

PATIENT

Samwise Pacacha

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

MN

AGE

15Y

WEIGHT

10.6lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

~2 week onset of abdominal distension, none painful, acting normal otherwise

RADIOGRAPHS OF THORAX AND ABDOMEN

R/L lateral and VD, totaling 7 radiographs provided for interpretation.

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RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

The body condition score is 5/9 with abdominal distension

A minor degree of LS spondylosis is present. Smooth, bony spurs are also detectable on two sternbrae.

Thorax

The cranial mediastinum is of physiological size and opacity. The trachea diverges from the thoracic vertebrae and dips at the carina.

The degree of pulmonary expansion is fair. The lung lobes extend to the thoracic boundaries and are fully aerated. Pulmonary vessels are visible to the tertiary branches and appear small. The bronchial tree is calcified proximally, thin walled and tapers towards the periphery.

The cardiac silhouette occupies 65% of the chest height and 1.7 intercostal spaces. Chamber or outflow tract enlargement is not obvious.

Abdomen

The abdominal walls are centrifugally displaced, and the organs are surrounded by a fluid opacity; the diaphragm is intact and the dome located close to the cardiac silhouette.

The moderately food filled stomach is caudally rotated and the intestinal tract is centrally displaced.

RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

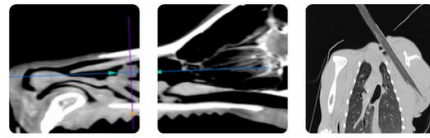
- Ascites
- Possible hepatomegaly
- Hypovolemia
- Microcardia

Incidental findings:

- Spondylosis, mild
- Sternal new bone, mild
- Bronchial calcification

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Free fluid in the abdominal cavity in cats is usually due to FIP. Differential diagnoses include chyle, hemorrhage, exudate and fluid due to tumor. A sample should be obtained for analysis. An amber colored fluid is highly suggestive of FIP. Ultrasound is recommended to assess hepatic size in case a tumor is present which bleeds into the abdominal cavity.



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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance, please contact me.

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