

UK: NEW FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE OUTBREAK

DISEASE LABS FACE SAFETY INQUIRY

Aug 5, 07. Health and safety inspectors are to visit the laboratory complex identified as a possible source of the foot-and-mouth outbreak in Surrey. The strain of the disease identified at Wolford farm, near Guildford, was used in a batch of vaccine manufactured on 16 July by Merial.

The outbreak in 2001 led to between 6.5 million and 10 million animals being destroyed and cost as much as £8.5bn.

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