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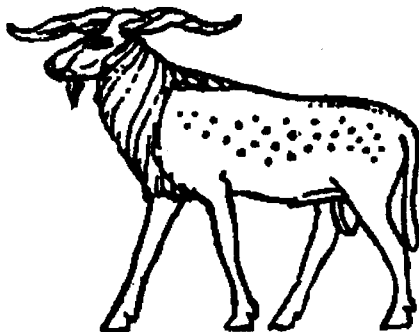
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Foreword

In vitro techniques have been developed to facilitate rapid, cost effective and reliable methods to describe the nutritional value of foods for ruminants. However, there is an increasing requirement for these techniques to provide information on nutrient availability to the animal.

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