

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

7.21.23 Jax isn't eating like he normally would (usually has a great appetite). He is now leaving food until later in the day. He does eventually eat his entire meal but has no interest in the morning. He has gained weight. PE revealed no abnormalities except mild to moderate tartar.

PATIENT

Jax Bauman Current Medications: None.
 Lab Results: ALP 619, T4 1.7, fT4 (by ED) 8.8 ng/ dl, and 113.3 pmol/L.
 Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

SPECIES

Canine Sedation: Dexdomitor/Torbugesic.
 Stat Report: Not requested.
 Imaging Performed By: Stephanie Warga RDCS, RVT.

BREED ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Shepherd Mix

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 the proximal urethra, visible to a depth of 2 cm, are normal.

SEX

Neutered Male

The prostate is normal in size (1.05 cm in width) and shape. Parenchyma is homogenous. The prostatic urethra appears normal without evidence of dilation or obstruction.

AGE

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The left kidney is normal in size (6.52 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

WEIGHT

83.5 kg

The right kidney is normal in size (6.86 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

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Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.60 cm at cranial pole) (0.78 cm at caudal pole) (3.18 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.

HOSPITAL NAME

Greenbrier VC

The right adrenal gland is in normal size (0.62 cm at cranial pole) (0.64 cm at caudal pole) (3.00 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 Davies

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (2.60 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.

The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A moderate amount of aggregated, echogenic-to-mineralized, partially dependent sludge is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

Gastrointestinal

The lumen is mildly distended with ingesta. 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.

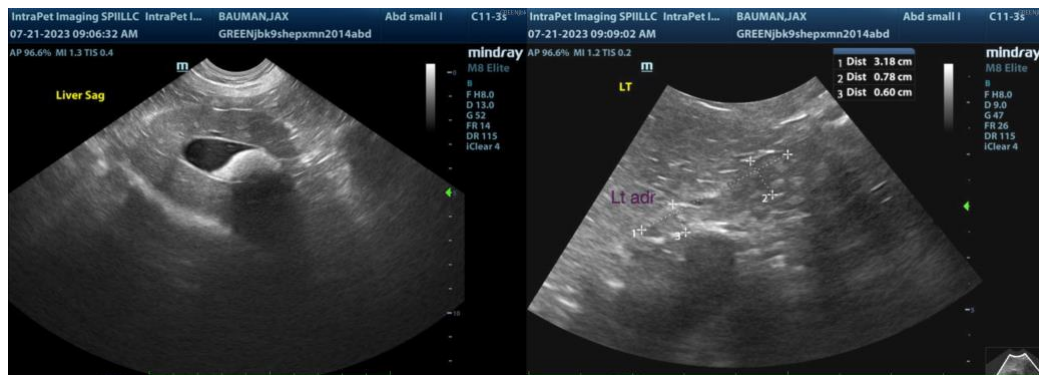
ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

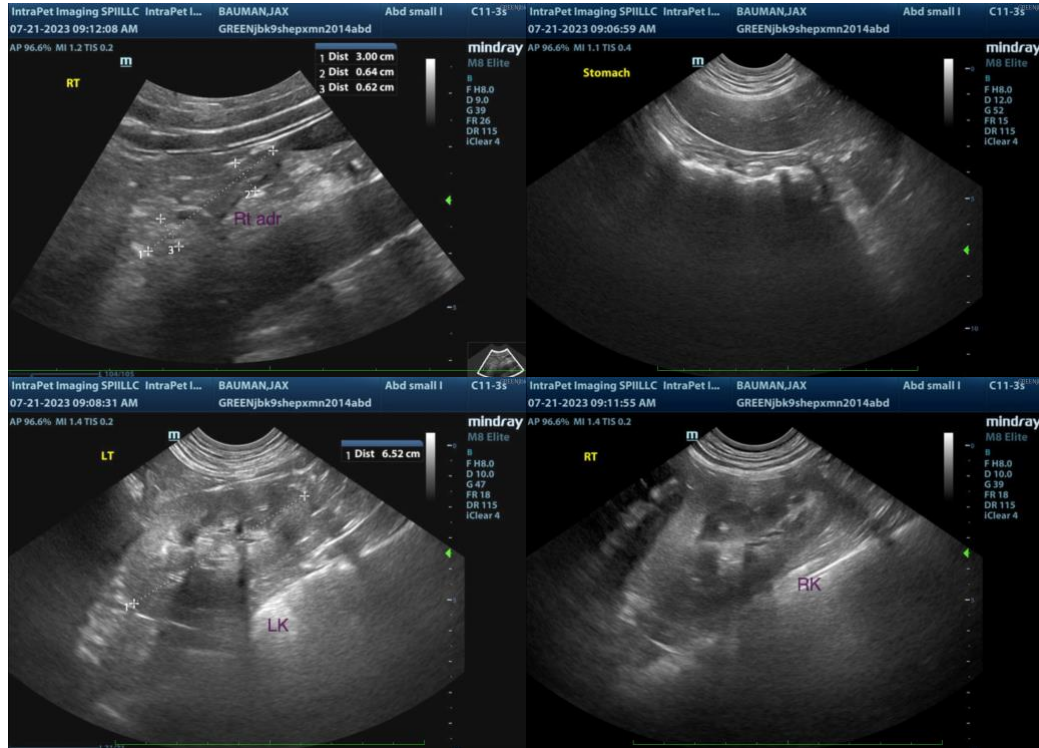
Findings

The gallbladder changes could be consistent with cholestasis, fasting, or an emerging mucocele. The remainder of the abdomen is unremarkable. An obvious cause for the patient's clinical signs is not definitively identified in this study.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Consider orthopedic and neurologic examinations to evaluate for nonmetabolic causes of inappetence.
- Three-view thoracic radiographs should also be considered to assess for occult pathology in the chest.
- Also consider a fecal evaluation for internal parasites +/- a Texas GI panel including serum cobalamin and folate, TLI and PLI.





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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