



**WARSAW UNIVERSITY OF LIFE SCIENCES**

**FACULTY OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**



**SELF-EVALUATION REPORT**

**SUPPLEMENT ON CATEGORY ONE DEFICIENCIES**

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Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Warsaw, was evaluated by EAEVE in 2010 and has not been approved. Visiting Team found two category one deficiencies (see enclosed Report, pp 35-36, **Annex 1a**):

Negative decision of ECOVE indicated three category one deficiencies (see enclosed document, **Annex 1b**):

1. Insufficient necropsy caseload
2. Lack of hand-on training in all species
3. Insufficient food animal teaching (Production, individual and herd health management).

We took two types of measures:

- I. **Focused on elimination of 3 category one deficiencies mentioned above**
- II. **Focused on general assurance of quality of education**

**I. Measures taken to eliminate 3 category one deficiencies are as follows:**

1. **To increase number of necropsies** during Pathomorphology course (semesters 5, 6 and 7) we organize for our students extramural training in animal carcasses repository located in Mszczonow, 60 kilometers from Warsaw. Students perform necropsies under supervision of an academic teacher and prepare necropsy reports which are verified and approved by the teacher.

We also expand the scope of practical training in clinical sciences, i.e. infectious diseases, epidemiology, internal medicine on performing autopsies under teacher's supervision. Students are expected to prepare autopsy reports subsequently verified by the pathologist from the Department of Pathology and Veterinary Diagnostics. Moreover, students perform necropsies during their clinical **rotations, practical extramural training** and summer **clinical practices**. Necropsies performed during clinical **rotations and practical training** are supervised by the teacher and students are obliged to prepare an autopsy report. All reports on autopsies performed during clinical **rotations** are verified by the pathologist. Students can also perform necropsies during

their summer practices which are held in facilities such as veterinary clinics or farms under supervision of the veterinarian approved by the Faculty and Veterinary Chamber, They are expected to prepare appropriate reports approved by the practice tutor. These reports are verified afterwards at the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine by the pathologist (academic teacher). During last academic year **62 necropsies of farm animals** (pigs, small ruminants, cows) and horses were performed under direct supervision of pathologists within. Another **70 necropsies** were performed during extramural practical training in Farm animal diseases under academic teacher supervision. Students performing necropsies were also obliged to record that in the **First Day Skills Diary** (for details see **Chapter II. B** and **Annex 10**).

**All necropsy reports are stored in the Department of Pathology and Veterinary Diagnostics** (exemplary report of an autopsy performed in the carcasses repository, **Annex 2**). This approach allows to assure at least one necropsy of farm animal for each student.

## **2. Measures taken to improve hands-on training**

To improve hands on in clinical teaching we have modified our programme by clustering clinical rotations on semesters 10 and 11. These include 24 hrs rotations in the Small Animal Clinic and Monday-Friday extramural rotations on farms. Total hour numbers are:

	<b>Avian diseases</b>	<b>Farm animal diseases</b>	<b>Small animal diseases</b>	<b>Horse diseases</b>
<b>Semester 10</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Semester 11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>total</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>90</b>

Practical teaching also includes obligatory summer practices after semesters 8 and 10, 160 hrs each (total 320 hrs). These practices take place in veterinary field clinics approved by the Faculty and Veterinary Chamber.

Students may also be involved in daily activity of approved field clinics during the academic year and acquire practical skills under supervision of the practitioner. Students are obliged to record all cases in the Student's Diary of Summer