

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

6.14.2023

Chronic ALP elevation present since June 2022, relatively static since first noted in 300s-400s. Recently, ALT elevation noted (5/23) and labs 6/8 revealed that both ALP and ALT had doubled since 5/23. Clinically well. Normal bile acids.

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Brooks-Cropper

Current Medications: Denamarin, PetLab Co joint supplement and probiotic, Trazodone PRN
 Lab Results: 6/8: ALP 701, ALT 246. 5/23: ALP 331, ALT 155. 12/13/22: ALP 474. 7/21: ALP 315. 6/16: ALP 317.

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Canine

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.
 Sedation: Patient sedated with Torbugesic.
 Stat Report: Not requested.
 Imaging Performed By: Andi Parkinson, BS, RDMS.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**SEX**

Neutered Male

Urinary System

The urinary bladder wall is normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder is mildly to 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.

AGE

7/31/2013

The region of the prostate is not visualized due to its pelvic location.

WEIGHT

15.3 kg

The left kidney is normal in size (5.43 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and 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 is normal in size (5.69 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

INTERPRETED BYAndrea Nicastro,
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DACVIM (Small
Animal
Internal Medicine)**Adrenal Glands**

The left adrenal gland is mildly enlarged (0.64 cm at cranial pole) (0.76 cm at caudal pole) (2.22 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 normal size (0.78 cm at cranial pole) (0.67 cm at caudal pole) (2.01 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.

REFERRING VET

Dr. Steele

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (1.37 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 normal to slightly prominent in size with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is hypoechoic relative to the spleen and homogenous in appearance. No focal lesions are observed. Hepatic vasculature and intrahepatic biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion. The portal vein to caudal vena cava ratio is approximately 1: 1.

The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A scant amount of suspended echogenic debris is observed within the lumen. 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 is normal in thickness 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 right limb of the pancreas is visible with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is largely isoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat and slightly mottled in appearance. The pancreatic duct is visible but not overtly dilated. There is no evidence of peripancreatic 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

- Questionable mild hepatomegaly. Given the liver enzyme pattern in this patient, differentials include microscopic regenerative nodular hyperplasia, early vacuolar hepatopathy, mild inflammatory disease (i.e., chronic hepatitis, bacterial cholangiohepatitis), copper hepatotoxicosis, infiltrative neoplasia (less likely), other hepatopathy.

Secondary Findings

- Minor bilateral age-related renal changes
- Mild left adrenomegaly
- The pancreatic changes are most consistent with age-related parenchymal remodeling, potentially secondary to a prior inflammatory episode, early fibrosis or chronic pancreatitis.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Further diagnostic and treatment recommendations are to be implemented by Dr. Cara Steele.



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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