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**Owner:** Cluj shelter

**Patient:** Medium sized adult (about 3-years old) female spayed dog, black

**History:** lameness

**Physical examination:** grade 5 lameness on left hindlimb with severe muscle atrophy and stifle joint crepitation

**Imagistic:** - radiography (see below)

**Diagnostic:**

- chronic severe stifle osteoarthritis

**Recommendations:**

Culture and sensitivity; cytology of the affected joint to rule out chronic osteomyelitis/neoplasia

- *gold standard: total knee replacement (if not neoplastic disease)*
- *palliative surgery: stifle arthrodesis (if not neoplastic disease)*
- *amputation*



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