



FMD Minimum Biorisk Management Standards

Course Introduction

This self-directed and open-access course aims to provide an overview of the Minimum Biorisk Management Standards for foot-and-mouth disease laboratories (MBRMS), explaining the scope and the risks associated with the standards.

The course covers

- the risks associated with handling of infectious FMD virus in laboratories and animal facilities;
- the principles of biological containment;
- the objectives and scope of the FMD Minimum Biorisk Management Standards;
- the position of the FMD Minimum Biorisk Management Standards within national and international legislation;
- individuals responsibilities and oversight duties in regard to a laboratory or animal facility handling infectious FMD virus;
- the risks of allocating insufficient resources to biorisk management;
- how to champion containment laboratory issues among other stakeholders.

✓ This course is based on the guidelines Minimum Biorisk Management Standards for foot-and-mouth disease laboratories and has been prepared by EuFMD with the support of the Special Committee on Biorisk Management, a EuFMD committee.

✓ This course is directed to employees of the National Competent Authorities, Institute directors for FMD facilities and biorisk managers in FMD free countries in the European region to ensure they are aware of the importance and implications of their role in ensuring that laboratories handling infectious FMD virus (Tier D) and performing FMD diagnostic tests without handling infectious FMD virus (Tier C) adhere to the FMD Minimum Biorisk Management Standards.

✓ At the end of the course, you must complete an assessment to receive a certificate.

This is a two-hour course, that you may complete at your own pace.

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