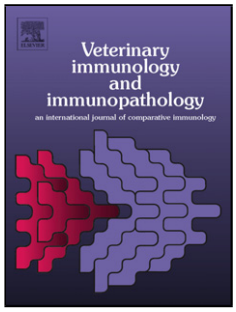

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Highlights:

- Antibody response to excretory-secretory antigen of *Trichinella spiralis* muscle larvae in experimentally infected pigs was assessed
- The ELISA first detected IgG antibodies against E-S antigens of *T. spiralis* ML and hence first recognized trichinellosis as late as 30 d.p.i.
- Statistically significant rise in the level of IgG antibodies to *T. spiralis* ML E-S antigens occurred from 25 d.p.i. and maintained till the end of the experiment – 46 d.p.i.
- Western blot confirmed the presence of anty-*Trichinella* IgG antibodies in all swine serum samples evaluated as ELISA-positive
- The most frequently recognized by anty-Trichinella IgG antibodies were ML E-S components with molecular weights of 45, 49 and 60 kDa.

ABSTRACT