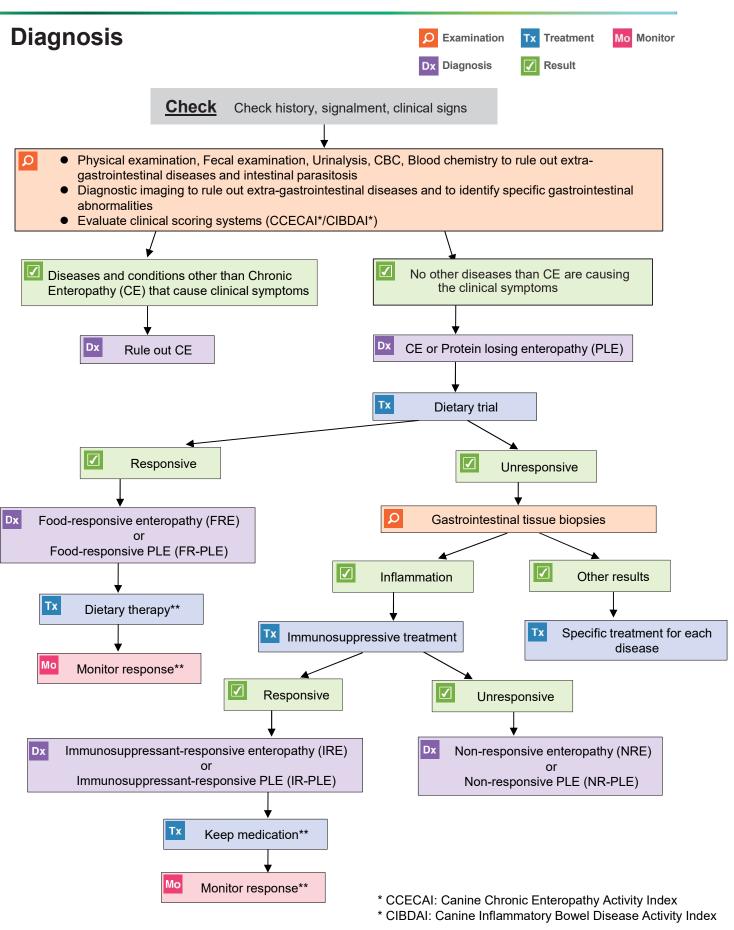
Canine Chronic Enteropathy

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Diagnosis and Treatment of Canine Chronic Enteropathy

History, signalment, and clinical signs

Chronic gastrointestinal signs:

anorexia, weight loss, vomiting, diarrhea persisting ≥3 weeks Signalment:

Boxer and French Bulldog (granulomatous colitis)

History:

Diet, Deworming, Vaccination, Drug, Environment

Examination

To rule out extra-gastrointestinal diseases and intestinal parasitosis:

- Physical examination (Body weight, Temperature, Pulse, Respiration, Blood pressure, Palpation, Rectal examination)
- Fecal examination (direct examination, flotation, ELISA for Giardia app., consider other specific tests depending on geographic location)
- · Blood test (CBC, Biochemistry including electrolytes and Total bile acid)
- · Urinalysis
- · Gastrointestinal blood panel (TLI, cortisol, validated lipase assay, cobalamin, folate)

To rule out extra-gastrointestinal diseases and to identify specific gastrointestinal abnormalities:

• Diagnostic imaging (radiography, ultrasonography)

Evaluate clinical scoring systems (CCECAI*/CIBDAI*)

Dx Diagnosis (see front page)

Tx Treatment

FRE or FR-PLE Small intestinal signs Highly digestible diet Hydrolyzed or novel protein diet Large intestinal signs Fiber-enriched diet Hydrolyzed or novel protein diet Hypoalbuminemia (PLE) Low-fat diet IRE or IR-PLE Prednisolone (1–2 mg/kg/sid) Budesonide (3–5 mg/m²/sid) Chlorambucil (3–6 mg/m²/sid) Cyclosporine (5 mg/kg/sid)

Others

Pre-/pro-/synbiotics

Monitor

Treatment response:

Improvement of CCECAI/CIBDAI *

* CCECAI/CIBDAI evaluation Jergens AE, et al. J Vet Intern Med. 2003; Allenspach K, et al. J Vet Intern Med. 2007

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Attitude/activity	Normal	Slightly decreased	Moderately decreased	Severely decreased	CIBDAI Clinically insignificant:≦3 Mild: 4-5 Moderate: 6-8 Severe:≧9	CCECAI Clinically insignificant:≦3 Mild: 4-5 Moderate: 6-8 Severe: 9-11 Very severe:≧12
Appetite	Normal	Slightly decreased	Moderately decreased	Severely decreased		
Vomiting	Normal	Mild (1/w)	Moderately (2-3/w)	Severely (>3/w)		
Stool consistency	Normal	Slightly soft feces	Very soft feces	Watery diarrhea		
Stool frequency	Normal	Slightly increased (2-3/d) or fecal blood, mucus, or both	Moderately increased (4-5/d)	Severely increased (>5/d)		
Weight loss	Normal	Mild (<5%)	Moderate (5-10%)	Severe (>10%)		
Albumin levels	>2.0 g/dL	1.5-1.99 g/dL	1.2-1.49 g/dL	<1.2 g/dL		
Ascites and peripheral edema	None	Mild ascites or peripheral edema	Moderate amount of ascites or peripheral edema	Severe ascites/pleural effusion and peripheral edema		
Pruritus	No pruritus	Occasional episodes of itching	Regular episodes of itching, but stops when dog is sleeping	Dog regularly wakes up because of itching]	



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