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Multiple feather cysts and surgical resection with radio cautery in a canary

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Abstract

A six-year-old canary was referred for recurring multiple feather cysts involving the mantle cover feathers and, undertail cover feathers. On physical examination, there were no other clinical complaints. Surgical removal of the feather cyst was successful using a surgical radio cautery. The cyst has not recurred on surgical site or on adjacent feathers during the two years following surgery, but new cysts have formed on wing feathers. Cysts frequently recur after lancing, curettage, or fulguration. Previously published reports suggest that complete feather follicle removal. This report provides a description of the removal of feather cyst with radio cautery and long term outcomes.

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