**Advantages and Disadvantages of Using Disbudding**

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| **Advantages** | **Disadvantages** |
| * bloodless
* can be used at any time of the year
* less chance of infection
 | * unreliable when done incorrectly, leads to scurs (partial horn growth) or if held too long can cause brain damage
* requires expertise - pain control and technique
* young calves up to 12 weeks of age
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