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Journal

Chandrawathani, P., Zary Shariman, Y., Premalatha, B., Rahimah, H., Norhafiza, N. H., Nurulaini, R., Nor Andilla, I., & Wahab, A. R. (2013). Evaluation of neem leaf (*Azadirachta indica*) product for worm control on goats. *Mal. J. Vet. Res.* 4(1):5-12

Book

Strunk Jr. W., & White, E. B. (2000). *The elements of style* (4th ed.). New York: Longman.

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Conference papers

Azmie, M. Z. (2014). Impact of globalisation and trade liberalisation on livestock industry and veterinary services. Paper presented at the 26th Veterinary Association Malaysia Congress, Putrajaya, Malaysia, 20-22 June 2014

Thesis

Roseliza, R. (2019). Characterization of potentially pathogenic *Escherichia coli* isolated from chicken farms in Malaysia. MSc Thesis, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia.

Internet citation

Becker, M. (2021). Keeping pets safe from poison. Retrieved from <https://www.drmartybecker.com/petconnection/keeping-pets-safe-from-poison/>

Standards

International Cooperation on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Registration of Veterinary Medicinal Products (VICH). (2018). Harmonisation of criteria to waive target animal batch safety testing for inactivated vaccines for veterinary use. Retrieved from <https://www.vichsec.org/en/guidelines/biologicals/bio-safety/target-animal-batch-safety.html>

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- Conclusion

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