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Location: World

Event: A(H5N1) –Human & Epizootic

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No new event has been reported this week

## REPORT OF NEW HEALTH EVENTS OCCURRING OUTSIDE THE EPISOUTH AREA

Location: Uganda

Event: Marburg

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- On 19 October 2012, the Ministry of Health of Uganda declared an outbreak of Marburg hemorrhagic fever in the south west of the country (cf. [eWEB n° 240](#)).
- As of 31 October 2012, [WHO](#) reported a total of 18 human cases and 9 deaths, including a health care worker, in 5 districts: Kampala (district of the capital city), as well as Kabale, Ibanda, Mbarara, and Kabarole districts located in the Western Uganda (cf. map 1).
- The latest confirmed case was admitted to isolation ward on 26 October 2012 in Ibanda district.

**Map 1. Areas reporting Marburg hemorrhagic fever cases  
as of 31 October 2012**



- The Ministry of Health with the support of WHO and its partners is continuing the investigation of the outbreak.
- Neighbouring countries are advised to strengthen cross border surveillance and preparedness to prevent the spread of the disease.

- On 4 November 2012, the [Ministry of Health of Saudi Arabia](#) reported a 3<sup>rd</sup> human case of infection due to the novel coronavirus.
- The case is from Riyadh (cf. map 2). He was hospitalized and has recovered from pneumonia.
- Investigations around this case are on-going.
- No epidemiological links were found with the 2 other cases reported in June and September of this year (cf. eWEB n° 236).
- As for at least one of the 2 previous cases, this patient had visited a farm prior to onset of symptoms. However, no details are available regarding the type of farm, the species raised or the nature of contacts.

- To date, there is no evidence of human to human transmission due to this novel coronavirus.
- This year, the Hajj pilgrimage took place from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October 2012, in Mecca. Nevertheless the definitive departure of pilgrims is due on 29 November.
- The Ministry of Health of Saudi Arabia recommended following their recommendations including vaccination and personal hygiene measures.

Map 2. Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

