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Fatal levamisole toxicosis of captive kiwi (Apteryx mantelli)

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bronchopileumoma in the lungs of five of the birds. In two there was acute hepatic degeneration and necrosis and one bird had acute pancreatic degeneration and necrosis.

DIAGNOSIS: Acute levamisole toxicity.

CLINICAL RELEVANCE: Kiwi were acutely sensitive to levamisole toxicity at doses that are well within the safe range for domestic poultry. Levamisole should not be used as an anthelmintic in kiwi.

KEY WORDS:



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