School of Veterinary Science

Pathology Report

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To: Zero Invasive Predators Ltd (ZIP)

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Species: Avian-Wildlife		Breed: Kea	
Age: Adult		Sex: Male	
Owner:			Type: Post Mortem
ID: V-2573 (CH72) White on Pink			Prev. Accn.: 57296
Submitted: 2	At Risk:	Affected: 2	Dead: 2

History

Found dead 19/04/2019, estimated date of death 15/04/2019.

Gross Findings

The kea weighed 781 grams and was in moderate body condition, with adequate pectoral muscle mass but reduced and reddened body fat reserves.

The proventriculus and gizzard contained a moderate amount of dark green pasty material admixed with seed-like material.

No other abnormalities were noted on gross post mortem.

Clinical Pathology / Toxicology / Biochemistry

Liver lead level: 0.66 mg/kg NZVP CASE NO: P19005696

Skeletal muscle: 0.046 ug/g Fluoroacetate (Landcare Report No: T7093)

Diagnosis

1080 toxicosis

Comments

This was an adult male kea in reduced body condition. There were no signs of trauma or any obvious underlying disease.

Testing of skeletal muscle showed this kea had been exposed to 1080. The level of lead in the liver was not elevated to a level where it would have adversely impacted on the health of this bird.

Date: 24/04/2019	Pathologists:	
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