



PATIENT

Bravo O'Brien

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Poodle Mix

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

12 Years 7 Months

WEIGHT

16.6 Pounds

INTERPRETED BY

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HOSPITAL NAME

Healing Spirit Animal
Wellness

REFERRING VET

Dr. Marlena Folden

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Referred for CT due to ongoing pain. History of a metallic projectile foreign body between the proximal and lateral tibial and fibular diaphysis. Foreign body was removed surgically within the past few months. Reported to have had a Staphylococcal infection, resistant to most antimicrobial agents except TMS, which Bravo did not tolerate.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Minimal weight bearing RPL lameness with marked muscle atrophy. Mild thickening of the right stifle, no thrust or drawer appreciated.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE STIFLE JOINTS

A high resolution pre- and post-contrast CT study of the stifle joints is provided for review.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

The volume of the musculature of the right hind limb is moderately decreased.

The proximal segment of the right sciatic nerve – lateral to the ischial bone, level with the greater trochanter/proximal femur – is thickened, measuring up to 3.8 mm and presents heterogeneous contrast enhancement.

Both stifle joints present smooth margins of the periarticular bones and no evidence of an intracapsular soft tissue swelling. The patella of both stifle joints is in situ.

In the interosseous space between the right fibula and tibia, small (<2 mm) metal attenuating bodies are seen.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Segmental irregular thickening right sciatic nerve with irregular contrast enhancement
- Neurogenic muscle atrophy musculature right hind limb
- Normal stifle joints
- History of small fragments of a projection right crus

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The changes of the right sciatic nerve are highly concerning for peripheral malignant nerve sheath tumor versus neuritis. The finding is a plausible explanation for the presenting clinical signs. Ultrasound guided FNA sampling or biopsy can be considered for specification. The included most proximal segment of the right sciatic nerve, ventral to the sacrum appears normal.



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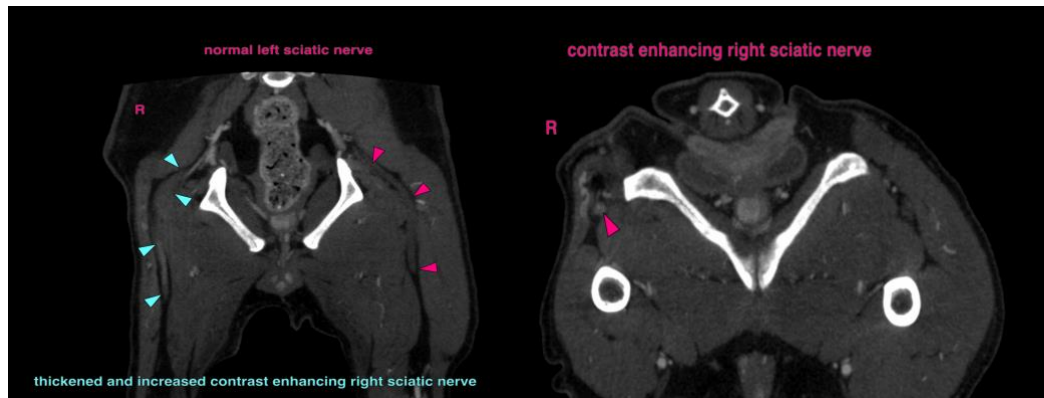
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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