

Legal Medicine and Toxicology Module:

Tutorial 03: Crime scene / Death & time since death

A body of a young male with injuries on the head and chest was recovered from bank of the Kelani river. You are the Medical officer Medico legal call upon to the scene by the police.

1. Identify medico legal issues you would address during the scene visit of this case.
2. List team members of the scene visit.
3. Outline role of the medical officer during a scene visit.

The dead body was brought to the OPD with the magistrate order. While doing the post mortem examination you are going to assess the time since death of the person.

4. List the features that will help to determine the time since death in this case. (from early changes to decomposition)