



Laboratory Update

Necropsy

COSMETIC NECROPSY DISCONTINUED AT PHOENIX

Effective October 4, 2007, Phoenix Laboratory will no longer offer “cosmetic” necropsy.

In the interest of providing the highest quality necropsy services, it is necessary for our pathologist to perform a full necropsy. Cosmetic necropsy techniques put limitations on the procedure that the pathologist performs in process of finding cause of death.

If a cosmetic approach is required by the pet owner, we suggest you perform an in-house necropsy with submission of representative organ tissue samples, ordered as “Necropsy in a Bottle.”

Phoenix Lab offers written guidelines for collecting samples for “Necropsy in a Bottle.” These may be faxed to your clinic. In addition, please feel free to consult with one of our anatomic pathologists with any questions you may have.

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