

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

12/16/21

PATIENT

Ivy Thorne

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Collie Mixed Breed

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

3/1/2009

WEIGHT

38 Lbs.

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History: persistent elevation in alt now 4400; recently added on herbals (liver happy) which have been discontinued; Amoxicillin trial for 30 days done 2 months ago; Denamarin trial for 2 months no change/improvement in ALT.

Lab Results: elevated ALT (4400).

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous IntraPet scans.

Sedation: Patient sedated with Torbugesic.

Stat Report: Not requested.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**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.

The left kidney presented normal size (6.13 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 corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

The right kidney presented normal size (6.10 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 corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.62 cm at cranial pole) (0.68 cm at caudal pole) (2.51 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.

The right adrenal gland is normal size (0.50 cm at cranial pole) (0.58 cm at caudal pole) (2.67 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.

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (2.09 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.

Liver

The liver is subjectively enlarged with rounded, swollen peripheral contours. The parenchyma is diffusely heterogeneous in appearance. No distinct focal lesions are observed. Hepatic vasculature and intrahepatic 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 scant amount of echogenic debris is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal.

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 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 or overt infiltrative 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. Two prominent iliac lymph nodes are visualized. the largest measuring 1.30 cm in length.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings

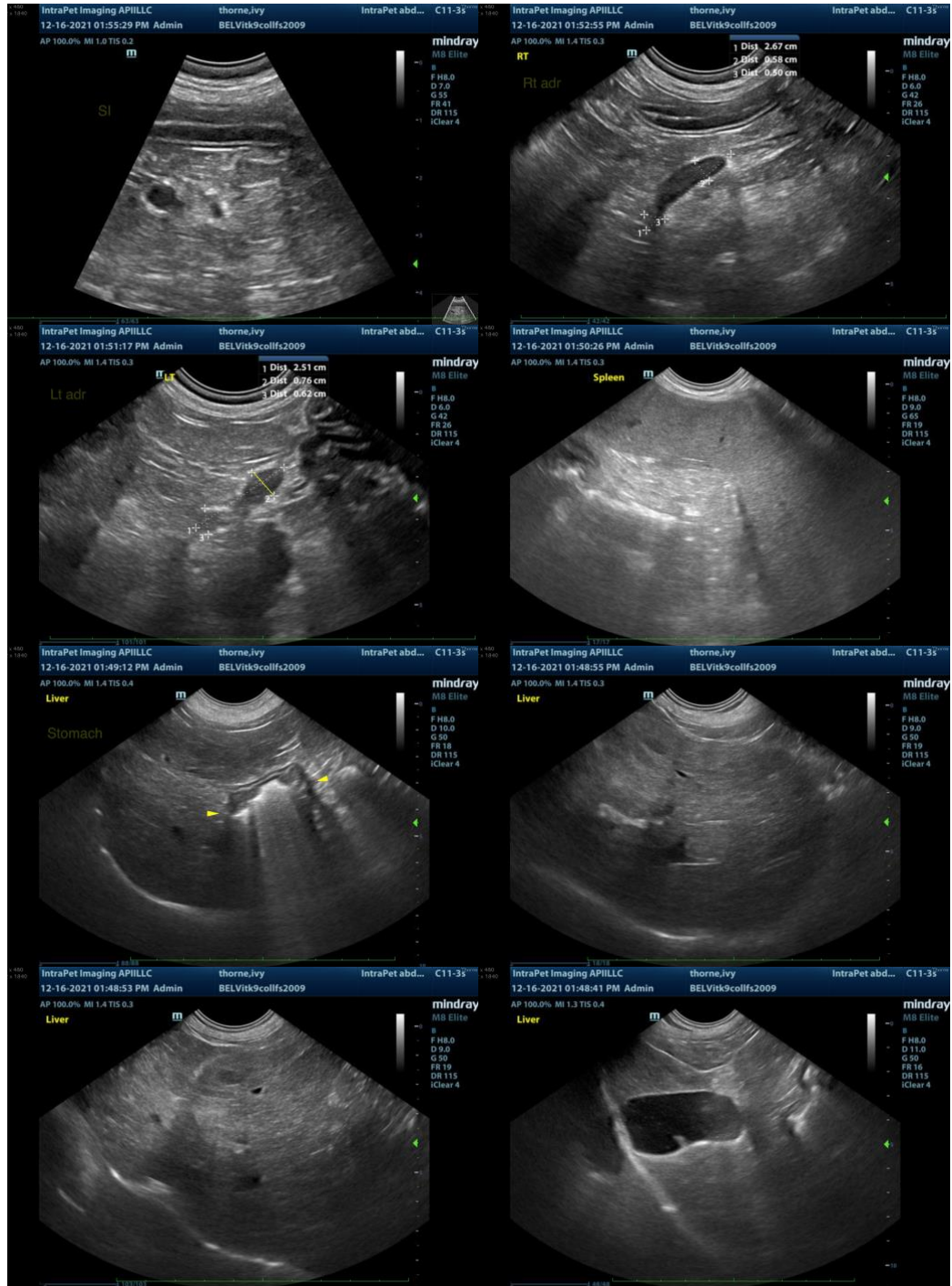
- Non-specific diffuse hepatopathy. Differentials include inflammatory/immune mediated disease, hepatotoxicosis (i.e., copper), infiltrative neoplasia, other hepatopathy +/- concurrent age-related change.

Secondary Findings

- Non-specific age-related renal changes

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Ideally, a surgical liver biopsy with aerobic and anaerobic bile cultures and acquisition of additional hepatic tissue samples for copper quantitation would be performed to obtain a definitive diagnosis. A fine needle aspirate of the liver can be considered if clotting status is appropriate. However, cytology results may not be representative of what is occurring globally in the liver.
- Three view thoracic radiographs should be performed prior to any anesthetic event.



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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