

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

NAME CHANGE 12-4-13

CASE REPORT

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DEPARTMENT OF CORONER

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APPARENT MODE

ACCIDENT

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Media Interest, Multiple Deaths

CASE NO

2013-08210

CRYPT

215

LAST, FIRST MIDDLE

RODAS, ROGER

AKA

239

ADDRESS

25564 OAK MEADOWS DRIVE

CITY

VALENCIA

STATE

CA

ZIP

91381

SEX

RACE

DOB

AGE

HGT

WGT

EYES

HAIR

TEETH

FACIAL HAIR

ID VIEW

CONDITION

MALE

HISPANIC/LATINO AMERICAN

10/31/1975

38

63 in.

164 lbs.

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

ALL NATURAL TEETH

UNKNOWN

No

CHARRED

MARK TYPE

MARK LOCATION

MARK DESCRIPTION

NOK

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

RELATIONSHIP

PHONE

NOTIFIED BY

DATE

TIME

WIFE

SSN

XXXX - XX - 2766

DL ID

A8735115

STATE

CA

PENDING BY

ID METHOD

DENTAL X-RAYS

LA #

MAIN #

CH #

FBI #

MILITARY #

POB

IDENTIFIED BY NAME (PRINT)

RELATIONSHIP

PHONE

DATE

TIME

DR LAW

12/4/2013

PLACE OF DEATH / PLACE FOUND

ADDRESS OR LOCATION

CITY

ZIP

STREET

HERCULES STREET, WEST OF CONSTITUTION

SANTA CLARITA

91355

PLACE OF INJURY

STREET

AT WORK

DATE

TIME

LOCATION OR ADDRESS

ZIP

No

11/30/2013

15:25

HERCULES STREET, WEST OF CONSTITUTION, SANTA CL

91355

DOD

11/30/2013

TIME

15:38

FOUND OR PRONOUNCED BY

CAPTAIN HITCHCOCK

OTHER AGENCY INV. OFFICER

LASD SANTA CLARITA - DEPUTY KELLY

PHONE

(661) 255-1121

REPORT NO

013-16236-0645-470

NOTIFIED BY

NO

TRANSPORTED BY

ASHLEY JAIME

TO

LOS ANGELES FSC

DATE

11/30/2013

TIME

22:00

FINGERPRINTS?

No

CLOTHING

Yes

PA RPT

No

MORTUARY

MED. EV.

No

INVEST. PHOTO #

44

SEAL TYPE

NOT SEALED

HOSP RPT

No

PHYS. EV.

No

EVIDENCE LOG

No

PROPERTY?

Yes

HOSP CHART

No

SUICIDE NOTE

No

GSR NO

RCPT. NO

269435

PF NO.

SYNOPSIS

ACCORDING TO THE REPORTED INFORMATION, THE DECEDENT IS A HISPANIC MALE, APPROXIMATELY 38 YEARS OLD. ON SATURDAY 11/30/2013 AT APPROXIMATELY 1525 HOURS, THE DECEDENT WAS DRIVING A PORSCHE CARRERA GT AT AN UNSAFE SPEED IN THE #1 EASTBOUND LANE ON HERCULES STREET, APPROACHING CONSTITUTION. FOR UNKNOWN REASONS, THE DECEDENT LOST CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE, AND THE VEHICLE PARTIALLY SPUN AROUND, AND BEGAN TO TRAVEL IN A SOUTHEAST DIRECTION. THE VEHICLE THEN STRUCK A SIDEWALK AND THE DRIVER'S SIDE OF THE VEHICLE STRUCK A TREE AND THEN A LIGHT POST. THE FORCE OF THOSE COLLISIONS CAUSED THE VEHICLE TO SPIN 180 DEGREES, AND IT CONTINUED TO TRAVEL IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION. THE PASSENGER SIDE OF THE VEHICLE THEN STRUCK A TREE AND THE VEHICLE BURST INTO FLAMES. 911 WAS CALLED AND DEPUTIES FROM THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT-SANTA CLARITA AND FIREFIGHTERS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT ARRIVED ON-SCENE. ON SATURDAY 11/30/2013 AT 1538 HOURS, CAPTAIN HITCHCOCK FROM ENG156 DETERMINED DEATH. THE FRONT PASSENGER WAS ALSO DETERMINED DEAD AT THE SCENE, CORONER'S CASE #2013-08211. THERE ARE NO CHARGES PENDING AND THERE ARE NO SIGNS OF FOUL PLAY.

KRISTY MCCrackEN

491917

DATE

12/1/2013

REVIEWED BY

JOSEPH BALE

DATE

12/2/2013

INVESTIGATOR

TIME

22:55

TIME

04:33

FORM #3 NARRATIVE TO FOLLOW?



County of Los Angeles, Department of Coroner Investigator's Narrative



Case Number: 2013-08210

Decedent: DOE #239, JOHN

Information Sources:

- (1) Los Angeles Sheriff's Department-Santa Clarita (661)255-1121
Deputy Kelly #404532 Report #013-16236-0645-470

Investigation:

On Saturday 11/30/2013 at 1801 hours, Officer Castillo from the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department-Homicide called the Los Angeles County Medical Examiner Coroner's Office to report an accidental death of 2 males, unknown age and race, that were involved in a traffic collision. I assigned this case # to the driver, and the coroner's case # for the other decedent, the passenger, is 2013-08211. On Saturday 11/30/2013 at 1840 hours, I assigned both cases to me. I arrived on-scene at 1950 hours and I cleared the scene at 2145 hours. There are no charges pending and there are no signs of foul play.

Location:

The traffic collision occurred and the decedent died on Hercules Street, West of Constitution, Santa Clarita CA, 91355.

Informant/Witness Statements:

The following information is preliminary pending further investigation by the handling law enforcement agency.

I spoke with Deputy Kelly at the scene, and he told me the following:

On Saturday 11/30/2013 at approximately 1525 hours, the driver was driving a red Porsche Carrera GT with California license plate #7CCY590 at an unsafe speed, approximately 100+ mph, in the #1 eastbound lane on Hercules Street approaching Constitution. For unknown reasons, the driver lost control of his vehicle, and the vehicle partially spun around, and began traveling in a southeast direction. The vehicle then struck a curb, and the driver's side of the vehicle struck a tree and then a light post. The force of those collisions caused the vehicle to spin 180 degrees and continue in an easterly direction. The passenger side of the vehicle then struck another tree and burst into flames. 911 was called at 1531 hours and Firefighters from the Los Angeles County Fire Department arrived on-scene. On Saturday 11/30/2013 at 1538 hours, Captain Hitchcock from ENG156 determined death for both the driver and the front passenger. There are no charges pending.

Scene Description:

The traffic collision occurred on Hercules Street, west of Constitution in Santa Clarita. Hercules Street is a major thoroughfare that runs east and west through an industrial area. There are 2 lanes of travel in each direction, and a center lane separating the eastbound lanes from the westbound lanes. The north side was bordered by a bicycle lane, then a sidewalk, and then a brush and tree covered embankment leading up to a parking lot for businesses. The south side was bordered by a bicycle lane, then a brush and tree covered embankment leading down to a parking lot for businesses. Hercules Street had a slight curve west of where the traffic collision occurred with a slight incline. It was dry and well lit with natural sun light at the time of the traffic collision. There were curved skid marks leading from the #1 eastbound lane into the #2 eastbound lane onto the south side embankment. There were multiple miscellaneous pieces of vehicle debris across all 4 lanes and into the parking lot on the south side of Hercules Street.

Located on the top of the south side embankment was sheared off cement light pole. Located south of the central portion of the downed light pole was a broken tree. Located a few feet east of the end of the sheared light pole was the red Porsche Carrera GT with California license plate #7CCY590. The vehicle was located on all 4 of its wheels with the front of the vehicle facing

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Investigator's Narrative



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east and the rear of the vehicle facing south. Part of the passenger side was resting against another broken tree. The vehicle was totaled with major traffic collision damage all around, and it appeared that the vehicle was almost split in half. The majority of the vehicle was also charred. The decedent was located lying supine in the driver's seat.

Evidence:

I did not collect any evidence regarding this case. The red Porsche Carrera GT with California license plate #7CCY590 was towed by Wolf's Towing located at 26855 Ruether Avenue, Santa Clarita CA, 91351 with a phone # of (661)259-7676.

Body Examination:

The decedent is a Hispanic male, approximately 38 years old with an unknown hair color and length, unknown eye color, and it is unknown if he had any facial hair. He has all of his upper and lower natural teeth. No scars or tattoos were noted. The decedent was wearing remnants of a black T-shirt, a pair of blue jeans with a black belt, a pair of black underwear, a pair of black socks, and a pair of black and turquoise sneakers. The decedent was located lying supine in the driver's seat. The top of his head was facing west. His right arm was bent at the elbow with his right hand in the air above his right armpit. His left arm was bent at the elbow with his left hand in the air, parallel with the upper left side of his torso. Both of his legs were bent at the knees with his right foot on one of the pedals and his left foot was on the driver's floorboard. I was unable to see which direction they were pointing. The decedent was charred and in a pugilistic stance. The decedent sustained major head trauma with the top portion of his skull fractured and his brain exposed. The decedent's jaw was also fractured and one of his front teeth was missing. Rigor mortis and lividity were not observed.

Identification:

The decedent cannot be positively identified visually. The decedent is probably Roger Rodas with a DOB of 10/31/1975. Please see case notes for further information.

Next of Kin Notification:

On Saturday 11/30/2013 at an unknown time, [REDACTED] the decedent's wife was tentatively notified of her husband's death. When I spoke with [REDACTED]s, the decedent's father-in-law, over the phone, he confirmed this information. I have not spoken with [REDACTED] at the time of completion of this report.

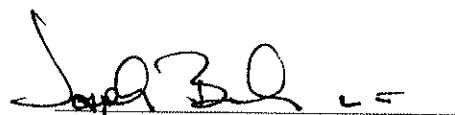
Tissue Donation:

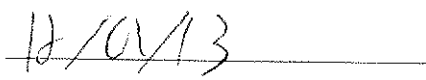
Due to the extent of the injuries, the decedent is not viable candidate for tissue donation.

Exam Notification:

There are no exam notifications regarding this case.


KRISTY MCCrackEN #491917


SUPERVISOR


Date of Report

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WAS ORIGINAL SCENE DISTURBED BY OTHERS? YES NO N/A

IF YES, NOTE CHANGES IN NARRATIVE FORM #3.

DATE 11/30/13
AMBIENT #1 _____ °F _____ TIME _____
AMBIENT #2 _____ °F NOT TIME _____
WATER _____ °F _____ TIME _____

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DOE #239
JOHN
Acc. T/C
THERMOMETER # _____

LIVER TEMPERATURE #1 _____ °F TAKEN TIME _____
LIVER TEMPERATURE #2 _____ °F _____ TIME _____

DATE & TIME FOUND 11/30/13 1525 LAST KNOWN ALIVE 11/30/13 1525

APPROX. AGE 38 SEX M EST. HEIGHT 63 EST. WEIGHT 164 CLOTHED? YES NO IF YES, DESCRIBE:
1-T-shirt, 1-pants, 1-Belt, 1-Underwear, 2-Socks, 2-Sneakers

DESCRIPTION AS TO WHERE REMAINS FOUND AND CONTACT MATERIAL TO BODY:

Lying supine in the drivers seat

SCENE TEMPERATURE REGULATED? YES NO IF YES, THERMOSTAT SET AT _____ DEGREES F

LIVOR MORTIS. TIME OBSERVED link

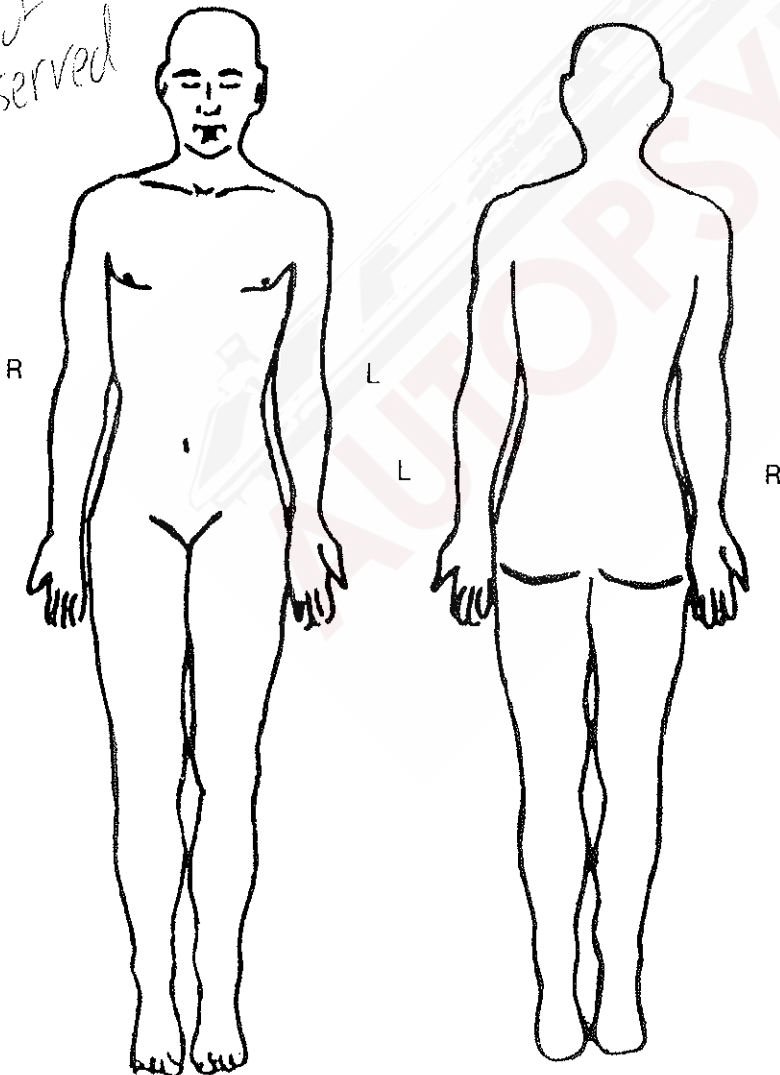
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NECK FLEXION.

ANTERIOR N/A
POSTERIOR N/A
RT LATERAL N/A
LT LATERAL N/A

JAW N/A HIP N/A
SHOULDER N/A KNEE N/A
ELBOW N/A ANKLE N/A
WRIST N/A

Not observed



SCALE
0 ABSENT/NEGATIVE
1 .
2 .
3 .
4 EXTREME DEGREE

USE SCALE TO DESCRIBE INTENSITY OF RIGOR MORTIS

SHADE DIAGRAMS TO ILLUSTRATE THE LOCATION OF LIVOR MORTIS.

DESCRIBE INTENSITY OF COLORATION AND WHETHER LIVOR MORTIS IS PERMANENT OR BLANCHES UNDER PRESSURE

K. McCracken #491917
CORONER'S INVESTIGATOR

REVIEWED BY.

[Signature]

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AUTOPSY REPORT

ADULT FORM PROTOCOL

No.

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DOE, JOHN 239

I performed an autopsy on the body of →

at _____ the DEPARTMENT OF CORONER

Los Angeles, California

on December 3, 2013 @ 0830 Hours

(Date)

(Time)

From the anatomic findings and pertinent history I ascribe the death to:

(A) MULTIPLE TRAUMATIC INJURIES

DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(B)

DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(C)

DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF

(D)

OTHER CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING BUT NOT RELATED TO THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF DEATH

Anatomic Summary: As listed below

This is a 38 years old male who was discovered lying supine position in the driver's seat after loss of control of the vehicle, struck sidewalk, tree, light post, and burst into flames.

- I. Evidence of multiple blunt traumatic injuries.
 - A. Blunt force head and neck traumatic injuries.
 1. Calvarium fractures, open and comminuted.
 2. Type I hinge fracture of base of skull.
 3. Atlanto-occipital dislocation fracture.
 4. Brain laceration, right, severe with outside exposure through skull fracture.
 5. Brain stem lacerations, severe.
 6. Traumatic brain swelling and hernia.
 7. Subarachnoid hemorrhage.
 8. Mandible fracture.
 - B. Flail chest due to blunt force trauma.
 1. Fractures of left first to sixth ribs in multiple locations.
 2. Ninth rib fracture, posterior, right.
 3. Lung lacerations and contusions.
 4. Hemothorax and mediastinal shift from left to right.

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C. Pelvis fractures, multiple.

II. Evidence of thermal burns.

- A. Total body surface area burns 100%. 4th degree.
- B. Carbon Monoxide less than 10% saturation in the heart blood.
- C. Charring of entire body with full thickness skin burns deep into muscle soft tissue, and bones.
- D. Fire associated contractures of extremities with bone and joint fractures.
- E. Skin splitting.
- F. Complete absent of scalp and hair due to fire.
- G. Completely charred skin loss of chest and neck.
- H. Livor mortis was present in the posterior.
- I. There is no artifactual epidural hemorrhage.

III. Internal examination.

- A. 310 grams heart and intact aorta.
- B. Airway is patent without laryngeal edema.
- C. No soot in airway.
- D. Laceration and contusion of lungs by multiple rib fractures.
- E. 320 ml of tan food and fragments of meat in the stomach lumen.

IV. See separate toxicology report.

DESCRIPTION OF THERMAL BURNS and TRAUMA:

Fourth degree burn is involving entire body. Skin loss is present on head, neck, chest and upper extremities leading to soft tissue, muscle and bone exposure due to fire. Extremities show fire associated contractures and joint fractures. Soot is absent in the airway and the decedent rapidly died of severe blunt head, neck and chest trauma.

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EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body is that of a well developed and nourished male who appears the stated age of 38 years. The charred body weighs 164 pounds and measures 63 inches in length. The body is identified by toe tags. Tattoos are not present. Skin is charred and lost by fire on most parts.

The head is opened widely due to fractures. The scalp is completely burnt by fire. Exposure of brain and dura mater is noted. The color of the eye could not be identified due to the degree of burn. The sclera and conjunctivae show no petechial hemorrhages. The oral and nasal passages are unobstructed. Soot is not present. The decedent's dentition is his own and one of the upper central incisor tooth is missing. Examination of the buccal mucosa exhibits no contusions or lacerations. No fluid emanates from either external auditory meatus. The neck exhibits muscle and soft tissue exposure by burns and is abnormally hypermobile. The head and neck show severe blunt force trauma and fourth degree thermal burns. There is flail chest by rib fractures. The abdomen is unremarkable. There are fourth degree thermal burns in extremities, leading to flexion contractures. The external genitalia are those of an adult male and it shows thermal burns. Examination of the back and buttocks reveals no external signs of trauma except thermal burns and charring. The back exhibits fixed dependent lividity. Examination of the anus reveals no laceration, abrasion or eversion of the pectinate line. Rigor mortis is present.

INITIAL INCISION:

The chest and abdominal walls show evidence of recent blunt force injury and thermal burns. The right and left pleural cavities contain 100 ml each of blood due to rib fractures. There is left to right mediastinal shift due to left chest wall blunt injury and multiple rib fractures. The pulmonary arterial trunk exhibits no saddle emboli. The organs of the abdominal cavity have a normal arrangement. There is no evidence of peritonitis, or neoplasm involving the abdominal cavity, contents or peritoneal linings.

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Page 4**CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM:**

The heart weighs 310 grams. The thoracic and abdominal aorta show mild atherosclerotic involvement and no lacerations. The pericardial sac contains small amount of serous fluid. There is no epicarditis. The endocardium is smooth and glistening, and the valves are thin and delicate. There is no vegetation on valves. The circumferences of the cardiac valves are as follows: Tricuspid valve 12.0 cm, pulmonic valve 7 cm, mitral valve 11 cm, and aortic valve 7 cm. The chordae tendineae are thin. The mitral papillary muscles are well-developed. No cardiovascular congenital anomalies are noted at autopsy. The right ventricular wall measures 0.3 cm in thickness; the left ventricular wall measures 1.4 cm in thickness; and the interventricular septum measures 1.3 cm in thickness. The myocardium is red-brown without fibrosis in the gross. The left and right coronary arteries are patent without thrombosis. The coronary artery ostia emanate from their normal anatomic positions on the aorta.

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM:

The right lung weighs 490 grams, and the left lung weighs 425 grams. The pleural surfaces are pale pink-tan and glistening. On cut section, the alveolar architecture is intact except rib fracture associated laceration hemorrhage. There is no consolidation. No granulomatous or neoplastic processes are noted in the gross. The pulmonary arterial system is dissected, and no thromboemboli are noted. The soft tissue of the neck reveals no hemorrhage in the subcutaneous tissue or the strap muscles of the neck. The hyoid, thyroid and cricoid cartilages are intact without fractures. All cornua are intact without fractures. The larynx, trachea and bronchi are widely patent without obstruction. Opening of the trachea, bronchi and terminal airways show no soot. It is photographed by supervising technician Anthony Sanchez. There is no mucous plug.

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GASTROINTESTINAL SYSTEM:

The tongue is sectioned, and laceration or contusion is not seen. Tip of the tongue is charred by fire. The esophagus has an intact gray-white mucosa without varices. The stomach contains 320 ml of tan food with meat fragments in its lumen. The stomach mucosa exhibits no ulcerations, mass lesion, laceration or polyps. The small intestine is unremarkable. The large intestine exhibits no ulcerations, mass lesions, lacerations or polyps. Normal stool color is noted in colon. The appendix is present. No capsular material or medication is identified. The pancreas is without fat necrosis, fibrosis, neoplasm or hemorrhage.

HEPATOBIILIARY SYSTEM:

The liver weighs 1525 grams. It is brown. The smooth glistening capsule is intact. The parenchyma is soft and shows no scarring or nodularity in the gross. Fatty metamorphosis is not conspicuous in the gross. The gallbladder is present and contains 5 ml of clear yellow bile. The extrahepatic ducts appear unremarkable. There is no portal lymphadenopathy.

GENITOURINARY SYSTEM:

The right and left kidneys weigh 130 and 140 grams. The capsules strip with ease revealing a pale light brown cortical surface beneath. The renal cortices are 0.6 cm in thickness. The corticomedullary junctions are well-defined. The renal papillae are intact. The calyces, pelves and ureters are unremarkable. The renal arteries are patent. The urinary bladder has a gray-white intact mucosa and contains no urine. The prostate is of normal size. The testes are examined, and the seminiferous tubules string out readily bilaterally. Soft tissue hemorrhages are noted around the testes.

HEMOLYMPHATIC SYSTEM:

The spleen weighs 90 grams. It is purple and firm. The capsule is intact. The Malpighian corpuscles are small. Lymph nodes

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throughout the body are unremarkable. The bone marrow is red and moist.

ENDOCRINE SYSTEM:

The thyroid and adrenal glands are normal in size, shape, color and consistency. Hemorrhagic involvement is not observed. The pituitary is symmetrical and not enlarged. It exhibits no hemorrhagic, cystic or neoplastic lesions in the gross.

MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM:

The muscular development is compatible with the age, sex and weight of this decedent. Bony fractures are present in head, chest and pelvis.

HEAD AND CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM:

There is evidence of severe blunt open head injury and thermal burns. Calvarium is fractured into multiple separate pieces by blunt trauma and fragments of lacerated brain are present outside. Some of the skull bone fragments are noted in the brain. The dura is charred by fire. The superior sagittal sinus is patent. The brain weighs 1330 grams. The leptomeninges are thin and transparent. There is no evidence of meningitis. There is severe traumatic edema, swelling and herniation of the cerebrum. Gyri are completely flat. Gross examination of the brain reveals subarachnoid hemorrhage due to blunt head trauma. Large brain laceration is seen involving right fronto-parieto-temporo-occipital lobes due to comminuted skull fractures. Brain stem is lacerated. Tumor metastases to the brain, abscesses, and mass lesions are not present at autopsy. The cerebral arteries show no arteriosclerosis, aneurysms or thrombosis. The dura is extensively stripped, and type I hinge fracture is present in the base of skull. Examination of the cervical vertebrae reveals fracture dislocation of the atlanto-occipital joint.

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PHOTOGRAPHY: The decedent is photographed before and during autopsy.

X-RAYS: 16 X-rays are examined and they show multiple fractures.

TOXICOLOGY: Heart blood, femoral blood, bile, liver, stomach contents and vitreous humor are submitted for toxicological examination. Alcohol, phencyclidine, heroin, morphine, codeine, cocaine, marijuana, and methamphetamine analyses are requested. Additional purple top tube of heart blood and tracheal air are submitted for carbon monoxide testing.

SEROLOGY:

Blood is submitted for typing or DNA analysis if requested.

HISTOLOGY:

No microscopic sections are cut at autopsy. Representative sections of tissue are submitted in formalin for storage in two jars.

EVIDENCE COLLECTED AT AUTOPSY: None.

OBSERVERS: None.

DESCRIPTION OF CLOTHING:

There is no clothing.

DIAGRAMS USED:

Diagram form 16, 20, 22, 24, 27, 28 and 29 are submitted with the case.

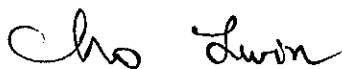
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OPINION:

The decedent died of multiple traumatic injuries. The manner of death is accident.



CHO LWIN, M.D.
DEPUTY MEDICAL EXAMINER



DATE

MEDICAL REPORT

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AUTOPSY CLASS: A B C Examination Only D

FAMILY OBJECTION TO AUTOPSY

Date: 12-3-13 Time: 08:30 Dr. CHO LWIN
(Print)

FINAL ON: 12-3-13 By: CHO LWIN
(Print)

APPROXIMATE INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH:

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DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: (Enter only one cause per line for A, B, C, and D)

IMMEDIATE CAUSE:

(A) Multiple traumatic injuries ← Rapid

DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF:

(B)

DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF:

(C)

DUE TO, OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF:

(D)

OTHER CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING BUT NOT RELATED TO THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF DEATH:

Age: 38 Gender: Male / Female

PRIOR EXAMINATION REVIEW BY DME

- BODY TAG CLOTHING
- X-RAY (No. 16) FLUORO
- SPECIAL PROCESSING TAG MED. RECORDS
- AT SCENE PHOTOS (No. 44)

CASE CIRCUMSTANCES

- EMBALMED
- DECOMPOSED
- >24 HRS IN HOSPITAL
- OTHER: Dead at scene (Reason)

TYPING SPECIMEN

TYPING SPECIMEN TAKEN BY: LWIN

SOURCE: Heart (2) DNA spec

TOXICOLOGY SPECIMEN

COLLECTED BY: LWIN

- HEART BLOOD STOMACH CONTENTS
- FEMORAL BLOOD VITREOUS

TECHNIQUE: internal

- BLOOD SPLEEN
- BLOOD KIDNEY
- BILE Tracheal
- LIVER
- URINE

URINE GLUCOSE DIPSTICK RESULT: 4+ 3+ 4+ 0

TOX SPECIMEN RECONCILIATION BY: AL

HISTOLOGY

- Regular (No. 2) Oversize (No.)
- Histopath Cut: Autopsy Lab

TOXICOLOGY REQUESTS

- FORM 3A: YES NO
- NO TOXICOLOGY REQUESTED
- SCREEN C H T S D
- ALCOHOL ONLY
- CARBON MONOXIDE Done (stat)
- OTHER (Specify drug and tissue)

REQUESTED MATERIAL ON PENDING CASES

- POLICE REPORT MED HISTORY
- TOX FOR COD HISTOLOGY
- TOX FOR R/O INVESTIGATIONS
- MICROBIOLOGY EYE PATH. CONS.
- RADIOLOGY CONS.
- CONSULT ON:
- BRAIN SUBMITTED
- NEURO CONSULT DME TO CUT
- CRIMINALISTICS
- GSR SEXUAL ASSAULT OTHER

- NATURAL SUICIDE HOMICIDE
- ACCIDENT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED

If other than natural causes, HOW DID INJURY OCCUR? Auto (driver) vs fixed objects

WAS OPERATION PERFORMED FOR ANY CONDITION STATED ABOVE: YES NO

TYPE OF SURGERY: DATE:

- ORGAN PROCUREMENT TECHNICIAN: Tara White
- PREGNANCY IN LAST YEAR YES NO UNK NOT APPLICABLE

- WITNESS TO AUTOPSY EVIDENCE RECOVERED AT AUTOPSY
- Item Description:

CO < 16%

RESIDENT

Cho Lwin
DME Cho Lwin, MD

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EXTERNAL EXAM

Sex male
Race H
Age 38
Height 63"
Weight 164 pounds
Hair singed/charred scalp; unk hair color
Eyes unk. charred.
Sclera charred.
Teeth natural, missing 1 molar, upper.
Mouth charred
Tongue charred tip.
Nose charred
Chest charred
Breasts #
Abdomen charred
Scar -
Genital male
Edema -
Skin charred, splitting
Decub
HEART Wt. 310
Pericard intact RV 0.3
Hypert - LV 1.4
Dilat - Septum 1.3
Muscle #
Valves #
Coronar patent, mild athero.

AORTA intact aorta.
VESSELS mild athero.

LUNGS Wt
R 490
L 425 -> contu, loc by ribs
Adhes -
Fluid Blood 100ml each from ribs, loc lung
Atelectasis -
Oedema -
Congest -
Consol -
Bronchi patent. No soot
Nodes #

PHARYNX #
TRACHEA No soot
THYROID #
THYMUS -
LARYNX No edema
HYOID intact
ABDOMINAL WALL FAT 1/2"

PERITONEUM

Fluid + blood pelvis
Adhes -
LIVER Wt 1525 soft brown
Caps intact
Lobul N
Fibros -
G B + 5ml
Calc -
Bile ducts #
SPLEEN Wt 90
Color intact
Consist purple, firm.
Caps
Malpig

PANCREAS #
ADRENALS #
KIDNEYS Wt
R 130
L 140
Caps
Cortex
Vessels #
Pelvis
Ureter

BLADDER empty
GENITALIA male
Prost +
Testes + contu
Uterus -
Tubes -
Ovar -

OESOPHAGUS intact #
STOMACH mucosal
Contents 32.0 ml tan food, meat fragments

DUOD & SM INT #
APPENDIX +
LARGE INT #
ABDOM NODES #
SKELETON

Spine Atlanto occipital B, D, E loc.
Marrow red mostly
Rib Cage R, L
Long bones contractura.
Pelvis R
- pelvis R
- mandible R
Fire Burns: 4th Degree (100%)

SCALP charred exposed lac
CALVARIUM Hinge Fr; Calvaria exposed lac
BRAIN Wt 1330
Dura hard Swelling lac.
Fluid Blood edema lac.
Ventric " lac.
Vessels No athero SAH
Middle ears # NO EDA
Other #
PITUITARY +

SPINAL CORD examined.
C, lac.

TOXICOLOGY SPECIMENS
Blood (heart femoral, typing, co) liver, stomach, bile

SECTIONS FOR HISTOPATHOLOGY
Storage 2

MICROBIOLOGY -

DIAGRAMS 20, 22, 24, 27, 28
X-RAYS 16
Fr skull, ribs, pelvis 29

OTHER PROCEDURES

GROSS IMPRESSIONS
Multiple traumatic injuries.
• open skull Fr
• Hinge fracture of base of skull
• neck Fr Atlanto-occip
• BFT chest with multiple rib Fr

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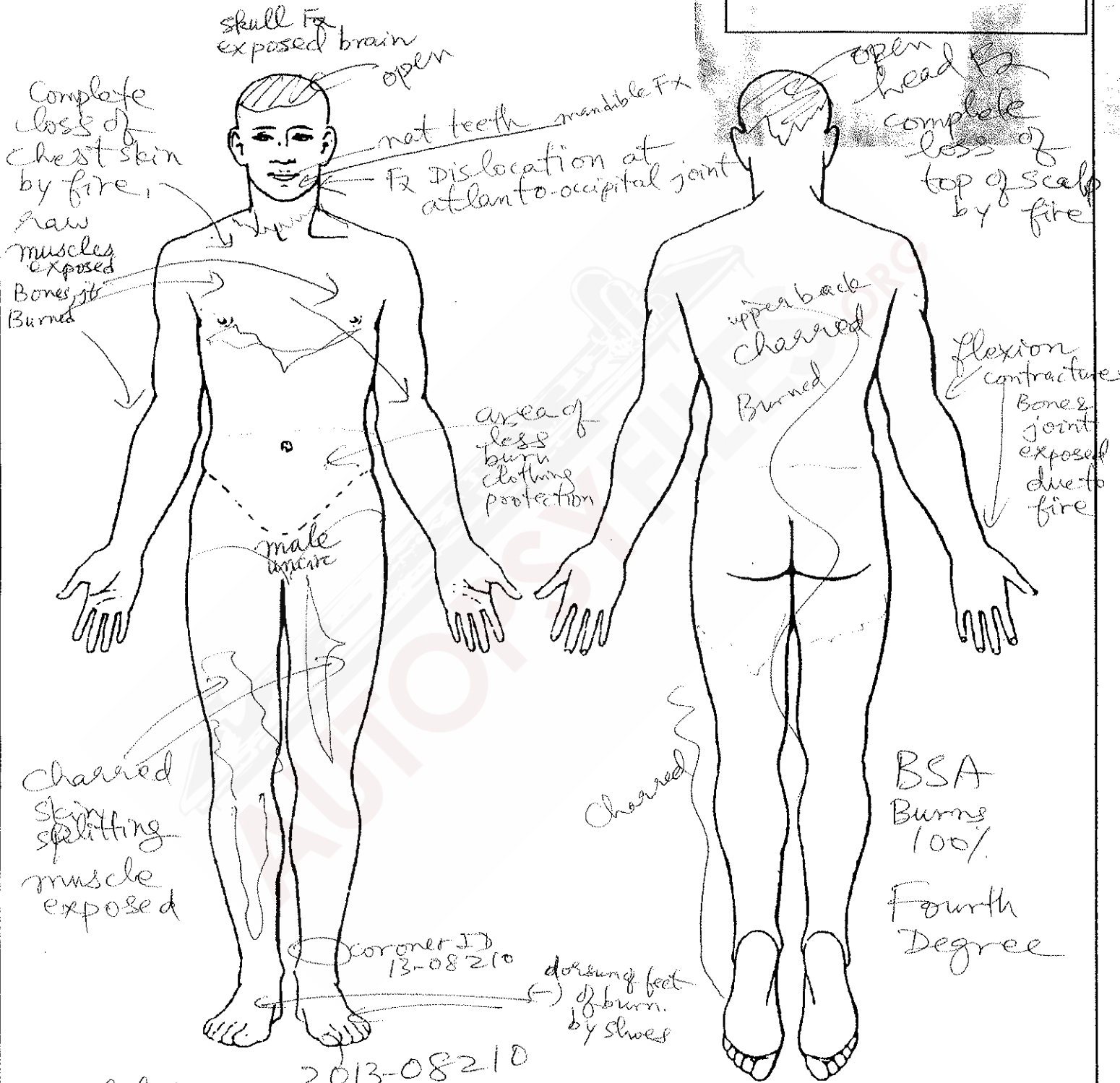
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Burned, skeleton exposed. contractures (flexion) extremities. skin burned down, restraint could not be identified. charred body

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completely charred body.
major blunt force trauma to head, neck and chest.
pelvis. multiple rib fx left (1-6)
9th rib fx at chest. pelvis fx.

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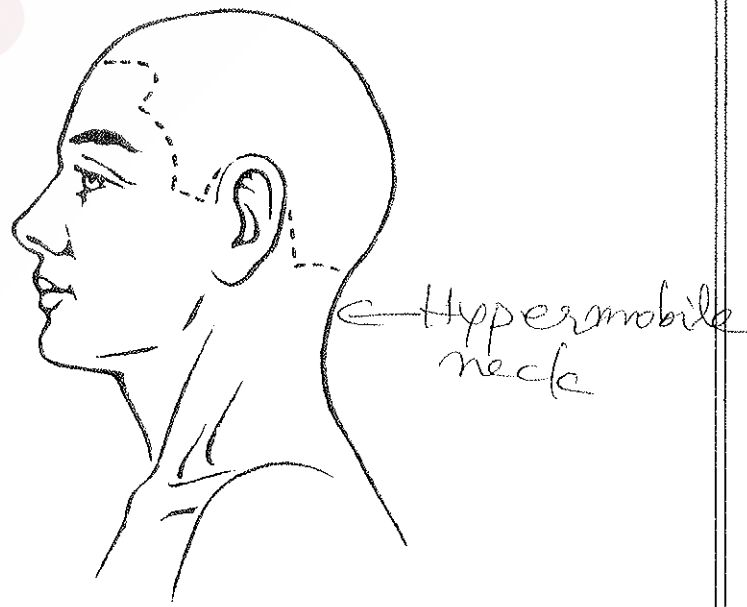
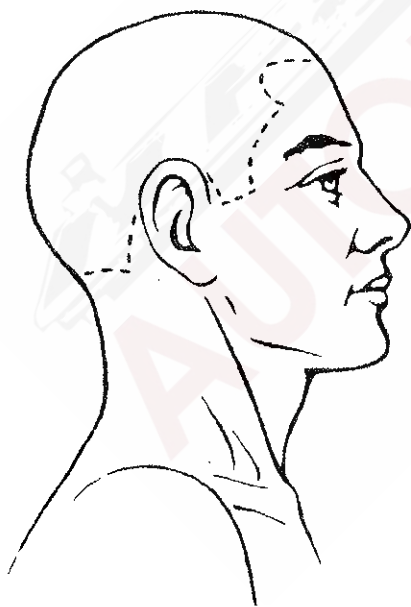
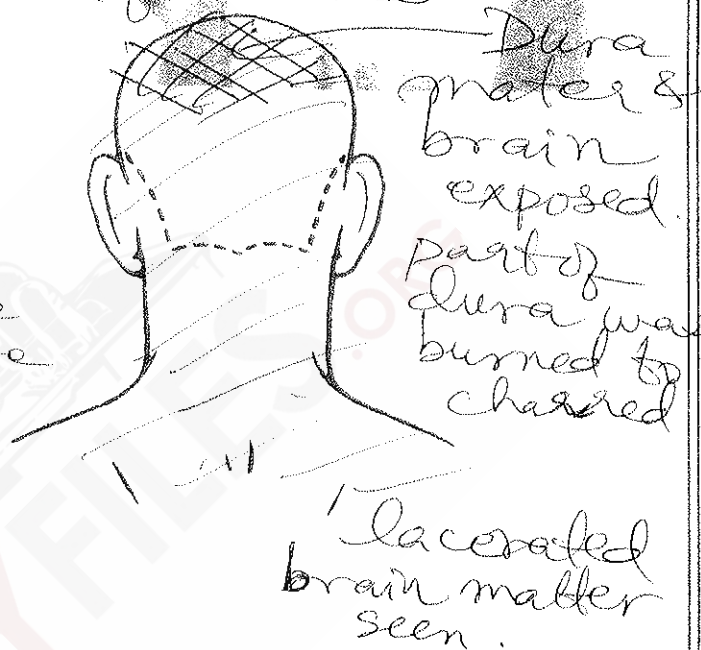
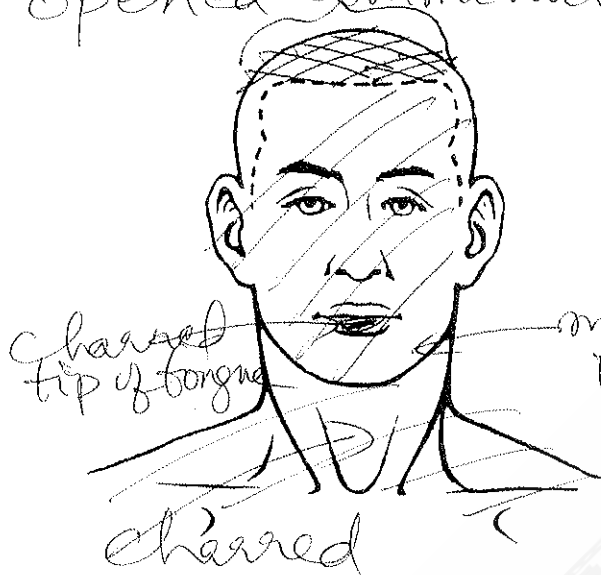
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completely charred
head, face, neck,
chest.

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opened comminuted skull fractures.



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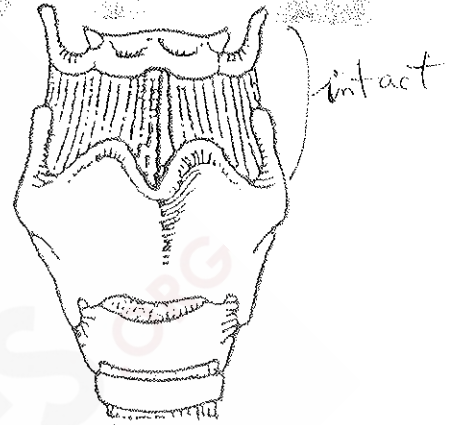
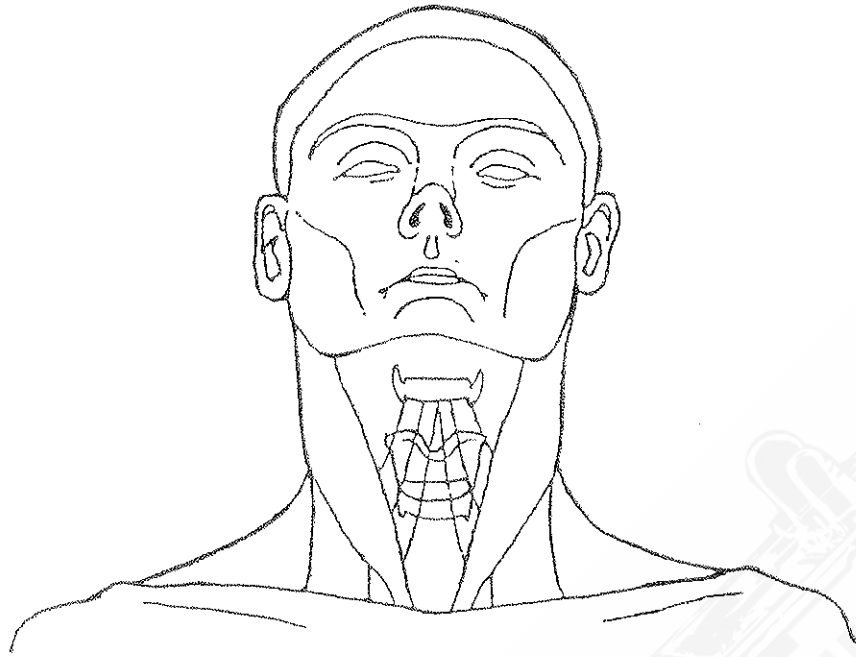
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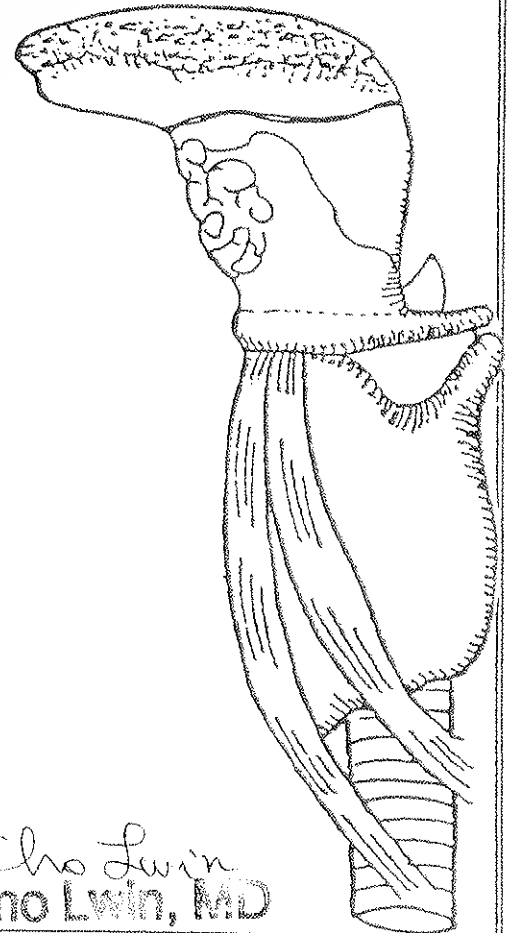
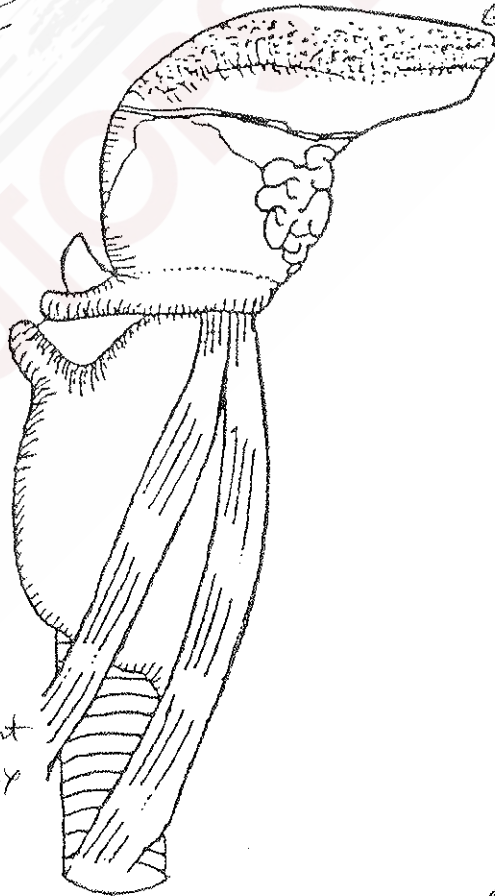
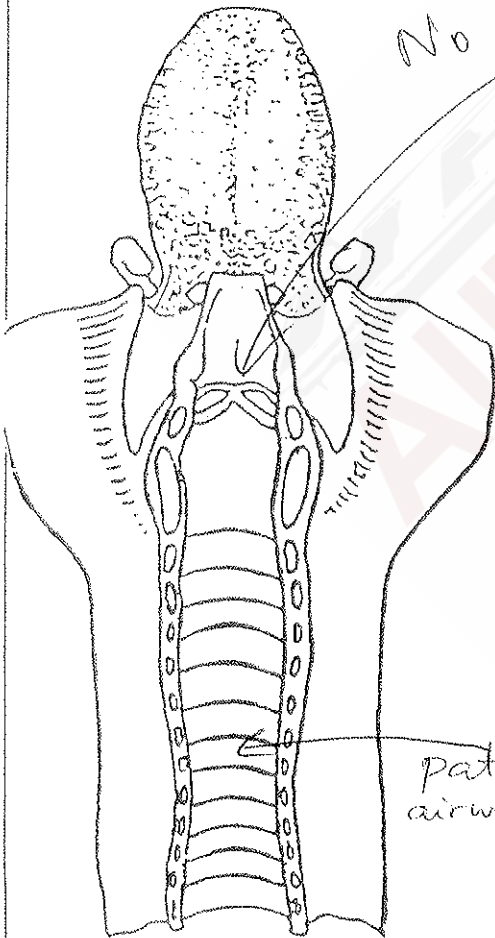
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No soot in airway

← charred tip.



patent airway

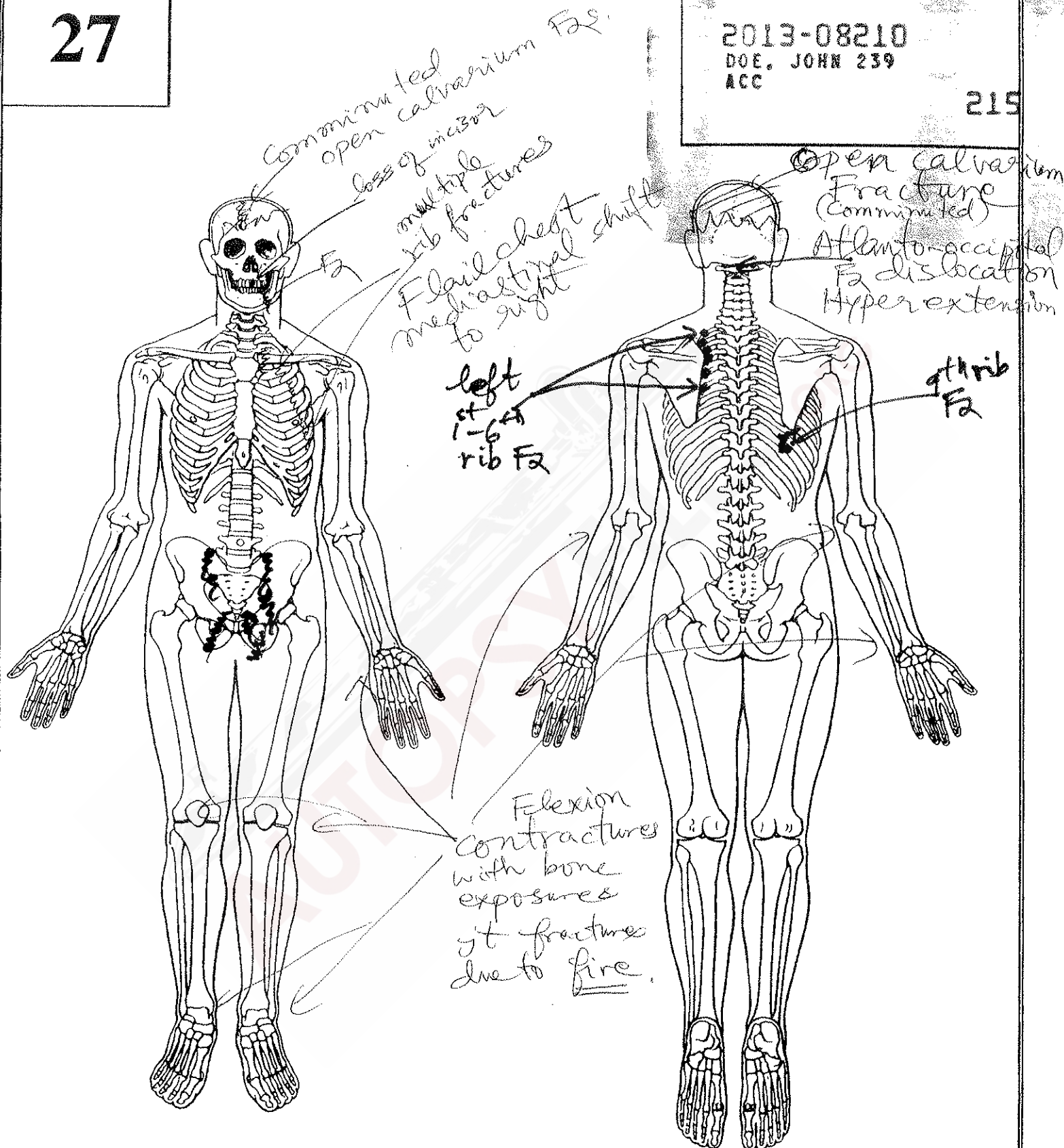
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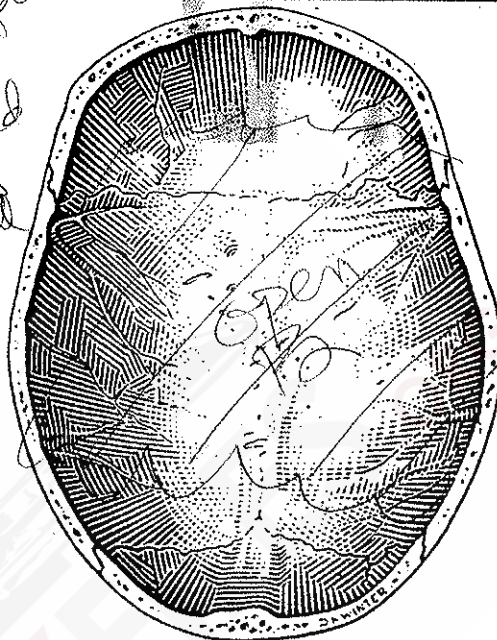
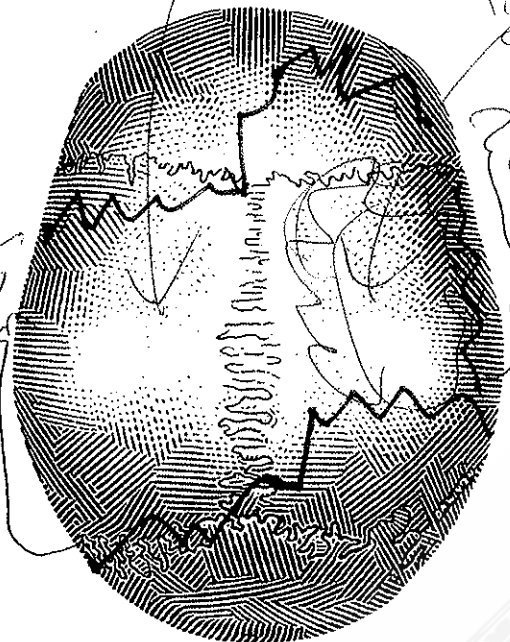
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Dura Charred, frontal.

Brain exposed

Open Calvaria Fr

Open Fr Skull

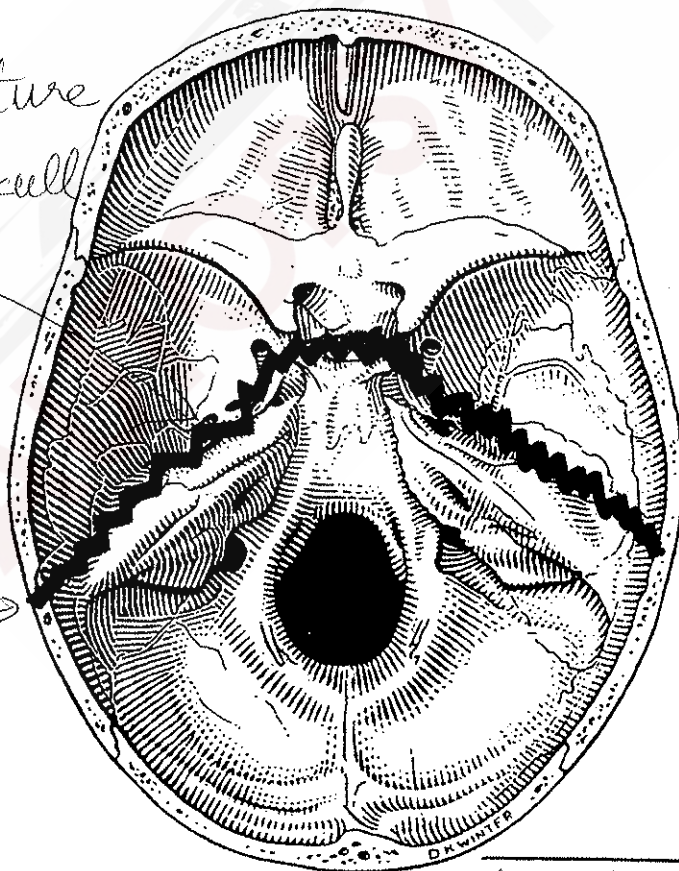


Type I
Hinge Fracture
of base of skull

Two
separated
calvarium
bone
fractures

Hinge Fr →

← Hinge Fr



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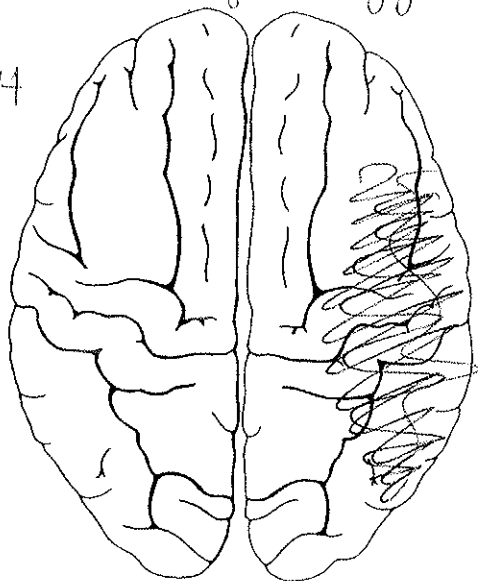
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Severe traumatic
brain swelling
flat gyri

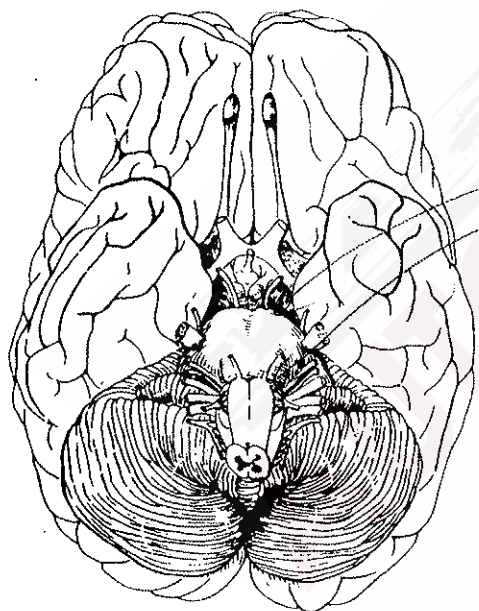
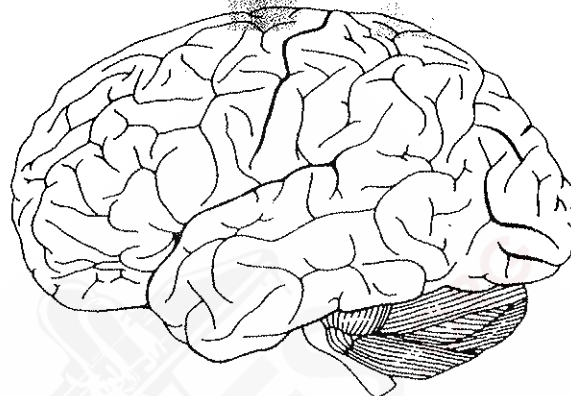
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SAH

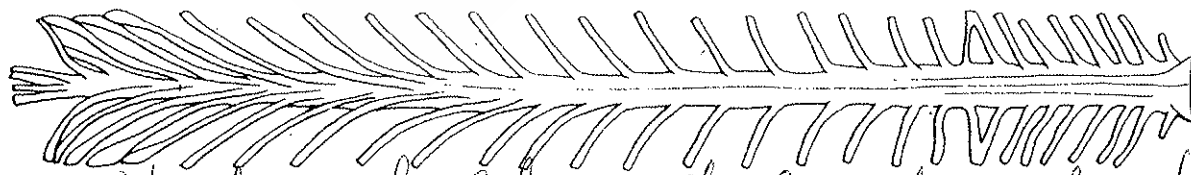
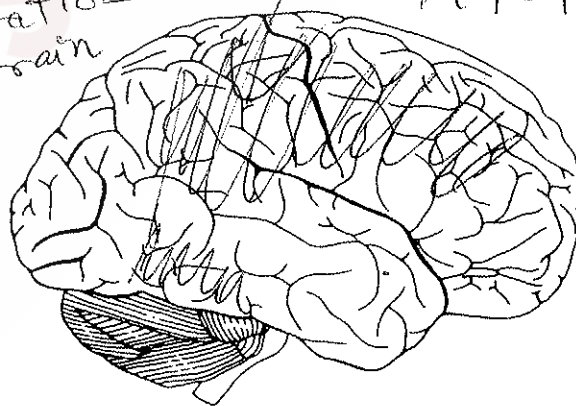


No artifactual EDH



lacerations
of brain
stem

laceration of
brain
R-F-P-T-O



intact spinal cord except lac at c1 due to atlanto-
occipital fracture dislo-
cation.

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Laboratory Analysis Summary Report

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The following results have been technically and administratively reviewed and are the opinions and conclusions of the Analyst:

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<u>SPECIMEN</u>	<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>DRUG</u>	<u>RESULT</u>	<u>ANALYST</u>
Blood, Heart				
	Alcohol-GC/FID-HS	Ethanol	Negative	M. Schuchardt
	ELISA-Immunoassay	Benzodiazepines	ND	T. Montero
	ELISA-Immunoassay	Cocaine and Metabolites	ND	T. Montero
	ELISA-Immunoassay	Marijuana: 11-nor-Delta-9-Carboxy-THC	ND	T. Montero
	ELISA-Immunoassay	Methamphetamine & MDMA	ND	T. Montero
	ELISA-Immunoassay	Opiates: Codeine & Morphine	ND	T. Montero
	ELISA-Immunoassay	Opiates: Hydrocodone & Hydromorphone	ND	T. Montero
EDTA Blood				
	Carbon Monoxide-CO-Ox	Carboxyhemoglobin	< 10 % Saturation	O. Pleitez

NOTE; The source of the EDTA Blood is from the Heart.

Legend:					
g	Grams	mg/dL	Milligram per Deciliter	QNS	Quantity Not Sufficient
g%	Gram Percent	mg/L	Milligram per Liter	TNP	Test Not Performed
Inc.	Inconclusive	ND	Not Detected	ug	Micrograms
mg	Milligrams	ng/g	Nanograms per Gram	ug/g	Micrograms per Gram
		ng/mL	Nanograms per Milliliter	ug/mL	Microgram per Milliliter

In accordance with the Department's Evidence Retention Policy, the blood specimen(s) will be retained for one-year and all other specimens for six-months from Autopsy.

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