
Nicole Songstad (159480) | Ralphie | Canine (Schauzer, Miniature) | Gray | M: N | 12y 11m (06/05/2010)

Diagnostic Workup: Neurologic exam

Diagnosis: 1) mild T3-L3 myelopathy; 2) possible mild vestibular dysfunction

Medications: no changes

- **SAMe** - per labeled directions for his weight. This can be purchased online and does not require a prescription.

****Medication refill requests are processed Monday through Friday 8a-5p and can take up to 48 hours to process.****

- Thank you for bringing Ralphie in to see us today! Based on his neurologic examination and diagnostic tests thus far, we suspect mild myelopathy and mild vestibular dysfunction. At this time, you can consider adding SAMe as a neuroprotective agent in case he develops acute back injury in the future. We will stay away from Vitamin E as it is often with fish oil and may exacerbate pancreatitis. If at any time you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to give our office a call.

- Controlled activity is encouraged as it will get his body moving. You can take him for short leash walks, as long as it is not too strenuous. We recommend having him fitted with a harness to allow for better control and additional support/stability while walking. The addition of a sling may be useful to help control his movements best.

- Please monitor Ralphie for signs of recurrent or progressive neurologic disease including: balance loss, wobbliness, stumbling, scuffing and/or dragging of the feet, tremors, twitching, seizures, pacing, circling, wandering aimlessly, getting stuck in corners or under furniture, sudden behavior changes, unexplained aggression, and disorientation. If you notice any new or worsening signs, please contact our office right away.

- **Please schedule a recheck appointment with Dr. Andrea Sangster for June 30th**, or sooner if there are any concerns.

Clinician: Dr. Andrea Sangster, DVM, MS, DACVIM (Neurology)