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# *CFIA Risk modelling*

## *Examples of food safety Risk assessment*

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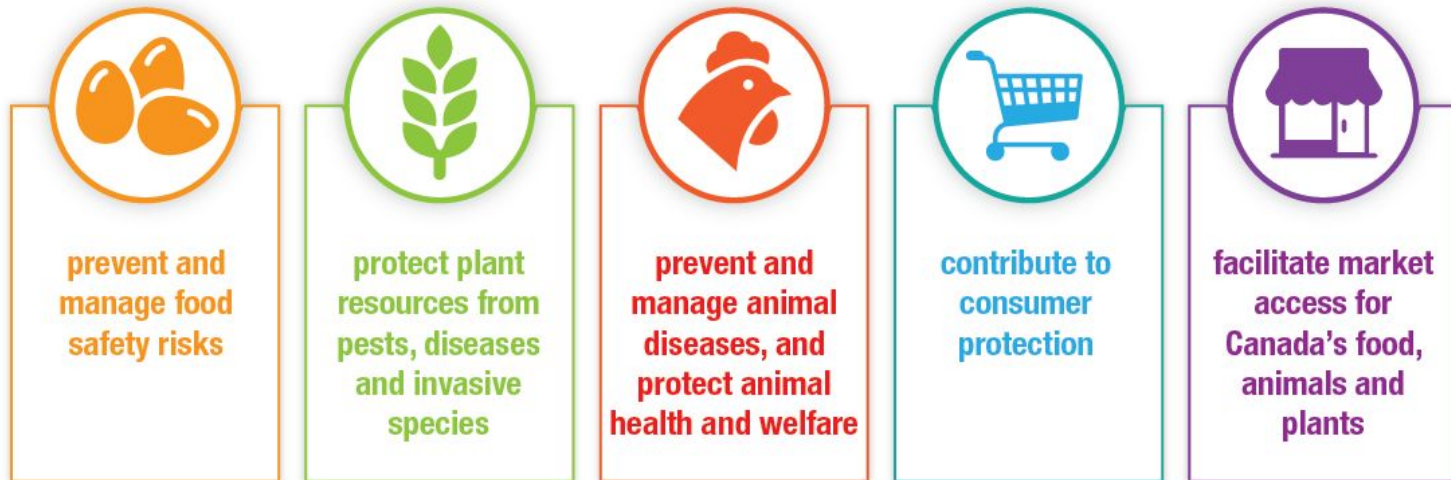
# Outline of presentation

## Food risk assessment at the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)

- Food Import Risk Explorer (FIRE) model for prioritizing imported food risks
  - Using FIRE model results to make decisions to manage food safety risks
- Risk Model to support the development of a Performance Standards
  - *Salmonella* in Poultry (an example)

# What CFIA Does

**The CFIA develops regulations and delivers inspection and other services to:**

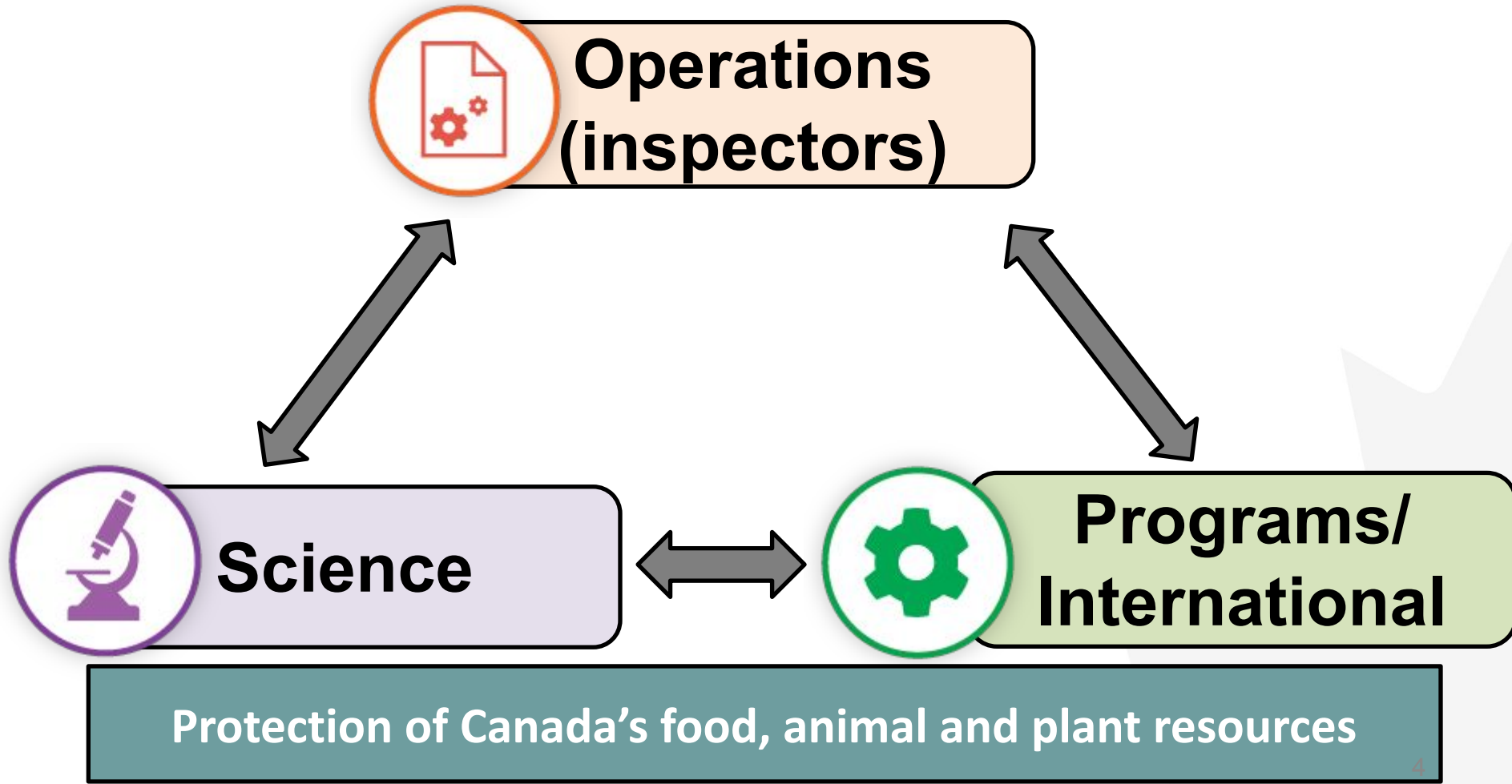


## **Vision**

To excel as a science-based regulator, trusted and respected by Canadians and the international community.

# How We Are Organized

CFIA Core Branches Work Together to Support Mandate



# Food Risk Assessments in the Government of Canada

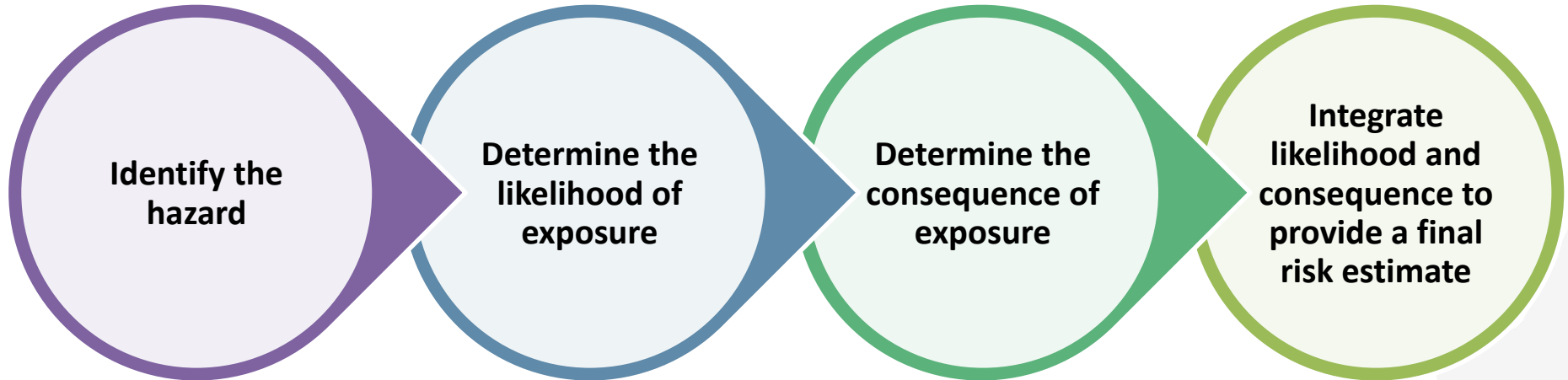
- Health Canada
  - Primarily Qualitative risk assessments
- CFIA
  - Responsible for risk assessments using modelling to inform food risk management priorities, program design & implementation
    - For specific questions such as risk of a food-hazard combination of concern
    - Applies broadly at the program level to inform prioritization and resource allocation
    - Primarily use quantitative risk assessment methodology

# Risk Assessments/Modelling in CFIA

- Risk assessment activities conducted by three groups in CFIA's Science Branch:
  - Animal Health Risk Assessment and Intelligence (AHRAI),
  - Plant Health Risk Assessment (PHRA) and
  - Food Advanced Data Analytics and Risk Modelling (FADARM)



# Risk Assessment Fundamentals



- Identify the hazard (pest, bacteria, virus, etc.) that may cause harm to food safety, animal health or plant health

- What is the likelihood that the hazard will be introduced into Canada?
- What is the prevalence of the hazard in Canada?
- What is the likelihood of exposure to the hazard in Canada?

- What is the likelihood that the hazard causes harm in Canada?
- How severe are the consequences associated with the hazard in Canada?

- Includes an estimation of uncertainty
- Used to inform risk management options and decision-making

# Uncertainty in Risk Assessment

- Results from incomplete or conflicting information
- Can be reduced or eliminated with more or higher quality information
- Must be documented in a risk assessment
  - Ensures risk management decisions account for this uncertainty
  - Ensures transparency in the process



# Risk Assessors

- Risk assessment is carried out by highly trained subject matter experts in each business line:
  - ❖ **Plant** – Botanists, Plant Pathologists, Entomologists
  - ❖ **Animal** – Veterinarians, Epidemiologists,
  - ❖ **Food** – Food Microbiologists, Epidemiologists, Veterinarians, Statisticians & Toxicologists

# Advanced Data Analytics and Risk Modelling Team at the CFIA (Food)

Science-based evaluations and data-driven analytical solutions to support and inform program design and risk management decisions

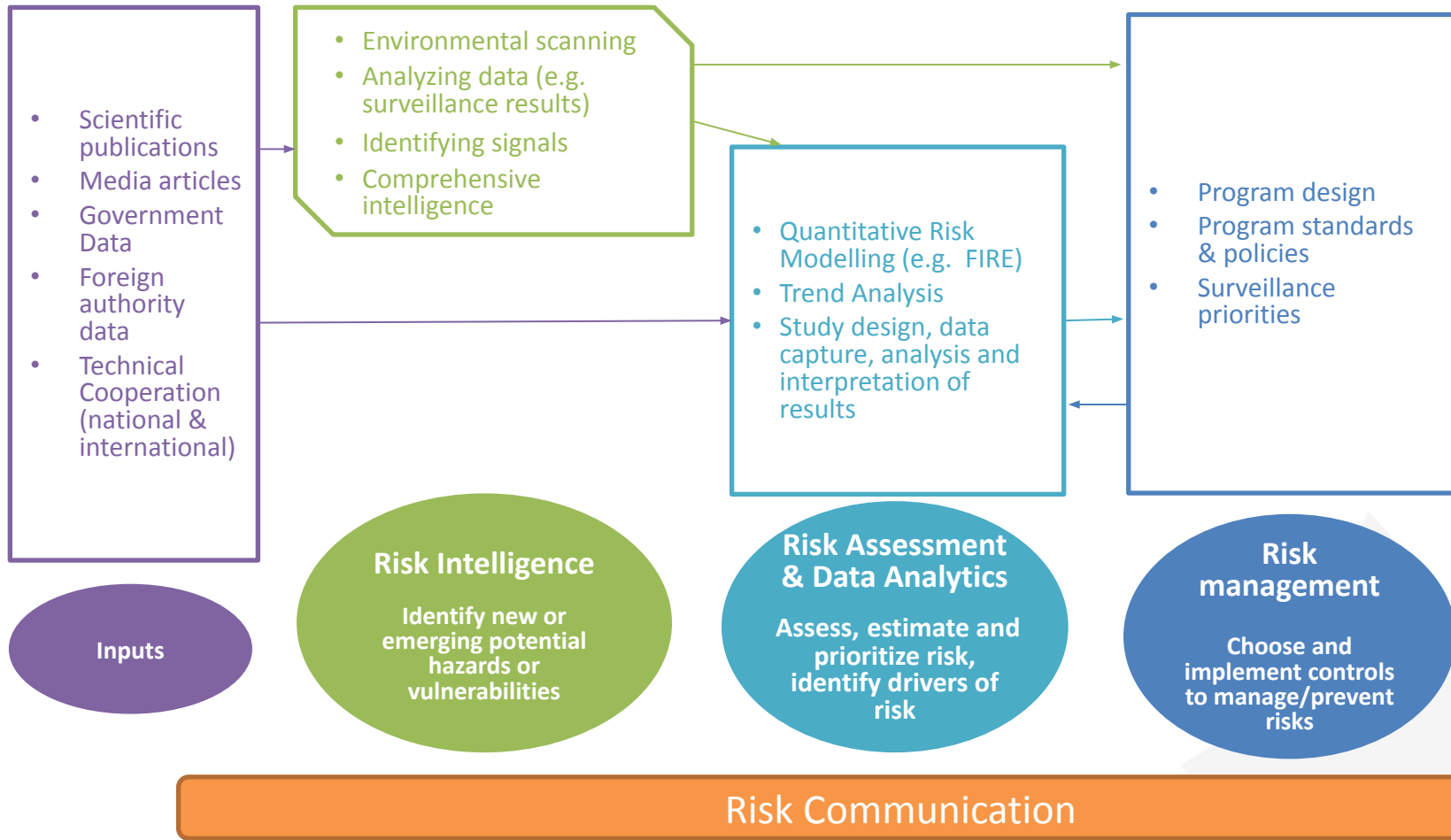
## Expertise in:

- ◆ Advanced data analytics (artificial intelligence)
- ◆ Epidemiology
- ◆ Risk modelling
- ◆ Statistical services

## Examples of analytical and risk modelling solutions:

- ◆ Meat Slaughter Program Design
- ◆ Trend analysis methodology
- ◆ Food Import Risk Explorer (FIRE) model

# Managing Food Risks to Canadians



# Food Risk Modelling Outputs



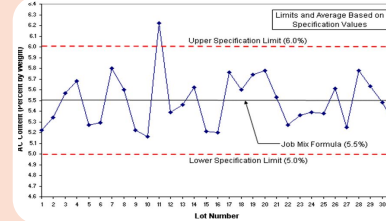
## Estimate risk (high risk food-hazards combinations)

- e.g., *E. coli* O157:H7 in Raw ground beef



## Estimate risk reduction (control or an inspection activity)

- e.g., Food safety defects removal in poultry (Modernized Poultry Inspection Program)



## Design Risk-informed performance standards

- e.g., *Salmonella* and *Campylobacter* Performance Standards in poultry (Pathogen Reduction)



## Design Risk-based sampling

- e.g., *Listeria monocytogenes* Risk-based Sampling in Ready-To-Eat meat (Weatherill Recommendations)

# Contribution to Managing Food Safety risks

**Our products and activities provide scientific evidence to:**

- ❖ Inform program design
- ❖ Develop policies
- ❖ Prioritize and manage risks
- ❖ Respond to existing and emerging food issues



# Tools

## Software

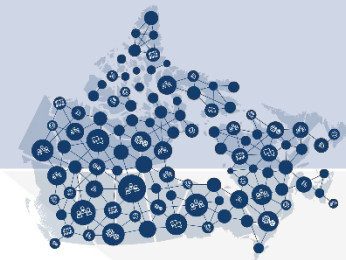
- ❖ Literature Review (FIESCA)
- ❖ Statistical analysis and data visualization (Stata, SAS, R, Power BI, ArcGIS)
- ❖ Risk modelling (FDA-iRisk, Analytica)

The screenshot displays the FIESCA web application interface. At the top, the browser address bar shows the URL: `services1.inspection.gc.ca/fiesca-acidac/a...`. The application header includes navigation tabs for 'Published' and 'Trash', and a user profile icon labeled 'FR'. Below the header, the 'Filter Results' section allows users to define search criteria. It includes a dropdown for 'Use existing query' (set to 'custom') and a button for 'Import query' in JSON format. Search filters are applied to 'Date received' (within last 48 hours), 'Category' (Food), and 'AND' logic. Buttons for 'Search', 'Clear', 'Save query', 'Delete query (disabled)', 'Set as default', and 'Export query' are present. The 'Show Map and Graph' section features a world map with regional data points (North America: 37, 431, 124; South America: 12; Europe: 46, 419; Africa: 31; Asia: 106, 62; Oceania: 31) and a bar chart showing the number of publications over time. Below the map and graph, there are options to 'Show 10 entries' and buttons for 'Copy', 'CSV', 'Print', and 'PDF'. A table of search results is displayed at the bottom, showing 1 to 10 of 107 entries.

| Title  | Publication Name         | Source Language | Relevance |     |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----|
| 2022-07-27 11:58 UTC What Are The Consequences And Fines For Food Hygiene Violations In The UAE?                     | Mondaq Business Briefing | EN              | 0.51      | F   |
| 2022-07-27 11:56 UTC County approves second Belle Lake watermilfoil treatment  | Hutchinson Leader        | EN              | 0.15      | FA  |
| 2022-07-27 11:56 UTC A shameful week for the sport I love... but at grass roots level, I can still see signs of hope | Scottish Daily Mail      | EN              | 0.02      | FAP |

# Collaboration

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Federal/Provincial/<br>Territorial partners  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sharing intelligence and signals</li><li>• Sharing surveillance data, lab information and trend analysis reports</li><li>• Collaborate on data analysis</li></ul> |
| International <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Organizations</li><li>• Trading partners</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bilateral (e.g. US-FDA &amp; USDA-FSIS)</li><li>• Sharing expertise and information (e.g. FDA-iRisk)</li></ul>  |
| Academia   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Masters Student projects</li><li>• Consult with academics</li></ul>   |





# Developing Food Risk Assessment Models

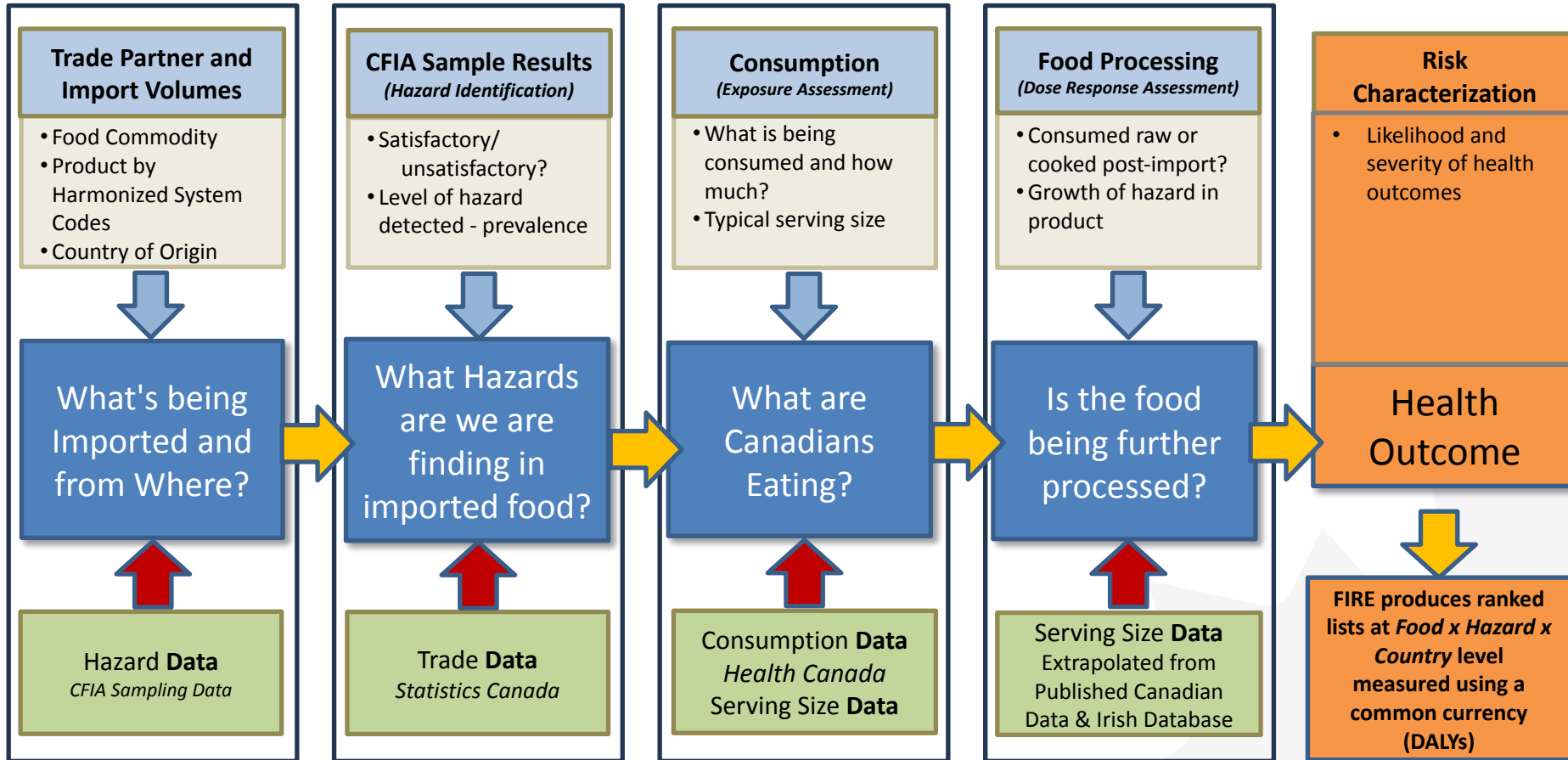
## Food Import Risk Explorer (FIRE) Model

### **Work is underway to develop:**

*A new innovative model that estimates imported food safety risks in Disability Adjusted Life Years (DALYs)*

- Uses food-hazard-country of origin level data
- Able to compare relative risks across different hazard types (microbiological, chemical, allergens)
- Able to rank and prioritizes risk to inform program design and work plans

# Model Building Blocks & Architecture



# FIRE Methodology

$$DALYS_{CFH} = \frac{Trade_{CF}}{SS_F} \times P(Exp)_{CFH} \times P(Ill|Exp)_{CFH} \times DALYS_H$$

Where the output ( $DALYS_{CFH}$ ) is **Canadian DALYs** for a food-hazard-country of origin combination, and:

$C, F, H$  - Country, food, and hazard respectively.

$\frac{Trade_{C,F}}{SS_F}$  - Number of servings of the specified food from the specified country.

$P(Exp)_{C,F,H}$  - Probability the food from the given country is contaminated with the hazard (i.e., prevalence).

$P(Ill|Exp)_{C,F,H}$  - Probability of a becoming ill after exposure to a contaminated serving (by country, food and hazard). This value is affected by dose (i.e. dose-response relationship), and includes consideration of cooking and/or growth.

$DALYS_H$  - DALYs per case for the specified hazard.

# Example

## *Salmonella* in Fresh Herbs from Country X

**Step 1: Calculate the proportion of imported food consumed.**

$$DALYS_{CFH} = \frac{Trade_{CF}}{SS_F} \times P(Exp)_{CFH} \times P(Ill|Exp)_{CFH} \times DALYS_H$$



Amount of Fresh Herbs imported from Country X<sup>1</sup>:

$$Trade_{CF} = 146,057 \text{ kg}$$

Serving size of Fresh Herbs<sup>2</sup>:

$$SS_F = 41 \text{ g}$$

<sup>1</sup> Data retrieved from Statistics Canada - [Canadian International Merchandise Trade Database](#).

<sup>2</sup> Lyons, J (2013). *The Irish Food Portion Sizes Database*. Available at: <https://www.iuna.net/>

# Example

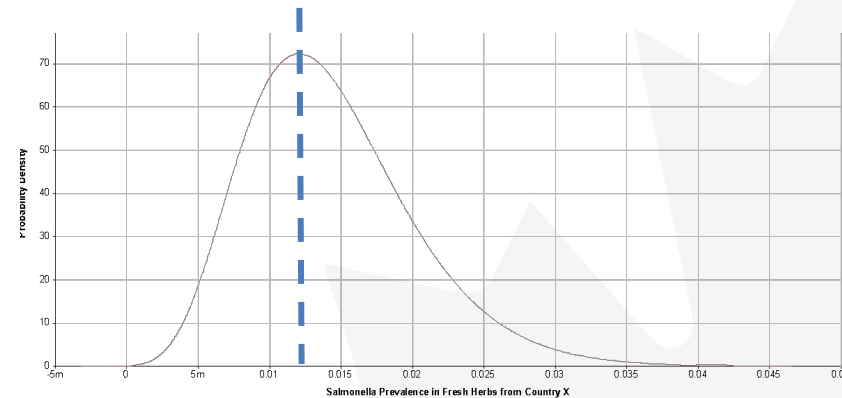
## *Salmonella* in Fresh Herbs from Country X

**Step 2: Calculate the probability that food from a given country is contaminated by the hazard.**

$$DALYS_{CFH} = \frac{Trade_{CF}}{SS_F} \times \underbrace{P(Exp)_{CFH} \times P(Ill|Exp)_{CFH}} \times DALYS_H$$

Beta distribution of *Salmonella* in Fresh Herbs from Country X<sup>1</sup>

Taking the mean value (blue dashed line), the prevalence is about 1.43%



<sup>1</sup> Data from CFIA food surveillance programs.

# Example

## *Salmonella* in Fresh Herbs from Country X

**Step 3: Calculate the probability that a person will become ill after exposure to the hazard.**

$$DALYS_{CFH} = \frac{Trade_{CF}}{SS_F} \times P(Exp)_{CFH} \times P(Exp|Ill)_{CFH} \times DALYS_H$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(Exp|Ill)_{CFH} &= f_H(dose_{CFH}) \\
 &= 1 - (1 + (dose_{CFH}/51.45))^{-0.1324} \\
 &= 1 - \left(1 + \left(\frac{2.46 \text{ CFU/serving}}{51.45}\right)\right)^{-0.1324} \\
 P(Exp|Ill)_{CFH} &= 0.0062
 \end{aligned}$$

Beta-Poisson model for *Salmonella*<sup>1</sup>:  
 $f_H(dose_{CFH}) = 1 - (1 + (dose_{CFH}/51.45))^{-0.1324}$

Where,

$$\begin{aligned}
 dose_{CFH} &= SS_F \times 10^{C_{CFH} + G_{FH} - LR_{FH}} \\
 &= 41 \text{ g} \times 10^{\log(0.06 \frac{CFU}{g}) + 0 - 0} \\
 dose_{CFH} &= 2.46 \text{ CFU/serving}
 \end{aligned}$$

$f_H(d)$  - Hazard specific dose-response model dependent upon the ingested dose  $d$

$C_{CFH}$  - Concentration of hazard ( $\log_{10}$ ) by country, food, hazard

$G_{FH}$  - Growth of hazard ( $\log_{10}$ ) by food and hazard; 0 for *Salmonella* on Fresh Herbs

$LR_{FH}$  - Reductions in hazard concentration ( $\log_{10}$ ) post sampling, and prior to consumption (e.g., cooking); 0 for Fresh Herbs

<sup>1</sup> World Health Organization. *Risk assessments of Salmonella in eggs and broiler chickens*. Vol. 2. Food & Agriculture Org., 2002. 21

# Example

## Salmonella in Fresh Herbs from Country X

Step 4: Multiply by the number of DALYs per case for the specified hazard

$$DALYS_{CFH} = \frac{Trade_{CF}}{SS_F} \times P(Exp)_{CFH} \times P(Ill|Exp)_{CFH} \times DALYS_H$$

Number of DALYs per case of illness  
for *Salmonella* (non-typhoidal)<sup>1</sup>:  
0.049

**Table 4**  
Overall disease burden, disease burden per 100,000 inhabitants and mean disease burden per case of illness in the Netherlands, 2009.

| Pathogen                                  | DALY per year |      | DALY per 100,000 inhabitants |      | DALY per 1000 cases of illness |      |
|---|---------------|------|------------------------------|------|--------------------------------|------|
|   | 0%            | 1.5% | 0%                           | 1.5% | 0%                             | 1.5% |
| <b>Bacteria – infectious</b>              |               |      |                              |      |                                |      |
| <i>Campylobacter</i> spp.                 | 3250          | 2890 | 19.8                         | 17.5 | 41                             | 36   |
| STEC O157                                 | 125           | 98   | 0.7                          | 0.6  | 143                            | 113  |
| <i>Salmonella</i> spp.                    | 1270          | 1100 | 7.7                          | 6.7  | 49                             | 41   |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> (perinatal) | 27            | 16   | 0.16                         | 0.09 | 9190                           | 5460 |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> (acquired)  | 87            | 80   | 0.53                         | 0.49 | 1140                           | 1050 |
| <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> (total)     | 114           | 96   | 0.69                         | 0.58 | 1450                           | 1220 |
| <b>Bacteria-toxin-producing</b>           |               |      |                              |      |                                |      |
| <i>Bacillus cereus</i>                    | 112           | 112  | 0.7                          | 0.7  | 2.3                            | 2.3  |
| <i>Clostridium perfringens</i>            | 536           | 531  | 3.3                          | 3.2  | 3.2                            | 3.2  |
| <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>              | 770           | 761  | 4.7                          | 4.6  | 2.6                            | 2.6  |
| <b>Viruses</b>                            |               |      |                              |      |                                |      |
| Norovirus                                 | 1480          | 1310 | 8.9                          | 7.9  | 2.4                            | 2.1  |
| Rotavirus                                 | 1820          | 1630 | 11.0                         | 9.9  | 4.9                            | 4.4  |
| Hepatitis A virus                         | 142           | 123  | 0.86                         | 0.75 | 167                            | 145  |
| Hepatitis E virus                         | 24            | 20   | 0.15                         | 0.12 | 460                            | 380  |
| <b>Protozoa</b>                           |               |      |                              |      |                                |      |
| <i>Cryptosporidium</i> spp.               | 69            | 67   | 0.4                          | 0.4  | 2.9                            | 2.8  |
| <i>Giardia</i> spp.                       | 162           | 159  | 1.0                          | 1.0  | 2.1                            | 2.1  |
| <i>Toxoplasma gondii</i> (congenital)     | 2270          | 1330 | 13.8                         | 8.1  | 6360                           | 3730 |
| <i>Toxoplasma gondii</i> (acquired)       | 1350          | 1020 | 8.2                          | 6.2  | 3170                           | 2400 |
| <i>Toxoplasma gondii</i> (total)          | 3620          | 2350 | 23.0                         | 14.3 | 4610                           | 2990 |

<sup>1</sup> Havelaar, Arie H., et al. "[Disease burden of foodborne pathogens in the Netherlands, 2009.](#)" International journal of food microbiology 156.3 (2012): 231-238.



# Example

## *Salmonella* in Fresh Herbs from Country X

Putting it all together...

$$DALYs_{CFH} = \frac{Trade_{CF}}{SS_F} \times P(Exp)_{CFH} \times P(Ill|Exp)_{CFH} \times DALYs_H$$
$$= \frac{146,057 \text{ kg}}{41 \text{ g}} \times 0.0143 \times 0.0062 \times 0.049 \frac{DALYs}{case}$$

$$DALYs_{CFH} = 15 DALYs$$

Result is 15 DALYs for *Salmonella* in Fresh Herbs from Country X.

# Comparative Risks using FIRE Model

## Results in Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

| Country | Food         | Hazard              | Risk (DALYs) |
|---------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|
| A       | Lettuce      | <i>E. coli</i> O157 | 820          |
| G       | Lettuce      | <i>Salmonella</i>   | 658          |
| G       | Fresh Herbs  | <i>Salmonella</i>   | 262          |
| A       | Blackberries | Norovirus           | 136          |
| A       | Blackberries | <i>E. coli</i> O157 | 59           |
| M       | Blackberries | <i>Salmonella</i>   | 51           |
| A       | Fresh Herbs  | <i>Salmonella</i>   | 39           |
| G       | Fresh Herbs  | <i>E. coli</i> O157 | 27           |
| A       | Lettuce      | <i>Salmonella</i>   | 21           |
| A       | Fresh Herbs  | <i>Salmonella</i>   | 16           |
| G       | Blackberries | Norovirus           | 11           |
| M       | Lettuce      | <i>E. coli</i> O157 | 8            |
| M       | Fresh Herbs  | <i>Salmonella</i>   | 6            |
| M       | Blackberries | Norovirus           | 4            |

**Total DALYs: 2118**

**Country**

| Country | Risk (DALYs) |
|---------|--------------|
| A       | 1091         |
| G       | 958          |
| M       | 69           |

Country A has a higher relative risk than Country G or M.

**Food**

| Food         | Risk (DALYs) |
|--------------|--------------|
| Lettuce      | 1507         |
| Fresh Herbs  | 350          |
| Blackberries | 261          |

Lettuce has a higher relative risk than Fresh Herbs or Blackberries.

**Hazard**

| Hazard              | Risk (DALYs) |
|---------------------|--------------|
| <i>Salmonella</i>   | 1053         |
| <i>E. coli</i> O157 | 914          |
| Norovirus           | 151          |

*Salmonella* has a higher relative risk than *E. coli* O157 or Norovirus.

# Risk Profiles (FFV demonstration)

## Data Visualization

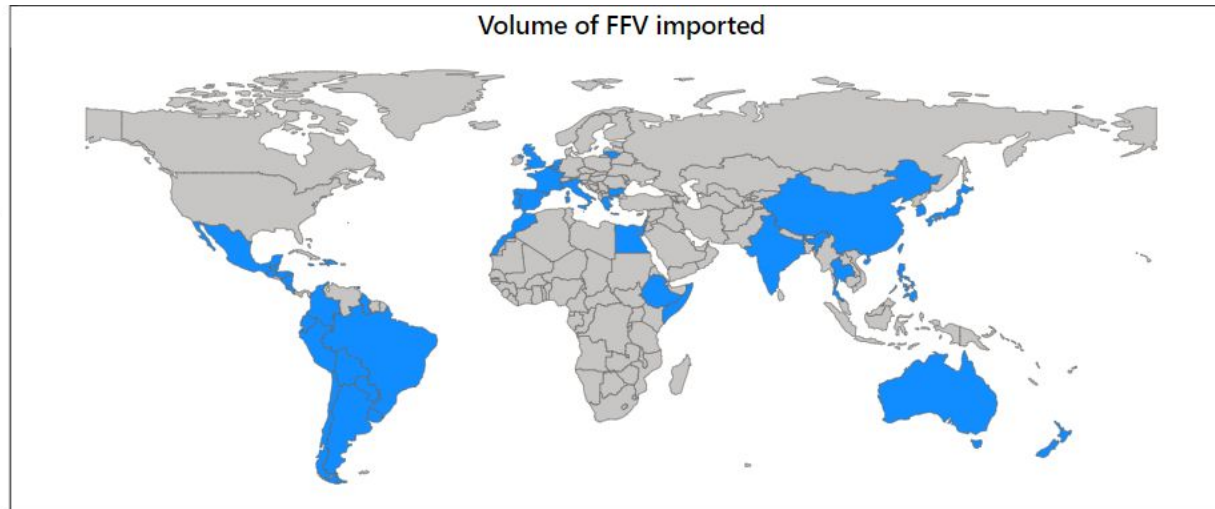
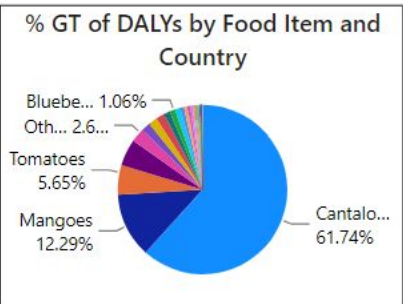


### FIRE Dashboard Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

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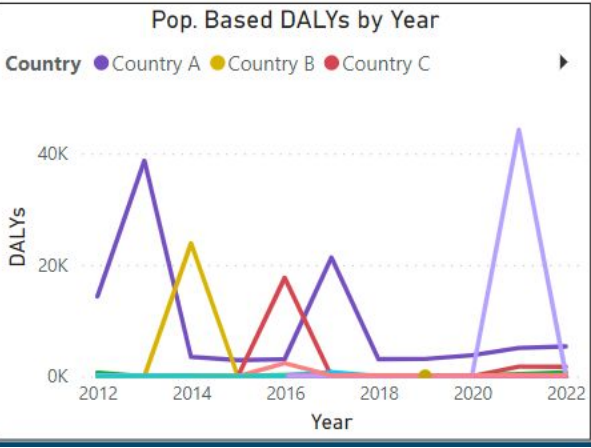
Food

Hazard



**Country-Food-Hazard Results**

| Rank | Country   | Food         | Hazard     | DALYs Pop. Based |
|------|-----------|--------------|------------|------------------|
| 1    | Country R | Cantaloupe   | Salmonella | 10,284           |
| 3    | Country C | Cantaloupe   | Salmonella | 5,897            |
| 4    | Country A | Cantaloupe   | Salmonella | 4,690            |
| 5    | Country A | Mangoes      | Salmonella | 2,851            |
| 9    | Country A | Tomatoes     | E. coli    | 1,935            |
| 11   | Country C | Pineapple    | E. coli    | 1,736            |
| 14   | Country B | Mangoes      | Salmonella | 1,208            |
| 16   | Country A | Other Melons | E. coli    | 733              |
| 20   | Country A | Lettuce      | Norovirus  | 572              |
| 21   | Country E | Grapes       | E. coli    | 568              |
| 25   | Country R | Cantaloupe   | E. coli    | 479              |
| 29   | Country E | Apples       | E. coli    | 293              |
| 30   | Country I | Apples       | Norovirus  | 267              |



**Country-Food-Hazard Results (per Serving)**

| Rank | Country   | Food        | Hazard     | DALYs per Mil Servings |
|------|-----------|-------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1    | Country T | Fresh Herbs | Salmonella | 6,202                  |
| 4    | Country C | Cantaloupe  | Salmonella | 303                    |
| 5    | Country A | Cantaloupe  | Salmonella | 215                    |
| 6    | Country Q | Fresh Herbs | Salmonella | 148                    |
| 7    | Country R | Cantaloupe  | Salmonella | 74                     |
| 8    | Country O | Fresh Herbs | Salmonella | 68                     |
| 9    | Country B | Mangoes     | Salmonella | 48                     |
| 10   | Country T | Fresh Herbs | E. coli    | 46                     |
| 11   | Country A | Mangoes     | Salmonella | 21                     |
| 12   | Country M | Fresh Herbs | E. coli    | 12                     |
| 13   | Country Q | Fresh Herbs | E. coli    | 10                     |
| 14   | Country A | Cabbage     | Norovirus  | 9                      |
| 15   | Country I | Apples      | Norovirus  | 7                      |

# Applications: Putting the model to work

FIRE will help the CFIA....



- 1 Identify and prioritize food safety risk management reviews, which can trigger changes to program design (risk control measures in place).
- 2 Identify offshore workplan priorities i.e. which countries/commodities/products/systems could be subject to offshore activities.
- 3 Identify if importers of certain foods from a specific country/region require a targeted Preventive Control Inspection (PCI) above and beyond the frequency prescribed by Importer Risk Assessment model, and/or a targeted communication.
- 4 Identify sampling gaps.
- 5 Identify signals e.g. changes to risk levels, emerging issues etc.

**FIRE will become a hub that connects diverse datasets (trade, sampling, incident/recall, illness etc.) and generates reports that many other groups can use to support their work and decision-making**

# The Road Ahead



FIRE+

Included  
Canadian illness  
and outbreak data  
Applied to foodborne  
pathogens in FFV



Onboard additional  
food commodities &  
hazard types  
E.g., Dairy, Fish &  
Seafood and others;  
chemical, allergens



Explore Artificial  
Intelligence tools for  
automation  
Integration with FishNet  
& MIST



Continue to work on  
predictive risk analytics  
Using Canadian Food  
Surveillance Information  
Network (CFSIN) FPT data

- Continue to onboard more food commodities (e.g. fish and seafood & dairy) and include chemical hazards
- Add new data elements to enhance the food safety story (incident/recall, outbreak, other government department data)
- Explore Artificial Intelligence tools for automation

**Continue to collaborate with internal, external and international partners....**

# Break/Questions ?







# Risk Model to Support the Development of a Performance Standards (e.g. *Salmonella* in Poultry)





# Overview

- Pathogen Reduction Program
- Risk model
  - Objectives and expected outcome
  - FDA-iRISK software
  - Process model elements
  - Performance standards scenarios (microbial sampling plans)
  - Scenario outputs
- Next steps

# Pathogen Reduction Program Past, Present and Future



## Exports based Model

(Export requirement using FSIS standards)  
(1998-2016)



## Hybrid Model

(Domestic requirement using FSIS Standards)  
2017 - Present



## Canadian Model

(Domestic requirement using Domestic Standards)  
Moving Forward

CFIA is working on modernizing the poultry pathogen reduction program by expanding its scope and developing Canadian standards.

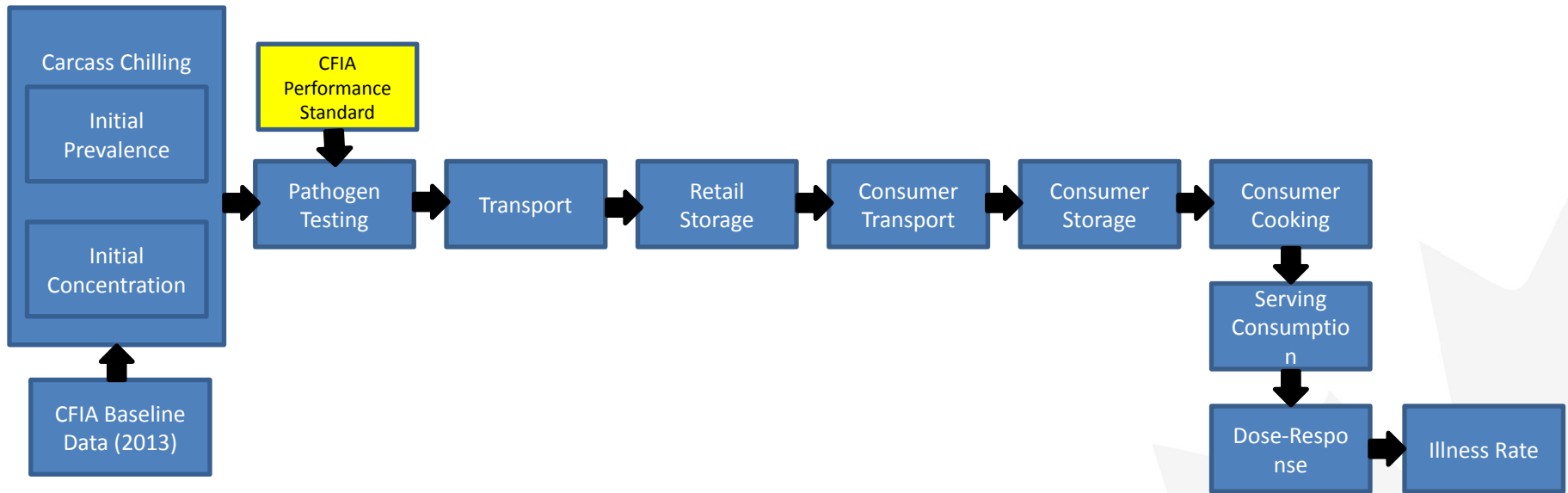
# Objective of Risk Model

1. Provide a “proof of concept” for the use of risk modeling to estimate the population level health burden, and
2. Demonstrate the use of these risk models to compare the predicted reduction in health burden associated with a series of hypothetical performance standards for *Salmonella* in broiler chickens.

## **Expected Outcome:**

Guide the design of Canadian performance standards for *Salmonella* in raw poultry products.

# Process model elements



# FDA-iRISK

- Web-based tool<sup>1</sup>:
  - Developed by US Food & Drug Administration (FDA).
  - Provides structure for creating multi-process food safety risk models.
  - Population level health burden as the output

1. Food and Drug Administration Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (FDA/CFSAN), Joint Institute for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (JIFSAN), & (RSI), R. S. I. (2020). FDA-iRISK® version 4.2i. from FDA CFSAN <https://risk.foodrisk.org/>

## View Process Model

Model Name: INITIAL CONDITIONS Baseline data Whole Chicken - Salmonella Log CFU

### Initial Conditions:

| Parameter                       | Value           | Uncertainty |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Hazard:                         | Salmonella      | N/A         |
| Food:                           | Broiler Chicken | N/A         |
| Initial Units are Contaminated: | Yes             | N/A         |
| Initial Prevalence:             | 0.169           |             |
| Mass Units:                     | g               | N/A         |

### Initial Unit Mass:

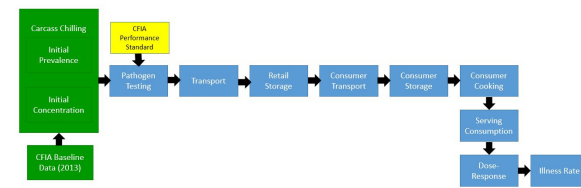
| Distribution Parameter    | Value       | Uncertainty |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Variability Distribution: | Fixed Value | N/A         |
| Value:                    | 1400        |             |

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### Initial Concentration:

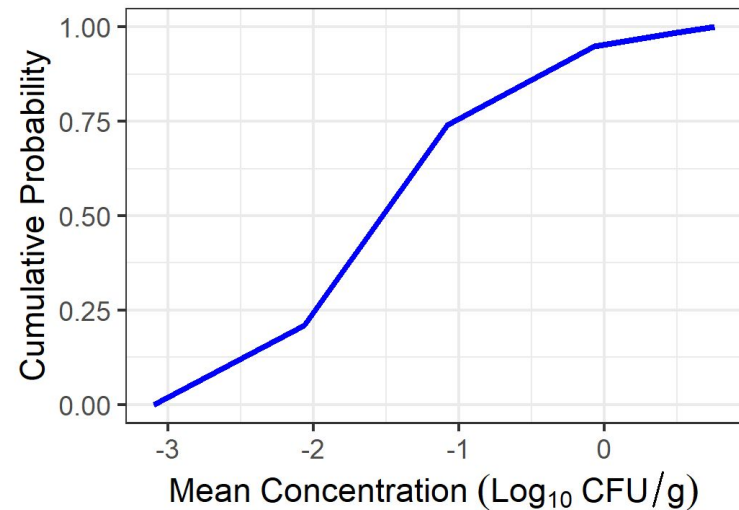
| Parameter  | Value   |
|--|---|
| Units:   | log <sub>10</sub> cfu / g   |
| Distribution:  | Empirical (linear)  |
| The cumulative empirical distribution (cubic or linear) is used to enter a distribution using cumulative probability/value pairs. It may be entered as a table (default) or in a textbox. When entered as a table, insert, delete or add rows as required. When entered in a textbox, each pair must be on a separate line and the format must be "cumulative probability,value" (e.g. 0.1, -3). | 0, -3.1<br>0.21, -2.06694679<br>0.74, -1.08167004<br>6<br>0.949, -0.0683968<br>56<br>0.986, 0.49692964<br>8<br>1, 0.756961951 |

# Prevalence & concentration



## 2013 CFIA Baseline Survey<sup>1</sup>

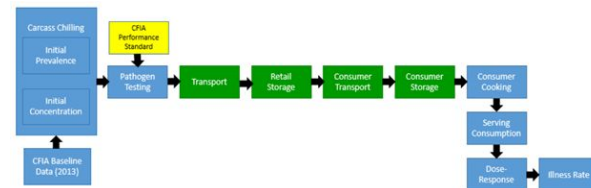
- Whole chicken carcass (~1.7 Kg)
- Prevalence of *Salmonella* = 16.9%
- Concentration = -0.67 log CFU/g  
(-3.1 log CFU/g – 0.76 log CFU/g)



**Figure.** Empirical cumulative probability distribution of the initial concentration of *Salmonella* in fresh broiler carcasses.

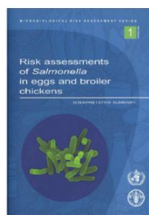
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# Growth Models for Transport & Storage Stages

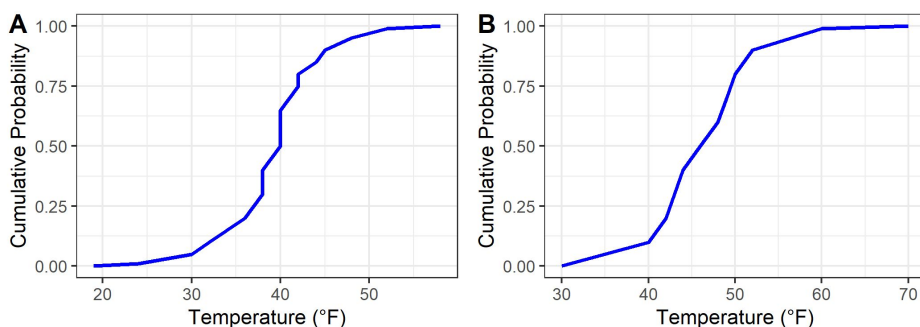


Growth model for *Salmonella* Typhimurium in cooked chicken breast<sup>1,2</sup>.

| Parameter         | Value |
|-------------------|-------|
| pH:               | 6     |
| $a_w$ :           | 0.99  |
| NaCl:             | 1.9   |
| $\text{NaNO}_2$ : | 0     |



Time and temperature during storage and transport estimated from previous JEMRA<sup>2</sup> and Audits International<sup>3</sup> reports.



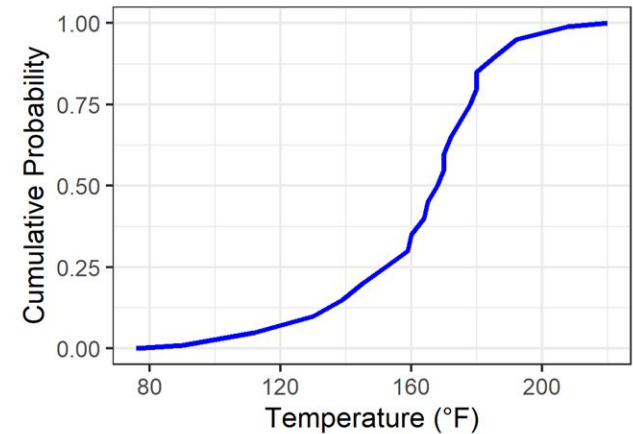
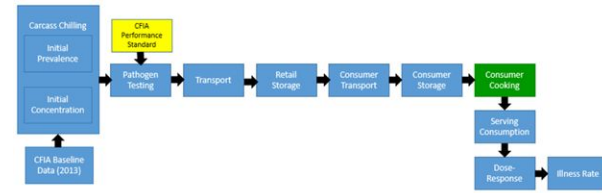
**Figure.** Empirical cumulative probability distributions of the temperature profiles use for storage at retail (A) and transport from retail to consumer (B) created from Audits International survey data<sup>3</sup>.

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# Inactivation of Salmonella (Consumer Cooking)

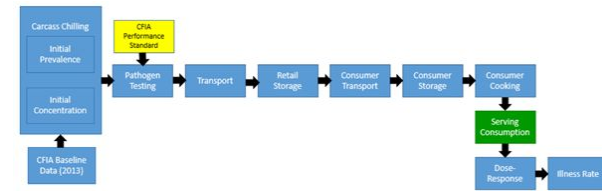
- Temperature-dependent *D*-value calculated from thermal inactivation data of *Salmonella* in chicken matrices<sup>1,2,3</sup>.
- Maximum internal temperature distribution modelled from Ecosure 2007 survey data<sup>4</sup>.



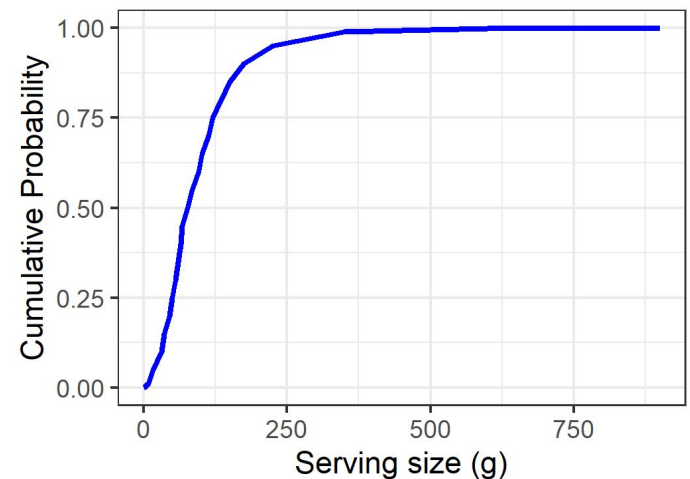
**Figure.** Empirical cumulative probability distributions of the temperature profiles use for consumer cooking, created from Ecosure survey data<sup>4</sup>.

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# Serving Consumption



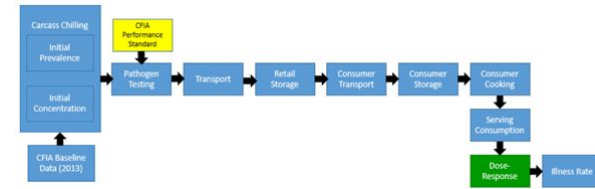
- Model is based on 1,000,000 servings of each type of poultry product.
- Distribution of consumer serving size (grams)
  - from US-CDC Nutritional Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES)<sup>1</sup>.



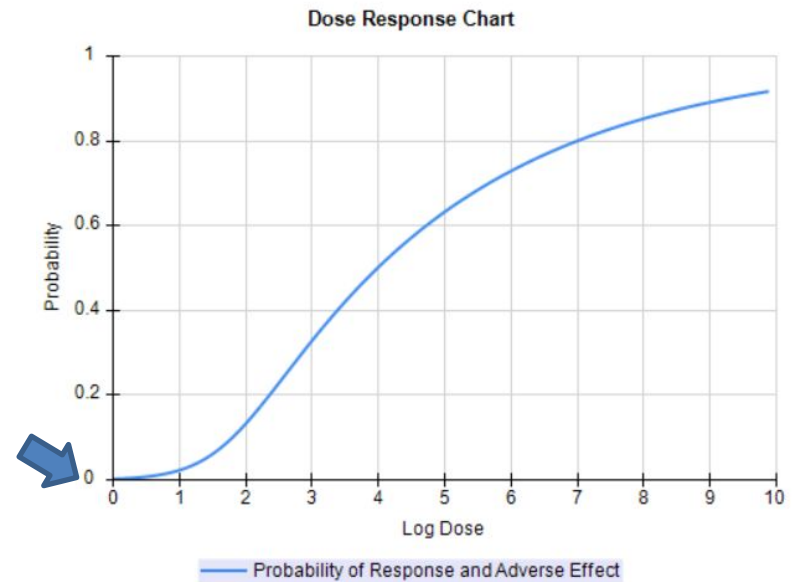
**Figure.** Empirical cumulative probability distribution of the average serving size of chicken per eating occasion.

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# Salmonella Dose-Response Model



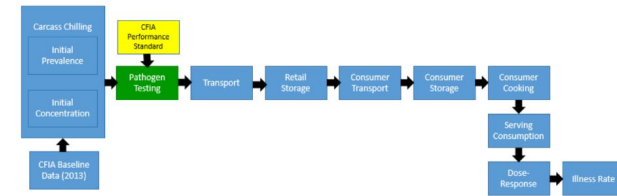
- Describes the relationship between the ingested dose and the probability of illness
- Beta-Poisson model used by FAO/WHO in 2002 Salmonella in broilers risk assessment<sup>1</sup>.
  - No minimum infectious dose (note the  $\log_{10}$  scale)
- DALYs/illness estimated as  $0.051^{2,3}$ .



**Figure.** Empirical cumulative probability distribution of the average serving size of chicken per eating occasion.

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# Microbiological Sampling Plan Analysis Tool



## FAO Microbial Sampling Plan Analysis Tool<sup>1</sup>.

- Assess the performance of a range of sampling plans, independent of the pathogen or commodity.

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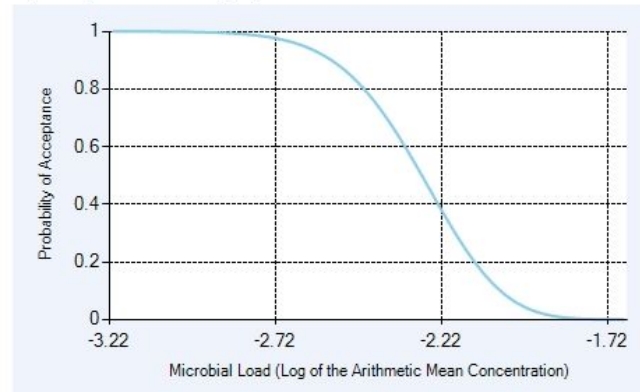
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**Sample Volume = 25 ml: Number of Samples (n) = 51: Max. Unacceptable (c) = 5**

Operating Characteristic (OC):

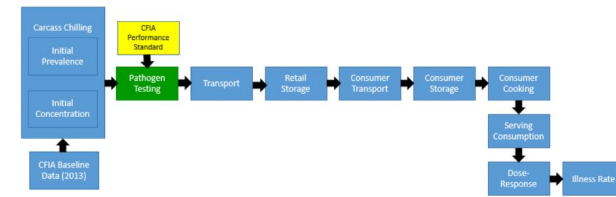


Note: All concentrations reported in  $\log_{10}$  cfu/g or  $\log_{10}$  cfu/ml as appropriate

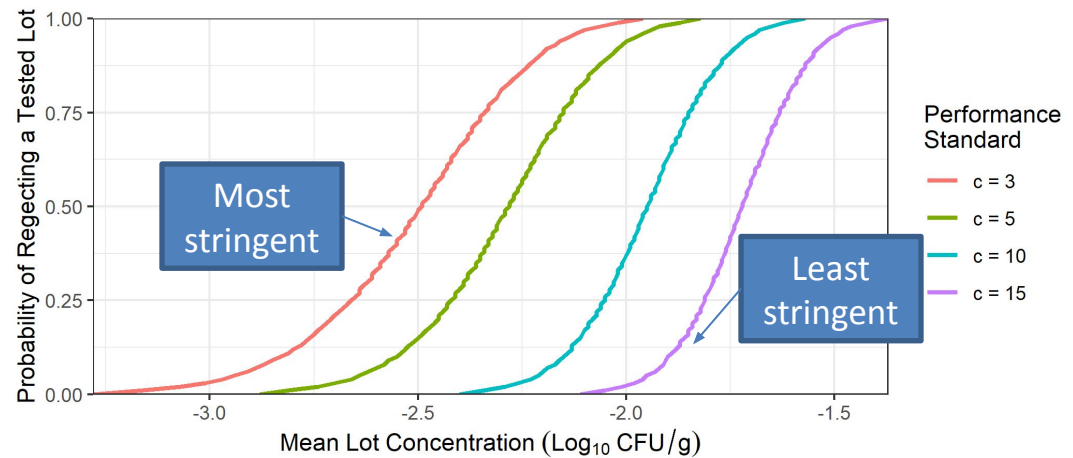
| Probability of Rejection (%) | Probability of Acceptance (%) | Detectable Microbial Load ( $\log_{10}$ ) |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| 1                            | 99                            | -2.81                                     |
| 2                            | 98                            | -2.74                                     |
| 3                            | 97                            | -2.70                                     |
| 4                            | 96                            | -2.66                                     |
| 5                            | 95                            | -2.64                                     |
| 6                            | 94                            | -2.62                                     |
| 7                            | 93                            | -2.60                                     |
| 8                            | 92                            | -2.58                                     |
| 9                            | 91                            | -2.57                                     |
| 10                           | 90                            | -2.55                                     |
| 11                           | 89                            | -2.54                                     |

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# Operating Characteristic Curve (OC curve)

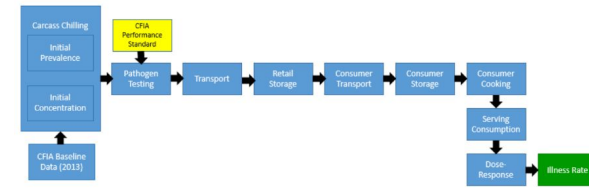


- Describes the relationship between mean concentration and probability of lot rejection
- Each sampling plan has a specific OC curve
- 4 curves with decreasing stringency (from left to right) as number of acceptable positive samples increases



**Figure.** Operating characteristic curves describing the relationship between mean concentration of Salmonella in a lot and the probability of rejecting that lot. Each curve represents a unique scenario where  $n = 51$  samples are collected from the lot, and a performance standard representing the maximum allowable number of unacceptable samples (i.e., positive for Salmonella;  $c = 3, 5, 10, 15$ ) before rejecting the lot.

# FDA-iRISK Output Reports



FDA-iRISK® 4.0

Report Title: Salmonella Whole Chicken PS analysis

Report Date: 2/2/2023

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## Ranking Summary

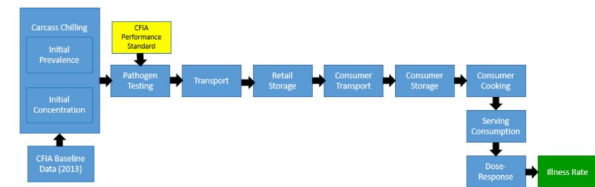
All reported summary values are per year. For chronic scenarios, results for the total lifecourse have been divided by the lifecourse duration (e.g. 70 years) specified for the life stages included in the scenario.

| Scenario or Scenario Group           | Total DALYs per Year | Uncertainty Results |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| _Salmonella Whole Chicken No PS      | 62.1                 | N/A                 |
| _Salmonella Whole + PS 1ml n=51 c=15 | 30.9                 | N/A                 |
| _Salmonella Whole + PS 1ml n=51 c=10 | 21.5                 | N/A                 |
| _Salmonella Whole + PS 1ml n=51 c=5  | 13.3                 | N/A                 |
| _Salmonella Whole + PS 1ml n=51 c=3  | 10.3                 | N/A                 |

| Scenario                             | Lifecourse Duration | Eating Occasions or Consumers | Total Illnesses | Mean Risk of Illness | Total DALYs per Year | DALYs Per EO or Consumer | Total DALYs per Year (Weighted) |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| _Salmonella Whole Chicken No PS      | N/A                 | 1.00E+6                       | 1220            | 0.00122              | 62.1                 | 0.0000621                | 62.1                            |
| _Salmonella Whole + PS 1ml n=51 c=15 | N/A                 | 1.00E+6                       | 605             | 0.000605             | 30.9                 | 0.0000309                | 30.9                            |

# Risk scenarios

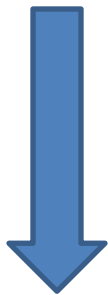
(without & with performance standards testing)



**Table.** Predicted public health burden of Salmonella under a various performance standards scenarios. Each scenario represents a collection of 51 samples from each establishment over 52 weeks, and a performance standard of the maximum number of unacceptable samples allowed (*c*) before failure of the establishment.

| Scenario      | Total Illnesses/million | Total DALYs/million |
|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
|               | servings                | servings            |
| No Standards  | 1250                    | 64.0                |
| <i>c</i> = 15 | 37.6                    | 1.92                |
| <i>c</i> = 10 | 17.6                    | 0.90                |
| <i>c</i> = 5  | 5.91                    | 0.30                |
| <i>c</i> = 3  | 3.36                    | 0.17                |

Increasing Stringency





# Next Steps

- Improve the current *Salmonella* risk model,
  - Include uncertainties
  - Improve time/temperature
  - Include cross-contamination
- Collaborate with stakeholders to guide the development of Canadian performance standards for *Salmonella* in fresh poultry,
- Adapt the current risk model to *Campylobacter* in raw poultry, and
- Adapt the current risk model to other raw poultry products
  - Frozen breaded and/or stuffed raw chicken products



# Thanks & Questions ?

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