We investigate reports of sick & dead wildlife from free ranging populations in Victoria to understand baseline health, detect changes & identify risk factors. This is important because wildlife health can affect biodiversity conservation, biosecurity, & the health of people, domestic and wild animals, and ecosystems are interconnected (One Health.)

If you see sick or dead wildlife from free ranging populations, please contact us.

**Eastern ringtail possum with:**
- Skin lumps on nose or tail *(photo)*.

**Eastern grey kangaroos juveniles:**
- Dead or weak and sick with swollen faces *(photo)*
- Can be due to blood-sucking intestinal worms *(Globocephaloides sp)*.

**Kangaroos or wallabies:**
- Blind, incoordinated, dead (not trauma)
- We are keen to investigate.

**Marsupial & bird blood:**
- Can be collected onto filter paper
- To test for arboviruses such as: Murray Valley, Ross River, Kunjin and Barmah forest viruses
- Contact us for filter paper.

**Sick and dead birds (photo):**
- We can test for: Beak & Feather circovirus, pox virus; Chlamydia, Salmonella, Mycoplasma, Mycobacteria bacteria; & Spironucleosis protozoa.
- Can be spread by fecal-oral infection at feeding sites.

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