**PATIENT**

Toby Varner

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Bichon Frise Mix

SEX

MN

AGE

10 Years

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Toby is a ten year old, MN, Bichon Frise mix with a BCS of 4/5. He was presented on 11/7/22 with a 2 day history of sudden onset non-weight bearing lameness of right hind limb after chasing chickens. On exam Toby had normal patella position, no stifle effusion, but moderate cranial tibial thrust of the right stifle. Toby is treated chronically for PLE and packs prednisone 5 mg daily. Strict exercise restriction and gabapentin were prescribed. On recheck today, Toby is toe-touching lame right hind limb. He still has moderate cranial tibial thrust of right stifle on exam.

RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE STIFLES

Mediolateral and craniocaudal views of both stifles totaling 3 images available for review.

RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Moderate to severe articular swelling of the right stifle joint is seen. There is mild periarticular bone remodeling. Mild cranial thrust of the tibia is noted with respect to the femoral condyles.

The craniocaudal view reveals moderate atrophy of the right hind limb musculature.

The left stifle joint presents within age related normal limits.

The coxofemoral joints present within normal limits.

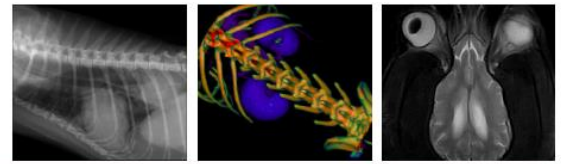
RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Right stifle arthropathy with radiographic evidence of cruciate ligament injury and signs of early degenerative joint disease.
- Disuse atrophy of the right hind limb musculature.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The radiographic findings are compatible with failure of the cranial cruciate ligament. Moderate to severe articular swelling which may represent synovial swelling or effusion as well as a combination of these is seen concurrently. Biomechanical instability appears to be indicated by the reported results of the clinical palpation as well. Surgical intervention should be considered in order to address the presumed biomechanical instability and prevent further damage to the articular structures including the menisci.

The atrophy of the right hind limb's musculature indicates prolonged disuse.



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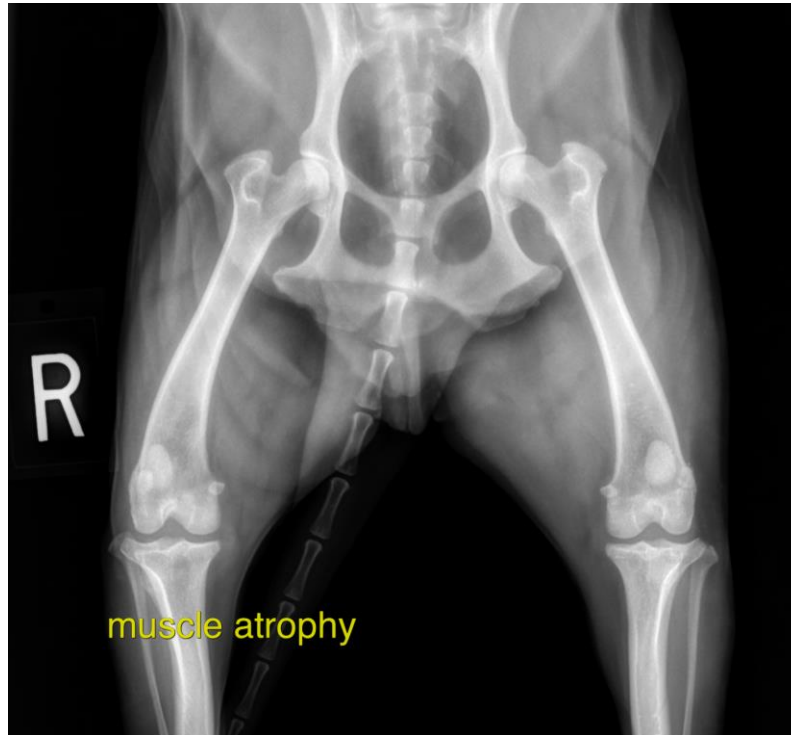
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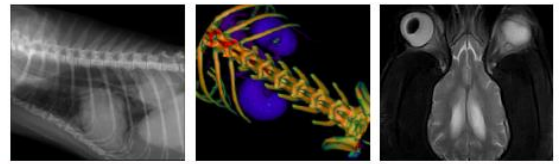
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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