



PATIENT

Taquita Jackson

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Shannon believes Taquita may have blown out her right ACL. Has been consistently limping on the right hind leg for the past month, as well as toe-touching when standing. The left hind ACL was repaired in 2019.

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Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: GRADE 3/4 RH LAME LEFT STIFLE STABLE AND WELL FIELD. RIGHT STIFLE WITH EFFUSION AND MEDIAL BUTTRESS. NO DRAWER NOTED. DOG VERY TENSE THOUGH. HIPS FEEL FINE. THORACOLUMBAR TENDERNESS IS SIGNIFICANT.

BREED

Labrador Retriever
Mix

RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE PELVIS AND STIFLE JOINTS

A complete set of radiographs of the pelvis and stifle joints is provided for review.

RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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The osseous and surrounding soft tissue structures of the pelvis are within normal limits. Both coxofemoral joints present smooth osseous margins and congruent joint spaces.

The volume of the soft tissue shadow of the right thigh musculature is moderately decreased.

AGE

9 Years, 2 Months

The periarticular bones of the left stifle joint present moderate osteophyte new bone formation and a moderate intracapsular soft tissue swelling is appreciated. A surgical TPLO plate is visible, at the distal aspect of the TPLO implant a mild radiolucent zone is seen between the plate and the bone; the osteotomy of the TPLO is completely filled with trabecular bone. No soft tissue swelling is appreciated.

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RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

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- History of cranial cruciate ligament rupture left stifle joint and surgical management by TPLO – the osteotomy is in the remodeling phase
- Thin radiolucent zone between the distal segment of the TPLO plate and the bone
- Moderate degenerative osteoarthritis stifle joints bilaterally
- Moderate articular swelling stifle joints bilaterally
- Disuse atrophy right thigh musculature
- Normal pelvis & coxofemoral joints

REFERRING VET

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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The most common cause for the degenerative osteoarthritis and joint effusion of the right stifle joint is underlying pathology of the cranial cruciate ligament ± meniscal pathology. A positive drawer sign or tibial compression test under general anesthesia can be used to confirm the diagnosis.

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The radiolucent zone between the TPLO implant and the left tibia can be due to soft tissues (periosteum) between the implant and the bone/implant not being completely plane with the osseous surface. However, compare to preceding radiographs to rule out implant infection.



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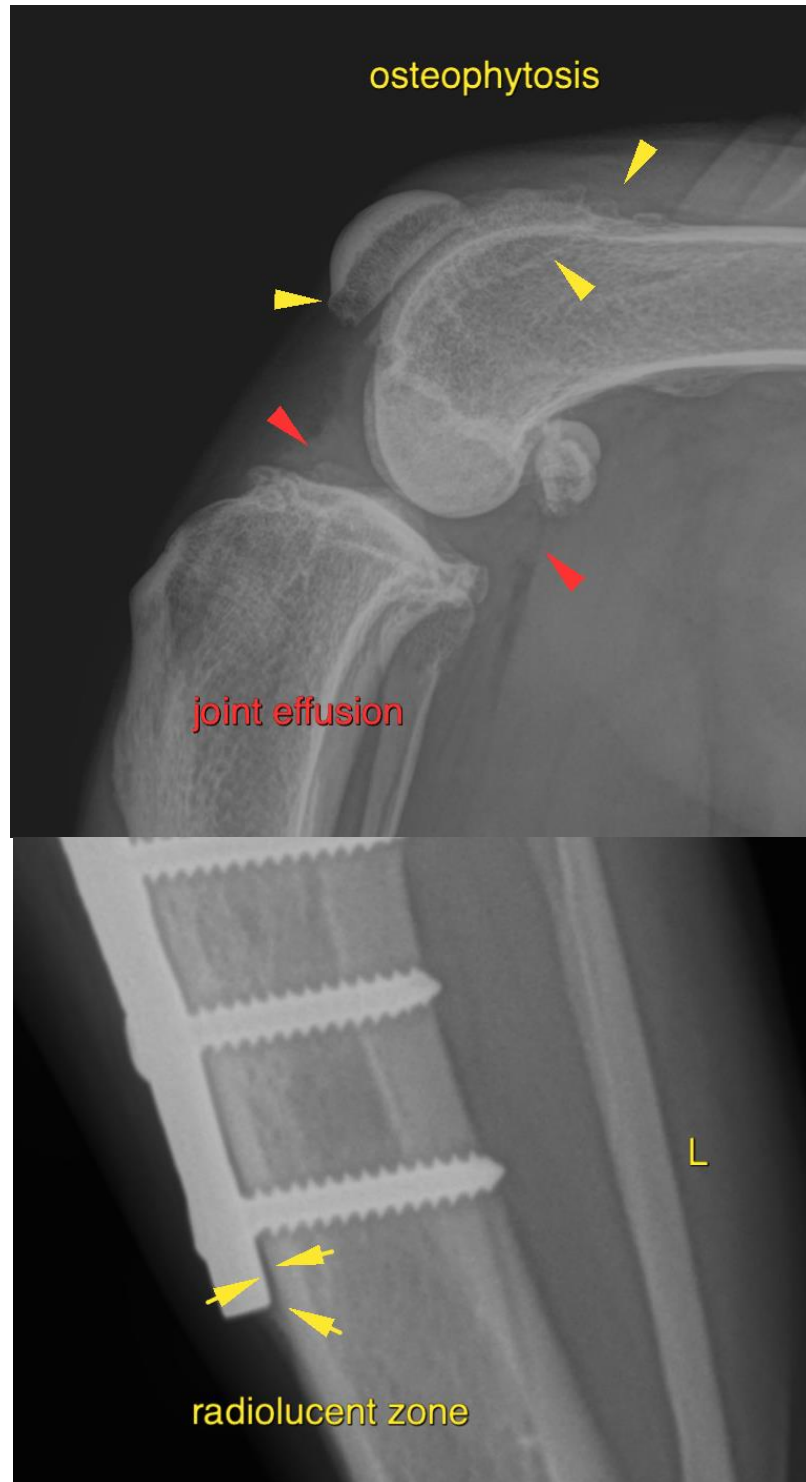
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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