POSSIBLE ZOONOSES OF SWINE

Wearing the recommended personal protective equipment will make the transmission of diseases less likely.

PATHOGEN	TRANSMISSION	ANIMAL DISEASE	HUMAN DISEASE
Dermatophytosis "ringworm"	Direct contact	 papular dermatitis, circular alopecia keratinizing, crusting, inflammation 	superficial infection of skinkeratinizing, crusting, inflammation
Acariasis (Sarcoptes scabiei)	 direct contact with infected material / skin 	pruritic dermatitis	pruritic dermatitis
Leptospirosis	 exposure to the urine of infected animal 	gastrointestinal upset, abortion, weak litters, meningitis	 headache, myalgia, conjunctivitis, hepatomegaly, renal insufficiency, jaundice (<i>L. icterohemorrhagiae</i>) gastrointestinal dyscrasias, diarrhea, nausea, vomiting
Salmonellosis	fecal/oral	 S. enteritis, S. typhinurium, and S. cholera suis can cause severe GI disease in swine 	severe gastroenteritis
Streptococcosis (Streptococcus suis)	 contamination of infected food products direct contact (person-to- person, animal-to-person) 	 lymphadenopathy, fever, polyserositis in swine 	arthritis, fever, meningitis, hearing loss
Campylobacteriosis (Campylobacter jejuni)	 direct contact, ingestion of infected animal products 	gastroenteritis	gastroenteritis
Cryptosporidiosis (Cryptosporidium parvum)	direct contact, fecal/oral	subclinical infection, diarrhea	 immunocompromised patients are highly susceptible to severe, persistent diarrhea
Erysipelothrix rhusiopathiae "Erysipeloid" (swine)	direct contact with infected material	diamond skin disease	dermatitis
Tetanus (Clostridium tetani)	 spore inoculated into tissue via puncture, bite, penetrating wound not truly "zoonotic", but contributes to disease via 	lock jawdifficulty swallowingmuscle spasms	 spasms and stiffness in jaw difficulty swallowing stiff neck stiffness of abdominal muscles

Wassiniania (Wassinia	fecal transmission of spores		
Yersiniosis (Yersinia enterocolitica)	fecal/oral	 usually asymptomatic, can cause diarrhea in weanling swine 	diarrheajoint pain
Balantidiasis (Balantidium coli)	fecal/oral	usually asymptomatic, diarrhea	Usually asymptomatic, risk is higher in immunocompromised persons; signs include persistent diarrhea, abdominal pain, and sometimes a perforated colon
Rabies	 saliva, cerebrospinal fluid (CSF), aerosols created from brain, spinal cord or CSF 	 rare in domestic swine, signs of incoordination, altered mentation, neurologic disease, hypersalivation, paralysis 	 initial signs resemble flu-like illness, progresses to hypersalivation, anxiety, confusion, slight or partial paralysis, excitation, hallucinations, agitation, difficulty swallowing

ALLERGENS OF SWINE

Swine: Asthma and other signs of respiratory disease have been attributed to pig exposures especially in confinement operations. It should be noted that these symptoms have been related more to high nitrogen levels than allergens, but occupational asthma has also been attributed to sensitivity to swine urine proteins.

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