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Undirrituð mælir eindregið með samþykki þessa frumvarps í heild sinni.

- Due to repeated blood loss, mares suffer from anemia, hypovolemic shock, a weakened immune system, systemic infections and even death;
- There are already alternatives on the market including synthetic hormones and zootechnical measures;
- The Farm to Fork strategy adopted by the EP (20 October 2021) included a direct reference to the hormone PMSG, where it called for an end to imports and domestic production on health and welfare grounds;
- Use of the PMSG hormone promotes an unnatural rate of reproduction and does not give animals time to recover between pregnancies. Furthermore, larger litter sizes are clearly associated with higher piglet mortality.

Þar af leiðandi fer ég Morgan Janowicz þess á leit við stjórnvöld á Íslandi að þau banni samstundis blóðtöku fylfullra hryssa, svokallaðra blóðmera, á Íslandi.

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