Nationwide outbreak of listeriosis in Sweden 2013-2014

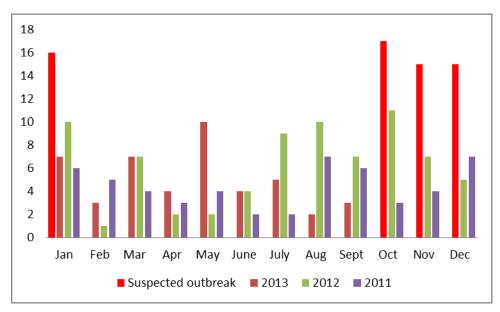
The Public Health Agency of Sweden

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When do you announce "Outbreak!"?

- January 2014 an increase in number of reported cases since October 2013
- Eight cases with the same PFGE profile



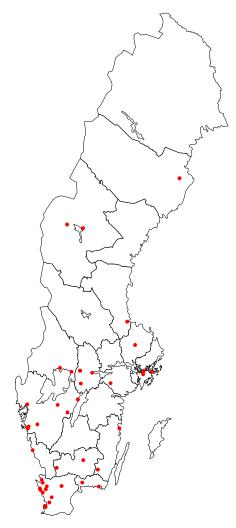


Methods

- All isolates are sent in to the Agency for typing.
- PFGE typing of clinical isolates
- Whole-genome sequencing (WGS)
- Questionnaire, case-control study



Results



Geographical distribution of cases. Each case is represented by a red dot.



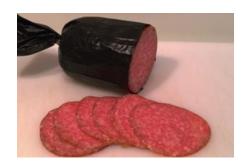
National Food Agency

Received isolates from companies own control during February and March.

The outbreak PFGE profile found at one company in cold cuts produced on the same production line.



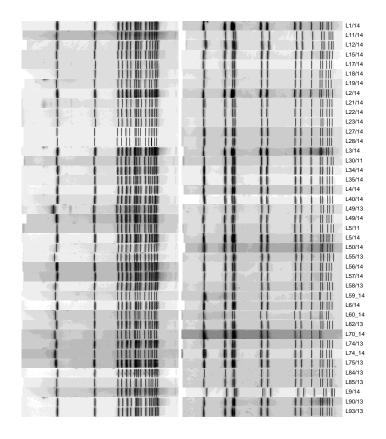






Outbreak profile.

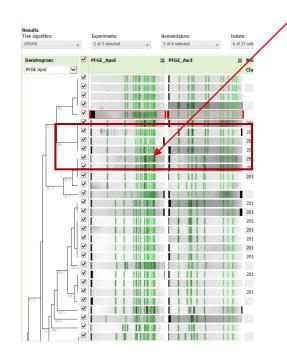
PFGE_Apal PFGE_Ascl



Search in the Agency's database:
The specific profile seen sporadically over the years



National or international outbreak? Search in TESSy MSS

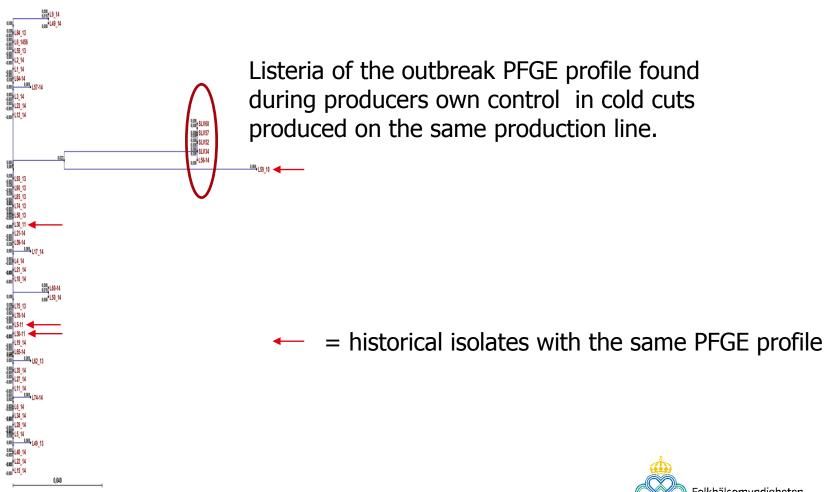


One match – isolate from DK

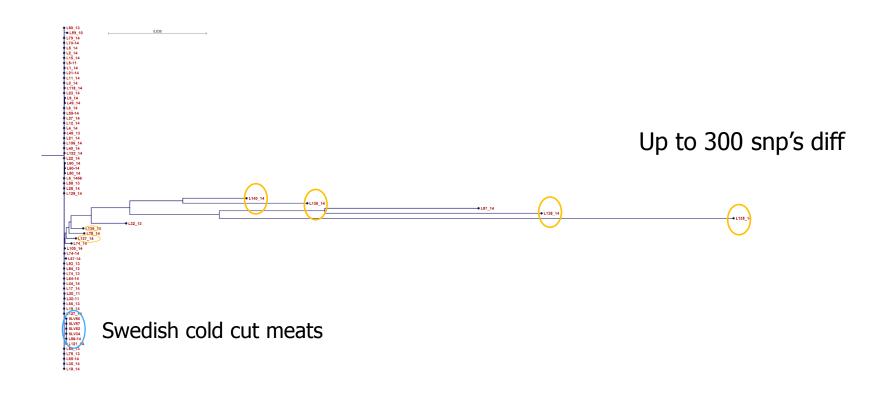
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WGS case isolates and isolates from Swedish cold cut meats

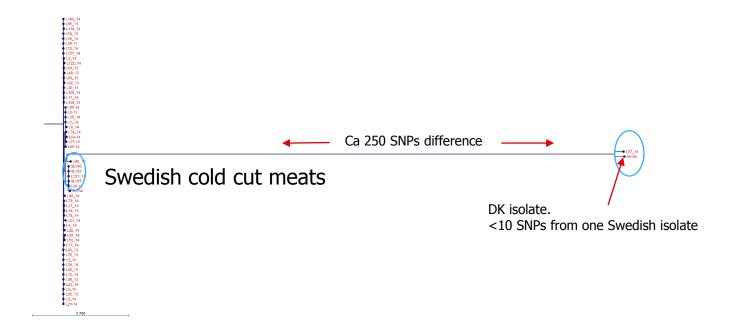


WGS patient isolates and isolates from foreign food items.



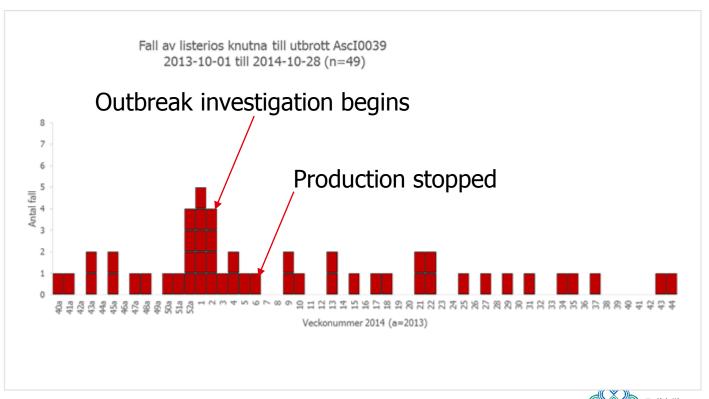


Sequence comparison DK isolate





when is the outbreak over?...





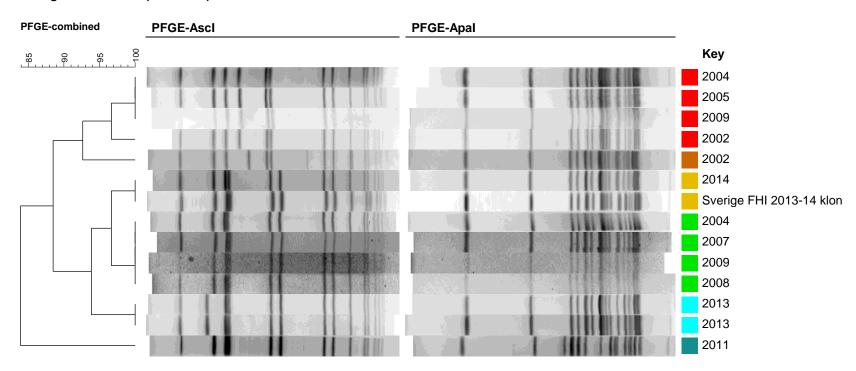
Exchanging data with Sweden

Their isolate in our pipeline

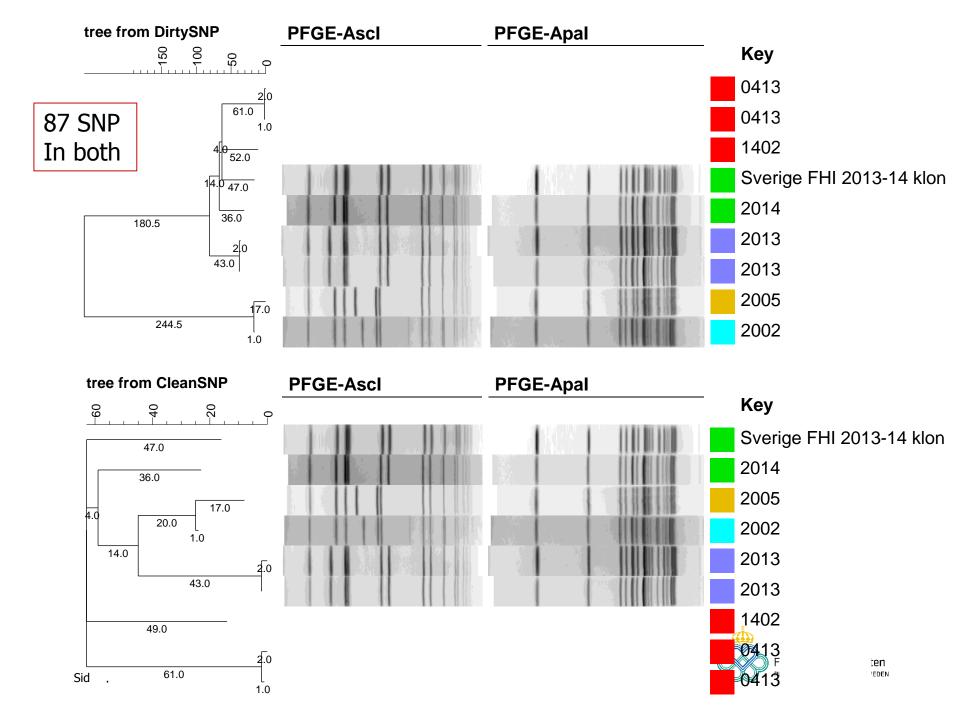


PFGE

Sverige udbrudsklon (17 entries)







Discarded SNPs

Discaraded SNP

