



PATIENT

Melody Grant

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

F/S

AGE

11Y

WEIGHT

4,1Kg

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

As a kitten Melody obtained an injury either by being crushed in a door or having her tail pulled. Ever since then she has experienced chronic pain and proprioceptive ataxia. Her pain is currently being managed with ketamine, gabapentin, tramadol and laser therapy. She had proprioceptive deficits in her hind end, proprioceptive ataxia, and keeps her hind legs in extension.

Hx of chronic hind end neurological symptoms due to trauma. Allergic dermatitis being managed with prednisolone.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results:Slightly increased BUN and hemoglobin

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORACIC, LUMBAR, AND SACRAL SPINE

Survey images provided for review.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

The spine presents with aligned vertebrae. No lysis, fracture, or listhesis seen. No evidence of acute disc extrusion or marked spinal canal compromise seen on CT.

Mild lumbosacral spondylarthroses seen.

Moderate feces content on the descendent colon and rectum is noted.

The hips are aligned. No osteoarthritis seen.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- No obvious medullary compression
- No vertebral fractures are seen.
- Mild lumbosacral spondylarthroses.
- Moderate fecal constipation.

INTERPRETATION OF FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The images don't explain the clinical signs and don't have obvious correlation with the history. The lumbosacral changes may represent a mild lumbosacral instability but do not explain all the clinical signs. Additional myelopathy occult on CT cannot be ruled out.

The fecal retention is probably secondary to the neurologic deficits.

MRI is recommended for better medullary and neuronal evaluation.



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