

PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Reese Smyth Concern for megaesophagus. Cardiac arrhythmia. Very anxious patient, panting, hypersalivating prior to and during attempted esophagogram (only liquid substrate, pet would not eat any soft nor kibbles)

SPECIES FLUOROSCOPIC ESOPHAGRAM

Canine Total of 8 fluoroscopic loops centering the oropharynx and upper cervical esophagus. Liquid barium application only. Limited study, as the patient rejected swallowing and turns his head in most of the sequences.

BREED FLUOROSCOPIC FINDINGS

Lab X Controlled bolus formation and swallowing is not observed. However, bolus formation appears to be appropriate, but upper esophageal sphincter opening appears to be incomplete or asynchronous, allowing for only a small portion of the bolus to enter the upper cervical esophagus. The remainder of the bolus is expelled back into the oropharynx, and part of the bolus and contrast media can be traced into the laryngeal pharynx, larynx, and trachea.

SEX

Spayed Female

FLUOROSCOPIC DIAGNOSIS

AGE

4 Years

- Suspect swallowing abnormality with oropharyngeal dysphagia
- Aspiration of contrast media into the upper airways

INTERPRETATION OF FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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The fluoroscopic findings suggest oropharyngeal dysphasia with aspiration of fluid content into the upper airways. A swallowing disorder such as cricopharyngeal achalasia, cricopharyngeal asynchrony or other is considered likely. Laryngeal malfunction cannot be ruled out as a differential diagnosis, but is considered less likely based on the fluoroscopic findings.

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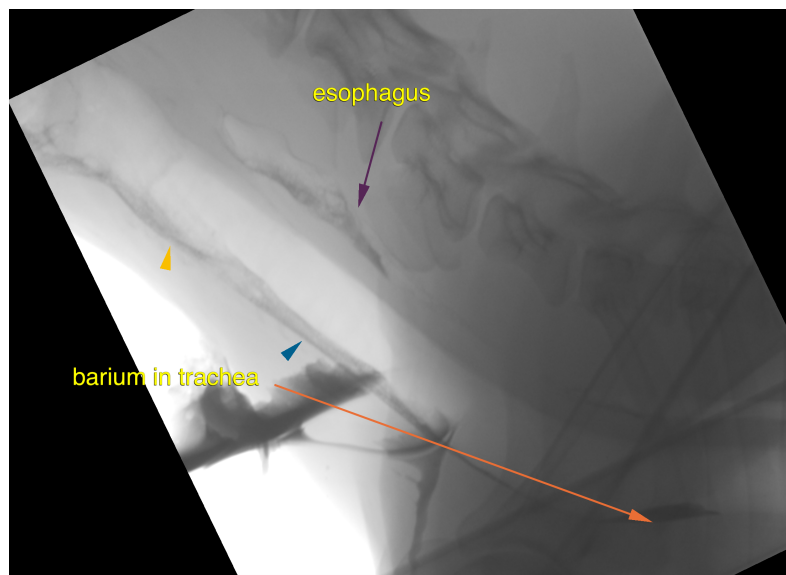
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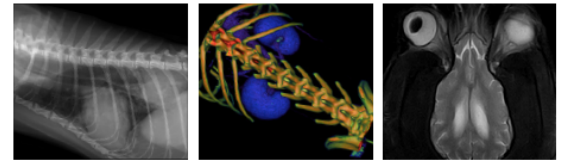
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Reese Smyth

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.

SPECIES

Canine

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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Lab X

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