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### Radiology - Small Animal Positioning

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Body Area	Cranial	Caudal	Comments
Thorax	Thoracic inlet	Half-way between xiphoid and last rib	Center just behind the scapula
Abdomen	3-4 fingers width cranial to the xiphoid	Greater trochanter	Large breed dogs will need CR and CD views
Long Bones	Proximal joint	Distal joint	
Joints	1/2 proximal long bone	1/2 distal long bone	Center on the joint
Skull	Nose	First cervical vertebra	
VD Pelvis-Hip Dysplasia-OFA	Wing of ilium	Stifle	Extended leg V/D
Pelvis	Wing of ilium	Ischium	Frog legged V/D if pelvis fractured
Thoracic Spine	Thoracic inlet	13 TH rib	Cone down on spine
T-L Junction	Approx. T-10	Approx L-3	Center 1/2 way between xiphoid and last rib, cone down.
Lumbar Spine	Half-way between xiphoid and last rib	Half-way between ilium and greater trochanter	Cone down on spine
Cervical Spine	Occipital protuberance	Center of the spine of scapula	Front legs pulled caudal, cone down
TPLO	Distal femur	Proximal metatarsus	Lat. femur, tibia and tarsus at 90 degree angles. CR/CD with patella centered on straight leg
Stifle	Distal femur	Proximal Tib-Fib	
Antebrachium	Distal Humerus	Proximal Metacarpus	Center mid Radius. Cr/Cd-make sure humerus/radius are in straight line with olecranon straight