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**PATIENT NAME:** BENJAMIN, JOSE  
**DATE OF BIRTH:** 08/01/1963  
**MRN #:** BR48246  
**DATE OF SERVICE:** 09/22/2022  
**REFERRING PHYSICIAN:** COLIN CLARKE, MD

**MRI EXAMINATION OF THE LEFT KNEE WITHOUT CONTRAST**

**INDICATION:** Left knee pain. Status post MVA.

**TECHNICAL FACTORS:** MRI of the left knee utilizing multiple imaging sequences.

**COMPARISON:** None.

**FINDINGS:**

There is a small knee effusion with a popliteal cyst not seen.

No medial meniscal tears are seen with partial extrusion of the anterior horn of the medial meniscus relative to the central joint compartment. Evaluation of the lateral meniscus demonstrates ill-defined areas of signal within the mid-body of the lateral meniscus with a question of slight blunting of the apex. The possibility that this relates to a small radial tear is raised.

The cruciate ligaments, patellar tendon, and included quadriceps tendon demonstrate no evidence of a tear. The patella and patellar retinacula are normal.

No collateral ligament tears are seen. There is a small subcortical area of non-specific signal within the articulating portion of the posterolateral femoral condyle with the posterolateral tibial plateau. A fissure is seen extending into the articular cartilage of the mid to upper lateral patellofemoral articulation.

Signal from the visualized osseous and muscular structures is normal.

**IMPRESSION:**

1. Small knee effusion.
2. Mild lateral shift and tilting of the patella.
3. Mild partial extrusion of the mid-body and anterior horn of the medial meniscus.



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- 4. Ill-defined signal in the posterior horn of the lateral meniscus with blunting of its apex. The possibility of a radial tear is raised in this region and should be evaluated clinically.
- 5. Early productive changes involving the lateral joint compartment.
- 6. Small area of non-specific subcortical signal abnormality within the articulating portion of the posterolateral femoral condyle with the posterolateral tibial plateau.
- 7. Fissure extending into the articular cartilage of the mid to upper portion of the lateral patellar facet.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the care of this patient.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michael D. Green MD'.

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Signed by MICHAEL GREEN, MD at 09/26/2022 03:25:08 PM