

**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Sakura Huang History: Mass visible on thoracic rads, FNA was inconclusive but had sample with liver. Mass vs. diaphragmatic hernia

**SPECIES COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE CHEST & ABDOMEN**

Canine **Chest/Abdomen**

**BREED**

Shiba Inu

The ventral and central part of the diaphragm shows a large defect of approximately 2.9 cm with herniation of abdominal fat, omentum, the left medial liver lobe and the gallbladder into the left hemithorax. An overt connection to the pericardium cannot be traced. Cardiac shift to the right is noted. The margins of the diaphragmatic defect are thickened and blunt. Signs of pleural or abdominal effusion are missing. The herniated left medial lobe shows partially reduced perfusion.

**SEX**

Spayed Female

The lungs are regularly ventilated. Heart is inconspicuous as far as can be assessed with CT. Displayed parts of the abdomen are inconspicuous.

**AGE**

7 Years

**COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

- Diaphragmatic hernia with herniation of abdominal fat, omentum, the left medial liver lobe and the gallbladder into the left hemithorax

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The CT findings show a diaphragmatic hernia. Currently fluid changes like pleural/abdominal effusion or steatitis are missing, therefore findings could represent a chronic or even congenital hernia. Signs of a cholestasis are not recognized. The herniated left medial liver lobe shows reduced perfusion. This could be due to fibrosis, vascular disorders or indicate initial necrosis/abscess formation which I do not suspect. A conservative approach without surgery appears possible as far as can be assessed with CT.

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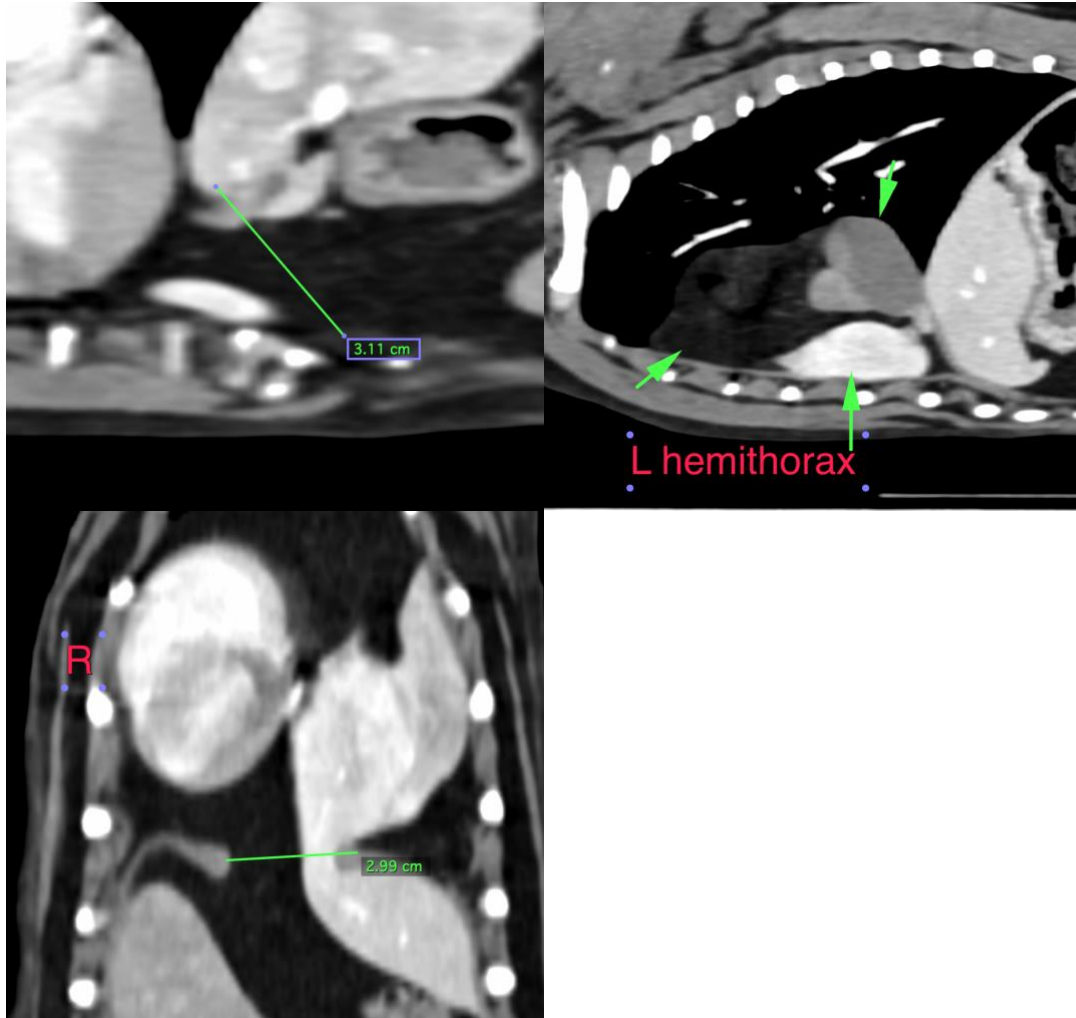
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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