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Abstract

The consumption of rabbit meat has been stimulated by the medical community both for its nutritional and dietary characteristics, because of that, sanitary inspection of that species has taken over recent times, greater relevance.

Based on this premise, we developed the present study which had as main objective to identify the main causes of partial and complete rejections in rabbits slaughtered for consumption as well as evaluating the abscesses injuries as a cause of total and partial rejections.

Through this study we found that the major cause of total rejection of young animals is subcutaneous abscesses, responsible for the rejection of 1355 rabbits (44,24%).

For study of abscesses, this revealed that the limbs (31,37%) were the most affected by this injury with the rejection of 425 rabbits, followed by cervical area (23,10%), with the rejection of 313 rabbits . As etiologic agents isolated *Pasteurella multocida* was the most frequently found followed by *Staphylococcus aureus*.