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Clinical History: Within 72 hours following vaccination with WNV/EEE/WE/E/TET, an adult horse developed progressive swelling on the left neck. The swelling progressively extended to the mandible, thoracic inlet, pectoral and upper limbs. At the time, the horse presented with increased heart rate (70-80 pm), cool extremities, muddy to light purple mucous membranes, and gas shadowing on ultrasound over the affected neck area. Therapy with antibiotics provided no improvement; euthanasia was elected due to declining condition and poor prognosis.

Necropsy Findings: Extensive necrosis of the musculature and fascitis (neck extending to the mid thorax, pectoral muscles and upper limbs) with dissecting intramuscular yellowish edema.

For the following gross and microscopic image, please provide: Description, Morphologic diagnosis, Etiologic diagnosis, Etiology, Associated clinical/clinical pathology finding, Associated lesion in other organ(s), Immuno/Histochemical findings, etc
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