

#### Anthelmintic resistance in small ruminants, emphasizing in ovine systems in extensive exploitations, specifically in temperate regions in South America



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## Objectives

The aim of the present bibliographic review is to make a brief compilation of the key aspects for understanding the actual situation about the anthelmintic resistance (AR) in Uruguay and establish a list of possible control strategies to prevent it or stop its development.

### Factors that influence the development of AR

Frecuency of treatments  $\rightarrow$  the higher the frequency, the faster resistance develops. Only the nematodes that survive (resistant) will eliminate their eggs to the pasture, this represents a reproductive advantage and will end up replacing the susceptible population.

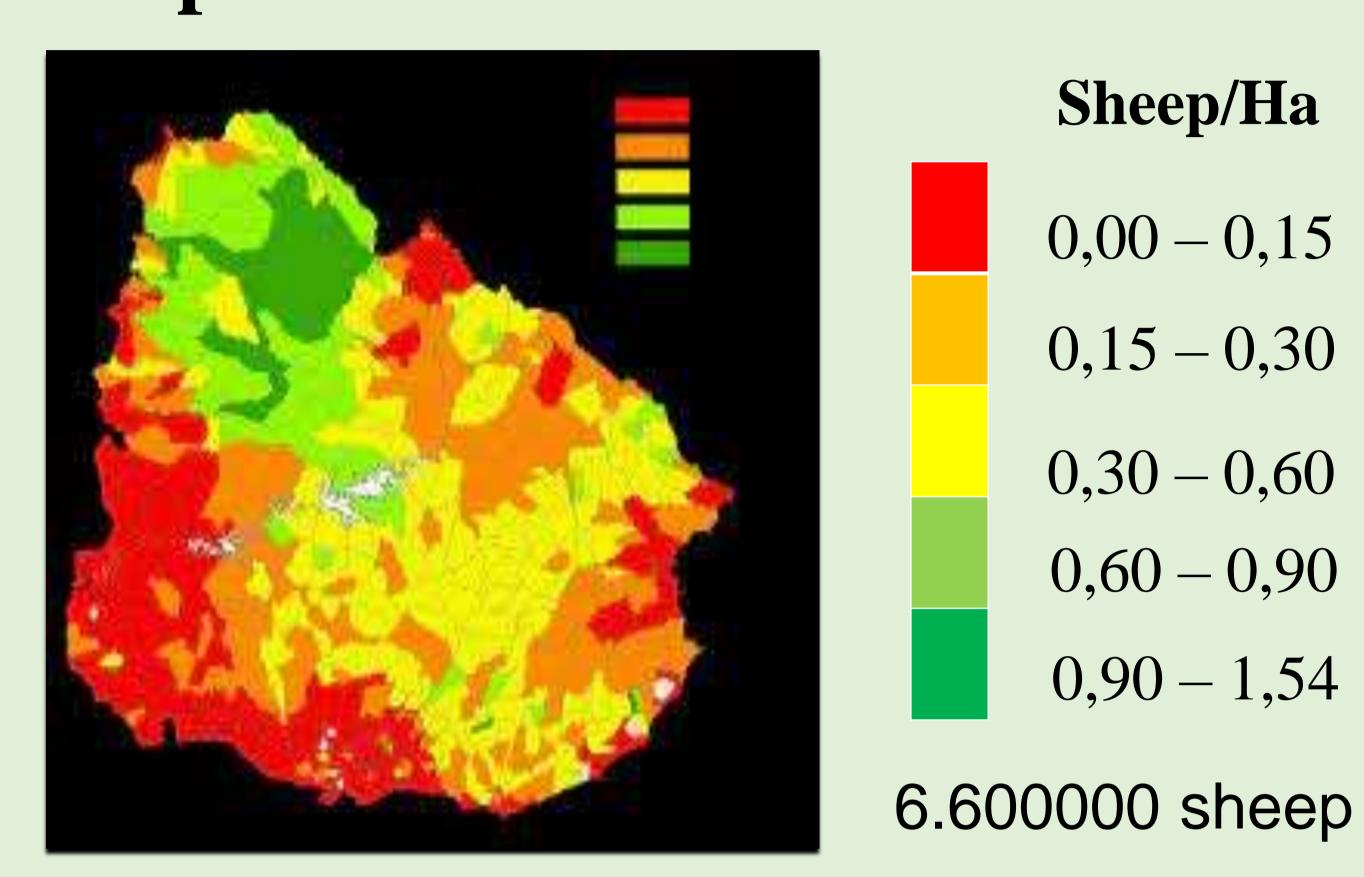
Post-treatment reinfestation  $\rightarrow$  if a new infestation does not occur in 3-4 weeks with L3 from the unselected population in the pasture, it will favor the development of AR.

Anthelmintic dose 

underdosing due to an error calculating the sheep's weight, or an equipment failure, can contribute an AR development.

Anthelmintic rotation  $\rightarrow$  It was recommended before, but in the present it is a not good measure since the AR is widespread. SCOPS (Sustainable) control of parasites in sheep) highlights the importance of integrating drug families, depending on certain circumstances.

# Sheep stock



Map 1. Cense of sheep stock in Uruguay 2017 (DICOSE)

Possible drugs

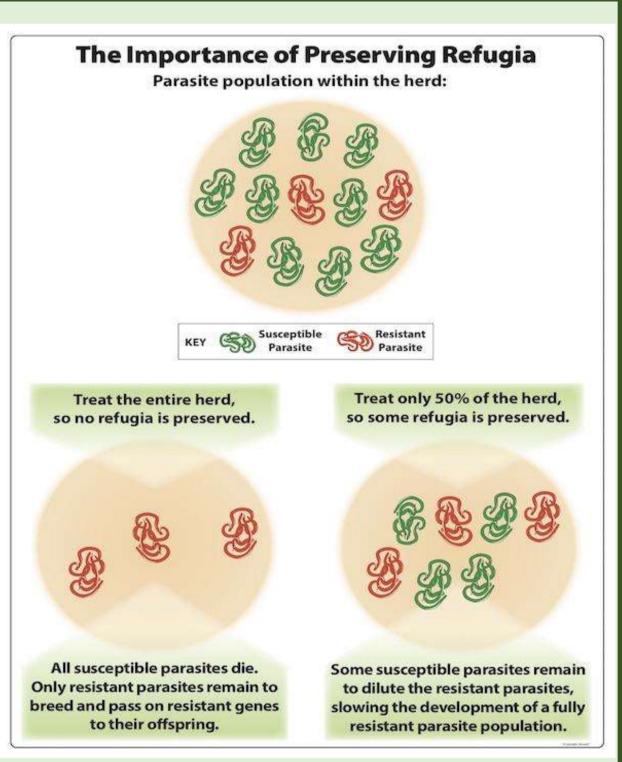
# Changes in conception

"Clean Fields"

Population in Refugia

Main Nematodes

Ostertagia 5%



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Time of

treatment

Photography 1. Extensive exploitation in Uruguay

Effects of

parasitization

Reproductive disorders:

-↓ ovulatory rate

- embryonic death

Immunosuppression

(↑epg in lactation)

milk production

Growth deficit

	Herd 1 (breeding sheep)	Prior to service	Closantel (AR → Naphtalophosor Monepantel)
		Prepartum	Moxidectin
ortus		Postpartum	Closantel (AR → Naphtalophosor Monepantel)
	Herd 2 (lambs)	Weaning (2,5 - 4,5 months of age)	BZDs (AR → LV o ML) Closantel
	Table 1. D	osaje plan for th	e breeding herd
	Conclusions		

ding herd

#### Nematodirus 1196 H. contor 43% Trichostrongylus colubriformis 26%

Others 3%

Graphic 1. Distribution of species of ovine NGI

Trichostrongylus

axei 12%

Image 1. Haemonchus contortus Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Madinah, Veterinary Clinic in Agriculture Department



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The presence of AR represents a threat to global sheep production and pharmacological treatment remains the main control measure.

The concept of refugia should be considered a priority when carrying out a control plan for gastrointestinal parasites.

Recent methodologies that are still under investigation, such as genetic resistance of sheep, vaccines, use of forages and beneficial microorganisms against NGI, can have a positive impact on parasite control.