



PATIENT

Alistair Animals In
Distress

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

13 Years

WEIGHT

22.07 Pounds

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: These are recheck rads following a course of clavamox, compare to invoice no. 37023

RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX

The body condition score is 9/9 with smooth, alternating layers of fat and soft tissue opacity.

Arthrosis is present in the elbow joints.

The cranial mediastinum contains a large amount of fat and takes up approx. 90% of the cranial thoracic width. The trachea runs parallel to the thoracic vertebrae; the carina is located at T5/6. The cardiac silhouette occupies 85% of the chest height and approx. 2 intercostal spaces. Its cranial aspect is slightly elevated from the sternum by fat. A chamber or outflow tract enlargement cannot be appreciated

The degree of pulmonary expansion is fair at best, and the lung lobes are slightly displaced from the thoracic boundaries by fat. The right caudal lobe now shows a similar outline of the pulmonary vasculature as the left. The left cranial lobe is partially obscured by the aortic arch on the DV view; on the lateral view this is evident as a circular soft tissue opacity level with ribs 4. The cranial tip of both cranial lobes appears of similar opacity and are superimposed by the muscles of the fore legs.

RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Physiological R caudal lobe
- Symmetrical cranial lobes

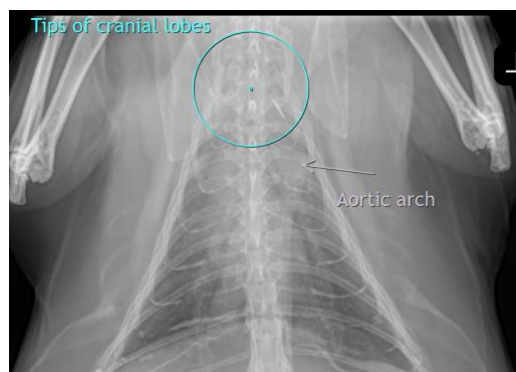
Incidental findings

- Elbow arthrosis
- Obesity

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Should no clinical signs be present, pulmonary opacity and lung expansion are likely compatible with obesity and superimposed leg muscles. The prominent aortic arch is likely due to position of the heart in older cats. However, should a murmur be present, echocardiography is recommended to rule out HCM.

Obesity impairs lung expansion and makes it easier for bacteria to settle in the ventral aspect of the lungs; weight control is strongly recommended.



The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the



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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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