



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Finn Wellnhofer History: Noted prominent spleen. AUS to further evaluate.

SPECIES

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results/October 3, 2022:

Senior Screen w bNP:

CBC - mild elevations in HCT, MCV and MCH

Canine

- sample was very lipemic and that can cause an artificial increase in these parameters.

- Rest of CBC WNL and unremarkable

BREED

Chem All values WNL

- SDMA 10

- BNP 278

Austr Shepherd Mix

TT4 WNL

UA

SEX

- Crystalline debris, basic pH - sample issue?

- Urine Protein 2+

Neutered Male

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

AGE

Urinary System

9 years

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 2 cm, are normal.

WEIGHT

11.45 kg

The prostate is normal in size (1.07 cm in width) and shape. Parenchyma is homogenous. The prostatic urethra appears normal without evidence of dilation or obstruction.

INTERPRETED BY

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The left kidney is normal in size (4.99 cm in length) with a normal shape, smooth peripheral margins, and normal internal architecture. There is mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several hyperechoic shadowing diverticular foci are observed. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

IMAGING PERFORMED BY

Dr Brian Barnes

The right kidney is normal in size (4.93 cm in length) with a normal shape, smooth peripheral margins, and normal internal architecture. There is mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several hyperechoic shadowing diverticular foci are observed. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydronephrosis.

HOSPITAL NAME

Westview VH

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.56 cm at cranial pole) (0.62 cm at caudal pole) (2.32 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.

REFERRING VET

Dr Brian Barnes

The right adrenal gland is in normal size (0.54 cm at cranial pole) (0.47 cm at caudal pole) (2.41 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.

INVOICE

Spleen

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The spleen is normal in size (1.40 cm in width at the level of the hilus) with a normal capsular contour. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. A 0.44 cm hypoechoic nodule is observed in the region of the hilus. Splenic vasculature is normal.

DATE

2.16.23

Liver

The liver is subjectively enlarged with slightly swollen 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 is of normal contours and contains some dependent echogenic debris. The wall is normal in thickness. No choleliths are observed. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

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.

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

Primary Findings

- Suspected benign diffuse hepatopathy. Vacuolar hepatopathy (i.e., idiopathic/endocrine) is the top differential, particularly in light of the normal ALT.

Secondary Findings

- Mild bilateral age-related renal changes with dystrophic mineralization
- The hyperechoic splenic nodule likely represents a benign myelolipoma, with a lower possibility of an emerging tumor.

*There is no obvious evidence of splenomegaly.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Given the proteinuria, consider a urine culture and sensitivity as well as a UPC (if proteinuria persists in the absence of infection).



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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