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Summary

PRESERVING OFFAL: FINDING A COMPROMISE

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Various factors representative of offal processing conditions in slaughterhouses and tripe shops were tested with a view to defining parameters that would guarantee satisfactory commercial presentation without jeopardising good microbiological preservation. Defining technical criteria to be set for cold-room design is complex, especially in terms of hygrometry and air flow rate combinations, where several compromise solutions are possible. The desirability of good control of offal storage times was also demonstrated.

Key words: offal, preservation, quality, cold rooms

COLLECTION AND TRACEABILITY OF PIG BLOOD: EMPHASIS ON INDIVIDUAL SYSTEMS

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In this study, most firms used a catheter to collect blood. Blood thus obtained complied with the micro-biological criteria set by legislation in 59% of cases. All the results obtained from buffer tanks and food-grade blood complied with the law of 10 February 1984. The traceability system operated in all the processing facilities. The complexity of the collection and transfer systems did not permit full control of cleaning and disinfecting.

Key words: blood, catheter, collection system, bacteriology, traceability

OUTDOOR PIGS: TECHNICAL QUALITY QUESTIONED

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Pigs raised outdoors are in better physical condition than their indoor counterparts, as illustrated by their lower heart rates.

However, they undergo greater stress when handled, especially when being led to anaesthesia. With their slightly lower end pH values, range-raised pigs also give meat with lower technical yields.

Key words: pig, outdoor, anaesthesia, stress, pH

SEVEN YEARS OF GATT FOR MEAT: WIDE-RANGING IMPACT ACCORDING TO SECTOR

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A weakening of tariff protection, a strong increase in poultry imports, the erosion of certain export positions, profound changes in aid systems: GATT has made a strong but variable impact on the European livestock industry.

Key words: GATT, OMC, OFIVAL, poultry, egg, bovine, sheep, pork