

ANAPLASMOSIS

SPECIES AFFECTED:

Ruminants (Cattle, Sheep, Goats, Etc.)

DESCRIPTION

Anaplasmosis is a disease caused by a rickettsial parasite of ruminants, *Anaplasma spp.* The organism occurs in the red blood cells and is transmitted by natural means through a number of tick species. It can also be transmitted by the use of surgical, dehorning, castration, and tattoo instruments and hypodermic needles that are not disinfected between uses.

VACCINATION INFORMATION

Both live and killed forms of the anaplasmosis vaccine are available, and are derived from the blood of infected cattle.