



**PATIENT**

Lily Zigler

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Pet present with dry hacking cough. Pet has lowered eating and drinks habits and is more quiet than normal

**SPECIES**

Canine

**RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX**

A complete set of radiographs of the thorax is provided for review.

**BREED**

Chihuahua

**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

The surrounding bony structures are within normal limits.

**SEX**

Spayed Female

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

**AGE**

12 Years

Cranial to the heart, a spherical uniform soft tissue opaque mass is visible causing dorsal and right sided deviation of the trachea. In the VD projection marked widening of the cranial mediastinum is visible, occupying the complete thoracic width of the cranial thorax. The mass is measuring approximately 5 intercostal spaces in size.

The esophagus is moderately distended by gas.

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The bronchial tree presents with thin walls and tapers uniformly towards the periphery as expected.

The lung parenchyma presents the expected architecture and opacity; the intrapulmonary vascular branching is seen up to the third order lung vessels.

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

**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

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- Cranioventral mediastinal soft tissue mass
- Megaesophagus
- No evidence of pulmonary metastatic disease

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The cranial mediastinal mass in conjunction with the megaesophagus is suggestive for thymoma. Other neoplastic disease can include thymic sarcoma/carcinoma, round cell tumor, ectopic thyroid carcinoma, other. A cranial mediastinal cyst is a potential as well. Ultrasound guided FNA sampling of the mass can be used as an advanced minimally invasive diagnostic test. Cross-sectional imaging can be performed for surgical planning, if applicable.

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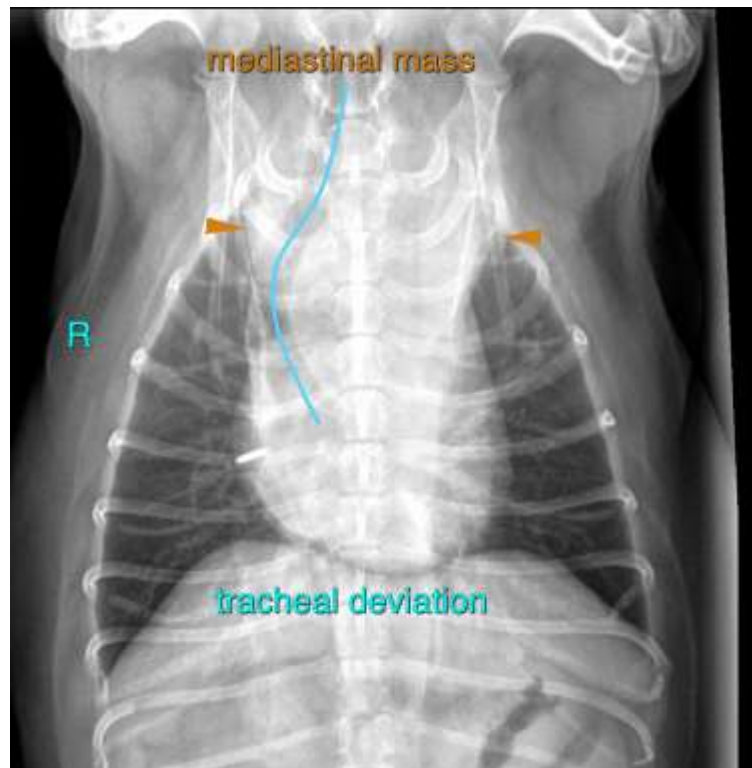
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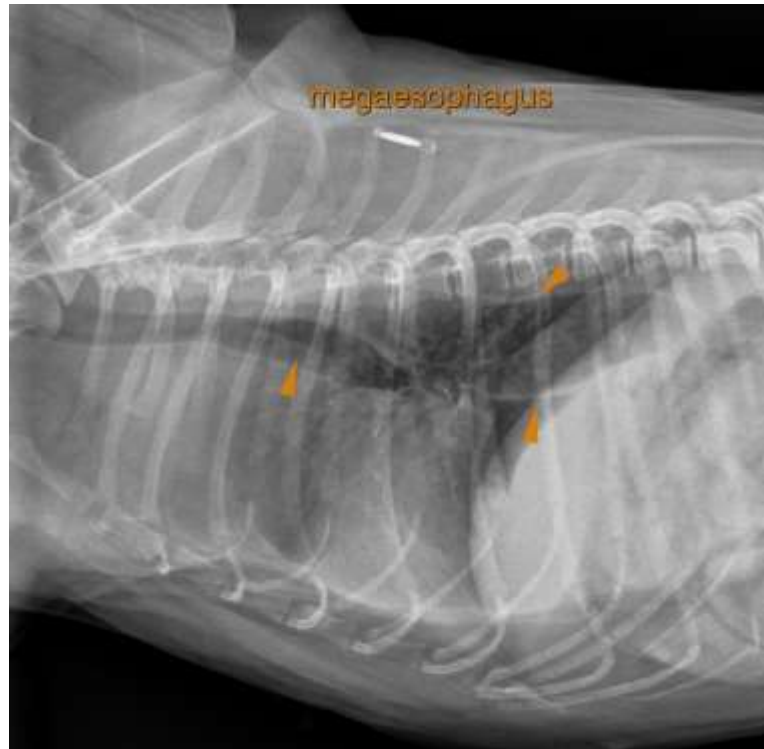
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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