

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

5/9/23

3 week hx of intermittent diarrhea. Initial episodes included inappetence/vomiting but now only diarrhea, eating normally. On chicken and rice, sulfasalazine. Minimal improvement on metronidazole. Fecal NOS, on Panacur currently. Failed ID, GI Biome diet trials, starting HP diet trial.

PATIENT

Wiggles Horrwich

Current Medications: Sulfasalazine 125 mg PO BID, Panacur SID x 3 days, repeat in 2 weeks, transitioning to HP diet from bland diet.

Lab Results: CBC/Chem 4/6/23 all NSF.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

Imaging Performed By: Andi Parkinson, BS, RDMS.

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Havanese

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**Urinary System**

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

SEX

Female, spayed

The left kidney is normal size (3.66 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. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

AGE

5/20/2019

The right kidney is normal size (4.03 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. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

WEIGHT

15.3 lbs.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is small in size with a flattened contour (0.27 cm at cranial pole) (0.38 cm at caudal pole) (1.56 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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The right adrenal gland is small in size with a flattened contour (0.36 cm at cranial pole) (0.33 cm at caudal pole) (1.37 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

Timonium AH

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (1.21 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.

REFERRING VET

Dr. McIntyre

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. A small to moderate amount of aggregated, echogenic, mostly gravity-dependent debris/sludge is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

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Gastrointestinal

The gastric lumen is not distended. The gastric wall is 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. 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

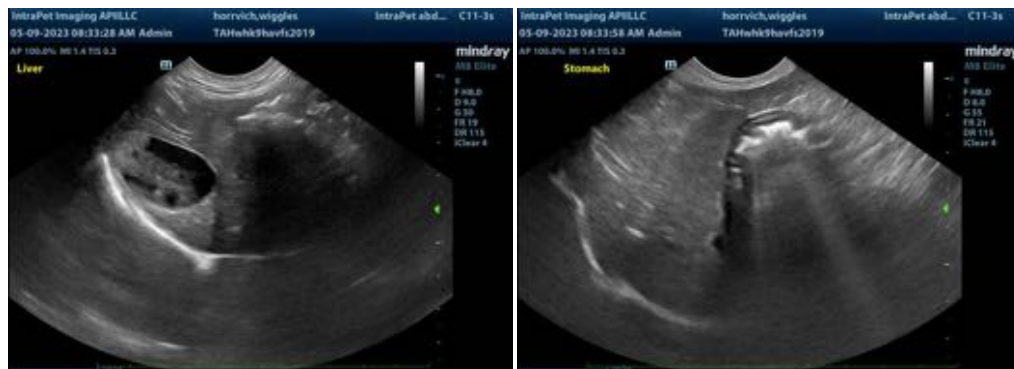
The peritoneal cavity is normal. There is no evidence of inflammation or effusion. The abdominal lymph nodes are normal/not visible.

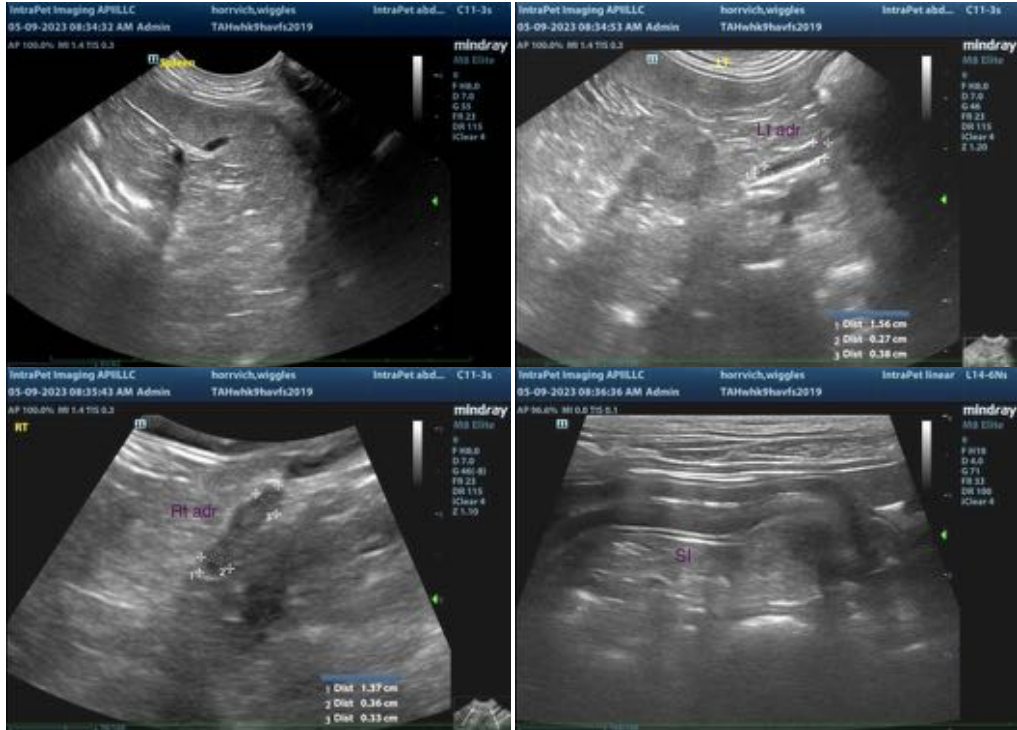
ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

The flattened adrenal glands may be a normal variant or could be consistent with early atrophy (i.e., secondary to hypoadrenocorticism)

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- A resting cortisol level is recommended to assess for atypical hypoadrenocorticism.
- Also consider a malabsorption panel including serum cobalamin, folate, folate, TLI and PLI.
- Along with the hydrolyzed protein diet trial, consider initiation of a probiotic with a high colon count (i.e., Visbiome, Provable) +/- a fiber supplement (i.e., psyllium).
- Depending on the results of the above diagnostics/therapeutics, endoscopic or surgical GI biopsies may be necessary to get a definitive diagnosis.





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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