

## **The Necropsy Report in Veterinary Medicine: a Short Overview**

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### **SUMMARY**

The necropsy report must satisfy the requirement of the procedure in consent to client requirement. These requirement differ between the scope for why the necropsy is done: for routine diagnosis/ investigation, for education, in pharmaceutical industry, for research purpose or epidemiologic studies. All necropsy investigations must be recorded in such manner that will reflect for review all findings. The ideal report describe the lesions in detail, and all relevant tissues and body are measured and weighed. This kind of report is time consuming so must assure that will exist a proper cost- benefit balance for the type of the report and the detail of the necropsy process also. Obviously, the necropsy report in forensic investigation must be detailed, but for routine necropsy the pathologist can decide how detailed will de report according to the scope of investigation and cost- benefit balance, with client consent. There is no ideal format for necropsy report but the development of an harmonized mutual recognized form, will be a ideal. Current, exist two distinct forms of necropsy report: narrative and structured. The narrative report can in classic fashion (Virchow's protocol), based on sentence completion and multiple choice selection or problem oriented. The structured synoptic report will take the place in time the narrative report even in veterinary medicine. Even it is take a longer time to complete it, the advantage to using all its tools, from simple search to complex statistics, epidemiologic and retrospective studies.

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