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- Khater HF, Ziam H, Abbas A, Abbas RZ, Raza MA, Hussain K, Younis EZ, Radwan IT and Selim A, 2020. Avian coccidiosis: Recent advances in alternative control strategies and vaccine development. *Agrobiological Records* 1: 11-25. <https://doi.org/10.47278/journal.abr/2020.004>

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- Bewley JD and Black M, 1994. *Seeds: Physiology of Development and Germination*, 2nd Ed. Plenum Press, New York, USA, pp: 312-320.
- Mitten SJ and Adams B, 1999. Chapter 3. Reproduction in Ruminants. In: James S and Bowling J (ed), *Ruminant Physiology*. M-Publishing Inc, Washington, USA, pp:281-299.

#### **BIOETHICS AND ANIMAL Use IN RESEARCH**

[Simmonds \(2018\)](#) explained in detail about the use of animals for research purpose and what bioethics have to be followed. For more detail read the article available at this [link](#). Furthermore, oversight of animal use in biomedical activities has also been compiled by AAALAC International ([AAALAC International 2015](#)).

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