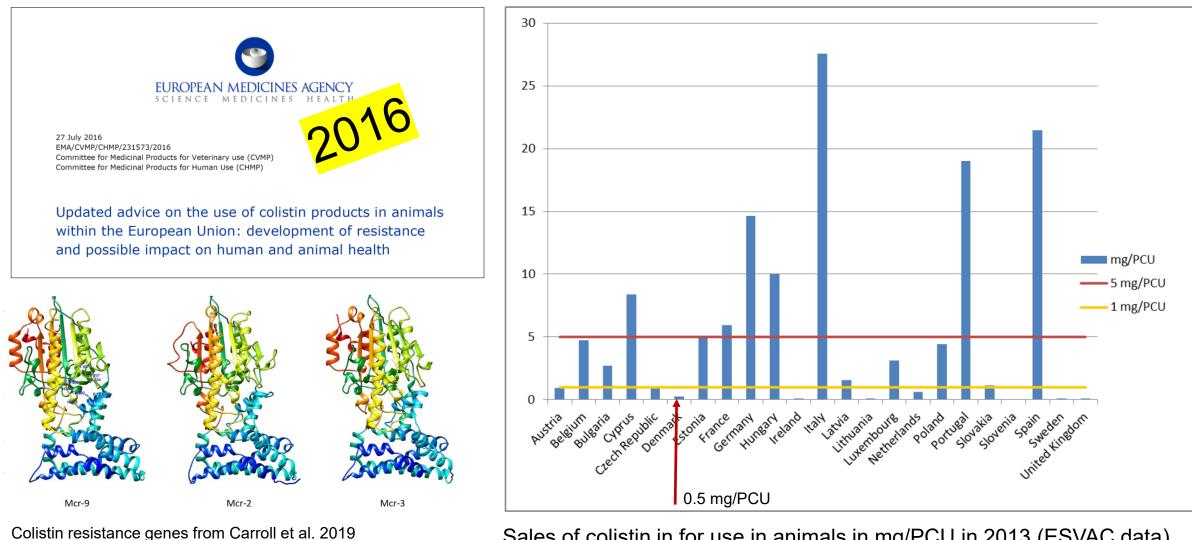
Differentiation between antimicrobial classes in the 'Yellow card' initiative was chosen as the regulatory framework, and the technical dose values were weighted into three categories in 2016 and modified in 2017.

	Factor
Flouroquinolones, 34. gen. cephalosporins, colistin	10.0
Tetracyclines	1.5
Other antimicrobials	1.0

#### Colistin is weighted with a factor 10, as a precautionary measure



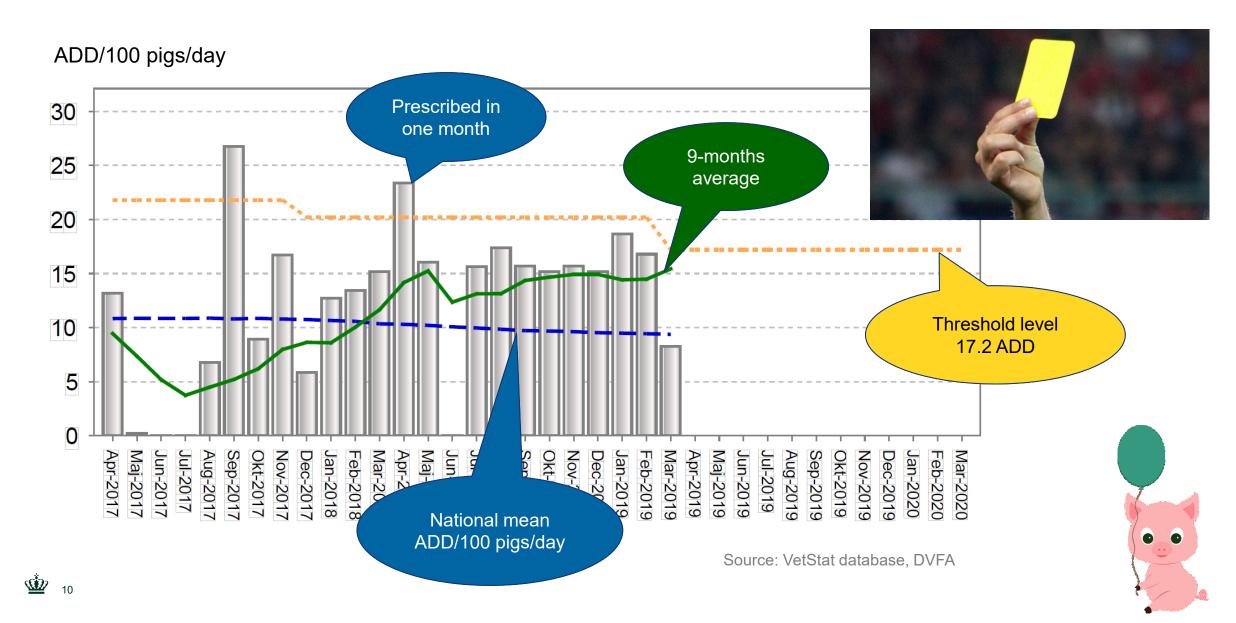
## **Colistin became important for treatment of humans**



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Sales of colistin in for use in animals in mg/PCU in 2013 (ESVAC data), including the 5 and 1 mg/PCU levels. No sales reported in Finland, Iceland and Norway.

# AMU benchmark for a weaner pigs herd (7-30 kg)



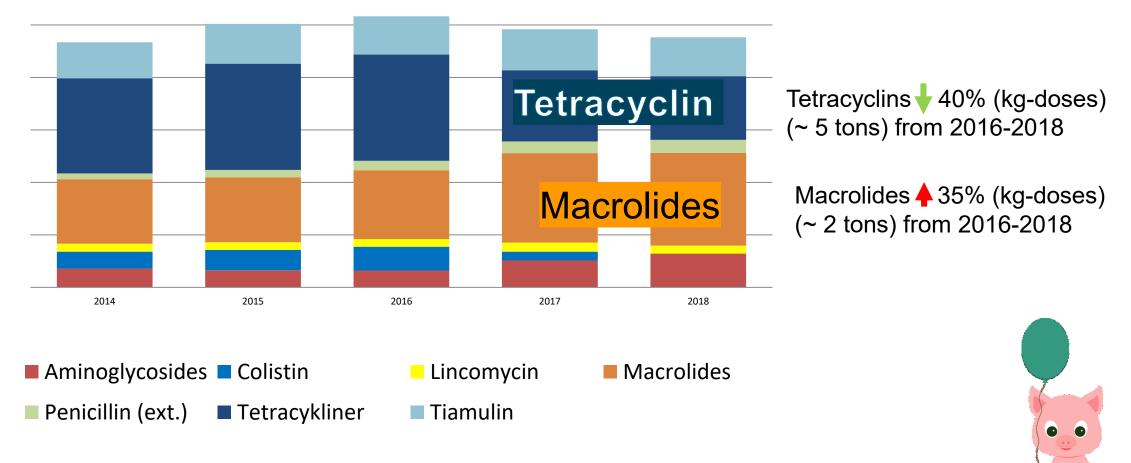
#### Effect of intervention on tetracycline and colistin



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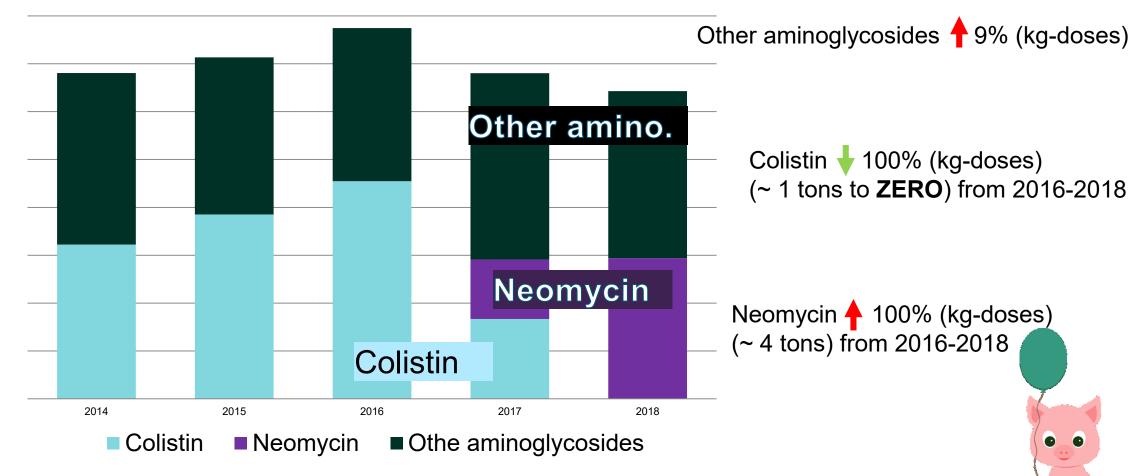
# More prudent choice of antimicrobials

Kg-doses for weaner pigs (standard weight 15 kg)



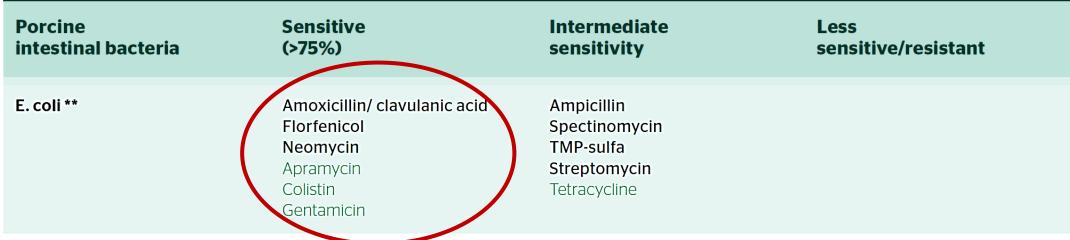
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# Guideline on choice of antimicrobial in 2018

#### Sensitivity of Important Intestinal Bacteria to Different Antimicrobials\* First choice antimicrobials are highligted in bold green.



- \* Data from sensitivity testing of pathogenic bacteria in pig in Denmark can be found on the homepage of Danish Technical University
- \*\* It is recommended that E. coli (F4 and F18) is examined for resistance for optimal treatment outcome



#### Kilo vs animal doses

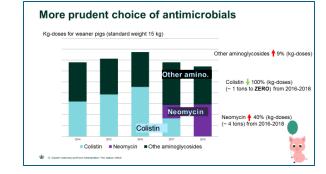
Colistin dropped from app. 1,000 kilo to less than 1 kilo active compound

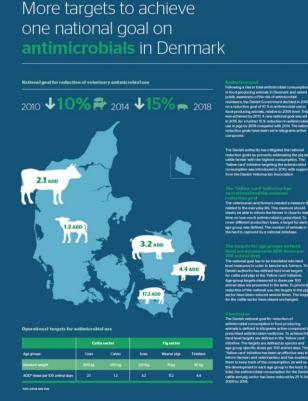
The reduction in colistin was shifted to

an increase in aminoglycosides – primarily Neomycin

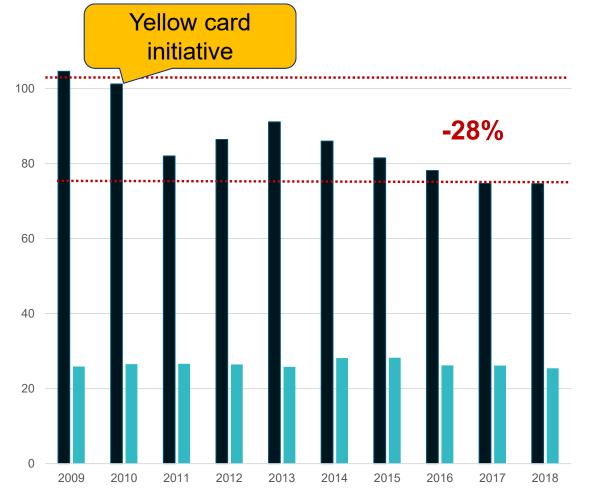
Neomycin was reintroduced into DK-market in 2017

- immidiately increase - 3,600 kg





#### The pig sector has reduced the antimicrobial by 28%



antimicrobials critically important to treatment of humans. The consumption of colistin, fluoroquinolones and  $3^{rd}$  and  $4^{th}$  gen. cephalosporins is  $\approx 1 \text{ kg}$ 

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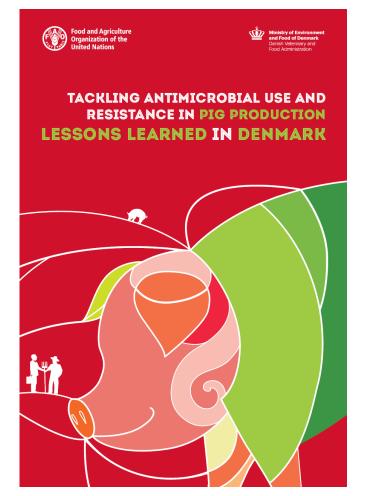
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Prescribed veterinary antimicrobials for pigs (tonnes)

Prescribed veterinary antimicrobials for other animals (tonnes)

#### Lessons learned in Denmark on AMU and AMR is available



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#### **Questions?**



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#### **Effects of the differentiated Yellow Card**

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