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Kip Dawson

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Presented for chronic intermittent episodes of watery eyes, sneezing, coughing (dry hack/retching), difficulty breathing through his nose. Episodes respond well to temaril p but return once the temaril p is discontinued. This has been going on for the last two years and appears to be getting worse

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Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Normal

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY OF THE SKULL & THORAX

A high resolution pre- and post-contrast CT study of the skull and a post-contrast CT study of the thorax are provided for review.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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Skull

The pictured parts of the dentition are complete and unremarkable in all jaw quadrants.

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In both nasal cavities a mild to moderate amount of non-contrast enhancing soft tissue material is attached to the nasal mucosal lining.

Both temporomandibular joints present congruent joint spaces with even subchondral bone surfaces and are considered within normal limits.

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Both tympanic bullae are aerated, the mucosal lining is not seen, the bony wall is smooth and thin. The external ear canals are within normal limits.

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The brain presents no deviation from normal anatomy and symmetry. The brain parenchyma is homogeneous and within normal limits for attenuation and distribution of contrast enhancement. The ventricular system is non-dilated and symmetric.

The submandibular and medial retropharyngeal lymph nodes are small and elongated with a normal short-to-long-axis-ratio is < 0.5, the attenuation and contrast enhancement pattern is uniform.

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Thorax

T13 presents a transverse process and thin floating rib on the right side and a normal rib on the left side.

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The sternal, cranial mediastinal and tracheobronchial lymph nodes are small elongated with a normal short-to-long-axis-ratio is < 0.5, the attenuation and contrast enhancement pattern is uniform and considered within normal limits.

The cardiovascular structures including the pulmonary vasculature are within normal limits.

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The bronchial tree presents with regular branching and tapers uniformly towards the periphery as expected, the bronchial walls are thin and smooth. The bronchus-to-artery ratio is within normal limits.



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The lung parenchyma presents the expected architecture and attenuation behavior, but small regions of dystelectasis of the dorsal dependent aspects of the lung.

Small incidental gas pockets are seen within the esophageal lumen, there is no evidence of abnormal dilation.

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Rhinitis
- Thoracolumbar transitional vertebra
- Otherwise normal thorax

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The computed tomographic findings are compatible with chronic non-specific rhinitis.

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Possible causes of the rhinitis/sinusitis can be either viral or immune-mediated (most common form would be lymphocytic-plasmacytic) rhinitis with bacterial superinfection. The changes noted are not typical of fungal rhinitis or a foreign body related rhinitis. There is no evidence of neoplastic disease. Rhinoscopy with sampling for microbial culture and histopathology can be used as advanced diagnostic tests.

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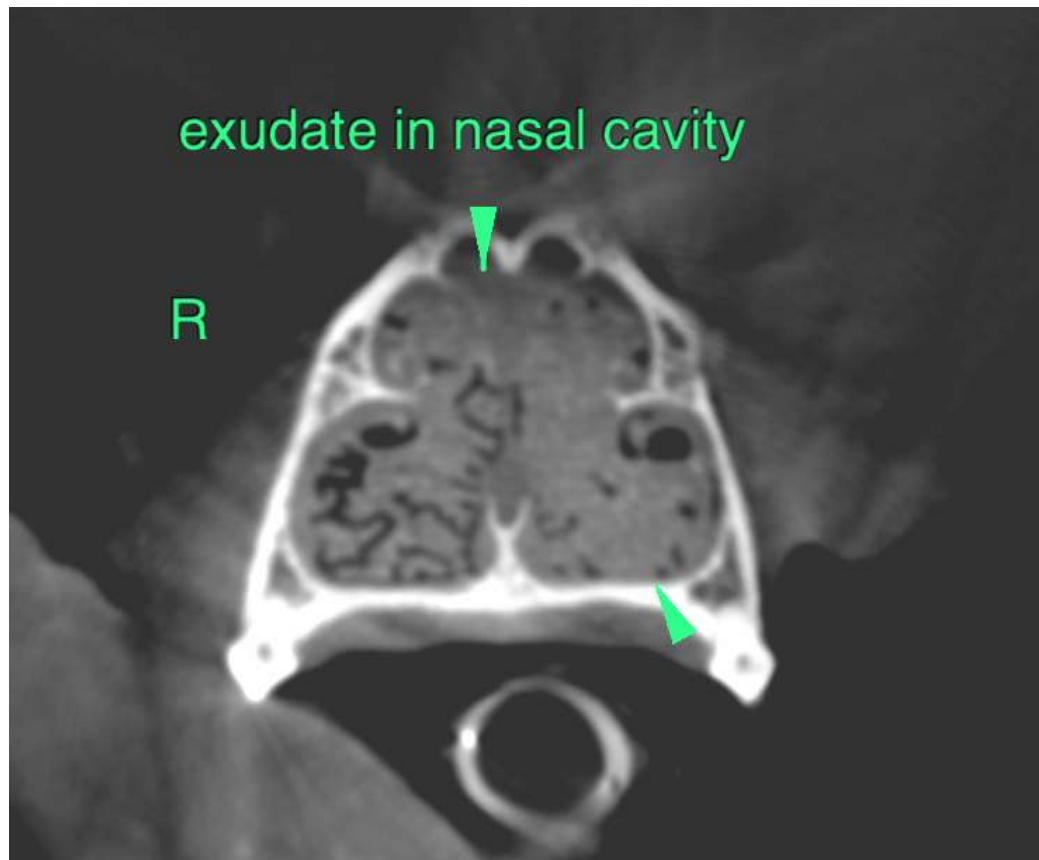
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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