

**PATIENT**

Lacci Johnson

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Acute hx of not using hind limbs appropriately. Variable symptoms. Still standing, but knuckling on right hind, with no CP in that limb. Superficial pain still present and still able to bear weight on all four limbs. rDVM wanting to decide if surgery is recommended.

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**COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORACIC & LUMBAR SPINE**

Plain studies in soft tissue and bone windows of the thoracic and lumbar spine available for review.

**BREED**

Mini Schnauzer

**COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

Mild focal mineral attenuating intervertebral disc extrusion is seen to the right of the midline within the ventral epidural space between C4 and C5.

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Mild intervertebral disc protrusion and narrowed intervertebral disc space are noted between C6 and C7.

Mild to moderate intervertebral disc herniation is noted between T12 and T13 respectively.

**AGE**

9.5 Years

There is moderate protrusion of the lumbosacral intervertebral disc.

**COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

- Mild to moderate presumably chronic intervertebral disc protrusions T12/13, T13/L1
- Mild presumably chronic intervertebral disc protrusion C6/7.
- Mild presumably chronic mineralized intervertebral disc extrusion C4/5.
- Mild to moderate degenerative lumbosacral stenosis.

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The CT study reveals multiple sites of mild to moderate disc hernia with a maximum of mild compressive myelopathy within the caudal thoracic spine and thoracolumbar junction between T12/13 and T13/L1. An acute compressive "surgical lesion" cannot be identified on this plain CT study. An MRI or CT myelogram could be considered for further definition in case of persisting or deteriorating clinical signs as the plain CT study appears to fail to depict the acute clinical lesion in this patient.

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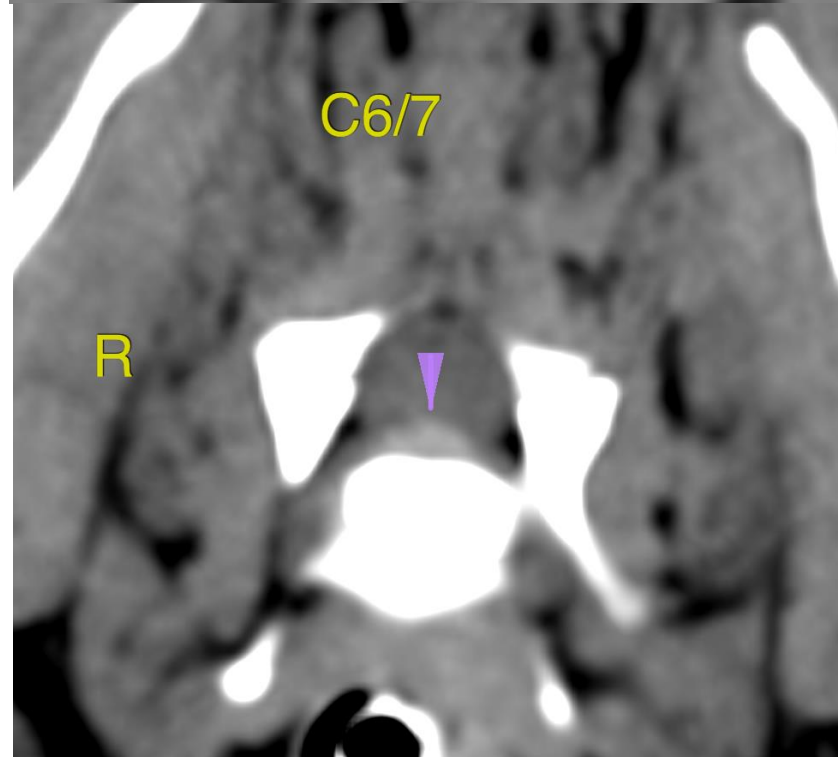
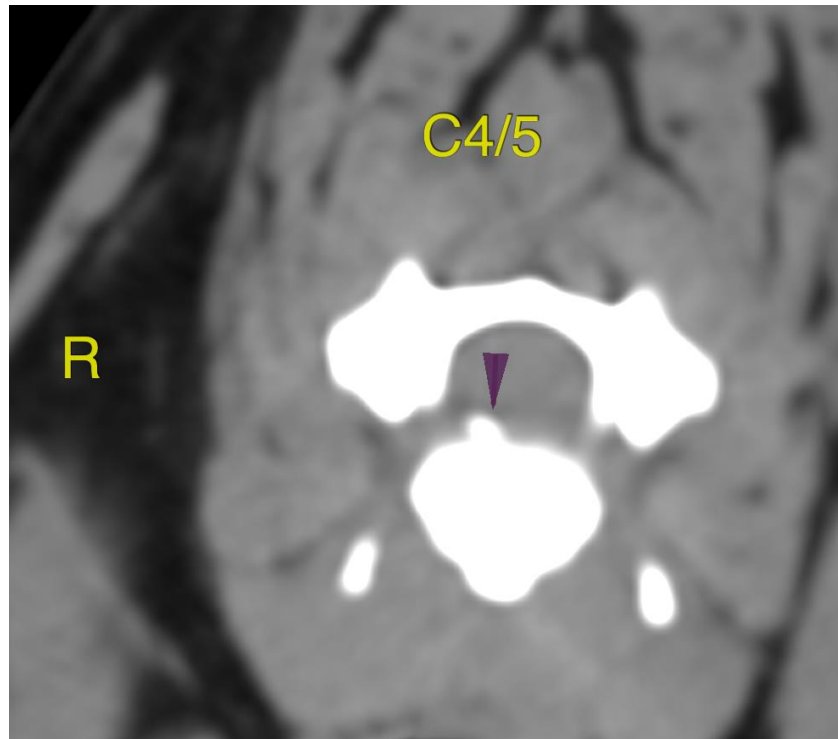
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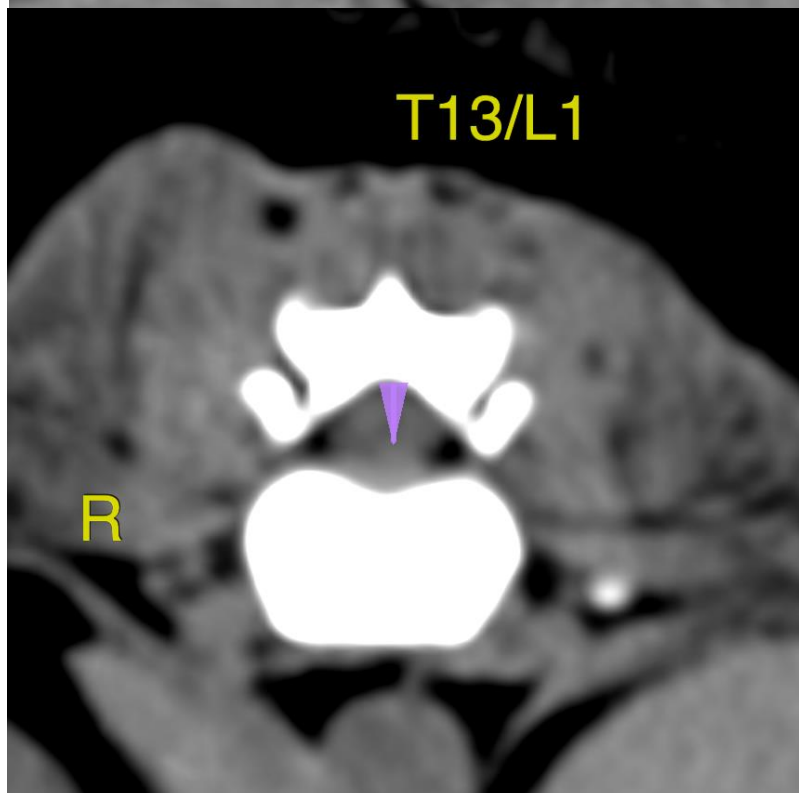
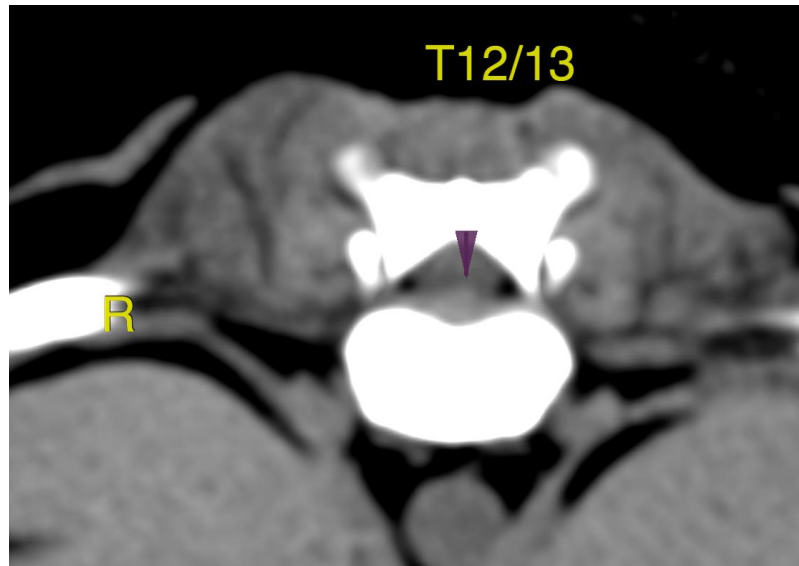
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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