

PATIENT

Kai Southard

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Labradoodle

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

11 years

WEIGHT

44 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Patient planned to undergo bilateral TPLO surgery mid-February.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Persistent elevations with ALP, other liver values WNL ALP Values: 7.21.21=359 9.14.21=563, Bile acids WNL this day as well 11/2/21=790 2/7/22=451 1/18/23=1422 Current Medications Cephalexin for skin infection

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder wall is normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder lumen is moderately distended with anechoic urine. No masses, inflammatory changes or calculi are observed. Ureteral papillae and visualized portion of the proximal urethra, visible to a depth of 3-4 cm, are normal.

The prostate is normal in size (0.88 cm in width) and shape. Parenchyma is homogenous. The prostatic urethra appears normal without evidence of dilation or obstruction.

The left kidney is normal in size (5.85 cm in length) with a normal shape and smooth peripheral contours. The cortex is mildly thickened and isoechoic relative to the spleen. There is mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. Pinpoint hyperechoic foci are observed within the cortex. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal in size (7.14 cm in length) with a normal shape and smooth peripheral contours. The cortex is mildly thickened and isoechoic relative to the spleen. There is mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. Pinpoint hyperechoic foci are observed within the cortex. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.51 cm at cranial pole) (0.73 cm at caudal pole) (2.59 cm in length) with a normal shape and homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

The right adrenal gland is in normal size (1.68 cm at cranial pole) (1.52 cm at caudal pole) (3.33 cm in length) with a normal shape and homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (1.81 cm in width at the level of the hilus) with a normal capsular contour. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. A 0.47 cm irregular hyperechoic nodule is observed at the cranial aspect. Splenic vasculature is normal.

Liver

The liver is subjectively prominent in size with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is largely isoechoic relative to the spleen and diffusely homogeneous in appearance. No distinct focal lesions are observed. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion.



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The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth.

A small amount of aggregated, echogenic, gravity dependent debris/sludge is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

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Gastrointestinal

The stomach and intestine are free of stasis and exhibit normal peristaltic activity. The gastric lumen is not distended. The gastric wall and pylorus are normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The pyloric outflow tract is patent. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The small intestinal wall thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

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Pancreas

The region of the pancreas is isoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat. No obvious parenchymal abnormalities are observed. There is no evidence of regional inflammation or effusion.

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Free Abdomen

The peritoneal cavity is normal. There is no evidence of inflammation or effusion. The abdominal lymph nodes are normal/not visible.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings

- The diffuse hepatic changes are non-specific and could be consistent with vacuolar hepatopathy, regenerative nodular hyperplasia, and/or age-related remodeling. Inflammatory and infiltrative disease are considered less likely.
- Gravity dependent debris/sludge, non-mucocele

Secondary Findings

- The bilateral renal changes are most consistent with chronic interstitial nephrosis/nephritis with subtle dystrophic mineralization
- The hyperechoic splenic nodule likely represents a benign process (i.e., myelolipoma) with a low possibility of emerging neoplasia.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Serial monitoring (i.e., every 3-4 months) of the patient's liver values is recommended. If values continue to increase, a repeat abdomen ultrasound +/- a more advanced hepatic work-up (i.e., tissue sampling) may be warranted.
- If the patient is to undergo anesthesia, benzodiazepines should be avoided, and opioids used judiciously.

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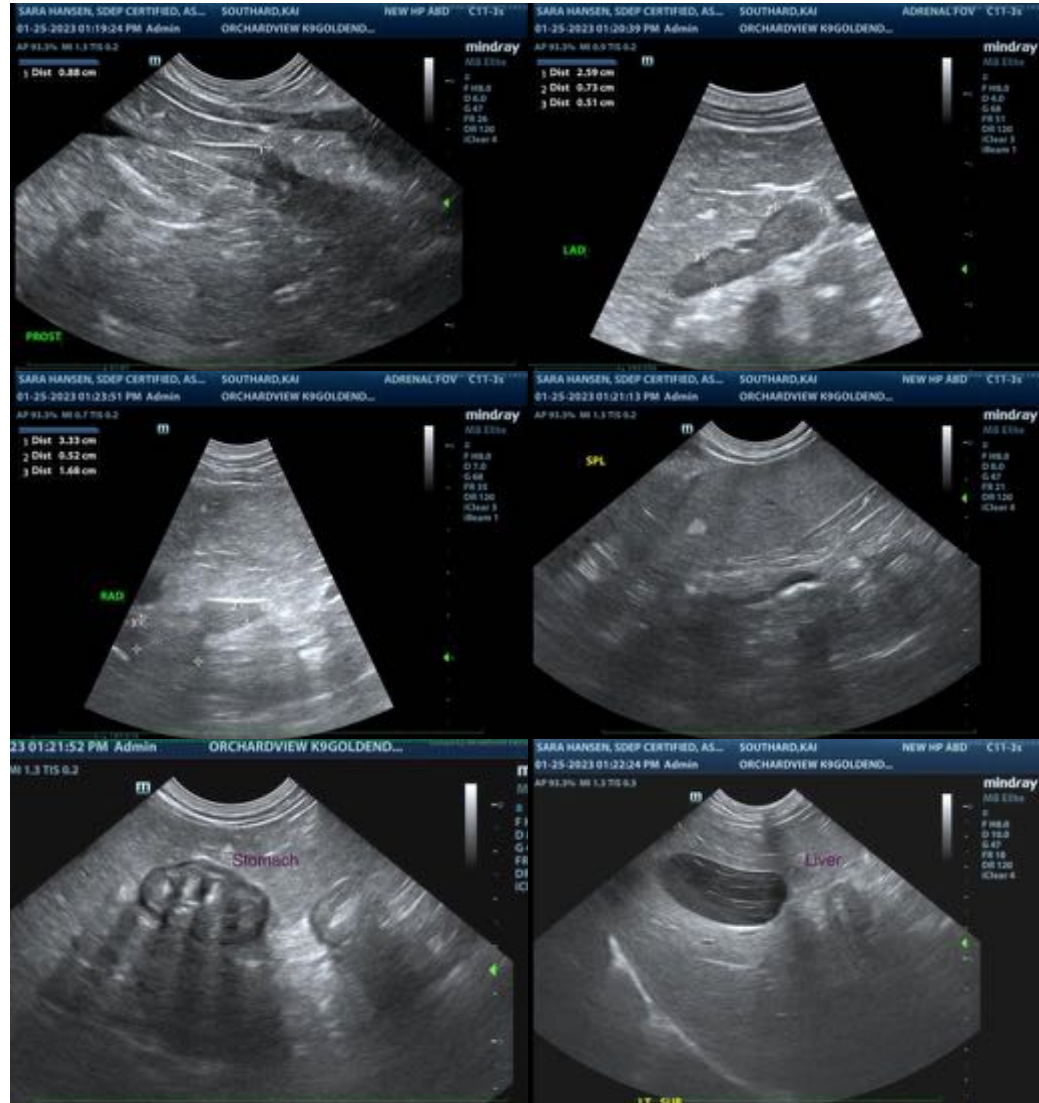
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance, please contact me.

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