



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Spud Stone Chronic history of suspected feline asthma. More acutely, inappetence and dyspnea noted (2 weeks ago). Spud was started on Prednisolone trial, when reducing to SID dosing breathing worsened. History of azotemia, now normalized. Spud is on Benazepril and Amlodipine for hypertension.

SPECIES Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Feline Dyspnea noted today, abdominal effort noted. Thoracic x-rays performed (previously performed and consultation submitting in June 2022). Aerophagia noted and concern with difficulty identifying cardiac silhouette.

BREED RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX

DSH Radiographs of the thorax in three imaging planes are provided for review.

RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

SEX The body condition score is 8/9.

MN Multifocal mild spondylosis formation is seen along the thoracic spine. The costal cartilages present moderate degenerative changes.

The extrathoracic soft tissues present homogeneous without abnormalities.

AGE The cardiac silhouette is accentuated by a significant amount of pericardial fat. The pulmonary vasculature is within normal limits.

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

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

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

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RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Obesity
- Mild bronchial lung pattern without signs of air-trapping
- Aerophagia
- Degenerative changes costal cartilages
- Spondylosis deformans

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

In comparison to the preceding radiographic study, the bronchial pattern is mild regressive – the changes are consistent with the history of feline bronchial disease. No abnormalities are appreciated explaining the acute onset of dyspnea; consider empirical management including



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bronchodilators. The aerophagia is considered as a sequela to the presenting clinical signs.

Although the margins of the cardiac silhouette are blurred by the pericardial fat, no overt changes of the cardiovascular system are appreciated. Anyway, a cardiac echo might be used to rule out cardiac disease entirely.

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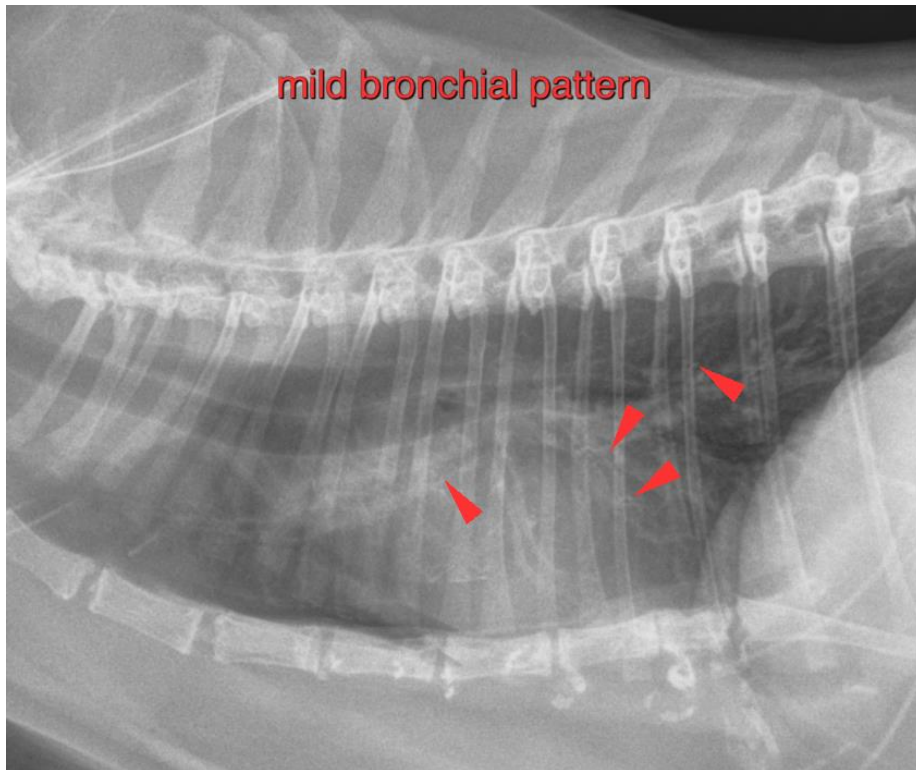
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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