

Aquatic Animal Health Standards Commission Report

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USA Comments

CHAPTER 1.1.1.

DEFINITIONS

Article 1.1.1.1.

Sensitivity

the proportion of animals with the disease that give a positive test result ~~true positive tests given in a diagnostic test~~, i.e. the number of true positive results divided by the number of true positive and false negative results.

Specificity

~~the probability that absence of infection will be correctly identified by a diagnostic test~~ the proportion of disease free animals that give a negative test result, i.e. the number of true negative results divided by the number of true negative and false positive results.

Comment/rationale: the suggested definitions are the epidemiological appropriate ones for these two terms.