



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

PATIENT Oliver Fastiggi
HISTORY: Was treated twice for Kennel cough in Fall. Mostly resolved through winter. Since weather has warmed the cough is progressing. Worse in the mornings. May cough up phelgm or apparent bile. Episodes variable in number per day but are protracted when occurring. Remains very active.
SPECIES Partially responsive to Zyrtec

Canine RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX

BREED Labrador
 Bridging new bone is located dorsal to the third intersternbral space. Ventral spondylosis is present in the caudal thoracic vertebrae.

SEX Neutered Male
 The degree of pulmonary expansion is fair at best. The lobar vessels are visible in cranial and middle lobes to the tertiary branches. The lungs are in contact with the thoracic boundaries and the tips are pointed.

AGE 11 Years
 The cranial mediastinum is of physiological size and opacity. The trachea runs parallel to the thoracic vertebrae and dips at the carina. The tracheal air shadow is reduced from dorsally by a soft tissue opaque line.

RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS
 The cardiac silhouette occupies 80% of the chest height and 3.5 intercostal spaces (VHS 12). No chamber or outflow tract enlargement is evident on the VD view.

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- Possible tracheal collapse

INCIDENTAL FINDINGS

- Spondylosis
- Sternal new bone

HOSPITAL NAME INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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REFERRING VET Dr. Russ LaPierre
 Tracheal collapse may be present but is usually not significant in medium to large breed dogs. However, it may only go unnoticed until physical circumstances (such as stress, running, excitement) or disease (e.g. bronchitis, L cardiac enlargement) reduces the ease of airflow. Echocardiography to assess cardiac chambers as well as possible valvular regurgitation and bronchoscopy to obtain a BAL is recommended. Should an infiltrate (e.g. eosinophilic) be present, treatment should improve the clinical signs. Laryngeal paralysis can be ruled out at the same time.

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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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