

GLOSSARY

Ad-hoc retrieval	Specific request for information from the VIDA database available via CERA, VLA Weybridge
BSE	Bovine spongiform encephalopathy
CERA	Centre for Epidemiology and Risk Analysis (formerly the Epidemiology Department, VLA Weybridge)
DEFRA	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
DSC	Disease Surveillance Centre of the Scottish Agricultural College (SAC) Veterinary Science Division
Incident	First diagnosis of a disease from a submission
NR	Not recorded
PRRS	Porcine reproductive and respiratory syndrome
Specimen	Material of one type, from one animal or a group of animals, or material from the environment of one animal or a group of animals. For example: blood, faeces, milk or a complete carcass or a bag containing hatchery debris
Submission	This consists of only ONE SPECIMEN TYPE (except fetal diagnostic material) but may be more than one specimen

Diagnostic submission A submission for which a diagnosis is applicable (see 'Bias in VIDA, p.1)

TSE Transmissible spongiform encephalopathy