

Wednesday, July 27, 2022

Re: Elsa, 9 years 5 months, Female Spayed Domestic Shorthaired Cat

Dear [REDACTED]

Please read carefully the discharge report for your pet. Your pet needs to remain on all medications as indicated below until the next recheck exam or unless told to otherwise. If you have any questions, you [REDACTED]

Diagnosis: Bacterial dermatitis (neck).

Differential diagnosis: Skin neoplasia: ceruminous gland cysts or ceruminous adenocarcinoma

Physical Examination Findings:

Body weight: 9 LBS

Ears: Ooscopic exam: Otic canals open. No discharge. Tympanum intact.

Skin: 2-3mm dermal nodules on the ventral neck. Mild crusting on the right side of the neck. Thickening of the skin and hyperpigmentation right side neck. Linear area of alopecia with blue colored nodules on the dorsal neck.

Diagnostic Test:

Skin cytology: Neck- cocci 2+

Fine needle aspirate: Neck lesions- sheets of round cells with foamy cytoplasm.

Therapy & Expectations:

We suspect that the blue colored nodules on Elsa's neck is some form of tumor. In order to determine if these nodules are benign or malignant, we will need to perform a skin biopsy procedure. Today we aspirated the nodules on Elsa's neck to see if there were any signs of cancerous cells present. The results from this test showed glandular like cells. We discussed the possibility of a glandular type of tumor. Today we sent you an estimate for the cost of the skin biopsy procedure.

We understand that the growth on Elsa's neck have become bothersome to her and causes her discomfort. We took samples from this area to perform a skin cytology and check for signs of secondary infection. The results from this test showed that Elsa has a bacterial infection on her neck. We are sending Elsa home with an oral antibiotic medication to treat this infection.

Ultimately, since these growths have become bothersome to Elsa, we highly recommend that they are removed so that they do not continue to cause Elsa discomfort. We are sending you a list of surgeons that you might want to consider consulting.

Elsa's ears were normal on exam.

Medications:

Cefpodoxime 100 mg: Give 1/2 tablet by mouth once a day for two weeks. This is an antibiotic. You can give this with full meal. Watch for vomiting and diarrhea.

Comments:

It was a pleasure meeting you and Elsa

Next Appointment:

Please let us know if would like to move forward with scheduling the biopsy procedure