## STEC non-O157

Non-O157 Shiga-like toxin-producing *E.coli* (STEC) are Gram-negative foodborne pathogens<sup>1</sup> that can cause severe foodborne disease. A publication by Scallan et al.<sup>2</sup> in 2011 estimated that 112,752 human foodborne non-O157 STEC cases, including 0 deaths, occur annually in the US.

Key laboratories studying various aspects of foodborne non-O157 STEC in the US and Canada include:

Food Safety and Enteric Pathogens Research Unit, United States Department of Agriculture, USA

STEC Center, Michigan State University, USA

Key laboratories studying various aspects of foodborne non-O157 STEC in Europe include:

Dipartimento di Scienze degli Alimenti, Italy

Institute for Hygiene and the National Consulting Laboratory for Haemolytic Uraemic Syndrome, Germany

Laboratoire d'Etudes et de Recherches sur la Qualite´ des Aliments et les Proce´ de´ s Agroalimentaires, France

National Reference Laboratory for Escherichia coli, Germany

Key laboratories studying various aspects of foodborne non-O157 STEC in South and Latin America include:

Instituto Tecnología de Alimentos, Argentina

Key laboratories studying various aspects of foodborne non-O157 STEC in Asia and Australia include:

Department of Public Health, Korea

National Institute of Health Sciences, Japan

Additional resources on foodborne non-O157 STEC:

A number of key sources on foodborne non-O157 STEC are available.

## References

<sup>1</sup>http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Escherichia\_coli (see also: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Verotoxin-producing\_Escherichia\_coli)

<sup>2</sup>Scallan et al. 2011.Emerging Infectious Diseases 17:7-15 PMID:21192848