INTRODUCTION
The organic livestock sector in the European Union has been experiencing rapid growth in recent years and it is legislated by the Regulation (EU)2018/848. The use of synthetic vitamins, anti-infective and immune-stimulators, and conventional bedding is restricted. However, there are no official reports published about the use of allopathic treatments and conventional bedding materials in organic livestock in Europe.

The aim of this survey was to gather information about the use of allopathic treatments and conventional bedding materials in organic livestock in Europe. The aim of this work was to present the preliminary results obtained in France.

METHODOLOGY
Self-administered online questionnaire available from October 2018 to February 2019. A total of 135 responses were used for the analysis.

RESULTS
General description of the sample

- 99% questionnaires were completed by the owner or manager
- 59% 31-50 yr old
- 41% > 50 yr old
- 10.3% < 30 yr old
- 61.5%, 31-50 yr old
- 27.4% High school diploma/GED
- 24.4% Associate’s degree
- 31.1% Bachelor’s degree
- 11.9% Master’s/PhD’s degree

Organic farms mainly reared 1 (63.7%) or 2 (22.2%) species:

- 52 beef
- 37 dairy cattle
- 30 sheep
- 25 pigs
- 22 goats
- 19 laying hens
- 13 horses
- 10 meat
- 10 poultry
Several farmers used all three alternative options: phytotherapy, homeopathy, and probiotics.

*Figure 3.* Treatments used by the farmers on the top 3 health issues.

Most farmers did not treat their animals last year or applied no or only 1 treatment per animal (*Figure 2*). The top 3 recurrent health issues reported by the farmers were: internal parasites (80 farmers), lameness (46 farmers), and mastitis (45 farmers). When we ask how they trait that health’s problems the farmer’s choice between conventional and alternative treatments depended on each health problem (*Figure 3*).

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