



**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

DIXIE LACHANCE

Reason for Visit: lameness RH leg History: 11y old SF Pitbull presented last night to CSAH for lameness of RH leg, they found painful swollen stifle with mild drawer/thrust -- suspecting CCL injury. Sent pet home on Adequan. Pet has previous injury to RH seen here Dec 2020/January 2021 -- Radiographs revealed R stifle arthropathy with articular swelling and OA, with muscle atrophy of RH leg. Hx bilateral hyp dysplasia with secondary OA.

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Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: CV/Respiratory: Normal heart rate and rhythm, no murmur, pulses strong and synchronous, normal bronchovesicular sounds. EENT: Clear OU and AU. No nasal discharge. No cough on tracheal palpation. Oral cavity: Moderate dental tartar, some teeth worn down Musculoskeletal: BCS = 5/9. Ambulatory x 4. RH: thickened stifle, grade 4/5 lameness, toe-touch (partial WB) on ambulation and while standing, painful on full extension and flexion, sl cranial drawer sign and tibial thrust. Uro/Perineum: No significant lesions Abd/GI:

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Soft, non-painful. No masses or fluid wave palpated Lymph Nodes: No peripheral lymphadenopathy Neurological: Alert and appropriate. No significant abnormalities Skin: Multiple skin tags and sebaceous adenomas on dorsum. No changes on masses prev. noted. Good hair coat. No ectoparasites seen Mentation: BAR Hydration: N

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**RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE RIGHT STIFLE**

**AGE**

11 Years

Mediolateral and craniocaudal views of the right stifle and craniocaudal view of the left stifle totaling 2 images available for review.

**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

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Suture material from prior celiotomy is seen in the caudoventral abdominal midline.

There is moderate articular swelling of the right stifle joint. A large amount of periarticular osteophytes is seen accentuating the femoral trochlea, distal pole of the patella, cranial margin of the tibial plateau, and both fabellae.

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There appears to be cranial thrust of the tibia with respect to the femoral condyles which however is limited in assessment in this slightly hyperflexed view.

The craniocaudal view of the left stifle joint presents within normal limits.

**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

**REFERRING VET**

Dr. Rivera

- Moderate to severe right stifle osteoarthritis with suspicion for cranial cruciate ligament failure.

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The radiographic findings suggest potential for failure of the cranial cruciate ligament in the right stifle. There are moderate to severe signs of osteoarthritis of the right stifle joint. Cranial cruciate ligament injury and meniscopopathy are the most common underlying causes. Primary degenerative joint disease and other arthropathy cannot be ruled out entirely. Correlation with the clinical palpation is required.

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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.

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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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