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Chart#: D948C

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Pumpkin

Medical Alert: **biter**
Sex.....: FS **Weight:** 80 lbs.
DOB.....: 08/07/2002 **Age.....:** 3 years and 11 months old.
Species..: Canine **Breed...:** Labrador Retriever
Chronic Meds.....:
Chronic Cond.....:
Heartworm Meds.: Heartgard Plus

Problem History	Status:	Date Opened:	Date Closed:	Number:
Malassezia	Open	09/16/2005		7
Otitis	Open	07/17/2005		6
sarcops	Open	11/25/2003		5
Vomiting	Open	04/09/2003		4

Presenting Concern:Malassezia bilateral ear infection

Performed: Sep 16, 2005 by: Dr. Anita Barbary

OBSERVATIONS:

Patient Physical Examination

Body Condition: Your pet's body condition and weight are **normal**. There is a slightly tucked-in waist and the ribs and spine are palpable.

The following abnormalities were found in the ear(s):

Both ears have severe brown/black thick discharge from the canal.

Eyes: Your pet's eye(s) are normal. The eyeball, eyelids and associated structures appear normal. Your pet appears to have normal vision.

GI/Abdominal Palpation: Your pet's abdominal palpation is normal. This means the kidneys, intestines, liver and other abdominal organs that are palpable are normal (no masses, lumps, fluid, pain).

Heart/Cardiovascular: Your pet's heart is normal. The heart sounds are clear with no murmurs or arrhythmia heard. The pulses are normal.

Lungs/Trachea: Your pet's lungs sound normal with no fluid, crackles or wheezes. The trachea sounds normal and palpates normal.

Lymph nodes/Thyroid gland: Your pet's external lymph nodes (submandibular, pre-scapular, axillary and popliteal) all palpate normally. There are no abnormal structures associated with the thyroid gland (cats).

Mouth/Teeth/Gums: Your pet's oral examination is normal. There is no evidence of tartar on the teeth or gum disease.

Musculoskeletal: Your pet's muscles are in good condition. The skeleton is observed to be normal with no lameness noted.

Nervous System: Your pet's nervous system is normal. There are no observable defects in the nerves, spine cord or brain function.

Nose/Throat: Your pet's nose and throat are normal. Air flows freely through nostrils, no discharge is noted and there are no difficulties with vocalizing or swallowing.

Skin/Haircoat: Your pet's haircoat and skin are normal. The fur is shiny with a soft texture. There are no signs of parasites or inflammation of the skin.



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Urinary/Reproductive: Your pet's urogenital system is normal. The urinary system is functioning normally. The reproductive organs examined are normal.

Ear Cytology:

There is a moderate amount of **yeast** in your pet's ears. malassezia

FINDINGS:

Assessment

Ear Canal Infection. Causes of

- Bacteria
- Yeast
- Parasites (ear mites, ticks)

Dx Tests for Ear Canal Infection

- Ear Cytology
- Culture/Sensitivity

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Medications

Ketoconazole is an antifungal. Side-effects may include vomiting, diarrhea, liver disease and cataract formation in dogs. Do not give to pregnant animals. There are interactions with anticonvulsants, cyclosporine, warfarin and cisapride. Give with food.

Otomax is a topical ear medication composed of an antibiotic (gentamicin), anti-yeast (clotrimazole) and an anti-inflammatory (betamethasone). Side-effects may include increased drinking/urination, ear toxicity, kidney toxicity and skin irritation. Do not use in pregnant animals. Do not use in a pet's ear if the ear drum has been ruptured.

Vet Solutions is a multi-purpose skin/ear cleanser. It is used to clean, dry and acidify the ear canal.

Recommended Treatment: At-Home Ear Care

Clean ears once daily with prescribed ear cleaner. Fill the canals with cleaner and either massage the base of the ear well or place cottonballs in the outer canal for 5-10 minutes. Remove cottonballs/finish massage and allow pet to shake head and disperse cleaner from the ears. DO NOT use any q-tips in the ears. You may wipe the ears clean with cottonballs as far as you can see.

Apply any topical medications you were given 10 minutes are cleaning. Be sure to massage the base of the ear to help disperse the medication deep into the canal.

Give all oral medications as directed by the doctor.

Do not allow your pet to go swimming while being treated for an ear infection and if bathed, very careful attention to avoiding water in the ears.

Please return for a re-check as requested by the doctor. **14 days**