



PATIENT

Maya Cruse

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Brittany Spaniel Mix

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

12 Years

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Q Street Animal
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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Started making a strange cough/croak/retch sound about a year ago very sporadically. Episodes slowly increased in frequency to where they were happening about once a day, mostly at night. Recently becoming much more frequent, now happening multiple times a day at any hour and sometimes keeping her up at night. Owner reports no abdominal contraction and Maya never gags/spits anything up. Describes it as a singular loud, explosive noise that sounds almost human-like. She completed a 1 week Prilosec trial with no effect. History of ventral neck mass removal in 2018 at a different clinic (reportedly was benign).
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Walnut-sized soft SQ mass ventral lower neck - aspirate revealed only fat. Two smaller soft SQ masses on ventral abdomen also aspirated as lipomas. Cardiac auscultation somewhat muffled over heavy panting. Unable to elicit cough. Overweight. CBC/chem in March 2021 was normal except for moderate elevation in ALT.

RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX & NECK

Right/left lateral and orthogonal views of the thorax and lateral and ventrodorsal views of the neck totaling 7 images available for review.

RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Thorax

The thoracic spine presents within normal limits.

Course and width of the trachea are considered within normal limits throughout the cervical and thoracic portions, except for mild redundancy of the dorsal trachea ligament in the cervical area.

The degree of pulmonary inflation is fair. A mild generalized interstitial pattern is noted which is enhanced on the expiratory views and considered within age related normal limits. No abnormalities of the bronchial tree are seen.

There is no evidence of mediastinal lymphadenomegaly.

A large amount of fat appears to be present within the falciform ligament.

The visible abdominal structures present within normal limits.

Neck

There is an ovoid fat opaque subcutaneous mass in the ventrocaudal neck.

Number, alignment, and anatomy of the cervical vertebrae present within normal limits.

RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Mild redundancy of the dorsal tracheal ligament in the cervical trachea.
- Normal age related lung.
- Presumed lipoma in the ventral neck.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

No true tracheal collapse is seen. There is mild redundancy of the dorsal tracheal ligament in the cervical trachea which may be an incidental finding, however, on occasion is associated with tracheal collapse. Other functional abnormality of the upper airways in the tracheal or laryngeal region cannot be ruled out and further endoscopic workup could be considered.

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The radiographic presentation of the lung and bronchial tree are considered within age related normal limits and there is no radiographic evidence of cardiovascular pathology.

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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.

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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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