



## PATIENT

Trip Zinser

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Cairn Terrier

## SEX

Neutered Male

## AGE

13 Years 8 Months

## WEIGHT

9.8 kg

## INTERPRETED BY

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## IMAGING PERFORMED BY

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## HOSPITAL NAME

Southern Oregon VSC

## REFERRING VET

Dr. Fugazzi

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Trip is a 13 year old, male-neutered Cairn Terrier presenting for ongoing cervical pain and weakness. He was seen at his rDVM on 11/14 for this issue which O reported was going on for about 3 weeks. Radiographs done didn't show any obvious signs of why he is painful. He has some hind end weakness as well and a history of a R TPLO with Dr. Fugazzi. Medications: Thyrovet 0.2mg PO BID. Nexgard and ProHeart prevention. Meloxicam Suspension, 1.5mg/ml, 10ml: Give 21 pound dose PO q24h for pain and inflammation- started 11/15. Methocarbamol 500mg, #20: Give 1/2 PO q12h for relief of muscle pain Clavamox 457mg/5ml, 50mL: Give 2 mL PO q12h until gone. ProViable Forte.

## COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE CERVICAL SPINE AND SHOULDER JOINTS

A high resolution pre- and post-contrast – including a myelographic – CT study of the cervical spine and shoulder joints is provided for review.

## COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

The most proximal segment of the left spinal nerve C7 – within the left neuroforamen C6/C7 – is thickened; measuring up to 5 mm in diameter and is bulging into the left ventrolateral aspect of the vertebral canal at the same level. The dural tube level C6/C7 is mildly distorted. The left neuroforamen C6/C7 is widened in comparison to the right neuroforamen C6/C7. Post intrathecal contrast administration, the thickened nerve roots of left C7 are entering the dural tube and an intradural extramedullary mass effect on the spinal cord is appreciated.

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

## COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Thickened left spinal nerve C7 with secondary mild pressure erosion of its neuroforamen and secondary spinal cord compression
- Normal shoulder joints

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The thickened left spinal nerve C7 is most consistent with peripheral malignant nerve sheath tumor. Neuritis is a less likely differential. The finding is a plausible explanation for the described cervical pain. Ultrasound guided FNA sampling of the affected nerve can be tried for specification – although the diagnostic yield of nerve cytology is limited in many cases.



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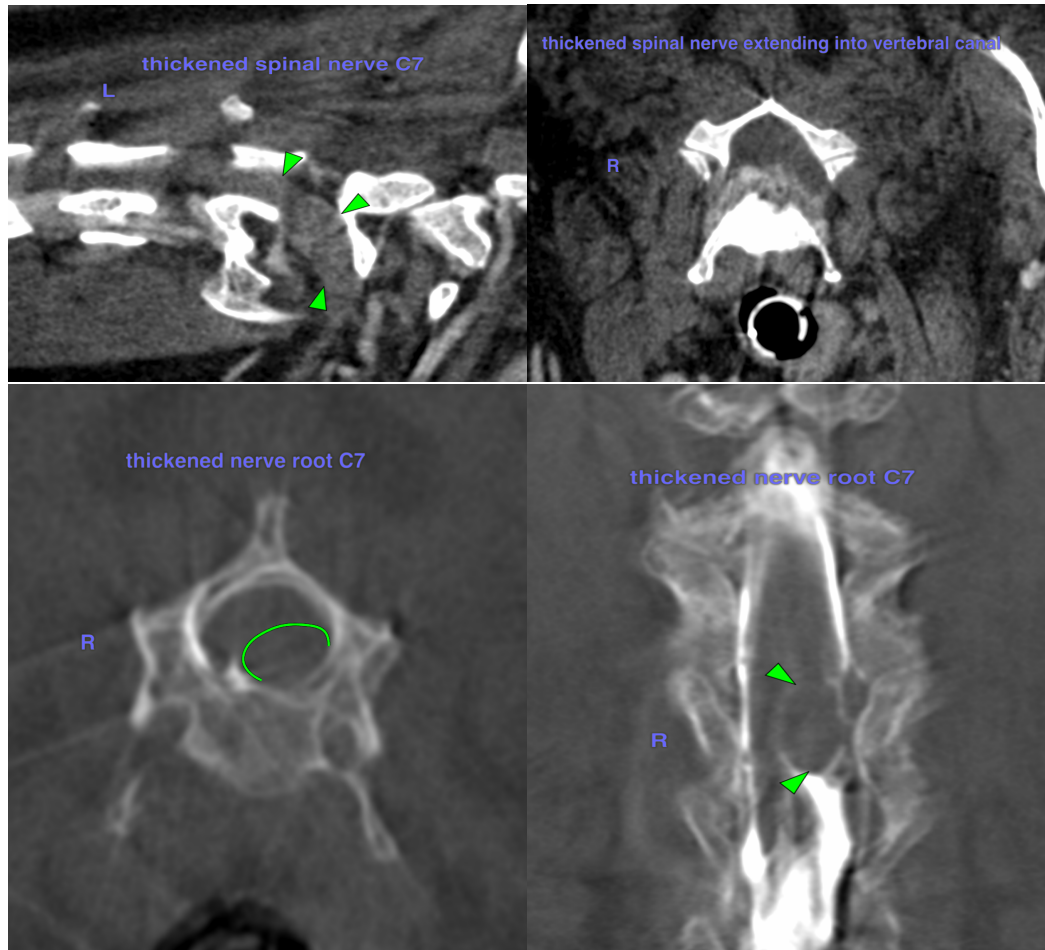
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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