



**PATIENT**

Opie Wheeler

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Prior R TPLO Nonweight bearing for 4 weeks now partial weight bearing Exam Flexion ain, mild cranial drawer  
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: NA

**SPECIES**

Canine

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

**Left Stifle**

**BREED**

Pitbull

A large amount of anechoic effusion is seen within the supra- and infra- patellar recesses of the left stifle joint. There is significant thickening of the synovium. A moderate amount of periarticular osteophytes appears to be present.

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The cranial cruciate ligament is continuous but ill-defined with nonuniform width and heterogeneous internal echoarchitecture.

The cranial horn of the medial meniscus is in situ, well delineated, and presents uniform internal echoarchitecture. The caudal horn is not seen. The lateral meniscus presents within normal limits.

**AGE**

11 Years

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

- Moderate left stifle osteoarthritis with cranial cruciate ligament pathology.

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The ultrasonographic findings are compatible with partial rupture of the left cranial cruciate ligament. While fiber strands of the cranial cruciate ligament may be maintained, full biomechanical failure or progression to full biomechanical failure has to be assumed and surgical intervention should be considered in order to prevent further damage to the articular structures.

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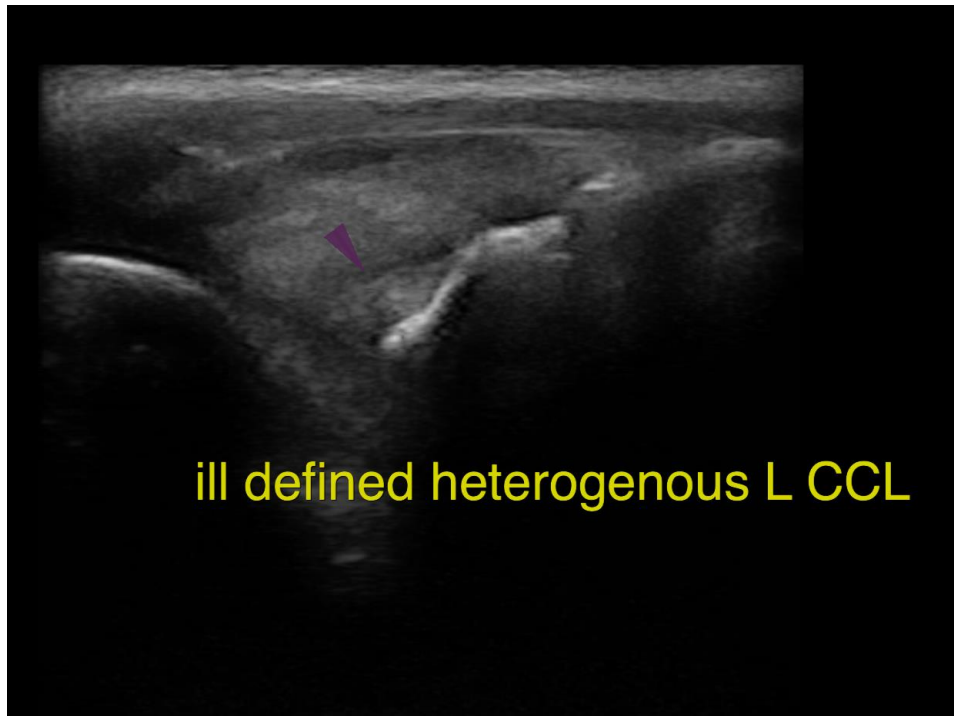
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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