

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

10/6/21

Dog presented about 1 month ago for pu/pd. Alk/phos elevated and dilute urine. Acth stim test was in gray zone. Low dose dex suppression test did not suppress and is highly suggestive of Cushing disease. Rec u/s to differentiate between pdh and adrenal mass and scan of abdomen.

PATIENT

Misty Graham-Lewis

Current Medications: N/A.

Lab Results: AP 188, phos 6.1 (6.0), glucose 61 (70) r/o artifact, Na 157 (154), Cholesterol 372, T4 wnl, S.G. 1.008 benign sediment.

SPECIES

Canine

ACTH stim is in gray zone at 18.2 (8-17). Results greater than 20 consistent with Cushing's.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous

Sedation: Sedation not necessary.

Stat Report: Stat report not requested by DVM.

BREED

Shepherd mix

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**SEX**

Female, spayed

Urinary System

The urinary bladder, trigone, and pelvic urethra are 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 2 cm, are normal.

AGE

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The left kidney is normal size (7.15 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal to mild loss of corticomodular distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis.

WEIGHT

68 lbs.

The right kidney is normal size (6.45 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal to mild loss of corticomodular distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis.

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Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is borderline enlarged (0.70 cm at cranial pole) (0.81 cm at caudal pole) (1.97 cm in length); normal shape; homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

HOSPITAL NAME

PetVet of Clarksville

The right adrenal gland is upper limits of normal size (0.77 cm at cranial pole) (0.88 cm at caudal pole) (2.77 cm in length); normal shape; homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

REFERRING VET

Dr. Martof

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (2.05 cm in width at the level of the hilus) with a normal capsular contour. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. No focal lesions are observed. Splenic vasculature is normal.

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Liver

The liver is subjectively normal in size with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is 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. The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A small amount of aggregated echogenic partially dependent debris is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen. The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A small to moderate amount of aggregated, echogenic partially dependent sludge is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

Gastrointestinal

The gastric lumen is moderately distended with ingesta and shadowing material. 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. No obstructive disease is noted.

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.

Free Abdomen

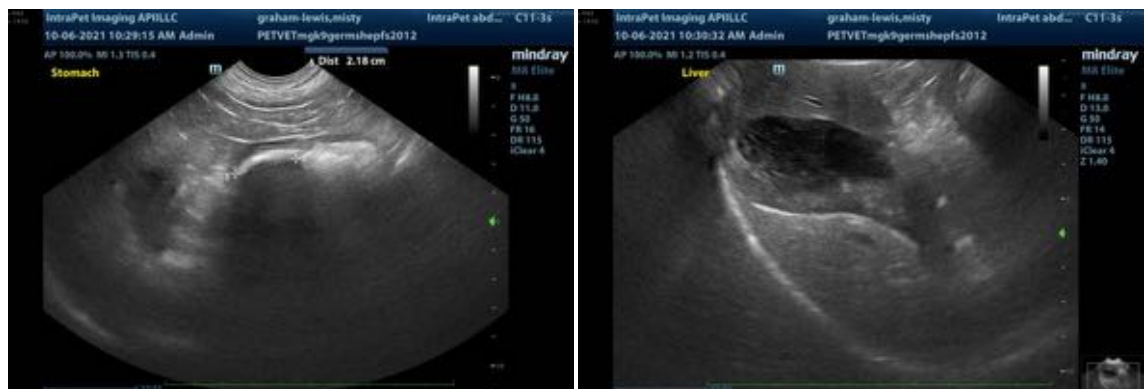
The peritoneal cavity is normal. There is no evidence of inflammation or effusion. The abdominal lymph nodes are normal/not visible.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Borderline bilateral adrenomegaly
- 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.
- Gallbladder sludge, non-mucocele.
- The shadowing material within the gastric lumen may represent foreign material and/or normal dog food. If the patient was fasted for this study, the presence of ingesta within the gastric lumen would suggest gastric emptying. Correlation with clinical findings is recommended.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Given the clinical history and sonographic changes, clinical management for pituitary-dependent hyperadrenocorticism (i.e., trilostane) is recommended.
- Consider a baseline blood pressure measurement and a UPC (if proteinuria is present).





The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. 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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