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In a period of ten years 1713 goat and 625 sheep of different ages, breeds and sexes were necropsied. Were found 4 (0.82%) and 7 (1.12%) of inflamatory alterations in the nervous system of goat and sheep, respectively. Based on clinical, anatomical, histopathologic and bacteriological findings were diagnosed: granulomatous encephalites (2), one by Criptococcus sp and the other one by no identified fungal, characterized by the presence of hyphas. The others were classificed histopathologically as suppurated inflamatory reactions affecting the brain, cerebellum, marrow and/or espinal nervs. Isolated bacteria from inflamatory processes on goat were: Staphylococcus coagulase positive (2) and negative (1) Staphylococcus sp (1), Escherichia coli (3), Actinobacillus sp (1), Corynebacterium pseudotuberculosis (1), Corynebacterium pseudodiphiteriticum (1) and coccus bacillus gram positive (1). On sheep was possible to isolate bacteria from only two cases, identifing with Corynebacterium pseudotuberculosis and Staphylococcus coagulase positive.