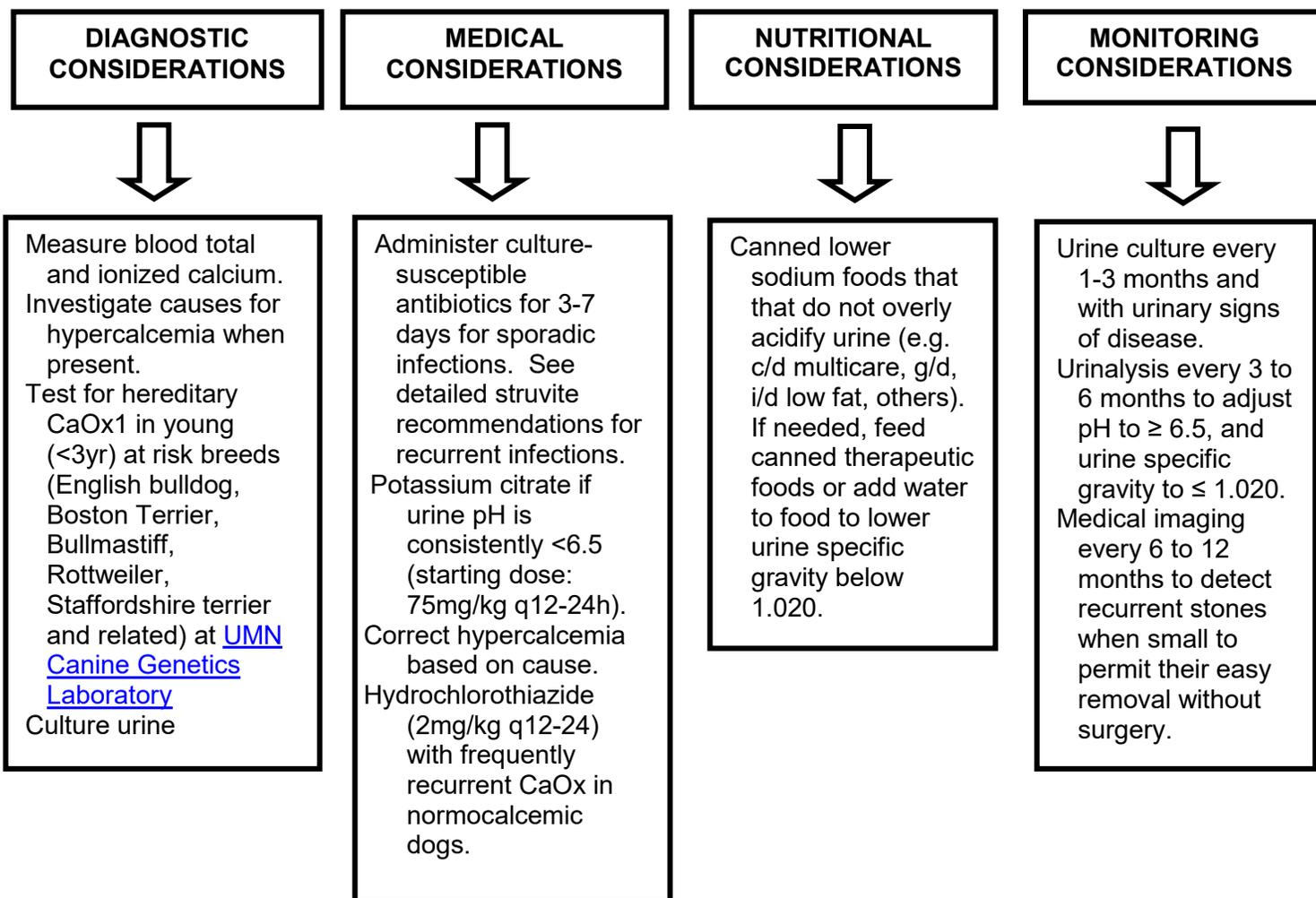




CANINE CALCIUM OXALATE AND STRUVITE/CALCIUM PHOSPHATE CARBONATE UROLITHS

Uroliths with calcium oxalate (CaOx) and struvite or calcium phosphate carbonate indicate that two diseases processes are occurring concurrently or in succession. In almost all dogs, struvite and calcium phosphate carbonate form because of urinary tract infection. When infection is consistently prevented, struvite and calcium phosphate carbonate are unlikely to recur. CaOx is a difficult stone to prevent because factors responsible for formation are incompletely understood. Therefore, prevention strategies other than antibiotics are prioritized to minimize CaOx.

MINIMIZING RECURRENCE



** Review manufacturer's therapeutic food literature to determine indications/contraindications. For pets with multiple health concerns, consult a veterinary nutritionist to select an optimal food.