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A CONGENITAL BILATERAL ANOPHTHALMIA AND ATRESIA ANI IN A LAMB (CASE REPORT)

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Aone-day old indigenous male lamb was admitted to the Veterinary Clinic of our Faculty with complete absence of both eye balls as well as closure of the palpebral fissures. (Fig. 1).

After full term normal delivery the animal also suffered from atresia ani (Fig. 2).

The atresia ani was operated successfully under local anaesthesia (Fig. 3). The owner was advised to fatten the animal and prepare it for slaughter.

It is worth mentioning that anophthalmia is a rare condition particularly in lambs and especially when it is bilateral and accompanied with other congenital defect in the same animal.

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Fig. 1: Bilateral anophthalmia in a lamb.

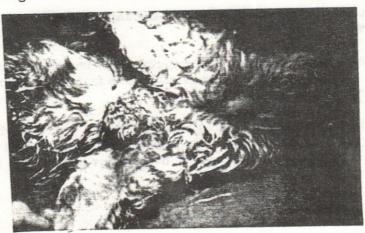


Fig. 2: Atresia ani in a lamb before operation.

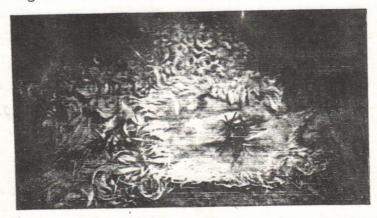


Fig. 3: Atresia ani of the same lamb after operation.