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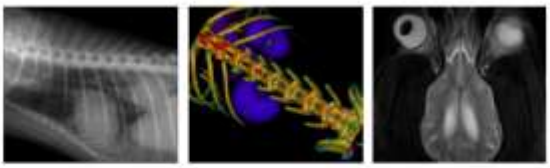

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PATIENT

Ava Hardy

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Dachshund

SEX

FS

AGE

11 Years

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

T3-L3 localization. Variable pain t/l area. Intact panniculus to L4 bilaterally. Symptoms similar on both hind legs. Deep pain positive, unable to ambulate on her own at time of my exam. Good withdrawals present, anal tone positive, tail pain positive. Poorly controlled bladder as she urinated with pressure on her abdomen. Forelimbs and neck normal.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORACIC & LUMBAR SPINE

CT-myelogram provided for review.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Presented bony structures of the spine are unremarkable with an inconspicuous harmonic thoracolumbar- and lumbosacral transition.

Vertebral bodies are of regular density without signs of a lytic or sclerotic process. There is no evidence of a fracture and/or sub/-luxation.

Vertebral discs present calcification of the nuclei at multiple levels.

At the level of Th9/10 a mild, broad-based and medial disc protrusion is recognized causing mild dorsal elevation of the spinal cord.

The disc of Th11/12 presents a medial to left-lateral, calcified and still mild protrusion leading to a mild deformation of the spinal cord. Left lateral osteophytes are noted at this level.

At the level of L3/4 another broad-based and mild protrusion is detected showing mild medial to left lateral compression of the spinal cord.

Paravertebral soft tissues are bilaterally symmetrical, especially the course of the femoral and sciatic nerves is inconspicuous.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Calcified disc protrusion Th11/12 with mild signs of a spinal cord compression
- Mild disc protrusion L3/4 with mild signs of a spinal cord compression
- Mild disc protrusion Th9/10 with mild dorsal elevation of the spinal cord
- Degenerative changes of the spine with multiple calcified nuclei

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

CT findings show at least two disc protrusions with mild compression of the spinal cord. I favor the level of Th11/12 to be more acute and of most clinical relevance from a CT perspective (decompressive surgery hemilaminectomy Th11/12 with an approach from the left?). However, it is difficult to determine which of these is more clinically relevant. Grade of compression as seen

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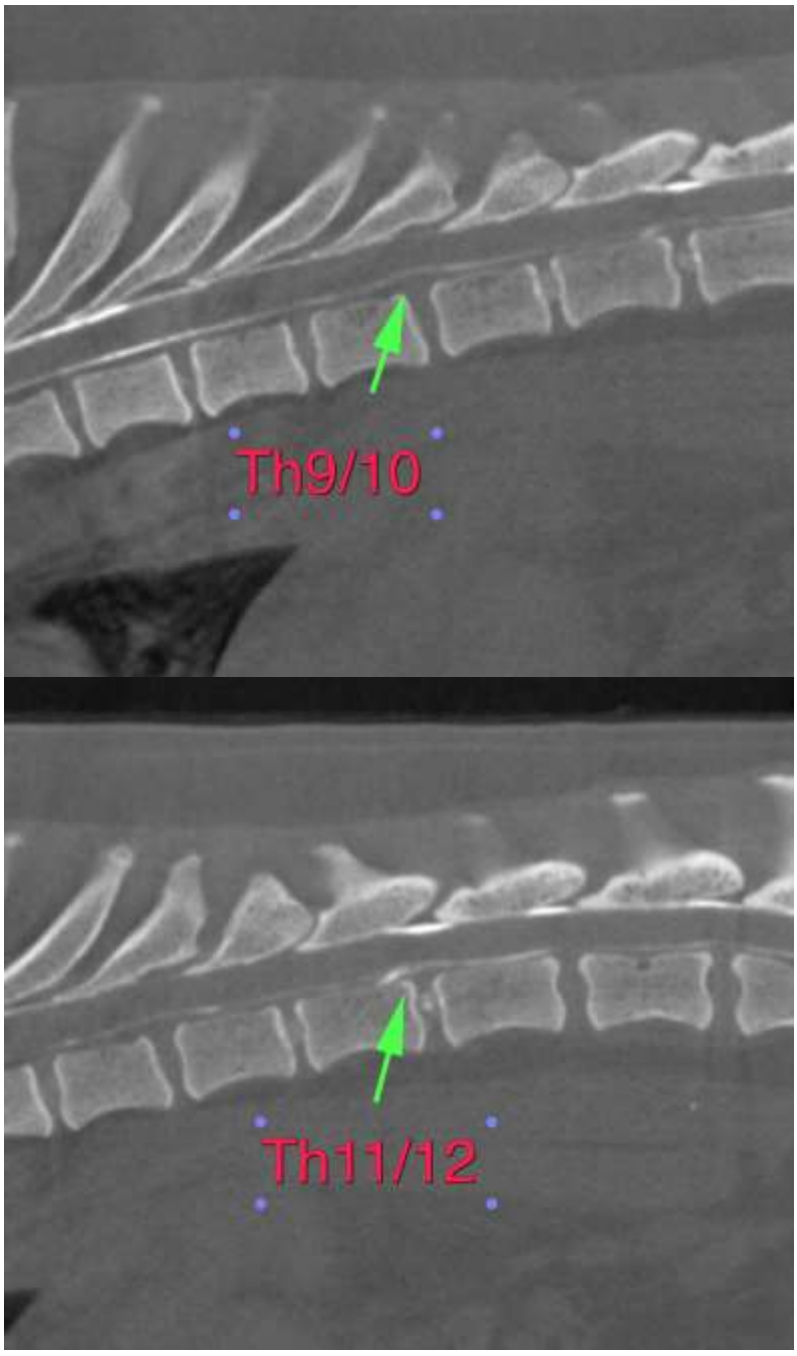
with CT is not compellingly the most relevant clinical finding. Regarding the age and the multiple findings, I would favor a conservative approach.



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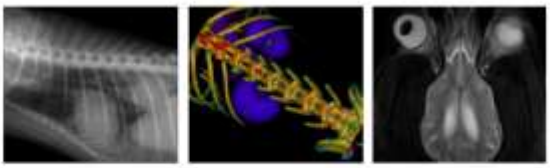

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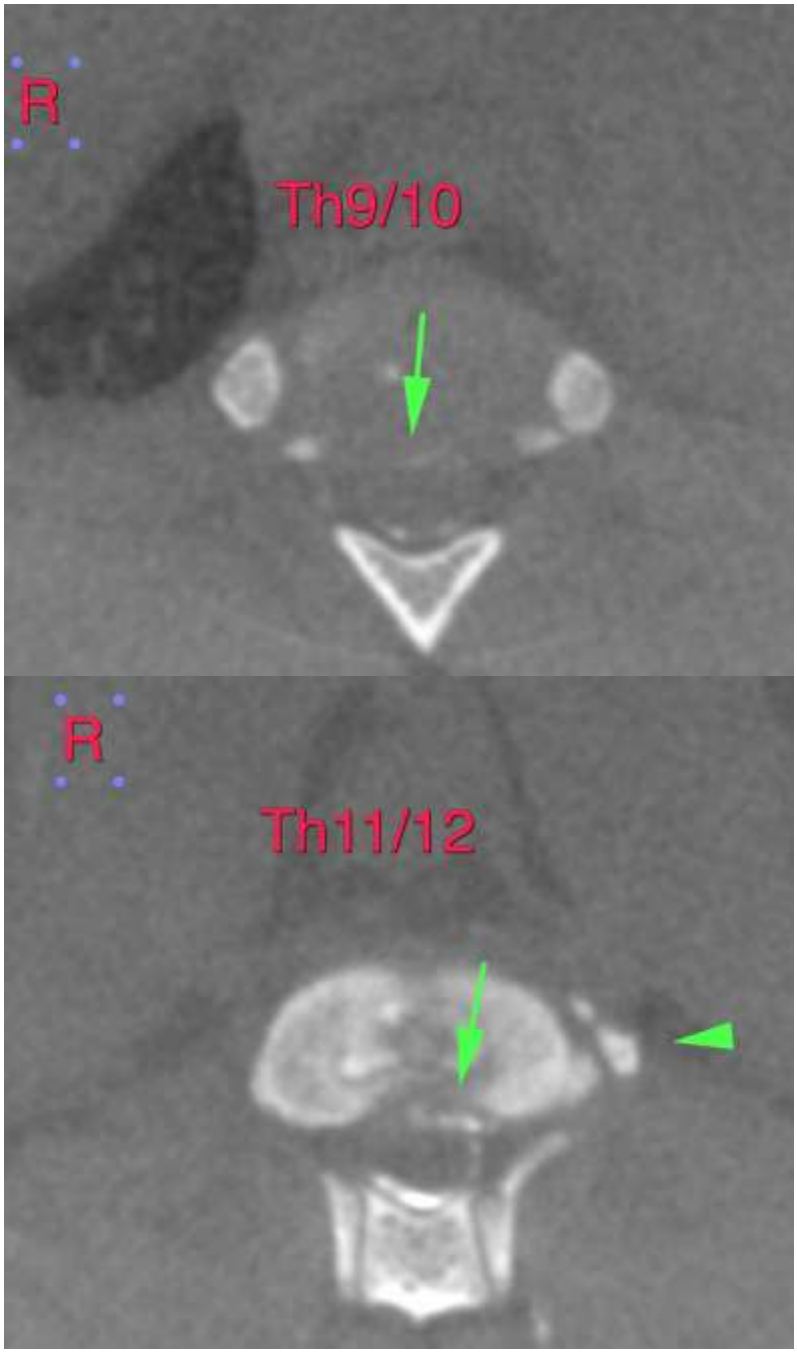

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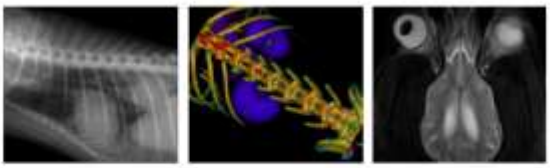

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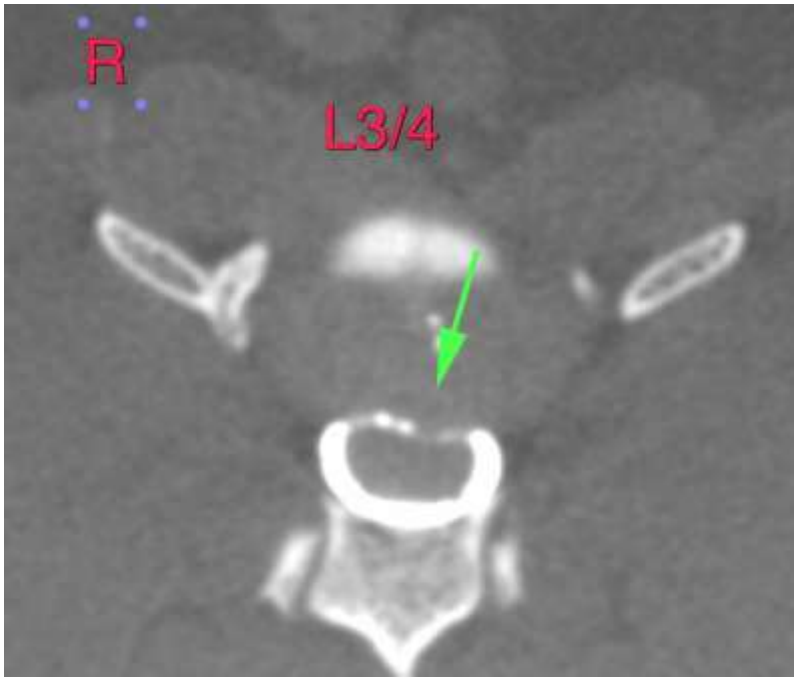

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Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance, please contact me.

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