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Meibomian Adenoma of Evelid in a Shi-tzu

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Meibomian adenoma is the most common eyelid neoplasm of dogs. Meibomian gland is a long,

modified sebaceous gland which embedded in the tarsal plate in eyelid. Histopathologically,

sebaceous epithelioma that basal cell tumor with sebaceous and squamous differentiation is

particularly prevalent in the eyelid. Ten years old spayed female shi-tzu dog presented to our

laboratory with a small mass of right lower evelid. The dog showed healthy body condition

except overload secreation of tear cause of stimulation by neoplasm of eyelid. The neoplasm

was removed surgically and examined by routine histopathological process. The slide shows

prominent sebaceous differentiation, which originated from the meibomian gland and moderate

lobular irregularity, prominence of basal cells, and a paucity of sebaceous maturation. The

abundant melanin and a foci of squamous differentiation were also dectected. Based on the

results, the neoplasm was diagnosed as meibomian adenoma which reported common in the

old dog. But in the practice, this neoplasm is easy to ignore by its small size, benign behavior

and simple treatment and surgical removal. Even the common occurance of this benign eyelid

neoplasm, there are few histophatological reports in domestic veterinary field. The present data

will provide a useful information about a typical meibomian adenoma in a dog.

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