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Lecture title: Post mortem Inspection (Head Inspection)

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Summary:

Head Inspection

- 1- Gross Inspection
- Remove he skin (Hide) and Horns, General cleaning
- Abnormalities (Abscesses, Neoplasm as sequmous cell carcinoma, Big head disease)
- 2- Inspection of tongue
- view and palpate, Incision or cut if need
- Abnormalities (Foot and mouth disease, Actinobacillosis, Cysticercus. Bovis)
- 3- Masseter Muscles Inspection
- Multiple Incision in both sides
- Abnormalities (Cysticercus. Bovis, Imperfect bleeding)
- 4- Dentation: age of animals

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5- Lymph nodes

Knowledge of the normal condition and position of Lymph nodes and of their drainage area is of the greatest importance in meat Inspection

- size: of the Lymph nodes from that of pin head to 10-20 cm or more
- Shape: round or oval or together
- Consistency: firm rather than soft
- Colour: white, grey or grayish blue

A) Parotid L.N

- *Position (p): 3 cm front of ear between the masseter muscle and Parotid salivary gland
- * Drainage area (D): muzzle, lips, gums

B) Submaxillary L.N

- * Position (p): about 5 cm anterior of angle Jaw curves
- * Drainage area (D): cheeks, Nose, Anterior muscles of the head

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* Position (p): near the attachments of the cornua of Hyoid bone

* Drainage area (D): Pharynx, Tongue, Larynx.