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## Your case has been completed.

Case Number:	155032
Customer:	John Robb
Organization:	Protect the Pets LLC
Phone:	(203) 348-7787
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Owner:	Taylor-Austin
Practitioner:	Dr. John Robb
Patient:	Simba
Species/Breed:	Cat: DSH
Age:	13 Years
Gender:	Female - Spayed
Study Type:	X-ray
Priority:	Regular
Submitted Date:	2/6/2009 2:44:13 PM
Completed Date:	2/20/2009 10:53:41 AM

### Case Notes

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is there osteomyelitis on these xrays?

### Final Report

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#### Dental Radiographs:

Ten images were submitted for evaluation.  
The images are of excellent diagnostic quality.  
The images were received telephonically.

There is loss of periodontal bone volume evident multicentrically, especially involving the incisive teeth in the mandibular arcade.  
Periosteal reaction is seen arising from the rostral medial surface of each side of the mandible.  
There is alteration in the contour of the crown of one canine tooth in the upper arcade.  
I do not appreciate evidence of an apical abscess associated with this variation, however, there is sclerosis of the bone along the root of this tooth.

A canine tooth and premolar/molar teeth are missing from the upper arcade in one of the images visualized in this sequence.

There is distortion of the adjacent soft tissues.

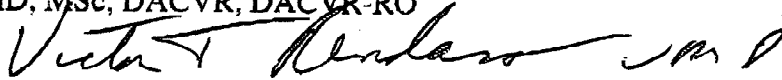
**Comments:**

I appreciate dental disease multicentrically including periodontal disease and loss of bone volume along the roots of teeth. I also appreciate alteration in the crown of one canine tooth. It appears that intervention was undertaken and a canine tooth was removed. Bone loss as is seen in this patient is frequently associated with an inflammatory process thus technically the animal has an osteomyelitis but the changes are not profound to the point where there is overt abscessation or a large bone sequestrum. Supportive therapy for inflammatory processes is thus indicated. Sequential images can be used to monitor the changes. If the animal is not responding, please let me know and I will arrange a consultation with one of the veterinary dentists in my group. Thank you for allowing us to be a member of your diagnostic team.

**Consulting Radiologist**

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Disclaimer:

“Lisa Taylor-Austin believes there was merit to her claims that Dr. Deforge negligently cared for her cat, Simba, and that he misrepresented whether he was a Board-certified dental specialist. Dr. Deforge denies these claims and asserts that the Department of Public Health’s veterinary board cleared him of any wrong doing. However, Dr Deforge agreed to pay \$7,500.00 to compensate Ms. Taylor-Austin because he believed the risks inherent in any lawsuit and the cost of missing two weeks from his practice made it imprudent to go to trial.”

Note: My guardian’s costs for my medical care and all legal avenues exceeded \$20,000.