SURGICAL MANAGEMENT OF NICTITATING GLAND PROLAPSE (CHERRY EYE) WITH POCKETING TECHNIQUE

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A two year old non-descript intact male dog was presented to Ophthalmology unit of Madras Veterinary College Teaching Hospital with the history of visible mass noticed in the medial canthus of right eye from past 2 weeks with epiphora. On Ophthalmic examination, left eye was normal and right eye had congested conjunctival mucus membrane and Sclera. Prolapse of nictitans (third eyelid) gland was observed. Preoperative evaluation such as Haematology, serum biochemistry and radiographic results were normal. The patient was subjected to surgical intervention. The dog was premeditated anaesthetized. Reposition of nictitating gland was done by pocketing technique. Post-operative antibiotics, analgesics, and topical antibiotics were given. The patient had an uneventful recovery.

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