



**PATIENT**

Annie Tribus

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Confirmed herpes and mycoplasma positive in 2020; patient has URI/asthma flare ups every couple of months- owner says only responsive to doxycycline  
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Severe congestion; xrays show potential megaesophagus + feline asthma +/- neoplasia

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**RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX**

Two complete sets of radiographs of the thorax, dated 6/29/21 and 1/10/22 are provided for review.

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**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

Thorax 6/29/21

**SEX**

Female Spayed

Moderate spondylosis formation is seen along the thoracic spine. The normal barrel chested conformation of the thorax is lost, and the ribs are diverging,

The extrathoracic soft tissues present homogeneous without abnormalities.

**AGE**

11 Years

The esophagus is markedly distended by gas and the trachea is deviated ventrally by the esophagus – most accentuated with the intrathoracic segment of the esophagus. The stomach is markedly distended by gas.

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The right cranial and middle lung lobe are consolidated, presenting a markedly decreased volume. A midline shift of the heart to the right is seen.

There is generalized moderate to marked peribronchial cuffing. The lung lobes are mild to moderately hyperinflated.

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The heart is of normal size and shape, there is no evidence of cardiac chamber or vascular enlargement. The pulmonary vasculature is within normal limits.

The cranial mediastinum presents the expected soft tissue opacity. The mediastinal width is less than twice the width of the vertebral column at the same level.

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The diaphragm is well delineated with even surface and the expected mild cranial bulging of the diaphragmatic cupola.

Thorax 1/10/22

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The esophagus is less dilated, in comparison to the previous radiographic study.

The remaining findings are stationary in comparison to the radiographic study dated 6/29/21

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**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

- Bronchial lung pattern, stationary
- Consolidated right cranial & middle lung lobe
- Mild hyperinflation of the lung lobes, stationary
- Aerophagia
- Megaesophagus, mildly regressive
- Spondylosis deformans

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The radiographic changes are compatible with feline bronchial disease and given the evidence of air trapping feline asthma is very likely here ± bacterial or viral superinfection. The consolidated right cranial & middle lung lobe are likely a sequelae to chronic inflammatory lower airway disease with mucus plugging. Theoretically bronchial compression of the consolidated lung lobes due to neoplasia or granuloma is a potential, but I consider this less likely.

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Bronchoscopy including BAL might be used as advanced diagnostic tests.

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As there is no history of dysphagia, the megaesophagus might be a sequela to upper airway obstruction, stress and aerophagia.

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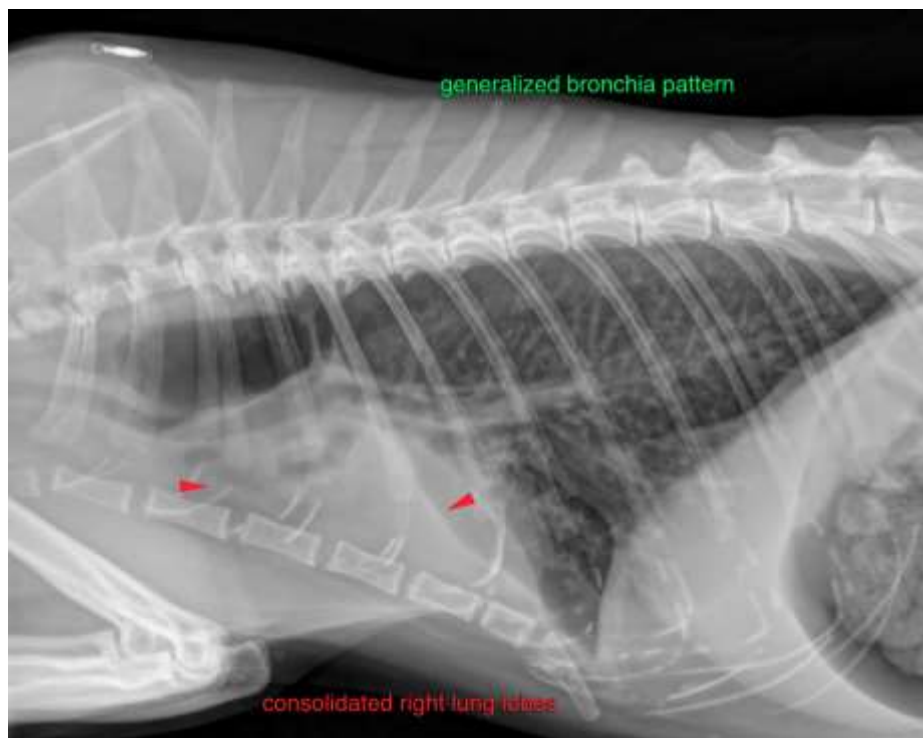
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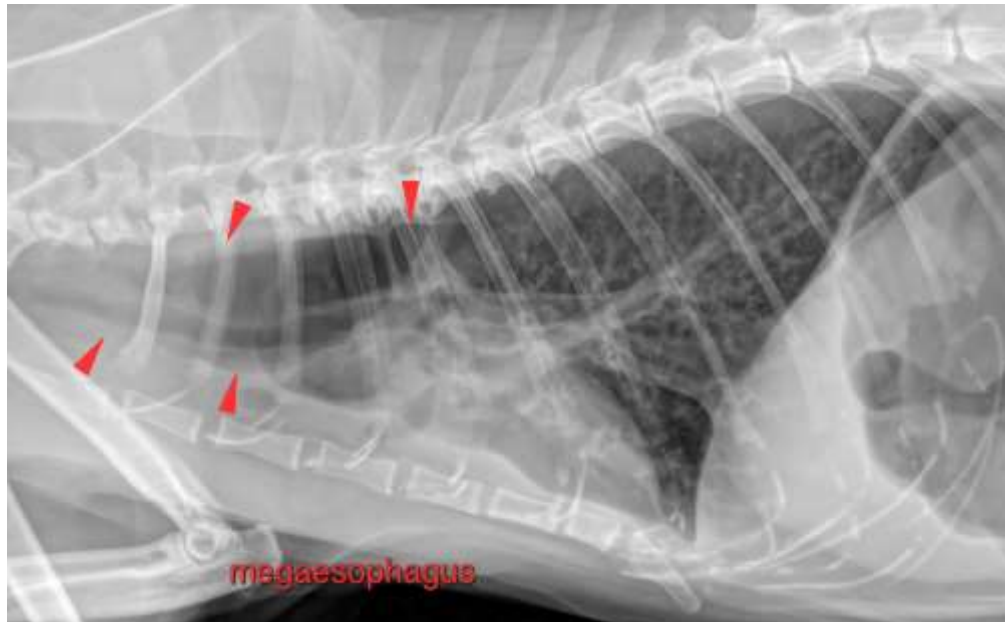
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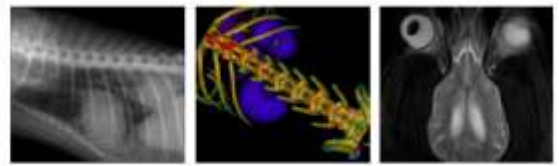
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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