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**DISEASES AND PARASITES OF LIVESTOCK IN THE EASTERN
BADIA OF JORDAN.**

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INTRODUCTION

In this presentation, I would like to initially ^{brief you on} the aims of the animal health part of the livestock programme ~~in the Badia programme area~~ and explain how and in what form the data was collected. I will then discuss our results, along with some additional relevant information available from other researchers. The presentation will concentrate on the disease situation within the Badia programme area, the economics and relevance of these diseases will be covered in the next presentation by Dr Allonby. I will mention briefly the treatment situation ~~within the area~~, but I will cover ~~it~~ ^{this} more fully in a presentation tomorrow.

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AIMS OF ANIMAL HEALTH PROGRAMME

The aims of the animal health research over the past 18 months ^{were to} ~~have been to~~:

- ① Look at the diseases present and their patterns within the programme area. The Badia is a very dynamic area, with 3 national borders surrounding ~~it~~ and the disease picture is changing constantly. Livestock production systems are also in a state of flux with ~~the~~ changing government policies (such as feed subsidies) and ^{the} economic situation. It ~~was~~ ^{is} also felt that there is ^{relatively} little ~~accurate~~ information on diseases in the eastern Badia compared to more economically advantaged and less remote parts of Jordan.
- ② To look at the effects on animal health and production of vaccination against certain important production diseases. This was carried out in conjunction with the ODA/JCO project.
- ③ To provide a very limited veterinary service to the livestock owners in the area, mainly to give an incentive to co-operate with our research.
- ④ To look at current animal health practices in the area and the delivery of animal health services, with an aim to suggest possible improvements if necessary.

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