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subsequent egg production.

A variety of different treatments for hens suffering vent trauma have been implemented over the years, however these technologies are not always properly investigated and sometimes not put into practice. This study demonstrated that spraying stockwound spray on hens suffering vent trauma can be beneficial and can substitute for beak trimming a second time.