

PATIENT

Molly Volz

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Beagle

SEX

Female

AGE

9 Years

WEIGHT

19.2 kg

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: coughing, sneezing, snorting, snoring while asleep (louder than usual), dysphagia, grunting noises, E/D well, BM/U normal, slight neuro deficits in hind legs, enlarged L submandibular lymph nodes (cytology shows reactive lymphocytes).

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: See above, no BW/UA performed. Painful swallowing on palpation of neck/trachea.

RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE NECK

Number and shape of the vertebrae are physiological; their surfaces are smooth. No evidence of osseous destruction or lysis is present along the spine.

The space between Larynx and cranial C-spine is increased. Fascial plains are visible centrally in this soft tissue opacity.

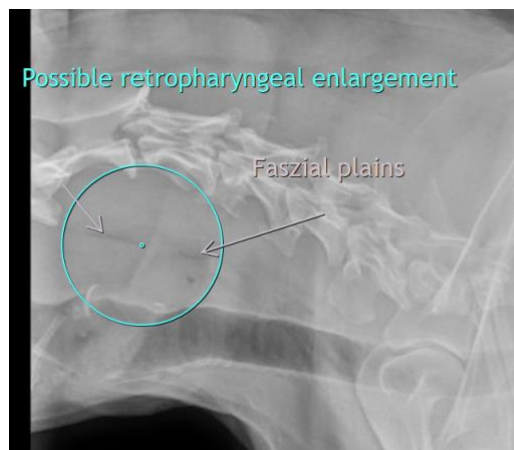
RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Possible retropharyngeal enlargement

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

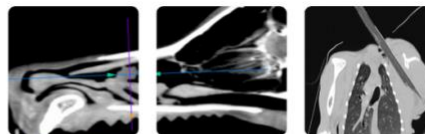
The position of larynx and trachea depends on the position of the head and on the amount of retropharyngeal fat. Further studies are needed to identify the presence of a mass. A Barium swallow will outline the esophagus and its relationship to the surrounding tissues. Ultrasound can identify if a mass is present and if it is filled with fluid or tissue; a sample can be obtained under ultrasound guidance. Visual inspection of the pharynx and larynx is necessary to help identify the entry point of a foreign body, a tonsillar mass or general inflammation. A CT examination is an additional option when a mass lesion is present.

I can see no metastases in the lungs.



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



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can be of any further assistance, please contact me.

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