



PATIENT

Habibi Posh Pets
Rescue

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Chihuahua

SEX

Intact Female

AGE

3

WEIGHT

2

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REFERRING VET

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History is unknown due to pet being found by rescue. paraparesis, CP deficits on both hind limbs, negative deep pain/motor function on left hind limb, right hind limb weak motor and deep pain present, UMN patella reflex, no back pain, thoracic limbs wnl non weight bearing lameness on both hind limbs.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORACIC AND LUMBAR SPINE

At the level of the L1-2, a calcified herniation is noted with severe and left lateral compression of the spinal cord. The material is located in left lateral spinal canal and exceeds cranially up to the level of Th13. The intervertebral disc space L1-2 is narrowed, presenting a vacuum sign of the nucleus.

At the level of Th12-13 a broad-based and calcified disc protrusion is noted, leading to dorsal elevation of the spinal cord and mild compression at the level of the intervertebral disc space.

The spine shows a harmonic course apart from that, with an inconspicuous density of the vertebral bodies. Signs of an aggressive lesion are not noted. A fracture and/or subluxation are not recognized.

The paraspinal soft tissues are symmetrical and inconspicuous. The display parts of the chest and thorax do not show particular findings.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Left-lateral and calcified disc herniation L1-2 with cranially sequestered disc material and long-stretched spinal cord compression
- Moderate, medial and broad-based disc protrusion Th12/13

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The findings at the level of L1-2 likely represent an acute herniation of the disc L1-2 with wide cranial sequestration of disc material. The compression of the spinal cord is left-sided and exceeds from the caudal parts of Th13 up to the level of L1-2.

The broad-based protrusion at TH12-13 likely is a more chronic protrusion and presents mild compression of the spinal cord. This may partially influence the clinical presentation.

In case of surgery an approach from the left side is recommended for cranially oriented decompression/hemilaminectomy at the level of L1-2. A second approach at the level of Th13-L1 may be necessary.

The second protrusion at the level of TH12-13 and the absence of/reduced deep pain may limit the prognosis and success of surgery.



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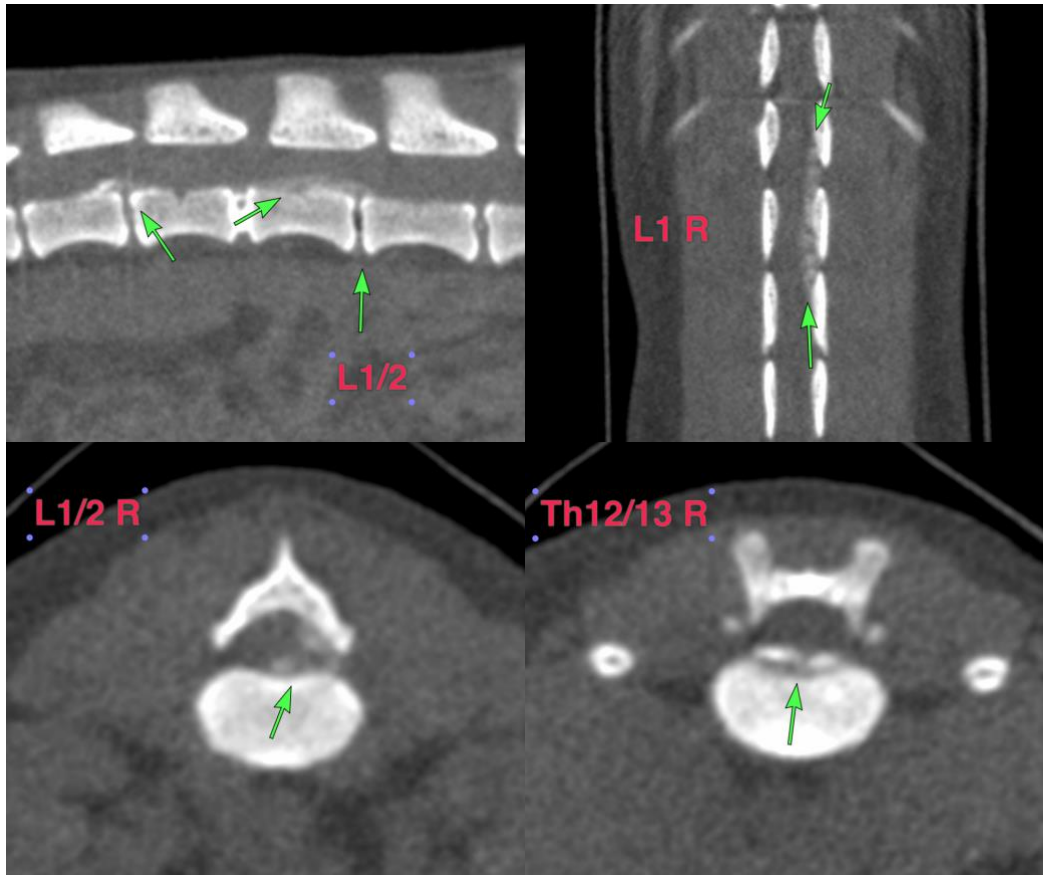
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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