Ploufragan-Plouzané-Niort Laboratory



The Ploufragan-Plouzané-Niort Laboratory studies poultry, rabbits and pigs (in Ploufragan, Côtes-d'Armor), ruminants (in Niort, Deux-Sèvres), and farmed fish (in Plouzané, Finistère). Its research, reference, surveillance and expert appraisal activities aim to improve the health and welfare of animals, the safety of foods of animal origin, and the health of workers. It uses multidisciplinary approaches (traditional and molecular microbiology, epidemiology, modelling, experimental infectiology, ecotoxicology) to study these areas at the rearing, processing and distribution stages, according to the One Health concept.

Over 200 staff members

8 scientific units

3 experimental departments

high-throughput sequencing platform

70
international scientific publications per year

national and international reference mandates

More than
40
projects per year
(national
and international
partnership
research)

Key figures

- Studying bacteria, viruses and parasites responsible for regulated, emerging or high-impact animal diseases.
- Assessing the risk of pathogens being transmitted to humans, especially via food.
- Developing tools and methods for detecting pathogens.
- ≥ Modelling and preventing the spread of pathogens.
- Evaluating the influence of rearing methods on animal health and welfare, product quality, and worker health.
- Studying the antimicrobial resistance of bacteria of animal or environmental origin.
- Assessing the impact on animal health and welfare of exposure to medicines, toxins, or changes in the environment.
- ≥ Developing and assessing means of control.

Livestock Health and welfare Avian and swine influenza Swine fever Coronaviruses **Paratuberculosis** Avian coccidioses Fish viruses and ecotoxicology Food safety Salmonella Campylobacter **Antimicrobial** resistance



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