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Cause of ill health and natural death in badgers in Gloucestershire.

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Abstract

During the period 1973 to 1976 inclusive, 1206 badger carcasses were examined for evidence of tuberculosis and other diseases. Tuberculosis was the major cause of natural death, killing 39 per cent of the natural death cases, followed by bite wounding and starvation. Road traffic accidents were the greatest single cause of death.

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