RIFT VALLEY FEVER

Susceptible Species
- Sheep
- Goats
- Cattle
- Buffalo
- Dogs and cats
- Humans

Clinical Manifestations
- High rate of abortion at any stage of gestation
- Can be asymptomatic
- Most severe in young animals
- Encrustation around the muzzle
- Anorexia
- Abortion
- Jaundice
- Weakness
- Death within 36 hours
- Vomiting, foul diarrhea
- Drop in milk production

Differential Diagnosis
- Abortifacient agents
- Agents causing hepatitis
- Agents that cause hemorrhages
- Bluetongue
- Rinderpest and Peste des petits ruminants
- Enterotoxemia of sheep
- Toxic plants
- Bacterial septicemias (Pasteurella, Salmonella, Anthrax)

Incubation Period
1-6 days

Post Mortem Exam
- Grossly enlarged and discolored liver
- Widespread hemorrhages
- Enlarged lymph nodes

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