

## USDA, FDA set to finalize joint oversight of lab-grown meat

The USDA and FDA are ready to finalize an agreement for joint oversight of meat grown in a petri dish, [Agriculture Secretary Sonny] Perdue said [February 1], during a speech at the National Cattlemen's Beef Association convention. The memorandum of understanding "is ready to be signed," he said.

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Ranchers and meatpackers subject to USDA regulation have expressed satisfaction with joint USDA-FDA regulation, as long as USDA handles the inspection and labeling rules.

FDA will oversee stem cell collection and "USDA is guarding safety and labeling of that product," said Perdue, a line that got a big applause from the audience.

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