Salmonella Hvittingfoss

**Background:** *Salmonella enterica* subsp. *enterica* serovar Hvittingfoss (antigenic formula 16:b:e,n,x) is a serovar of the O:16 (I) serogroup. Found in wild and domesticated reptiles and amphibians, and in *food-producing mammals*, this is a rare serovar, though it has been linked to human foodborne outbreaks.

**Animal reservoir:** Serovar Hvittingfoss has been recovered from amphibians (both those raised as pets and for *food items*) and reptiles.

**Geographical distribution:** S. Hvittingfoss has been reported in Thailand, Nigeria, Australia, Europe and the United States.

**Outbreaks:** Outbreaks linked to *S. Hvittingfoss* have been reported.

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