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TICK INFESTATION Rhipicephalus sanguineus IN DOGS ON K-9 ANIMAL UNIT OF DIRECTORATE SAMAPTA BHAYANGKARA EAST JAVA REGIONAL POLICE

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ABSTRACT

The research aimed to identify the pattern and level of infestation Rhipicephalus sanguineus tick in dogs by these following parameters: dog's breed and body regions of the dog's. Three out of twenty seven dogs in K-9 Animal Unit Of Directorate Samapta Bhayangkara East Java Regional Police were infested by ticks. The ticks collected from the dog's body then put into pots containing 70% alcohol and then labeled. The label consisted of dog's breeds, sex, and body's region then identified by R. sanguineus ticks stage. The data was collected and then analyzed using Correspondance Analytic. The result showed the following pattern of ticks infestation: Labrador Retriever were infested in the head-neck region and German Shepherd in the head-neck and back region. A lot of the nymph stage were found in the head-neck region meanwhile the adult stage were found in the back region. The prevalence of dogs infested by ticks were 11% of the population. The degree of infestation of tick R. sanguineus in dogs based on each regiones of the dog's body, the lowest is on the head-neck, whereas the highest degree of infestation is on a back area with a total of 21 ticks of nymph and adult stage.

Key words: *Rhipicephalus sanguineus*, Tick infestation, Dog.