APHIS Web—APHIS Publications

This site describes research related to USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. The research from programs of the U.S. Department of Agriculture are available to anyone. It discusses the dangers posed by importation of animals with VEE.

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/oa/pubs.html - size 75K - 15 Apr 96

Summary Of Classification Of Biological Agents According To Risk

This site describes research related to biosafety when working with the VEE virus. It includes a classification of biological agents according to risk.

http://www.oehs.upenn.edu/bio/bsm/appendixa.html - size 17K - 20 Jul 95

1994-1995 Annual Report: Industrial Hygiene Section

This site describes research done by to the Industrial Hygiene Section at the University of North Carolina.

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has three active biosafety level 3 (BL-3) laboratories.

One of the BL-3 laboratories handles Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis virus (VEE), a virus that causes encephalitis in horses but also is pathogenic for humans. The VEE containment facility was successfully decontaminated with formaldehyde gas so that maintenance, including replacement of HEPA filters serving the facility, could be performed.

http://www.adp.unc.edu/hs/hs95p15.html - size 18K - 25 Jan 96