



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Sierra Baehler Dog was running down a slope and then cried out and was lame on the right rear leg. Happened about 7 weeks ago

SPECIES Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Positive medial buttress, Cranial drawer, and a CTT. Compatible with a full CCL rupture. No clicking or crepitus noted

Canine

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

BREED Right Stifle

Akita There is mild joint effusion and moderate synovial thickening noted. The latter is most prominent at the level of the femoral condyles and in the course of the lateral collateral ligament. The femoral trochlea shows marked subchondral irregularities with prominent formation of osteophytes at the femoral condyles and the medial and lateral tibial bone surface. The lateral insertion side of the collateral ligament/the superficial digital flexor tendon reveals several mineralized spots.

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The patellar bone surface and the patellar ligament are considered as normal.

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The intraarticular fat body appears significantly inhomogeneous with mild cystic changes. The cranial cruciate ligament is not seen in continuity. There is an iso- to hyperechoic ligamental stump at the level of the tibial insertion with a hypoechoic halo recognized. At this level a tiny hyperechoic/mineralized spot is noted.

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The lateral meniscus presents a mildly irregular texture. A relevant dislocation or fragmentation is not recognized.

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The medial meniscus is highly inhomogeneous. A horizontal hypoechoic fissure line is detected without contact to the meniscal surface. Fragmentation or relevant dislocation are not noted.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

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- Complete rupture of the CCL
- Suspected intra-meniscal tear medial meniscus
- Questionable avulsion femoral insertion of the lateral collateral ligament/superficial digital flexor tendon
- Moderate degenerative changes of the right stifle including significant osteophytes at all joint levels, joint effusion and synovial thickening

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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The sonographic findings are pathognomonic for a complete rupture of the CCL. The tiny, mineralized spot at the level of the tibial insertion may represent a small avulsion. Marked chronic and degenerative findings are recognized including both menisci. Relevant signs of a



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meniscal rupture and dislocation are not seen although an intra-meniscal lesion of the medial meniscus is suspected from a sonographic point of view. The changes at the level of the lateral femoral insertion of the lateral collateral ligament may show marked formation of osteophytes/enthesophytes. Small avulsions/micro-ruptures are possible as well but unlikely.

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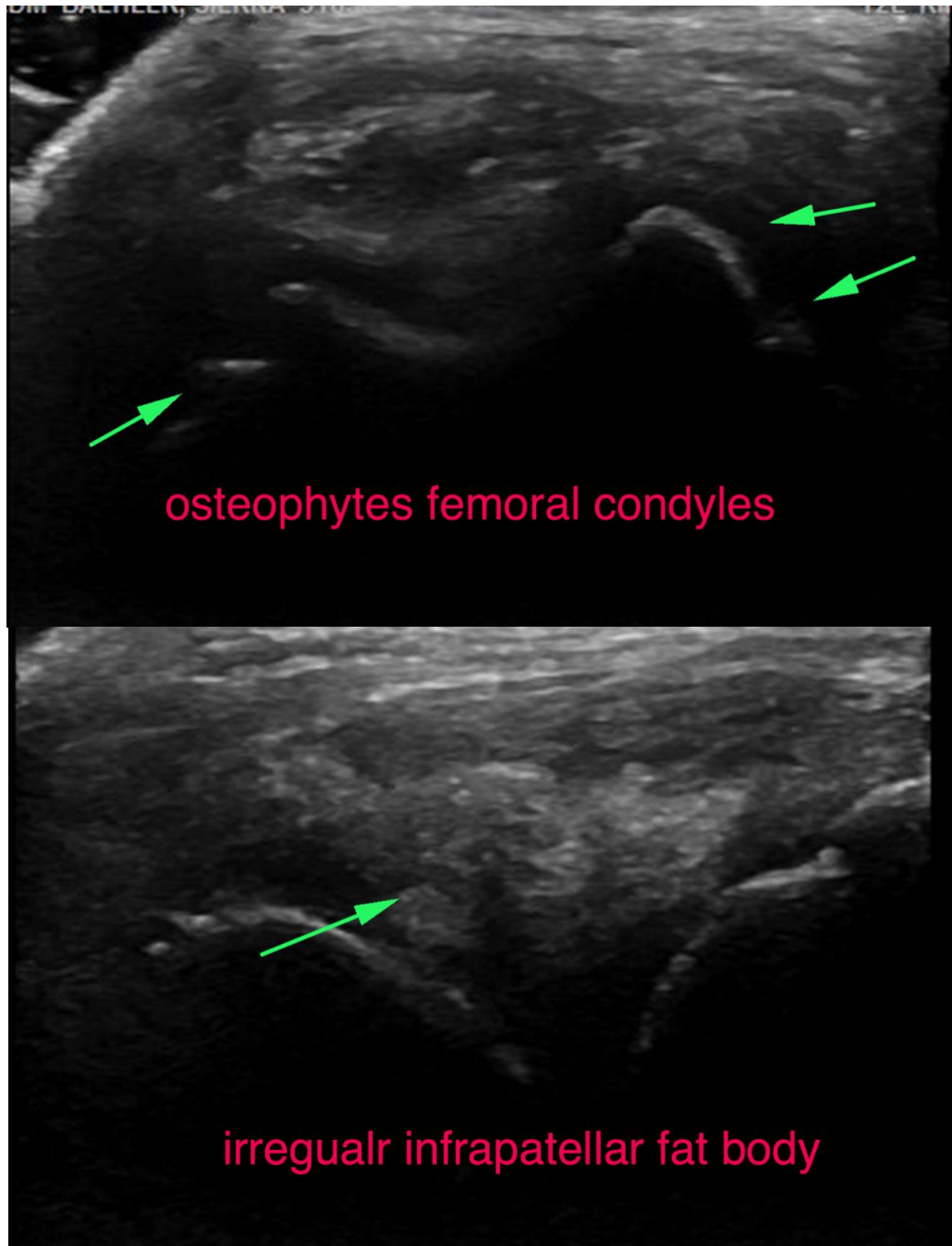
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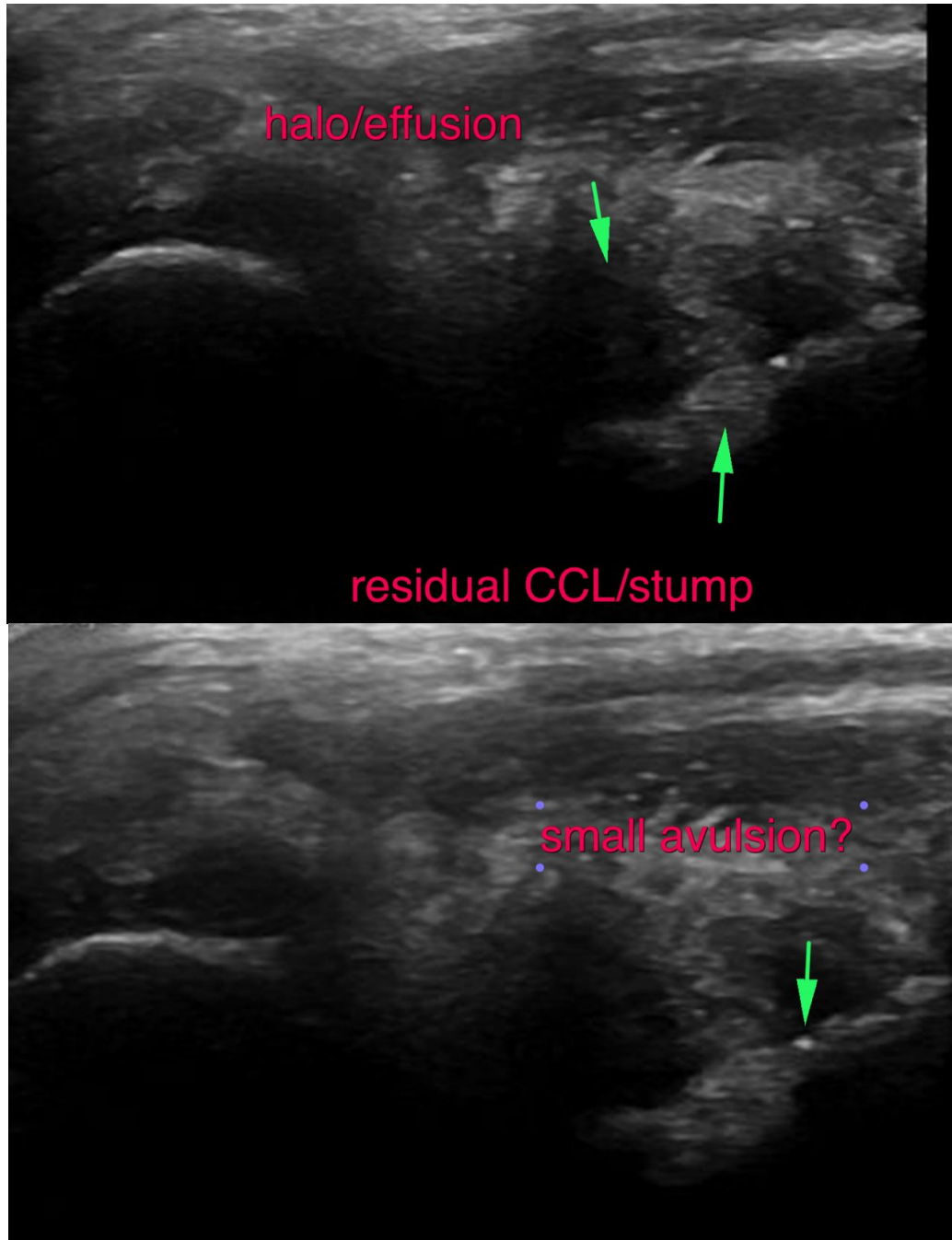
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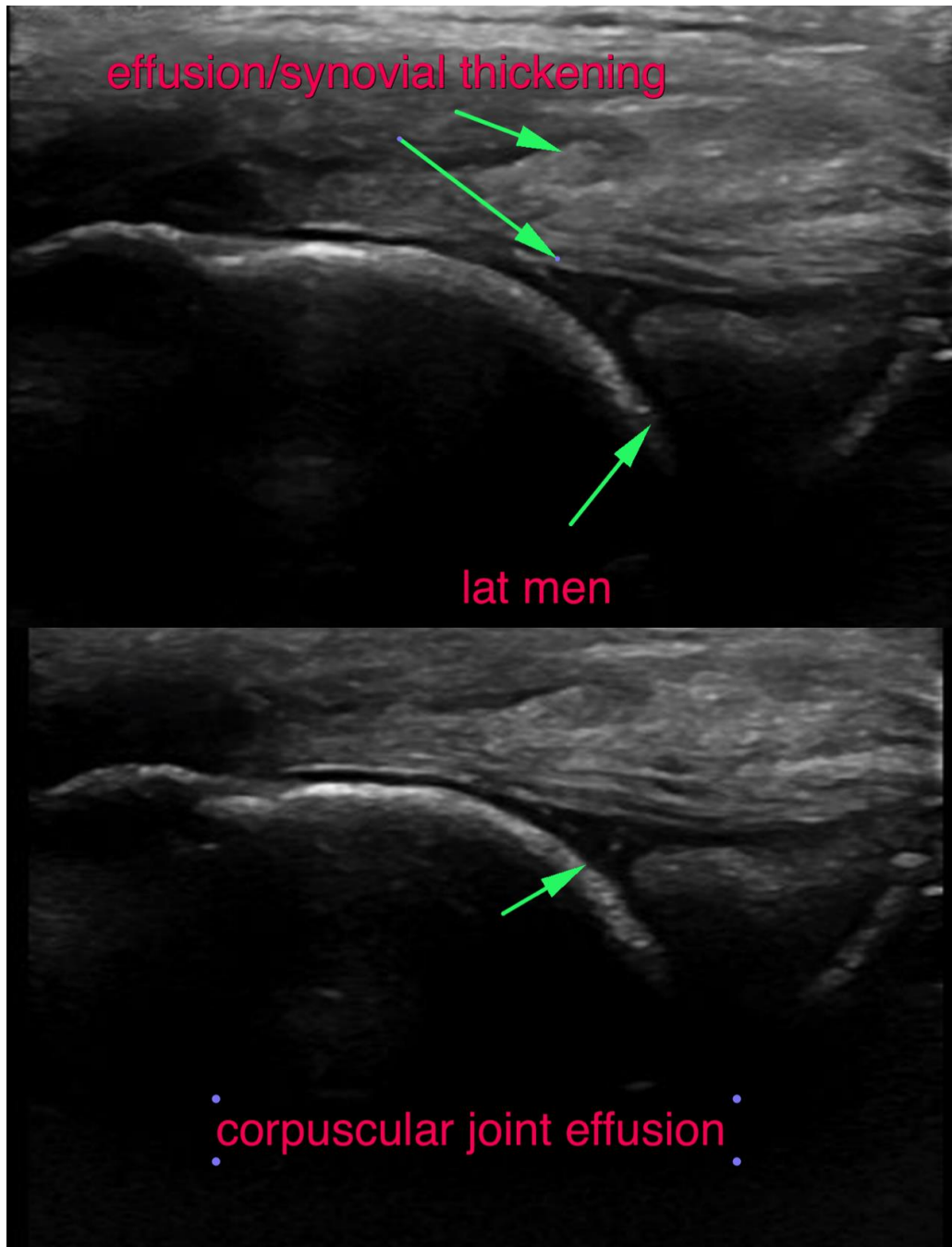
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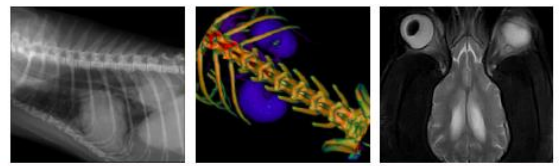
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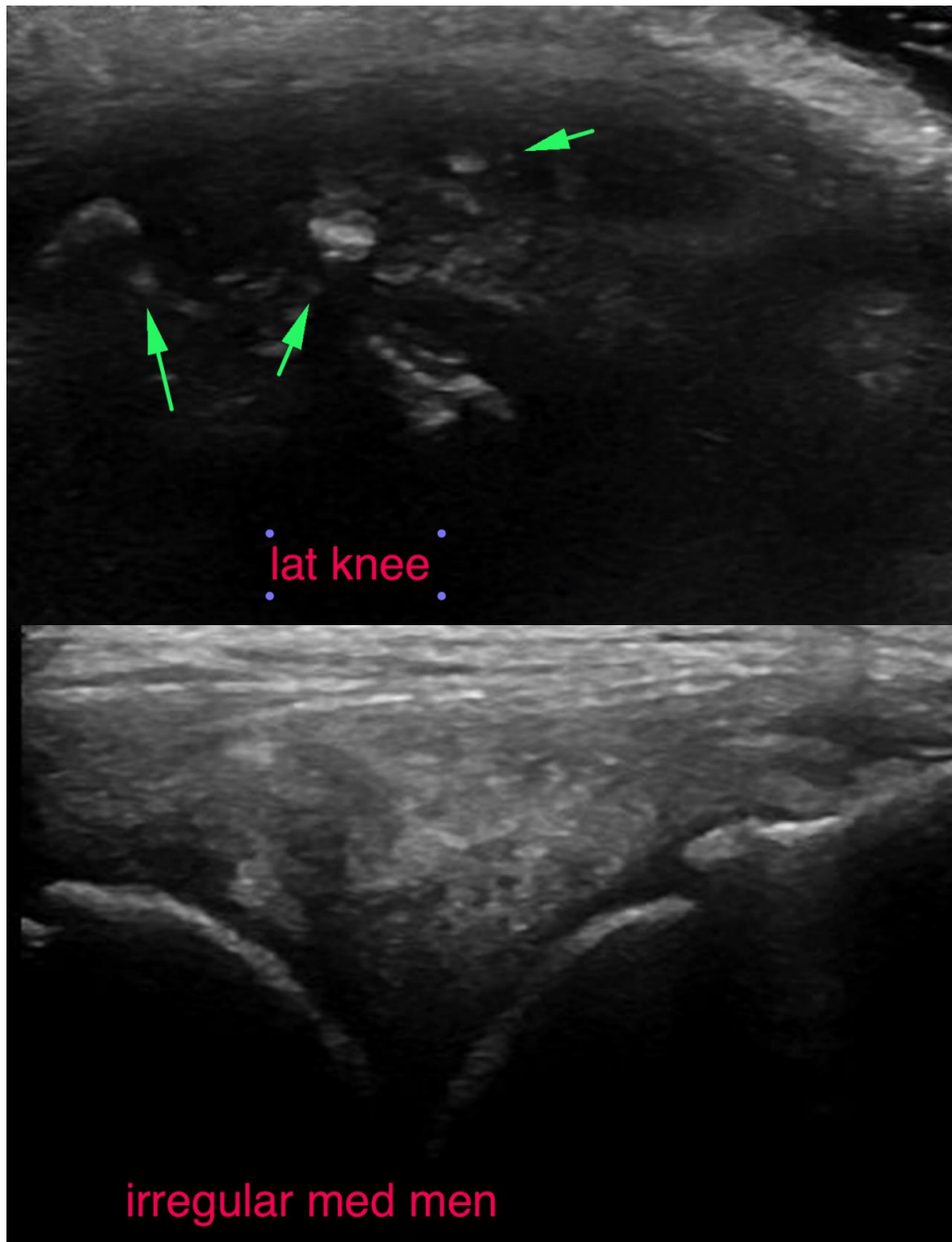
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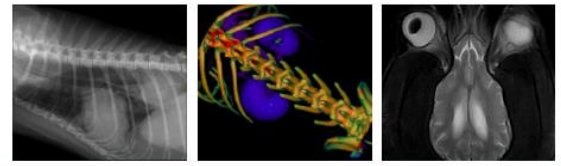
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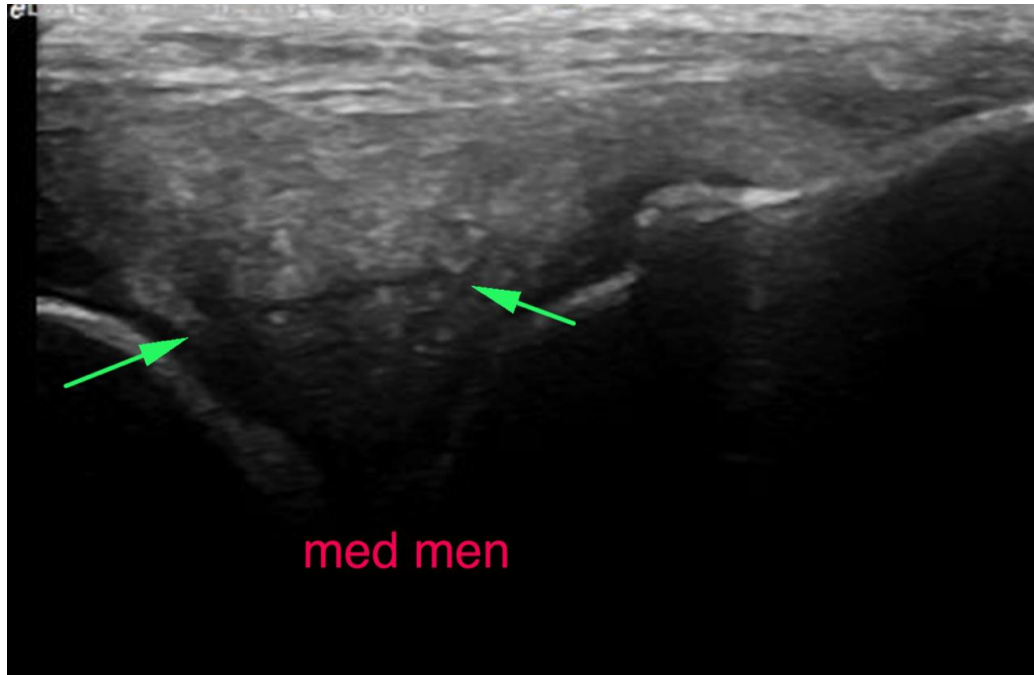
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Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance, please contact me.

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