Syllabus

Professional Practical Training in avian diseases and diseases of wildlife and exotic animals - MODULE 1

Professional Practical Training in avian diseases

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Learning outcomes:

The student will be able to:

- Perform a clinical and post-mortem examination in birds

		 Collect biological samples for 	laboratory examinations.			
Seminars and practical activities						
	Skills acquired	Topics	Contents	Hours		
CARRYING OUT A FIELD CLINICAL EXAMINATION (3 HOURS) The student will be able to: a) Obtain anamnestic and		Clinical diagnostic investigation (Seminar)	Health survey scheme in poultry: environmental examination, flock information and clinical history, clinical examination.	2		
b)	environmental information on the flock, perform a clinical examination; b) Obtain diagnostic samples for laboratory procedures.	Collecting sampling from live birds (Practical)	Poultry capture and handling; obtaining blood specimens from the wing vein; obtaining conjunctival, tracheal, rhinopharyngeal, and cloacal swabs.	1		
CARRYING OUT A FIELD POST-MORTEM EXAMINATION (4 HOURS)		Post-mortem examination (Seminar)	Seminar on the post-mortem examination technique in birds.	2		
The si a) b)	tudent will know: The post-mortem examination technique in birds; How to collect and store biological samples for laboratory tests; Microscopic examination of intestinal smears.	Post - mortem examination and samples collection (Practical)	During the post-mortem examination, each student will collect samples for microbiological, virological, molecular, histopathological, parasitological, and toxicological analyses.	2		

THE POULTRY VETERINARIAN: MEET THE EXPERT HOURS) The student will know: a) The poultry veterinarian tasks and duties.	The profession of the veterinarian in the poultry sector (Seminar)	The veterinarian will introduce his tasks and duties with respect to the poultry industry or the public health institution (ASL or IZS) where he is employed.	3
A VISIT TO A POULTRY FARM (5 HOURS) The student will know: a) Biosecurity measures and vaccination protocols; b) How to collect diagnostic samples for laboratory tests.	Poultry farm visit, biosecurity measures and vaccination protocols; collection of biological samples for diagnostic purpose (Practical)	Biosecurity measures and vaccinations protocols applied in the poultry farm will be discussed. The student will collect biological samples from birds, such as blood specimens from the wing vein; conjunctival, tracheal, rhino-pharyngeal, and cloacal swabs.	5
PRACTICAL TEST WITH DISCUSSION (3 HOURS)	Group work presentation	Group-work presentation on the characteristics of the poultry farm visited. Practical test on: - Collection of clinical diagnostic samples - Post-mortem examination and sample collection	3