



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Serafina Feitl CT of head and chest to check RIGHT ear canal -- cat is a stray recently adopted so not much prev. history. The right ear canal is stenotic and appears closed as if it had a previous TECA incision -- there is a very small "opening" at the top from which a putrid discharge can be extruded. Previous surgery site vs. healed trauma vs. other.

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY OF THE SKULL & THORAX

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

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Skull

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

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The nasal cavity presents the expected aerated spaces between thin & even conchae and turbinates with smooth mucosal lining.

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

Both tympanic bullae are aerated, the mucosal lining is not seen, the bony wall is smooth and thin. The right external ear canal is obliterated by soft tissue attenuating material, that appears to mildly distend the right external ear canal. The external opening of the right external ear canal is not clearly defined. The left external ear canal is aerated.

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

Thorax

The bony and surrounding soft tissue structures are within normal limits.

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The thymus can be appreciated as sail-shaped soft tissue attenuating structure in the cranial mediastinum.

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 with zones of mild dystelectasis.

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

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COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- History of atresia of the opening of the left external ear canal with soft tissue material pooling in the left external ear canal
- No evidence of otitis media



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- Age related normal thorax

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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The atresia of the external opening of the left external ear canal can be acquired due to preceding trauma or inflammation or is congenital. Either ablation of the lateral wall of the right external ear canal or right sided total ear canal ablation might be discussed as potential treatment options.

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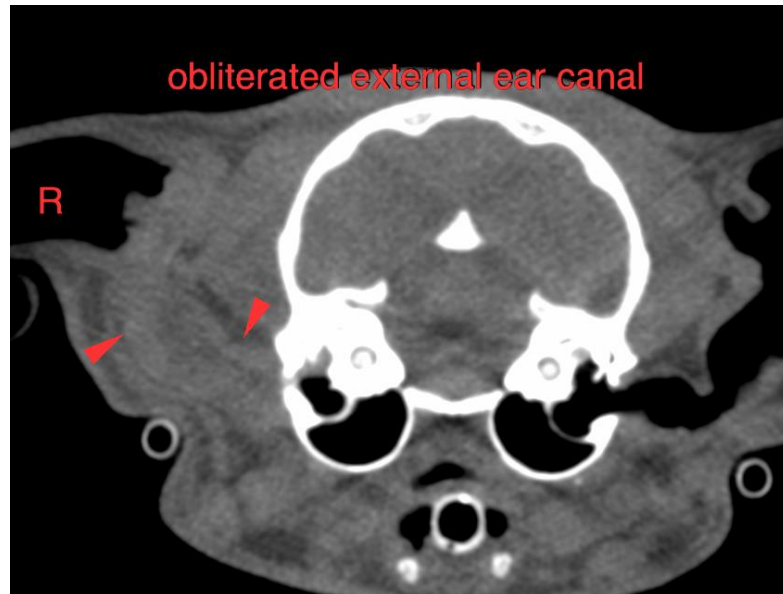
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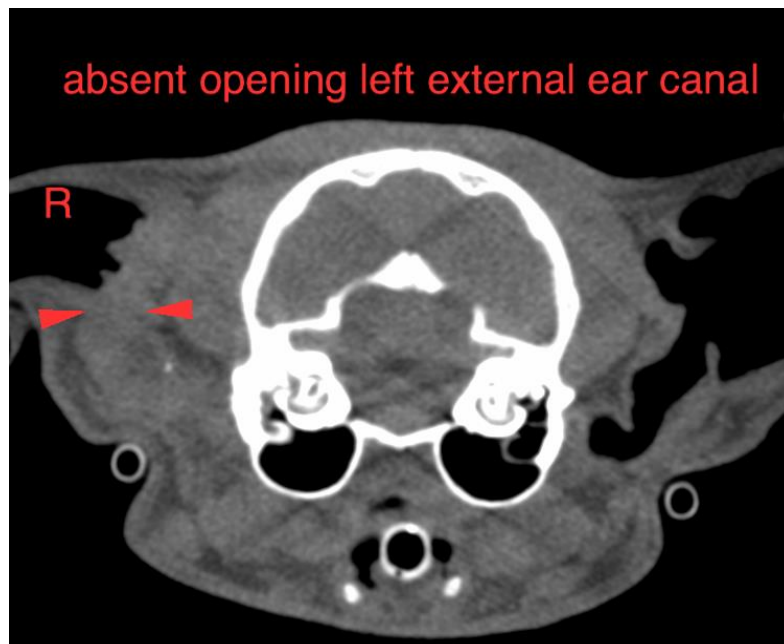
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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