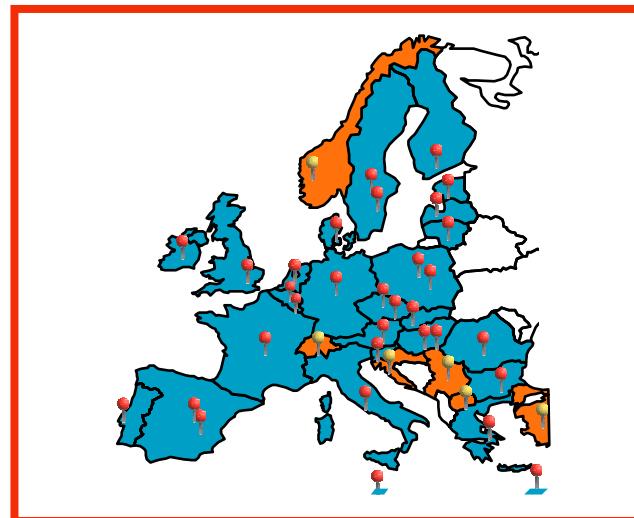




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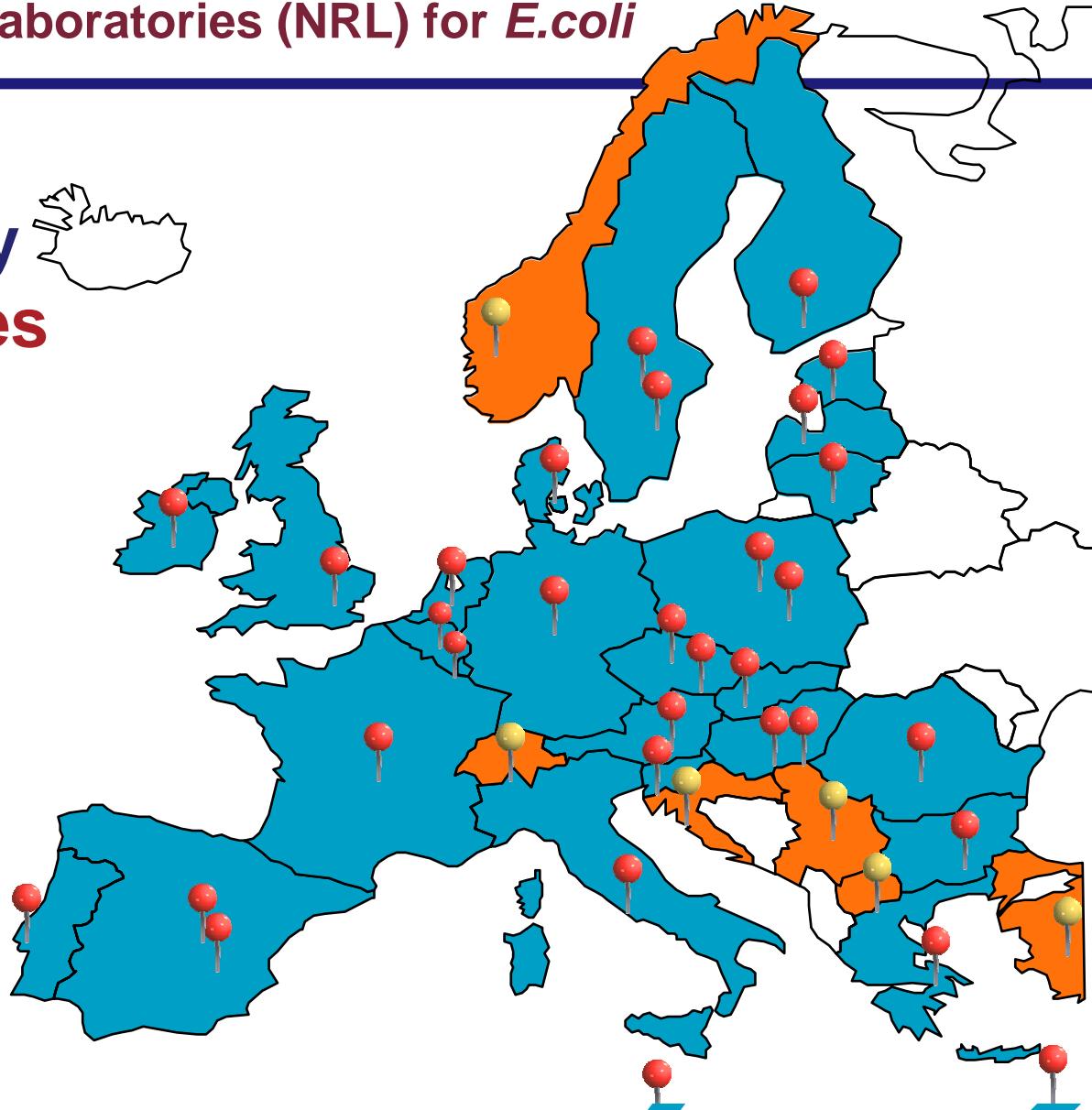


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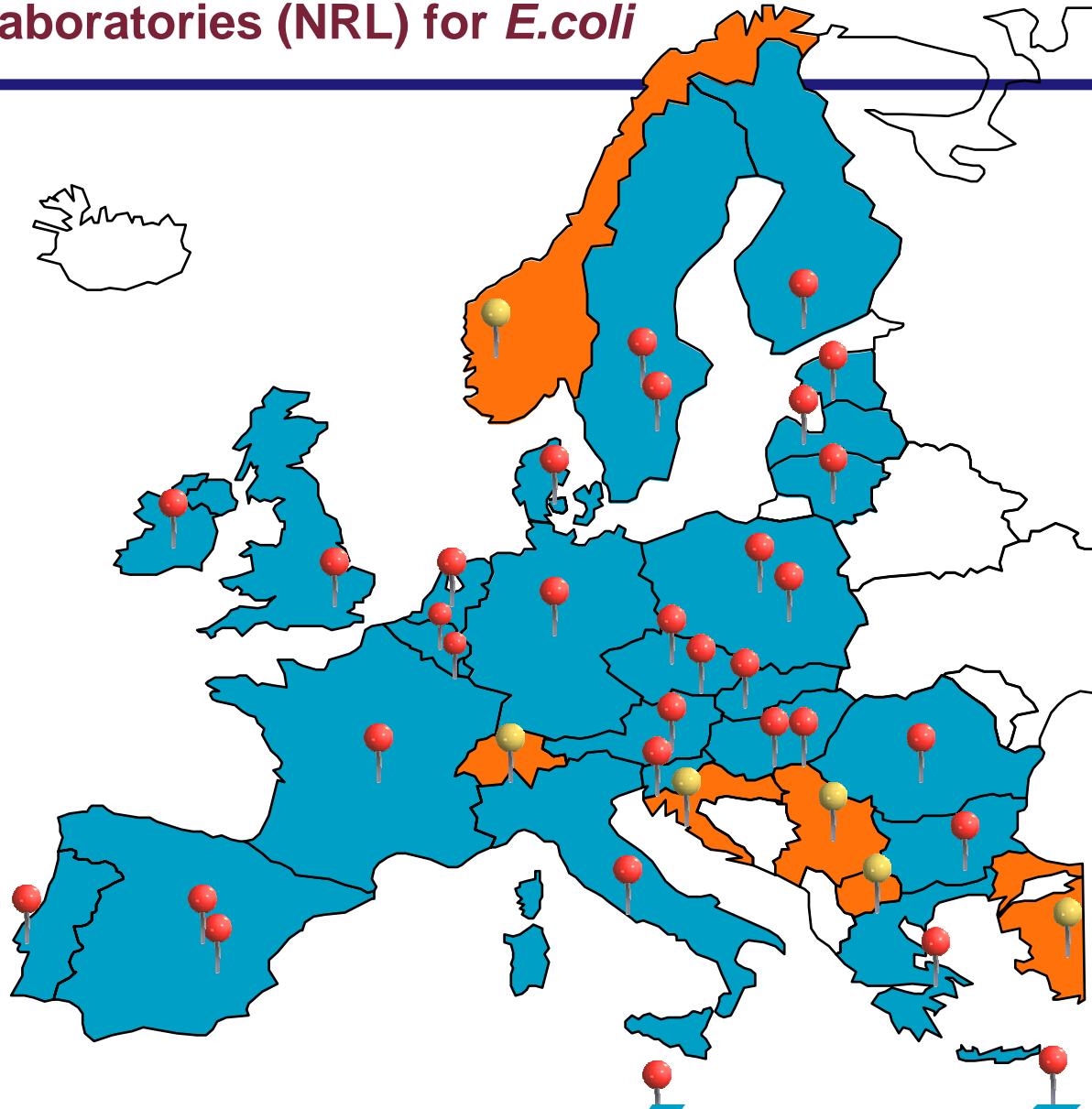
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25 EU countries

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Aims of the workshop

- The VTEC O104:H4 outbreak: history and perspectives
- Laboratory methods and Proficiency testing (PT):
 - The 6th joint PT on VTEC and vtx genes typing
 - The 7th PT on the detection of VTEC in vegetables
- The USDA policy to fight VTEC
- Network activities:
 - Training at the EU-RL VTEC
 - Molecular typing data for VTEC from animal and food sources
- Presentation of NRL activities

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