

PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Buttercup Dienstman

Blood-tinged saliva noted intermittently on bedding over the summer. Owner pulled on pinch collar one month ago and patient cried out in pain. Swelling associated with left side of face in region of mandibular salivary gland noted one week ago and continues to get larger. FNA of mass performed at rDVM consistent with lymphoid hyperplasia. On presentation today mass/swelling was 3cm in diameter; mass is not painful on palpation. No fluid-filled swelling ventral to the neck as seen in mucocele. No oral lesions, including ranula noted. Patient is hyporexic; afebrile. Rule out neoplasia.

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE HEAD

Plain and post contrast studies are available for review.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

SEX

Mild enlargement of the left parotid gland is seen with generalized enlargement of the parotid duct with fat stranding throughout the pathway of the left parotid duct.

FS

Mild enlargement of the left retropharyngeal and submandibular lymph nodes is seen.

AGE

2.5yr

There is no discrete mass or sialocele / cyst identified.

The right and left mandibular salivary glands are normal in size and architecture.

The right parotid gland presents with a normal image.

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Left parotid sialadenitis and ductalitis with regional lymphadenopathy and cellulitis.

INTERPRETATION OF FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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The CT findings are consistent with an inflammatory process affecting the left parotid salivary gland and its duct. The inflammation involves the surrounding subcutaneous soft tissues in the masseter region as well as the left regional lymph nodes. There is no evidence of neoplastic mass, cystic collection or abscess formation at this time.

REFERRING VET

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The regional lymph node enlargement is likely reactive to the local inflammation. Clinical correlation and potential supportive therapy are indicated. Consider follow-up imaging if persistent swelling or worsening occurs.

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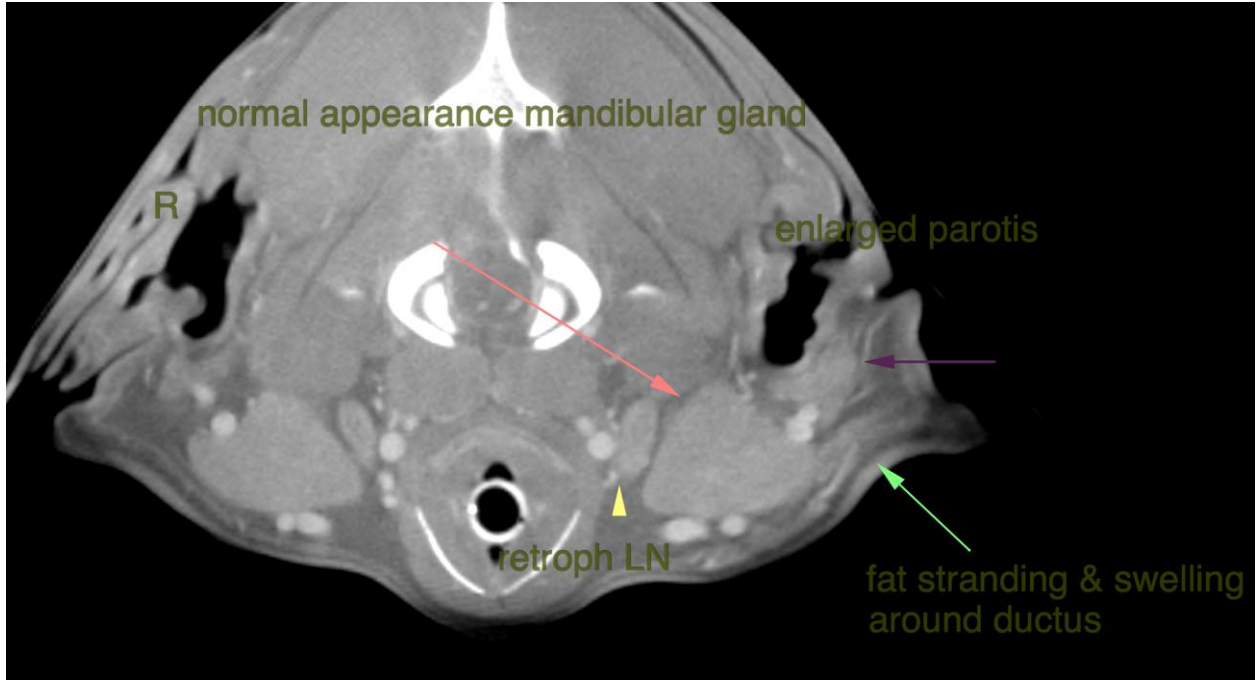
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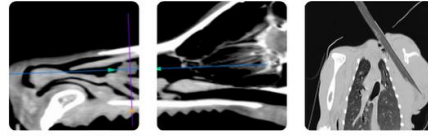
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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