



**PATIENT**

Mia Faulconbridge

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Patient came in for dental procedure but owner had multiple concerns so procedure was cancelled. PU/PD, "not acting herself", seems painful on sides of chest when picked up, coughing on/off, not eating as well as normal. Seems painful, growling more at other dog in home.

**SPECIES**

Canine

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: No pain response appreciated on PE. Hematology revealed increased RBCs, Hct, and HGB. Chemistry unremarkable. U/A sent to reference lab, possible trace protein on dip stick. Mild fever.

**BREED**

Chihuahua

**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

**Cervical Spine**

The intervertebral disc space C2/C3 is mildly narrowed. No additional abnormalities are appreciated along the cervical spine. The surrounding soft tissue structures of the neck are within normal limits.

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FS

**Thorax**

The extrathoracic soft tissues present homogeneous without abnormalities.

**AGE**

4 Years

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.

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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.

The trachea is normal in diameter and presents the anticipated course. The luminal outline of the trachea is smooth.

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The bronchial tree presents with thin walls and tapers uniformly towards the periphery as expected.

The lung parenchyma presents the expected architecture and opacity; the intrapulmonary vascular branching is seen up to the third order lung vessels.

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

**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

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- Possible discopathy C2/C3
- Structural normal thorax

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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The narrowed intervertebral disc space C2/C3 can indicate discopathy ± compressive myelopathy. If clinical signs deteriorate, cross-sectional imaging might be beneficial as advanced imaging modality. Rule out other causes like meningoencephalitis of unknown origin as source for the changes in behavior as well.



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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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