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(57) **Abstract:** A method to alter the phenotype of animals, e.g., avians, which employs passive and active immunization with a myostatin immunoconjugate, is provided.



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