



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

- Akita Freeman
- Transferred for irregular breathing. Noticed about 3 days ago 1/30/26.
 - Spontaneous pneumothorax
 - Initial physical exam: QAR to reduced mentation, rapid breathing with effort (minimal lung sounds)

SPECIES

Canine

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX

Plain and post contrast studies are available for review.

BREED

Siberian Husky

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Bilateral chest tubes are seen.

SEX

Mild right-sided pneumothorax is known.

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There are multiple alveolar pulmonary infiltrates: ventral aspect of the left cranial lung lobe and scattered small areas throughout the other lobes.

AGE

The mediastinal lymph nodes and heart are within normal limits.

6yr

Extensive subcutaneous emphysema is present in the right thoracic wall extending into the fascial planes of the neck with mild extension of the emphysema into the cranial mediastinum.

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No pulmonary bullae or masses are detected.

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Suspect spontaneous pneumothorax.
- Post-drainage bilateral chest tubes in place.
- Suspect multifocal pulmonary injury with multifocal local hemorrhage.
- Extensive iatrogenic subcutaneous emphysema with mild extension to a mild pneumomediastinum.

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INTERPRETATION OF FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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The multifocal areas of alveolar infiltrates are likely representing areas of pulmonary injury with local hemorrhage. Multifocal pneumonia is less likely but cannot be entirely excluded. Pulmonary bullae are not seen. There is no evidence of a mass or migrating foreign material. Close monitoring of pneumothorax and chest tube function are recommended.

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Consider follow-up thoracic imaging to assess resolution of pulmonary injury and pneumothorax.



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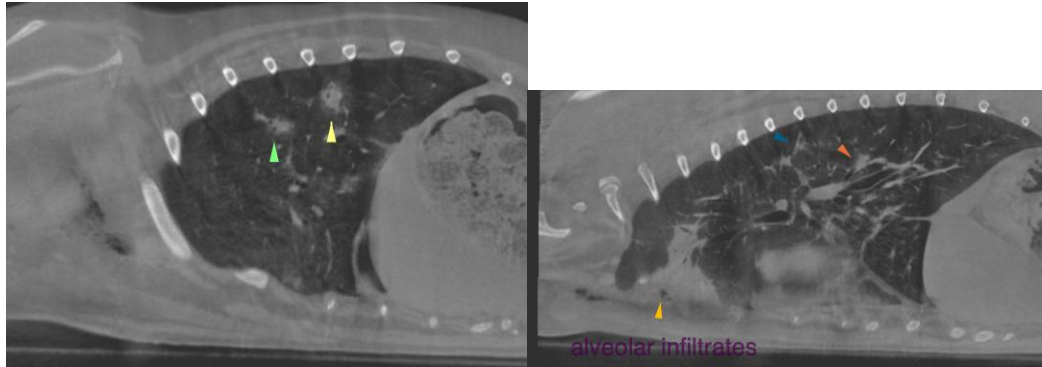
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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