



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Molly Beechner History: vomiting, gastric distension, radiopaque material in stomach on rads

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Beagle

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

N/A

WEIGHT

29.5 lbs

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The **urinary bladder** wall is normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder is moderately distended. A scant amount of suspended, echogenic debris is observed within the lumen. No masses, inflammatory changes or calculi are observed. Ureteral papillae and visualized portion of the proximal urethra, visible to a depth of 2 cm, are normal.

The **left kidney** is normal size (5.24 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal to mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. A small cortical cyst is observed at the cranial aspect. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The **right kidney** is normal size (6.00 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal to mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. A small cortical cyst is observed at the cranial aspect. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

Adrenal Glands

The **left adrenal gland** is normal size (0.42 cm at cranial pole) (0.54 cm at caudal pole) (2.10 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.

The **right adrenal gland** is normal size (1.10 cm at cranial pole) (0.52 cm at caudal pole) (2.31 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.

Spleen

The **spleen** is normal in size (1.00 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. A small amount of echogenic to mineralized mostly gravity dependent 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 mildly to moderately distended with ingesta and ill-defined hypoechoic and hyperechoic material. 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 thickness is normal with a normal

layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The wall of the proximal descending colon is moderately thickened (up to 0.51 cm) with retention of the normal layering pattern. The wall tapers to a normal thickness as it extends distally. The colonic lumen contains shadowing fecal material. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

Pancreas

The right limb of the pancreas is visible, normal in size, 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

- If the patient was fasted for this study, the presence of ingesta within the gastric lumen would suggest delayed gastric emptying. There is questionable foreign material within the stomach. However, it appears nonobstructive at this time.
- The colonic wall changes are most consistent with an inflammatory process with a lower possibility of emerging neoplasia.

Secondary Findings

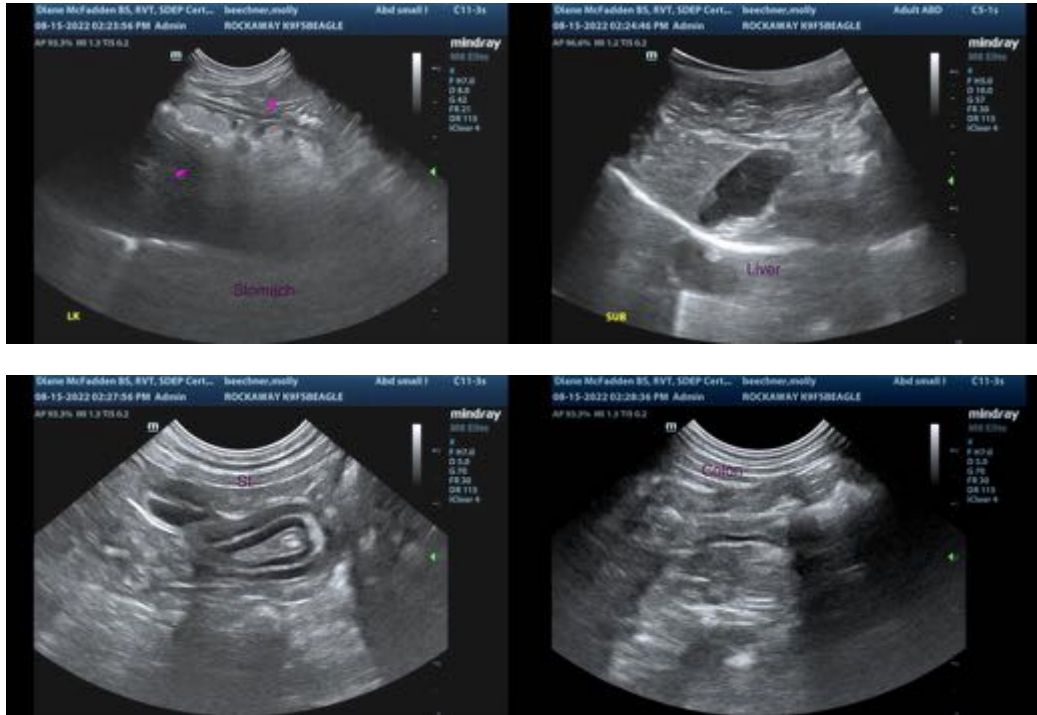
- Minor, bilateral, degenerative renal changes

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Supportive care for gastroenteritis/colitis is recommended, including fluid therapy as needed, antiemetics, gastric protectants, +/- pain medication.

If clinical signs do not improve within 48-72 hours of medical management, a more advance GI work-up 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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