


**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Luna Figula History: vomiting with blood

**SPECIES ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**
**Canine Urinary System**

The urinary bladder wall is normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder is moderately distended. Luminal contents are anechoic. No cystic calculi are observed. The region of the trigone and visible portion of the proximal urethra are normal.

**Breed**

Shepherd Mix The left kidney is normal in size (6.34 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

**SEX**

Female Spayed The right kidney is normal in size (5.71 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

**AGE**

5 years **Adrenal Glands**  
 The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.73 cm at cranial pole) (0.54 cm at caudal pole) (2.34 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.

**WEIGHT**

77 lbs The right adrenal gland is normal size (0.86 cm at cranial pole) (0.65 cm at caudal pole) (2.36 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.

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**Spleen**

The spleen is normal in size (1.88 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 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.

**HOSPITAL NAME**

Rockaway AH 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.

**REFERRING VET**

Dr. Maniar

**Gastrointestinal**

The gastric lumen is minimally fluid-distended. The gastric wall and pylorus are normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The pyloric outflow tract appears to be patent. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The small intestinal wall thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discrete 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.

### ***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**

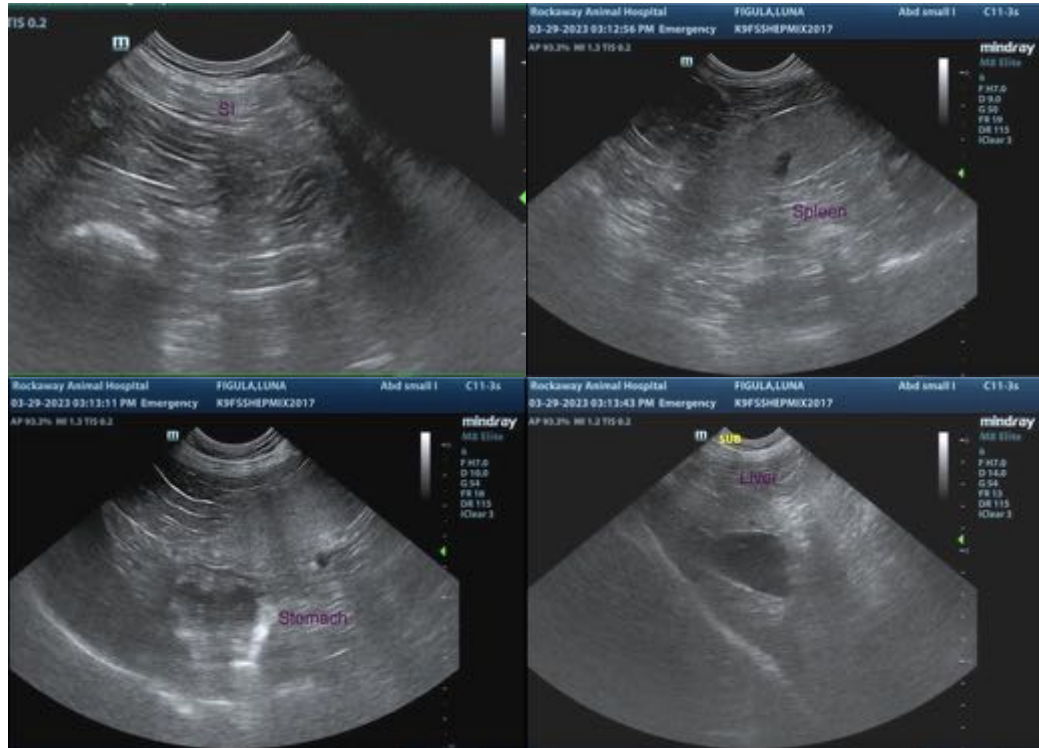
### **Findings**

Unremarkable abdomen. An obvious cause for the patient's clinical signs is not definitively identified in this study. Considerations include microscopic gastrointestinal disease (i.e., dietary indiscretion, infectious/parasitic disease, toxicity, food allergy/intolerance, inflammatory bowel disease, occult neoplasia, esophageal disease, underlying metabolic issue, other.

## **INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Baseline lab work, including a CBC, chemistry panel, urinalysis and T4 is recommended (if not already performed).
- Symptomatic care for GI ulceration is recommended, including a proton pump inhibitor and sucralfate.
- Also consider a resting cortisol level to screen for hypoadrenocorticism.
- Three-view thoracic radiographs are recommended to assess for esophageal disease.
- If the patient's clinical signs do not begin to improve with medical management, and if the above diagnostics are inconclusive, an upper GI endoscopy with biopsies may be warranted.





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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