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The United Arab Emirates is a federal state established in 1971, consisting of seven emirates: Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ras Al Khaimah, Fujairah, Umm Al Quwain, and Ajman.



The UAE's Efforts in Combating Antimicrobial Resistance



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The United Arab Emirates, in its efforts to fulfill its international obligations in combating antimicrobial resistance, has stipulated through the Executive Regulations of Federal Law No. 9 of 2017 on Veterinary Preparations—under Article 15, Clause 3—that: “The use of antibiotics for preventive purposes, immune enhancement, or growth promotion is prohibited.” This decision represents an important step in consolidating the proper use of antibiotics in the animal sector.



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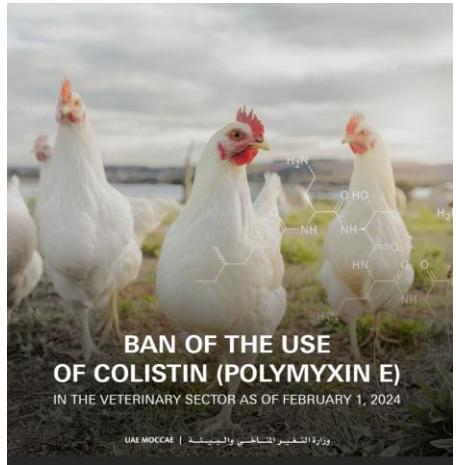
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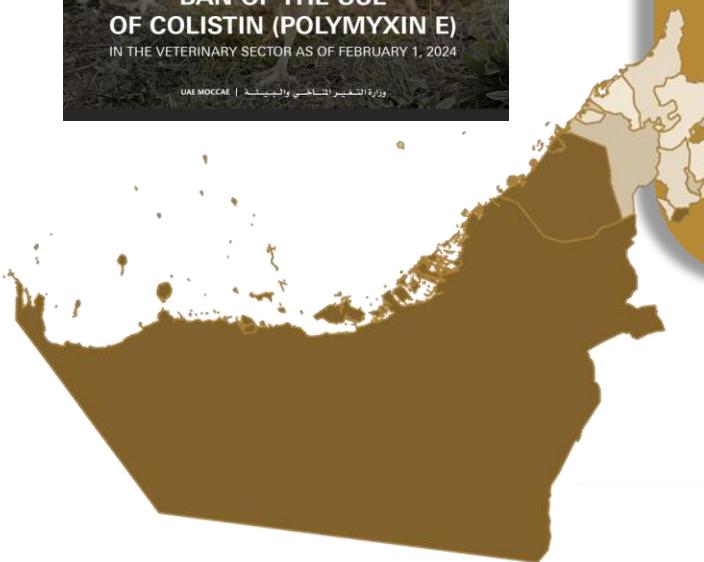
The UAE made antimicrobial resistance a national priority early on and adopted a national action plan in 2019. The Ministry of Climate Change and Environment strengthened veterinary oversight, data collection systems, and compliance with proper antimicrobial-use practices, leading to significant improvements in field operations.



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The Ministry of Climate Change and Environment issued Administrative Decision No. 6 of 2024, concerning the prohibition of the import, circulation, and registration of the active substance colistin (Polymyxin E) in the veterinary sector. This decision falls within the framework of enhancing oversight and regulating the use of antimicrobials in the relevant sectors.



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EMIRATES DRUG ESTABLISHMENT

The UAE strengthened its regulatory framework by establishing a specialized governmental authority—the Emirates Drug Establishment—which has become the national reference for registering, regulating, and overseeing human and veterinary medicines. This development has helped unify data sources, enhance transparency, and ensure the quality and safety of pharmaceutical products in accordance with the highest international standards.



ANIMUSE

The UAE is currently submitting reports on antimicrobial consumption through the ANIMUSE system. When comparing the 2023 and 2024 data, the updated figures show a moderate decrease in products such as Amoxicillin 50 Jovit, Macrolan WS, and Terramycin LA, reflecting a clear commitment to closely monitoring consumption.



UAE's Commitment to Responsible and Healthy

The UAE continues to renew its commitment to responsible production by supporting farms that operate without the use of antibiotics, such as Al Ain Farms and Ajban Farms, which have become national models of sustainable, healthy, and environmentally friendly production.



Thank you!

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