

**PATIENT**

Bailey Blechar

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Long Hx of Non-Symptomatic cardiac murmur grade 2-3/6 that has acutely progressed to 4-5/6 murmur with a moderate C+. Energy and appetite are normal.

SPECIES

Canine

RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX

Right and left lateral views totaling 3 images available for review.

BREED

Shih Tzu

RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

The L2/3 intervertebral disc space is narrow.

The extrathoracic soft tissues present homogeneous without abnormalities.

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The vertebral heart score is 9. No over enlargement of the cardiac silhouette is seen. Mild loss of the caudal cardiac waist is noted. There is no evidence of bronchial splitting, tracheal elevation, a vascular pattern, or cardiogenic pulmonary edema.

AGE

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The cranial mediastinum presents the expected soft tissue opacity. The mediastinal width is less than twice the width of the vertebral column at the same level.

The trachea is normal in diameter and presents the anticipated course. The luminal outline of the trachea is smooth.

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A mild generalized bronchointerstitial lung pattern is noted with even distribution throughout the lung which is considered within age related normal limits.

The diaphragm is well delineated with even surface and the expected mild cranial bulging of the diaphragmatic cupola.

HOSPITAL NAME

Summit Dog & Cat
Hospital

RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Normal age related thorax.

REFERRING VET

Traci Vogler

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The radiographic presentation of the cardiac silhouette is within age and breed related normal limits. There is no evidence of congestive heart failure. Cardiac disease including valvular insufficiencies, valvular degeneration/endocardiosis, cardiomyopathy, and other obviously cannot be ruled out. A full cardiac echo could be considered for further definition. At this point, there is no evidence of hemodynamic consequences in terms of cardiogenic pulmonary edema.

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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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