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AUTOPSY TECHNIQUES IN THE STUDY OF TEMPORO-MANDIBULAR JOINT (TMJ) AND PRELIMINARY EPIDEMIOLOGICAL REMARKS ON 50 CASES. V. Terribile Wiel Marin*, S. Mazzoleni*, L. Guarda*, A. Beltrame**, A. Miotti**. *Pathological Anatomy Institute, Padua University, Italy and **Odontostomatologic Clinic, Padua University, Italy.

The modern odontostomatology pays particular attention to the temporo-mandibular joint problems. According to this the Authors propose that autopsies should be adjusted also to this requirement with systematic biopsy of TMJ bilaterally. These can taken as a whole from the body through a special technique processed by the Authors respecting absolutely the face. At present time, the Authors have drawn 50 TMJ bilaterally from non selected bodies. The isolated joints were radiographed during the autopsy for an initial diagnostic trend; subsequently they were decalcificated, embedded on paraffin, sectioned with macrotome and stained adequately. The study showed a high frequency of degenerative processes and the presence of flogistic, productive (condyle hypertrophy) and neoplastic pathology.

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