



**PATIENT**

Dixie Belle Dash

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Vizsla

**SEX**

Female, spayed

**AGE**

2 Yrs.

**WEIGHT**

56 lbs.

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

History: Urinary accidents, leaking and dribbling. No other concerns. Pet was treated for UTI at urgent vet in December and symptoms returned at the end of January. Possible noticed clinical signs after pet got spayed

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: 10/17/22 SG: 1.000 clear urine 12/07/22 SG: 1.012, rods and cocci, struvites and amorphous crystals 02/20/23 SG: 1.019, no active sediment CBC and chemistry WNL 4 Dx neg

**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. The region of the trigone and the visible portion of the proximal urethra are normal.

The left kidney is normal size (5.98 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. A hyperechoic medullary band is observed at the corticomedullary junction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal size (6.52 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. A hyperechoic medullary band is observed at the corticomedullary junction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

*Adrenal Glands*

The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.52 cm at cranial pole) (0.49 cm at caudal pole); 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 region of the right adrenal gland is evaluated. No obvious pathology is observed.

*Spleen*

The spleen is normal in size (2.21 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 normal in size with normal contours and structure. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. No overt structural evidence of inflammatory, infiltrative or regenerative pathology is evident. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy observed. The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. Luminal contents are anechoic. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

*Gastrointestinal*

The gastric lumen is mildly distended with ingesta. The gastric wall and pylorus are normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The small intestinal lumen is segmentally dilated with chyme. The small



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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*

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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

Unremarkable abdomen. An obvious cause for the patient's clinical signs is not identified in this study. Differentials include urinary tract infection, ectopic ureters, underlying metabolic issue, other.

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## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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- A urine culture and sensitivity is recommended to assess for occult pyelonephritis.
- Consider pre and post prandial serum bile acids to assess for occult hepatic dysfunction.
- Leptospirosis testing can also be considered. However, given the chronicity of the patient's clinical signs, this differential is considered less likely.
- If there is a strong suspicion for ectopic ureters, consider a contrast CT scan and/or cystoscopy.
- If the above results are inconclusive, consider a DDAVP trial (to assess for diabetes insipidus) +/- a modified water deprivation test (to further evaluate for nephrogenic diabetes insipidus and psychogenic polydipsia).

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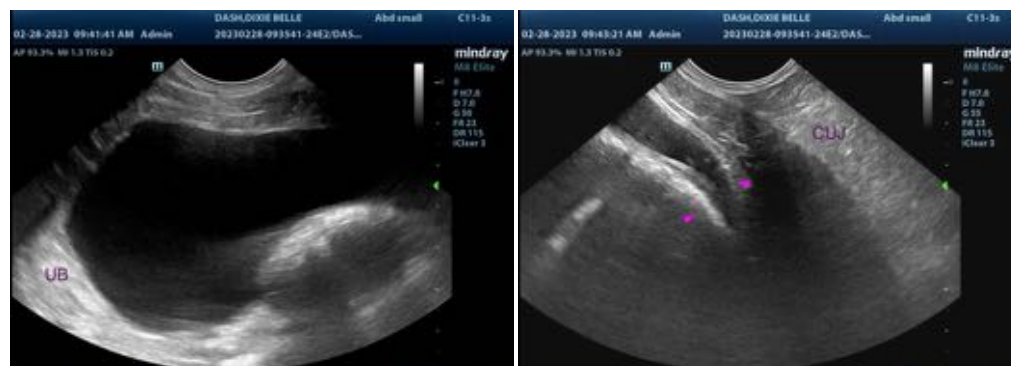
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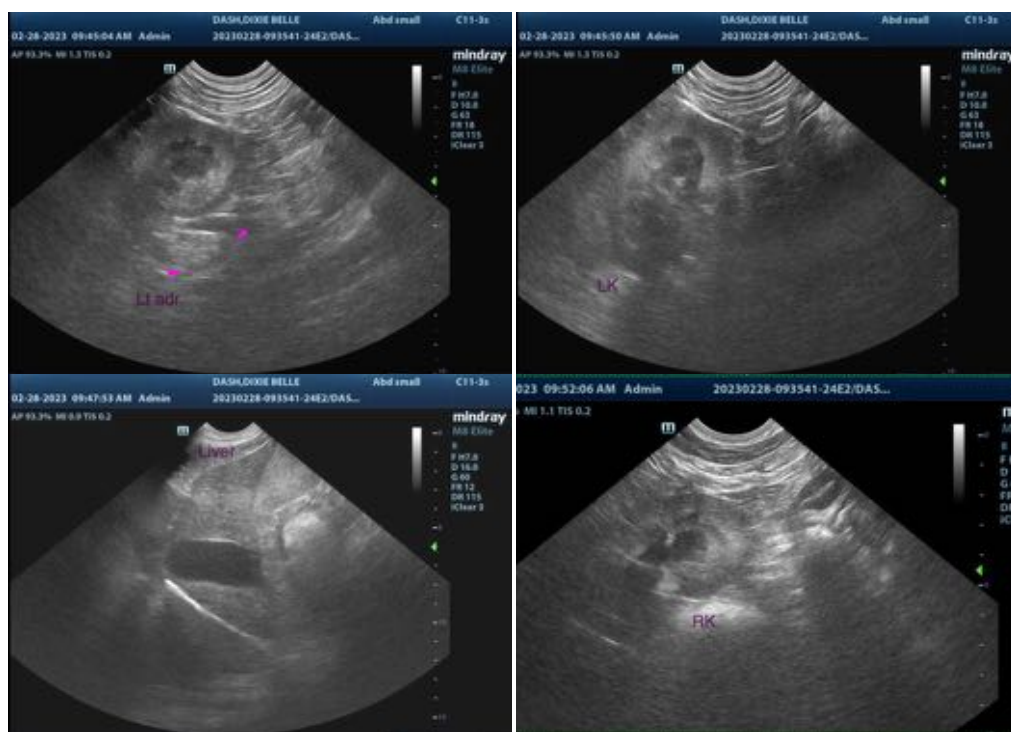
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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