



PATIENT

Ginger Headrick

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

11 Years

WEIGHT

12.18

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Patient has a several-month history of significant left forelimb lameness. No abnormalities have been noted on exam/palpation. Radiographs reviewed by radiologist found no abnormalities. Lameness has shown no improvement with buprenorphine or low-dose ketamine. P is on budesonide 1 mg PO q 24h for inflammatory bowel disease.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Persistent left forelimb lameness

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE CERVICAL SPINE AND FRONT LIMBS

A high resolution pre- and post-contrast CT study of the neck and front limbs is provided for review.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

The vertebral endplates C2/C3 and C3/C4 present mild spondylosis formation.

The intervertebral disc space C3/C4 is narrowed.

The remainder of the osseous and soft tissue structures of the cervical spine are within normal limits.

Both shoulder joints present smooth margins of the periarticular bones and the surrounding soft tissue structures are within normal limits.

The elbow joints are partially cropped by the field of view. The included aspects of the right elbow joint present smooth margins of the periarticular bones and no abnormalities of the surrounding soft tissue structures. The periarticular bones of the left elbow joint present moderate osteophyte new bone formation. The left elbow joint presents a significant intracapsular fluid attenuating swelling and the synovial capsule is thickened.

The osseous and soft tissue structures of the antebrachium, carpus and front paw bilaterally reveal no abnormalities.

COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Osteoarthritis left elbow joint
- Joint effusion and synovitis left elbow joint
- Discopathy C3/C4 without compressive myelopathy
- Spondylosis deformans C2/C3 and C3/C4
- Normal shoulder joints
- Normal carpi and front paws

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The main finding is the effusion and synovitis of the left elbow joint – as the elbow joint is cropped by the field of view, further specification is not possible. A synovial tap of the elbow joint would be ideal to rule in/out arthritis. A follow up CT scan centered on the left elbow joint can be used to rule out additional abnormalities of the osseous structures of the left elbow joint.



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joint effusion & thickened joint capsule

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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