



PATIENT

Stella Then

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Suspected ACL injury left hind vs. other. Lameness left hind, moderate weight bearing, meniscal "clunk". Current meds: Rimadyl, Gabapentin.
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: CBC/Chem: WNL 12/2021

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Left Stifle

Moderate anechoic effusion is seen within the supra- and infra- patellar recesses of the left stifle joint. There is moderate swelling of the synovium. A mild amount of periarticular osteophytes are seen. There is moderate heterogeneity of the infrapatellar fat pad.

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The cranial cruciate ligament presents ill-defined, thick with irregular outline, and irregular internal echoarchitecture. Partial fiber disruption with hyperechoic discontinuous fibers are seen at the intercondylar eminence of the tibia. The ligament is surrounded by a halo of anechoic effusion.

Visible parts of the lateral and medial menisci present within normal limits.

AGE

1 Year, 10 Months

Right Stifle

A moderate amount of anechoic effusion is present within the supra- and infra- patellar recesses of the right stifle joint. The infrapatellar fat pad presents mild heterogeneity. Moderate swelling of the synovium is seen.

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The cranial cruciate ligament presents continuous, yet it is thick and mildly irregular in outline with nonuniform internal echoarchitecture.

Visible parts of the lateral and medial meniscus present in situ and within normal limits.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Bilateral stifle osteoarthritis and bilateral cranial cruciate ligament pathology.

REFERRING VET

Dr. Hartwick

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The ultrasonographic findings suggest presence of partial rupture of the left cranial cruciate ligament with moderate concurrent osteoarthritis of the left stifle.

Differential diagnosis for the cranial cruciate ligament findings in the right stifle includes edema as well as incipient partial rupture. Mild to moderate osteoarthritic findings are present within the right stifle joint.

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No evidence of meniscopathy is found in the left and right stifle joints, respectively.

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Correlate with the clinical palpation and consider surgical intervention in order to address the presumed biomechanical instability and prevent further damage to the articular structures, especially the left stifle.



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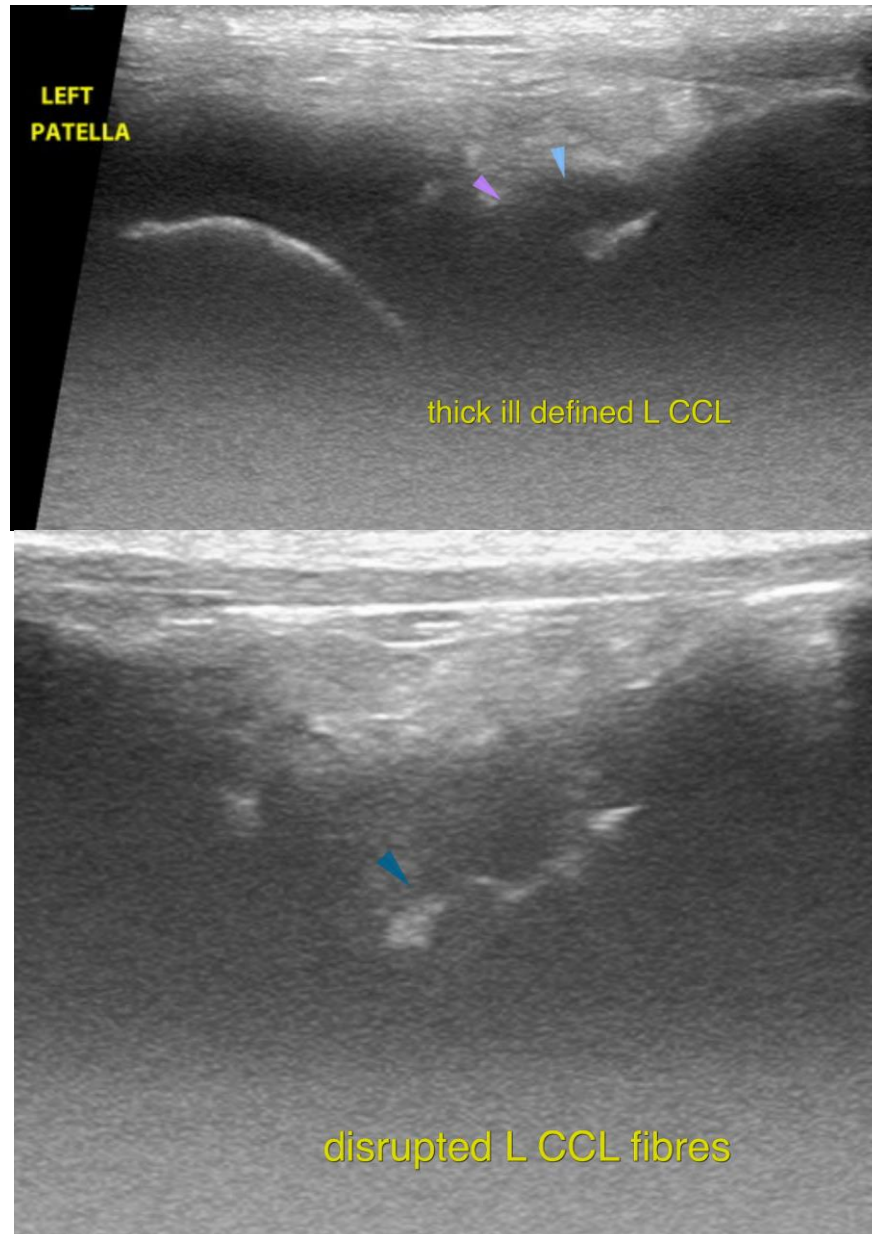
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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