

Fractured tuber coxae of the ileum

This horse had a history of blunt trauma to the left tuber coxae, several months previously. The bone surface of the lateral aspect of a normal tuber coxae can appear somewhat irregular, but contiguous, on ultrasonography (Image 1, right tuber coxae). There is loss of continuity of the surface of the caudal aspect of the left tuber coxae in multiple locations, consistent with a comminuted fracture (arrowheads, Image 2,3). There is organised fibrous tissue located superficially, adjacent to the location of the fracture (*, Image 3).



Image 1
Longitudinal image of the caudal aspect of the right (normal) tuber coxae. Proximal is to the left.



Image 2
Longitudinal image of the caudal aspect of the left tuber coxae. Proximal is to the left. There is disruption to the bone contour in several locations (arrowheads).



Image 3
Longitudinal image of the caudal aspect of the left tuber coxae. Proximal is to the left. There is disruption of the bone contour (arrowheads). *= organised fibrous tissue.

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