

REPORTING SERVICE: CT

Report number: VETCT-99767 Report date: 27/10/2017

Referring Veterinarian: xxxx

Referring Practice: xxxx

Email address: xxxx

Owner: xxx Patient: xxx

Species: Equine Breed: N/A Sex: Male Neutered Age: 17 years, 9 months

Associated cases:

Clinical History:

Presented for convulsion. Partially blind left eye and cranial nerve deficit on the left side.

Questions to be answered:

Number of series / images: 4 / 2592

Series: [OS 1.0, TISSU MOU 1.0]

Study dated: 26/10/2017

Study received: 26/10/2017

Anatomic regions: Head

Details of study and technical comments: CT examination of the head. Images are presented in soft tissue and bone reconstruction. Images are of good diagnostic quality.



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Diagnostic interpretation:

- There is a large heterogeneous mass in the lateral cerebral ventricles. The mass measures 5.3x2.8x6.2 cm in size, the largest portion of the mass is in the left ventricle. The mass is heterogeneous in density with a mean attenuation similar to the attenuation of the cerebral cortex (27-31 HU); there are hypoattenuating areas present within the mass, the largest of which is located in the caudal left portion of the mass with a mean attenuation of 16HU.
- The lateral ventricles are markedly enlarged; the left ventricle is almost completely filled by the mass while only the ventral portion of the right ventricle is. The cerebral cortex is reduced in thickness.
- There is evidence of caudal displacement of the pons caudal to the tentorium os cerebelli (subtentorial herniation); the cranial border of the cerebellum is distorted because of this compression.
- The optic nerve is normal.

Conclusions:

- Large extra-axial mass in the lateral ventricles causing obstruction of the CSF flow and secondary hydrocephalus. DDx cholesterol granuloma most likely; other differentials include choroid plexus papilloma or choroid plexus tumour but these options are very rare in the horse.
- Subtentorial herniation secondary to mass effect.

Additional comments:

The mass identified in the ventricles is the likely cause for this horse clinical signs. The heterogeneous attenuation of the mass may be indicative of intra-lesional haemorrhage or possibly necrosis. Raised intracranial pressure likely the cause for the seizure activity; similarly, the reported blindness is likely secondary to compression of the visual cortex by the dilated ventricle.

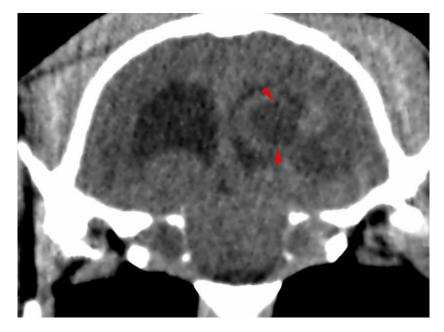




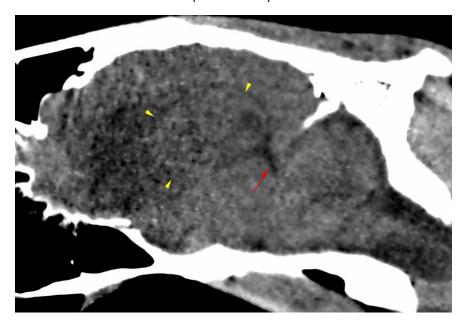
Dorsal and transverse image showing the large ventricular mass (arrowheads) and the dilated right ventricle.



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Transverse image of the caudal aspect of the cerebrum shwoing the hypodense area within the mass (arrowheads).



Mid sagittal reconstruction showing the mass (arrowheads) and the subtentorial herniation (arrow).

Reporting Radiologist:

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