



PATIENT

Rey Gonzalez

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Reason for Visit: attacked by dog History: P presents for dog attack. P is an outdoor kitten O has been feeding. Yesterday around noon the neighbors dog attacked P and P ran away. O was unable to find her last night. O did find her this morning in a different area and very down. Normally O cannot hold her or pick her up but today P is allowing them to handle her. P did eat this morning. P has some lesions on her left side of the abdomen, they do not appear deep.

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RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX & ABDOMEN

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Radiographs of the thorax in three imaging planes and the abdomen in two imaging planes are provided for review.

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Female

Thorax

The surrounding bony structures are within normal limits.

A moderate amount of subcutaneous gas is seen along the thoracic wall bilaterally, R>L.

AGE

15 Weeks

The right caudal lung lobe is consolidated and presents a moderately decreased volume. In the right lateral projection level with the 8th intercostal space, a well-defined ovoid shaped, gas filled lesion, presenting a smooth mild prominent soft tissue opaque wall is visible. The lung lobes are retracted from the thoracic wall and a mild amount of free pleural gas is visible.

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The heart is of normal size and shape, there is no evidence of cardiac chamber or vascular enlargement.

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

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

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Abdomen

The surrounding bony structures are within normal limits.

The subcutaneous gas from the right thoracic wall is extending caudally up to the level of the right craniolateral & ventral abdominal wall, level with L2. The subcutaneous gas is resulting in a heterogeneous opacity of the liver.

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The serosal detail is age related moderately decreased.

The splenic head is in the anticipated position and within normal limits for size and opacity.

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Both kidneys are seen and present with normal size, shape, delineation and opacity. The urinary bladder is in its anticipated position. No radiopaque calculi are noted throughout the upper and lower urinary tract.



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The stomach is in its anticipated position and presents normal content.

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The small intestinal loops are of even diameter and non-dilated, a small amount of gas is seen within the small intestinal loops and considered within normal limits.

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The colon is seen in the expected position and presents with appropriate content.

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RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

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- Moderate subcutaneous emphysema thoracic wall and cranial abdominal wall bilaterally
- Mild pneumothorax
- Alveolar pattern right caudal lung lobe
- Suspect traumatic pneumatocele left caudal lung lobe
- Age related decreased abdominal serosal detail

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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The findings a sequela to the history of ‘attacked by a dog’ with secondary subcutaneous emphysema – likely secondary to laceration of the skin, traumatic pneumothorax, pneumatocele and pulmonary contusion. Consider thorough palpation of the thoracic wall to rule out defects of the intercostal musculature, allowing gas dissecting form the thoracic cavity into the subcutaneous tissue. No rib fractures are appreciated. If there is no progression of the subcutaneous emphysema or development of respiratory distress, conservative management of the pneumothorax is the therapy of choice.

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The abdomen presents without overt abnormalities. The gas opacities seen level with the cranial abdomen are considered secondary to the superimposition with the subcutaneous emphysema and I do not see evidence of free peritoneal gas. However, if abdominal clinical signs develop, recommend re-evaluating the abdomen.

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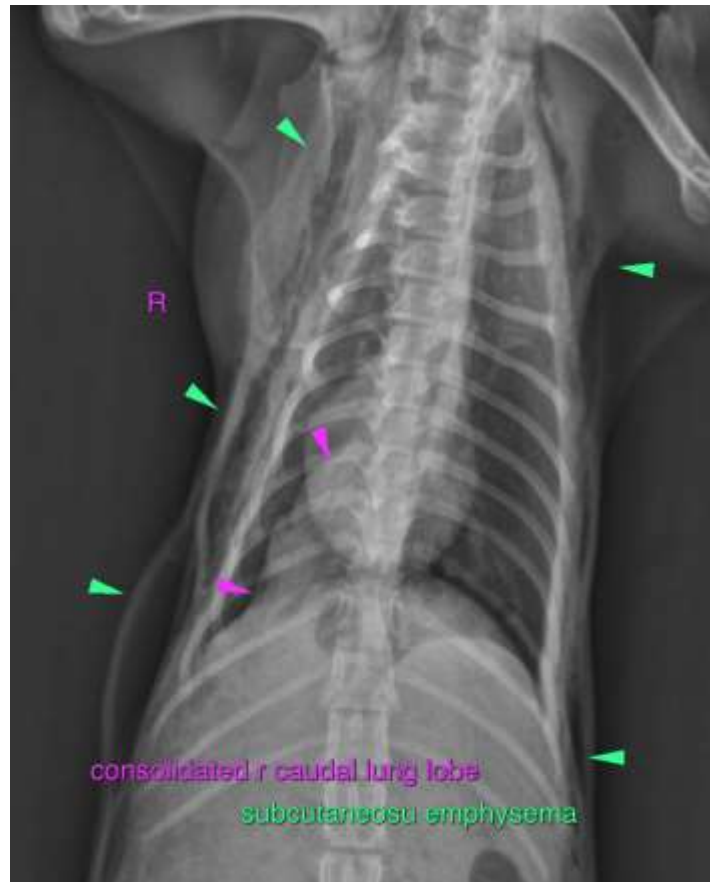
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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