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Uproot Snort is a young Wild Boar who has been identified by Magnus, Lord of all the Boars and working for the King, as having an extremely sensitive nose and will grow up to be able to smell things that no other Wild Boar has ever been able to smell. Uproot does not know what the King will have in mind for him when he is older. He is not even sure what a King is .... he knows that those human beings sometimes have Kings, but he also knows that the Lion is the King of the jungle. One day he will find out exactly where his life and the later adventures will lead. In the meantime Uproot attends school with all his new classmates, including Wilfred Woodpecker who pecks holes in his desk when he talks, Harriet Hedgehog who sleeps most of the time and hasn't pronounced Uproot Snort's name correctly yet. Then there is Olivia Dormouse, the smallest in class, but who is by far the bossy one of them all. There is Jack Rabbit who keeps getting his words wrong, and many many more characters. In this, the second book in the gentle and humorous series of the early adventures of Uproot Snort, we see what the class make of a

Geography lesson and learn a little of the way that young animals view human beings, and the seemingly illogical things that human beings do. When the invisible monster appears, it is Uproot who is the bravest of all and once again becomes a hero to his classmates This impressive volume contains a large and comprehensive collection of articles on pig farming, with information on diet, ailments, housing, preparation, marketing, and many other aspects of pig breeding. Constituting a complete and detailed treatise on the subject, this collection of articles contains everything an existing or prospective pig farmer needs to know about the practice, and makes for a worthy addition to collections of farming and animal-keeping literature. The articles of this compendium include: 'Breeding Farm Animals', 'Good Pig Keeping', 'Harris on the Pig', 'Hogs', 'Outdoor Pig Keeping', 'Pig Husbandry', 'Pig Keeping', 'Pigs and Their Management', 'Principles of Practical Pig Breeding and Feeding', 'Productive Swine Husbandry', 'The Book of the Pig', 'The Feeding and Management of Pigs', 'The Handbook of Modern Pig Farming', and more. We are proud to republish this volume, now complete with a new introduction on pig farming. The purpose of document is to provide fact based overview of ASF ecology in the Northern and Eastern European populations of wild boar and briefly describe a range of practical management and biosecurity measures or interventions, which can help stockholders in the countries experiencing large scale epidemic of this exotic disease to address the problem in a more coherent, collaborative and comprehensive way. The handbook should not be viewed as an authoritative manual providing readymade solutions on how to eradicate ASF from wild boar. The facts, observations and approaches described in the document are presented with the intention to broadly inform veterinary authorities, wildlife conservation bodies, hunting community, farmers and general public about complexity of this novel disease and the need to wisely plan and carefully coordinate any efforts aiming at its prevention and control. A gentle and beautifully illustrated children's story of friendship between a tiny fox and a great boar. One beautiful fall day, as Tiny Fox relaxes under his favorite tree, he meets a new friend: Great Boar! Great Boar loves to explore the beauty of nature and the changing seasons, but Tiny Fox thinks adventuring can be scary...but so is the idea of being without his new pal! What will Tiny Fox do? See how two friends help each other and learn to be brave in this beautiful watercolor book for children by award-winning Polish artist Berenika Kolomycka. The research focussed on the sensory perception of boar odour: an odour problem that is sometimes present in the meat of entire male pigs and associated with two compounds namely skatole and androstenone. Researchers differ on the issue of the relative contributions of skatole and androstenone to the sensory perception of boar odour. The first

objective of the research was to investigate the relative contribution of different concentrations of skatole and androstenone to the temporal perception of boar odour in boar fat. In South Africa, the potential for boar odour was regarded to be considerable should it be decided to discontinue the policy of castrating boars. However, the economic advantages associated with boar production on the other hand necessitated an investigation into consumer reactions to boar odour. The second objective was therefore to determine the effects of gender and ethnicity on consumer reactions to boar odour in boar fat samples with different concentrations of skatole and androstenone. Pork fat samples from 50 boars slaughtered at a commercial abattoir were analysed for skatole and androstenone concentrations and grouped within a 3 x 3 matrix representing low, medium and high levels of the odour compounds. A 10-member sensory panel, screened and trained to recognise and quantify skatole and androstenone odour intensities, was used to verify the human perception of boar odour in these pork fat samples immediately after heating (65°C) and following a cooling period of ten minutes (25°C). Consumers (n = 300) including equal numbers of males and females and from three ethnic groupings, namely blacks, whites and coloureds, were used to determine the effects of gender and ethnicity on consumer reactions towards boar odour compounds. Each consumer evaluated how much they would like to eat pork or pork products that smelled like the odour of each of 7 boar fat samples (65°C) with different combinations of known concentrations of skatole and androstenone. The consumers were recruited on two university campuses and the results can therefore not be extrapolated to the general South African population since the majority of the participants were young (18 - 35 years) and representing living standards measures (LSM) groups 6 to 8, i.e. the higher income groups. It was shown that the trained sensory panel differentiated the odour of the pork fat samples first and foremost on the basis of the presence or absence of androstenone and/or skatole odours and secondly on the character of the androstenone or skatole odour. Sensory perception of boar odour seems to have a temporal character which can be explained by differences in volatilisation (involving both odourant release and retention) of skatole and androstenone, possibly enhanced by differences in the properties of the fat matrixes of different samples. The temperature and time at which the samples were evaluated influenced both the intensity and the character of the perceived odour profiles. For samples with skatole concentrations above 0.25µg/g and served warm, skatole was predominant while the influence of androstenone at levels above 0.5µg/g and other odour components became increasingly important after samples had cooled down and skatole volatiles were less evident. The results showed that females compared to males would be less willing to

consume pork and pork products with detectable levels of boar odour pertaining to both skatole and androstenone. All groups would be less willing to consume pork and pork products with detectable concentrations of skatole or skatole and androstenone in combination. An apparent liking for samples with medium levels of androstenone (0.5 to 1.0??/g) was found for some consumers, especially males, and can be partly attributed to the inability of some consumers to smell this component or a genuine liking for the odour of androstenone. Significant differences (p Intro to Wild Boar Hunting for Kids contains everything kids want to know before their first wild boar hunting trip. Kids will learn about: History of Wild Boar Hunting Types of Boar Hunting Gear Safety Scouting for Boar Tracking Boar Aiming for a Perfect Shot Understanding Hunting Conservation Scents Food to Bring And many more hunting topics... Learning about wild boar hunting can be fun and exciting. This book will open kids your eyes to all things wild boar hunting so kids can have an exciting and hopefully successful first wild boar hunting trip. "Intro to Wild Boar Hunting For Kids" will share so many fun tips on wild boar hunting that kids won't want to put it down. Are You Ready? Get your copy and start learning about wild boar hunting today. Welly the wild boar loves nothing better than eating fluffy egg puffs! He roams his home city of Hong Kong in search of his favourite snack, but he finds many other tasty foods to try along the way. This poetic tale of a loveable local creature will introduce you to traditional Hong Kong snacks and persuade you to go out and try some for yourself. See how many of these street foods you can find! Everything the hog hunter needs to know for the next wild chase and beyond. Latent knowledge in the field of pig reproduction is vast but scattered, making it difficult to take in all information at a glance. Moreover, nascent branches in biotechnology cannot grow if deprived of roots. The book *Boar Reproduction: Fundamentals and New Biotechnological Trends* links the past, the present and the emerging scientific research fields on reproductive biotechnology, offering a rigorous but easy to follow compilation of topics, from "old favorites" to the latest advances. The book is organized in three parts. The chapters of the first and second part cover various biological aspects of boar spermatozoa within the male, and within the female environments, respectively. The most common laboratory and artificial insemination techniques are discussed in the third part. As an additional feature, some chapters focus on the basis of a technology transfer to bring research expertise from basic science to the market, making the information provided in this book suitable for academic, research and other professional applications. African swine fever (ASF) is a devastating haemorrhagic viral disease affecting domestic and wild pigs of all ages and sexes. This disease causes massive economic losses, threatens food security and trade, and presents a serious challenge for the pig production sector in affected countries. ASF also threatens the biodiversity conservation of several Asiatic wild Suidae. Since ASF was first introduced in Georgia in 2007, the disease has spread to many countries in Europe, Asia and the Pacific, and in 2021, it was detected in the

Caribbean states of the Dominican Republic and Haiti, both in the Americas. In much of its Euro-Asiatic range, the African swine fever virus (ASFV) infects wild boar, which sometimes act as the main - if not the only - epidemiological reservoir of the infection, keeping it in the environment regardless of the presence of infected domestic pigs. The presence of the virus in wild boar populations is a continuous health threat for the sympatric domestic pig population, posing a challenge for veterinary and wildlife services that have had little success in attempting to eradicate infections among wildlife, especially in the absence of an effective vaccine. Finally, areas in which ASFV is detected in wild boar remain infected for at least one year after the last recorded case. This is a much longer period than that of domestic animals and puts a strain on the services involved, requiring a considerable amount of work and human and financial resources. The second edition of the handbook provides insights on surveillance and disease management in wild boar based on experiences with ASFV eradication in Belgium and Czechia, as well as other recent experiences in the prevention and control of the disease in wild boar in Europe. In 1947, a Chinese child comes to Brooklyn where she becomes Americanized at school, in her apartment building, and by her love for baseball. Excerpt from *Status of the European Wild Boar Project, Great Smoky Mountains National Park (Problem Analysis and Proposed Research)*, 1976 The purpose of this study plan is to evaluate past research pertaining to the boar and to incorporate that with management objectives of the National Park Service into a comprehensive. About the Publisher *Forgotten Books* publishes hundreds of thousands of rare and classic books. Find more at [www.forgottenbooks.com](http://www.forgottenbooks.com) This book is a reproduction of an important historical work. *Forgotten Books* uses state-of-the-art technology to digitally reconstruct the work, preserving the original format whilst repairing imperfections present in the aged copy. In rare cases, an imperfection in the original, such as a blemish or missing page, may be replicated in our edition. We do, however, repair the vast majority of imperfections successfully; any imperfections that remain are intentionally left to preserve the state of such historical works. Pursued throughout time by kings and the common man, the wild boar has intrigued and beguiled hunters throughout the world. With so much sensational news of problem wild hog populations and unwanted interaction with humans, a need has arisen to remind us all of the nobility that surrounds this ancient and prized game animal. He is near the point of being reviled in some quarters. Author Mark Ferdinand pays tribute to the wild boar and makes the case for elevating its status to that of the most respected wild game species that hunters give chase to. A humble hunter makes the case for wild boar being the most beautiful game animal. One day, a baby girl, Tara, is found, abandoned and covered in flies. She is raised by two mothers in a community rife with rituals and superstition. As she grows, Tara pursues acceptance at all costs. Saffiya, her adoptive mother, and Bhaggan, Saffiya's maidservant, are victims of the men in their community, and the two women, in turn,

struggle and live short but complicated lives. The only way for the villagers to find solace is through the rituals of ancient belief systems. Tara lives in a village that could be any village in South Asia, and she dies, like many young women in the area, during childbirth. Her short life is dedicated to her efforts to find happiness, despite the fact that she has no hope of going to school or making any life choices in the feudal, patriarchal world in which she finds herself. Poignant and compelling, *Wild Boar in the Cane Field* depicts the tragedy that often characterizes the lives of those who live in South Asia—and demonstrates the heroism we are all capable of even in the face of traumatic realities. Ancestors of domestic pigs, wild boars are tough, resourceful omnivores that have presented humans since prehistoric times with a tricky situation: they make for a delicious food source, but they are formidable animals with long tusks that can inflict serious harm. *Wild Boar* traces the interaction of humans and boars in fascinating detail, showing how our relationship has evolved over time and how it can be seen today as fundamentally representative of the questions at the heart of ecological preservation and restoration. Dorothy Yamamoto takes us from the dense streets of Tokyo to the Forest of Dean in England to show how wild boars have survived in a variety of settings. She also explores the ways that they have figured in our imaginations, whether as the iconic Calydonian Boar from Ancient Greece, the White Boar of Richard III, or any of the other forms it has taken in mythology and lore. As she shows, the boar has been an especially prominent figure in hunting culture, and as such it has often been construed as a larger-than-life monster that only the most heroic of us can take down, a misperception that has threatened the boar's survival in many parts of the world. With an illuminating combination of natural with cultural history, this book paints a vibrant portrait of a unique and often misunderstood animal. Visit the author's website at <http://www.greatwoodsbooks.com> The idea for "Emma and the Wild Boar" began in the winter of 2003, when the author and his wife were visiting the Christmas markets in Germany. While in Leipzig the author purchased a small stuffed animal in the shape of a wild boar as a Christmas gift for his one-year-old granddaughter, Emma. In an effort to make the gift more interesting the author created a story about the wild boar and both were given to Emma at Christmas that year. Emma seemed to approve of the wild boar and the story, so it was decided to create a book to share with other children. With the help of Craig Howarth, whose wonderful illustrations bring the story to life, the book you are now holding in your hands was born. All of the characters in the book, with the exception of the wild boar are real members of Emma's family, Chaucer was the most recent sheepdog owned by the family, Uncle Adam has written Emma the song referred to in the book, and Grandma lives in the House surrounded by the "Great Woods" Emma now has a baby sister Bess, and it is hoped that more stories about the adventures of Emma and Bess will appear in the future. The illustrator Craig Howarth is an architect by training but an illustrator, painter and photographer by profession. He has illustrated

a number of children's books. Craig lives and works in Durban South Africa. Grandpa Wally is a practicing attorney, and lives with Grandma, in the house in the "Great Woods" in northern Illinois. This book contains classic material dating back to the 1900s and before. The content has been carefully selected for its interest and relevance to a modern audience. Wild Boar traces the history of the interaction between humans and wild boar, from the iconic beasts of myth and legend, such as the Calydonian Boar, to the adoption of the boar as a heraldic device - most notably by the doomed English king Richard III - and the meticulous rules of engagement that grew up around the practice of hunting. The boar's impact upon human bodies is a running theme in legends, stories and reports, and now that hunters are no longer armed with boar spears but with high-velocity rifles, the boars themselves have ballooned in the popular imagination, in the shape of monstrous hybrids such as 'Hogzilla', in keeping with their role as deadly adversary -- Publisher's website. The concerns about pig castration have led to changes in European law and will most certainly have lasting effects on the production chain. As a result, such invasive procedures have come under increased scrutiny. Animal welfare considerations aside, scientifically there is no doubt about pain during castration without anesthesia. Moreover, the castration procedure itself is a time-consuming task for the farmer. The last argument is productivity: from an economic and food supply perspective, castrated pigs are actually less productive than boars and produce a lower percentage of lean meat. These facts shed light on why there is a growing interest in the fattening of entire males. The occurrence of an off-odor in the fatty tissue of boars continues to hinder the widespread raising entire boars. Depending on its severity, the so-called boar taint is an unpleasant olfactory perception which can be recognized when heating pork. Current literature and reports often reveal a discrepancy in the number of tainted carcasses reported in scientific literature and abattoir data. Knowledge is lacking on how to implement a sensory quality control of the so-called boar taint. Even though there are chemical analyses able to detect the major causative compounds, androstenone and skatole, there is no affordable automated technique available at the moment which can simultaneously detect both compounds at the slaughter line. To control the occurrence of boar taint, practical implications for a sensory quality control of boar carcasses are needed. This highlights the need for research in sensory methods which apparently are indispensable for quality control. The objectives of the present thesis were: 1) to develop methods which allow objectively characterizing the olfactory acuity of human assessors in terms of major boar taint compounds, 2) to assess methodological aspects of a sensory quality control of boar fat in regard to sample preparation and the test environment, 3) to re-assess the relationship between chemical boar taint analysis and sensory evaluation in a large scale study, and 4) to establish a framework for evaluating the performance of sensory quality control. Neben der Ressourceneffizienz ist die gesellschaftliche Akzeptanz entscheidend, um eine zukunftsfähige Schweinefleischproduktion zu

gewährleisten. Die veränderte Mensch-Tier-Beziehung führt zu einer verringerten gesellschaftlichen Akzeptanz bestehender Nutztierhaltungsformen und erfordert Umdenk- und Veränderungsprozesse. So wird beispielsweise ab 2019 die betäubungslose Ferkelkastration, die wissenschaftlich und öffentlich immer wieder kritisiert wurde, in Deutschland verboten sein. Damit einher geht die Suche nach möglichen Alternativen. Die Mast von Jungebern ist eine Alternative, deren flächendeckende Umsetzung jedoch aufgrund starker Bedenken hinsichtlich der resultierenden Produktqualität in Frage gestellt wird. Ein Verfahren, das flächendeckend (90%) in England mit geringeren Schlachtgewichten, durchgeführt wird. Haupthindernis ist der so genannte Ebergeruch. Eine simultane chemische Erfassung der Ebergeruchskomponenten (Androstenon und Skatol) ist bisher nur mit einem hohen analytischen und finanziellen Aufwand möglich. Gleichzeitig aber ist die Ressourceneffizienz der Ebermast wiederholt mit einer besseren Futtermittelverwertung oder einen höheren Fleischansatz wissenschaftlich und praktisch belegt worden. In diesem Promotionsprojekt STRAT-E-GER, gefördert durch das Bundesministerium für Ernährung und Landwirtschaft, wurde eine wesentliche Voraussetzung zur Etablierung der Ebermast, nämlich die zuverlässige Erfassung von geruchsauffälligen Schlachtkörpern, untersucht. Der Ebergeruch ist immer wieder - höchst subjektiv - Gegenstand von wissenschaftlichen und öffentlichen Diskussionen. Aber was genau steckt hinter diesem Begriff? Spiegeln chemische Analysen zweier Leitkomponenten tatsächlich den Ebergeruch wider? Können geruchsauffällige Schlachtkörper mit menschlichen Prüfern objektiv und wiederholbar detektiert werden? Die Ergebnisse der verschiedenen Studien wurden u.a. in drei englisch-sprachigen Publikationen veröffentlicht. Ein Haupthindernis bei der humansensorischen Bewertung ist - neben der spezifischen Androstenon-Geruchsblindheit - die individuell stark variierende Geruchsempfindlichkeit von Prüfpersonen. Paper I präsentiert standardisierte und objektive Riechtests, um die Geruchsleistung potentieller Prüfer objektiv zu ermitteln und zu bewerten. Für eine Geruchsbewertung ist eine vorausgehende Erhitzung erforderlich, um die Freisetzung von Androstenon und Skatol aus der Fettmatrix zu erleichtern. Defizite bisheriger Methodenvergleiche waren - neben der mangelnden Prüferauswahl auf Basis der Geruchssensitivität, - die geringe Anzahl der Prüfer eines Panels (siehe ISO 8586) sowie eine objektive analytische sensorische Bewertung. Paper II identifiziert die Erhitzung mit dem Lötkolben als geeignete Maßnahme, wenn Sensitivität und Spezifität auf Basis chemischer Analysen betrachtet wurden. Eine allgemein anerkannte Voraussetzung für die Durchführung von sensorischen Qualitätskontrollen ist eine stille Testumgebung. Die stellt eine zuverlässige Bewertung von Schlachtkörpern im Rahmen des Schlachtprozesses in Frage. Paper III zeigt, dass unabhängig von der Gewöhnung der Prüfer an Umgebungslärm ein konstanter Schlachtlärm (70 dB) keinen Einfluss auf die

Ergebnisse von Geruchstests sowie der Geruchsbewertung von Eberspeckproben hat. Die mangelnde Übereinstimmung chemischer Analysen mit der humansensorischen Bewertung wird in Wissenschaft und Praxis sehr kontrovers diskutiert. Paper IV zeigt auf Basis eines sehr umfangreichen Datensatzes (über 1000 Tiere wurden von einem 10-köpfigen Prüferpanel bewertet), dass einfache lineare Grenzen beider Leitsubstanzen nicht die Realität widerspiegeln und präsentiert einen neuen Ansatz zur Modellierung der Geruchsabweichungen. Smart Kids Presents...Boars - Amazing Pictures and Facts about boars. Can you keep a wild boar as a pet or not? Where in the world do boars actually live? In this book you will explore the wonderful world of boars, finding the answers to these questions and so many more. Complete with incredible pictures to keep even the youngest of children captivated, you will all embark on a little journey into the great unknown. In school our children aren't taught in a way that makes them curious and wants to learn. I want to change that! This book will show your children just how interesting the world is and help ignite a passion for learning. Your children will learn how to: Become curious about the world around them. Find motivation to learn. Use their free time to discover more about the world-and have fun while doing so! And much more! In 1947, a Chinese child comes to Brooklyn where she becomes Americanized at school, in her apartment building, and by her love for baseball. Wild pigs inhabit vast areas in Europe, Southern Asia and Africa, and have been introduced in North and South America, while feral pigs are widespread in Australia and New Zealand. Many wild pig species are threatened with extinction, but Eurasian wild boar populations, however, are increasing in many regions. Covering all wild pig and peccary species, the Suidae and Tayassuidae families, this comprehensive review presents new information about the evolution, taxonomy and domestication of wild pigs and peccaries alongside novel case studies on conservation activities and management. One hundred leading experts from twenty five countries synthesise understanding of this group of species; discussing current research, and gaps in the knowledge of researchers, conservation biologists, zoologists, wildlife managers and students. This beautifully illustrated reference includes the long history of interactions between wild pigs and humans, the benefits some species have brought us and their role and impact on natural ecosystems. "Signs of the Beast," the first boar hunting tutorial in the series 'On Hunting Boar', is a primer on locating specific wild pig populations in known pig country by finding, interpreting and using the signs they leave behind. This anthology of boar and wild pig hunting explains in great detail and with over 70 pictures the many signs wild pigs leave behind, how to interpret them correctly and how to locate boar more reliably. You will learn - behavioral patterns of boar and wild pigs, - how to use these patterns to bag more game, - to recognize the many signs wild pigs leave behind, - the difference between tracks from a small calf, deer and boar, - what trails and wallows tell you, - the science of rubs, - how to tell a dominant big boar is around, - what rooting can tell you, - to determine the

best place for an ambush, - to discover the exact location of wild pigs, - and more. This primer complements the author's first book "Wild Boar In California - Where And How To Hunt." While "Wild Boar In California" guides you to known locations of boar populations on private and public land in California in general, 'Signs Of The Beast ' shows you specifically how to find and track a group of wild pigs within that general location. Third revised, updated and expanded edition. The ability to identify and remove sub-fertile boars from the breeding herd is critical to improving reproductive efficiency of pork production systems. Use of semen from sires exhibiting sub-fertility can result in decreased sow pregnancy and farrowing rates, as well as smaller litter sizes [1, 2]. Currently, the ability to detect sub-fertile sires has been somewhat limited due to the low correlation between increasing semen quality and increasing relative fertility beyond minimum acceptability standards, as well as the limitations of functional assays [3, 4]. Previous research has identified differences in the relative abundance of seminal plasma proteins between high and low fertility boars using 2-D gel electrophoresis and western blotting [5]. Genomic markers are also promising, due to their usefulness in examining low heritability, complex traits [6]. No existing studies of the associations between single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) and fertility have been completed for boars, although associations have been reported in bulls and stallions [7, 8]. The purpose of this study was therefore to utilize field fertility evaluations of boars in commercial pork production systems to generate a population of boars with known fertility phenotypes. During the evaluation period, blood and semen samples were collected for proteomic and genomic analysis. Proteomic evaluation was completed on boars representing fertility extremes, using a combination of label-free quantitation, isobaric tag for relative and absolute quantification for discovery, and targeted multiple reaction monitoring. A genome-wide association study was completed using Sleuth software, on all boars evaluated. Through this work, proteins and SNPs significantly associated with fertility performance of boars were identified. These markers provide a basis for further validation to identify markers for testing boars during early life. With validation, these markers will provide a tool to boar stud managers and pork producers to identify potentially sub-fertile sires and improve reproductive efficiency. Literature Cited 1. Van der Lende T, Willemsen MHA, van arendonk JAM, van Haandel EBP: Genetic analysis of the service sire effect on litter size in swine. *Livest Prod Sci* 1999, 58:91-94. 2. Ruiz-Sanchez AL, O'Donoghue R, Novak S, Dyck MK, Cosgrove JR, Dixon WT, Foxcroft GR: The predictive value of routine semen evaluation and IVF technology for determining relative boar fertility. *Theriogenology* 2006, 66(4):736-748. 3. Dyck MK, Foxcroft GR, Novak S, Ruiz-Sanchez A, Patterson J, Dixon WT: Biological markers of boar fertility. *Reprod Domest Anim* 2011, 46 Suppl 2:55-58. 4. Popwell JM, Flowers WL: Variability in relationships between semen quality and estimates of in vivo and in vitro fertility in boars. *Anim Reprod Sci* 2004, 81(1-2):97-113.

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Jeffers called "beautiful monsters." There are wildlife species able to exploit the resources offered by urban environments. Wild boars can explore urban and peri-urban areas, but their presence in these areas is a nuisance and poses a risk for public health and safety. Interactions between wild boars and people are expected to continue rising in Europe owing to increasing wild boar and human population trends, particularly in urban settings. This thesis determines the drivers of wild boar presence in the urban area of Barcelona, addresses the phenotypic changes shown by urban individuals with respect to non-urban ones, and identifies wild boar related public health concerns in an urban environment. Wild boar presence in the city of Barcelona was positively correlated to proximity to streams in the bordering Collserola natural space, higher landscape fragmentation and the presence of both urban green areas and stray cat colonies. The presence was also more frequent in spring and summer, which could be related to births leading to a higher group size and increased energetic needs, juvenile and yearling dispersal and lower availability of food resources in the warm seasons in Mediterranean regions. Moreover, urban wild boars used more anthropogenic food resources, showed higher body mass and grew faster than non-urban ones. Urban female wild boars started reproducing earlier than non-urban ones, probably as a result of achieving the required body mass earlier. However, urban wild boars died at a younger age than non-urban wild boars, indicating a possible cost of exploring the urban area for the wild boar in Barcelona. This thesis also describes the presence of zoonotic tick-borne and foodborne pathogens carried by ticks parasitizing wild boars and wild boars, respectively. Wild boars in the Metropolitan Area of Barcelona (MAB) carried ticks belonging to species *Hyalomma lusitanicum*, *Dermacentor marginatus*, *Rhipicephalus sanguineus sensu lato* and, anecdotally, *Rhipicephalus bursa*. Screening of tick pools revealed the presence of three emerging zoonotic *Rickettsia* species (*R. massiliae*, *R. slovaca* and *R. raoultii*), whereas wild boar spleen samples yielded negative results. Therefore, despite wild boars do not seem to act as reservoirs of *Rickettsia* spp. in the MAB, they could be favouring tick dispersion and promoting *Rickettsia* spp. circulation among ticks by sustaining abundant tick populations and facilitating the transmission via co-feeding. Wild boars in the MAB also carried *Campylobacter* spp., *C. lanienae* being more prevalent than *C. coli*, and different serovars of *Salmonella enterica* subsp. *enterica*. There was a high genetic diversity among *Campylobacter* isolates, some of which showed a high virulence potential. None of the *Campylobacter* isolates were susceptible to all the antimicrobials tested, and nearly 60% of *C. coli* isolates and one *Salmonella* isolate were multiresistant, the latter being a monophasic *S. Typhimurium* clone of public health concern in Europe. These results provide further evidence on the role of wild boars as reservoirs of zoonotic thermophilic *Campylobacter* species, and show that they can carry and spread these foodborne zoonotic bacteria into urban and peri-urban areas in the MAB. Results from this thesis have management and public health implications, and several management

measures derived from these results are currently being applied and scientifically evaluated in Barcelona. This thesis contributes to improve the incipient knowledge of wild boars in urban and peri-urban areas from an ecological, epidemiological and applied management approach. As a homeschooling family with 2 daughters, we are always creating new things for learning and play. Writing children stories and creating learning aids is our new passion, and we are especially keen on sharing with children more about nature and lesser known wild animals. In this book, we have chosen to write about the Wild boar as they are often misunderstood as dirty and rough. But they are actually very gentle and shy animals... Meet Billy the Wild Boar and learn how she lives with her baby in a forest. This is part of a series of 6 stories about wild animals in Asia. Continue on the adventure with the other books we have created for young children age 0 to 4. We can also customize this book to include your child's name, with no extra charge. There is also a PRINT & MAKE your own Mini Book version of this book on our website [www.wonderbeetle.com](http://www.wonderbeetle.com) This is the third, revised edition of the author's second tutorial in the series "On Hunting Boar." The manual is written in simple easy to understand language by a hunter with hunters in mind who hunt boar and wild pigs in California and elsewhere. The author analyzes important aspects of boar hunting, such as traditional hunting methods, weapons requirements, hunting cartridges, bullets and their effects. Anatomy of wild pigs and shot placement. More illustrations and pictures than ever before on 90 pages enable the reader of this easy to understand tutorial to select the boar rifle that

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