#### NADIS Parasite Forecast Webinar: November 2019

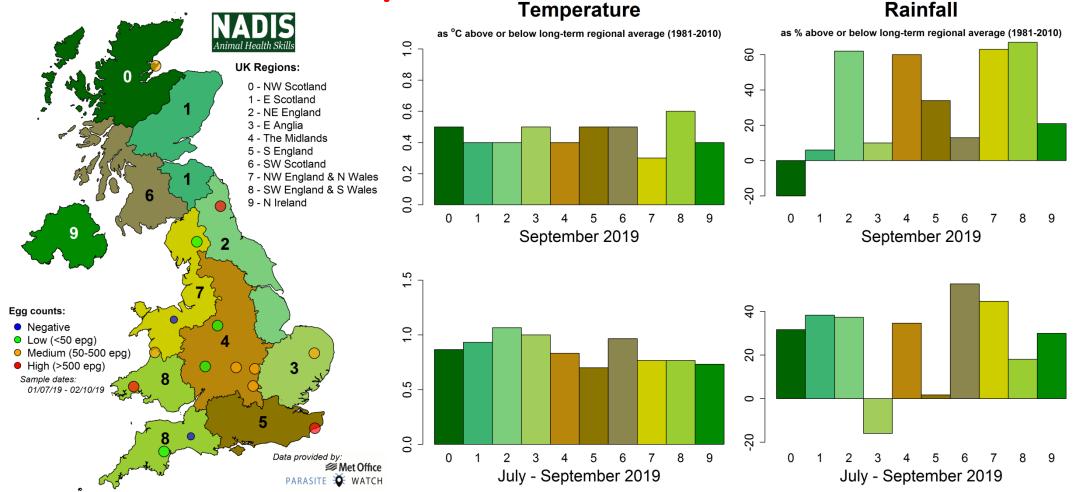


- Autumn fluke forecast
- Sheep
  - Parasitic gastroenteritis (PGE)
- Cattle:
  - Lungworm infection
  - Treatment at housing



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### Weather summary

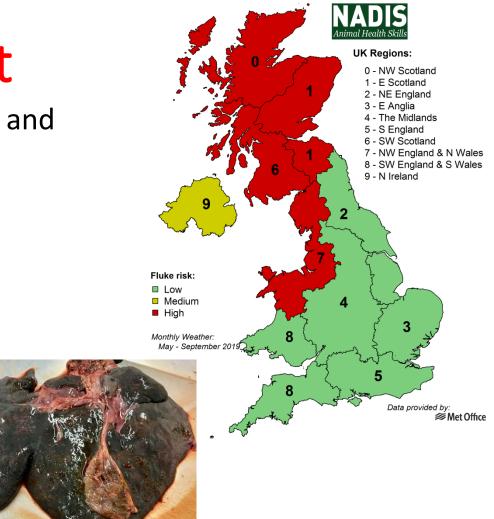


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# Provisional autumn fluke forecast

- Pasture development dependent on warm, wet weather and wet pastures
- Sheep and cattle at risk from disease
  - Sudden death
  - General dullness, anaemia and shortness of breath
  - Rapid weight loss, fluid accumulation
- Consider diagnostics
- Triclabendazole recommended in acute disease
  - Carry out post-treatment efficacy testing

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# Animal Health Skills

### Sheep: Parasitic gastroenteritis (PGE)

- Warm, wet grazing season likely to have extended risk of PGE
  - Haemonchosis
  - Nematodirosis due to an autumn egg hatch
  - Trichostrongylosis through the winter months
  - Consider the infection status of rams post breeding
- Monitor for signs of disease
- Worm egg counts
- Where anthelmintic treatments are required:
  - Move to safe pasture if available
    - Avoid long-acting group 3-ML products
    - Leave animals on dirty pasture for 2-3 days prior to moving
    - Aim to leave <u>at least</u> 10% of the flock untreated
- Check efficacy by worm egg count

For more information speak to your vet or SQP, and see the SCOPS group website



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#### **NADS** Animal Health Skills

## Cattle: Lungworm

- Lungworm infection can continue to be a risk into November
- Monitoring for signs of disease, including widespread coughing, initially after exercise then at rest, increased respiratory rate and difficulty breathing
- Consider diagnostic testing
- In an outbreak of clinical disease:
  - Treat all animals within the affected group
  - Remove affected animals from contaminated pasture to safe grazing or house

For more information, discuss this with your vet or SQP, see the <u>COWS group guidelines</u> and <u>NADIS lungworm webinar</u>



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## Cattle: Treatment at housing

- Treat growing cattle with group 3-ML or 1-BZ to prevent type-2 ostertagiosis\*
- Louse and mite infestations may increase at housing. Consider choice of wormer accordingly\*
- Cattle exposed to liver fluke infection during the grazing season can be dosed with a product other than triclabendazole
- For more information please speak to your vet, or visit the <u>COWS website</u>



#### \*check product label



#### Quiz

#### Click on the link below to answer a short quiz and print your Advanced Livestock Skills certificate



# About this webinar

The NADIS parasite forecast is published monthly Based on detailed Met Office data Supported by Quality Meat Scotland (QMS) Many thanks to Phil Scott and others for their clinical images

