

Current Deviations to Standards – USDA 2020 annual report

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Deviation: Housing of rabbits outside thermoneutral zone (55° - 60°C)

Justification: Rabbits are used to propagate *Treponema pallidum* and the reduced temperature is required for the bacteria to grow in the rabbits.

Number of animals affected YR 2018: 37

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