



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Ella Bascharow **History:** gastric fb suspect stuffing 3-day hx of vomiting and anorexia

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Boston Terrier

SEX

Female

AGE

7 Years

WEIGHT

20 Lbs

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DATE

8.18.22

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: HCT 70% decreased Lymph increased Glu stress leukogram

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The **urinary bladder** wall is normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder lumen is moderately distended with anechoic urine. No masses, inflammatory changes or calculi are observed. The cystourethral junction is normal.

The **left kidney** is normal size (4.76 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. A hyperechoic medullary band is observed adjacent to the cystourethral junction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

The **right kidney** is normal size (4.23 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. A hyperechoic medullary band is observed adjacent to the cystourethral junction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

Adrenal Glands

The **left adrenal gland** is normal size (0.61 cm at cranial pole) (0.56 cm at caudal pole) (1.81 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 upper limits of normal size (0.96 cm at cranial pole) (0.60 cm at caudal pole) (1.94 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 (1.29 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 scant amount of gravity dependent, echogenic debris is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

Gastrointestinal

The **gastric lumen** is moderately distended soft, shadowing material. 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.

Pancreas

A portion of the **pancreas** is obscured by the gastric distention. In the visualized portion, no obvious pathology is seen.

Free Abdomen

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

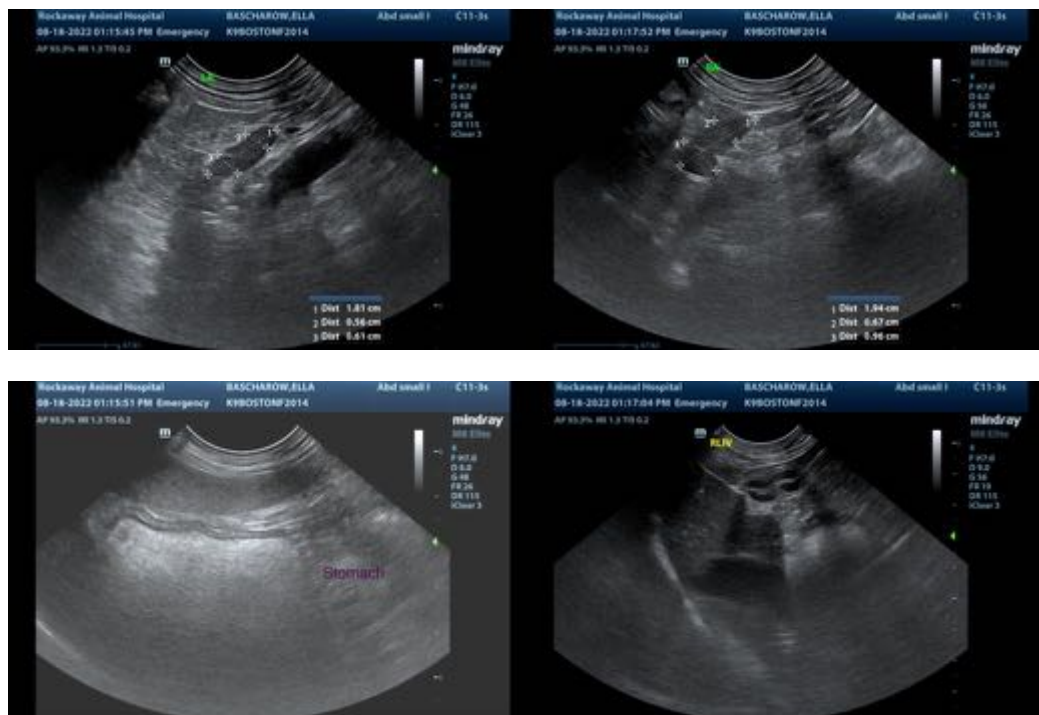
ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

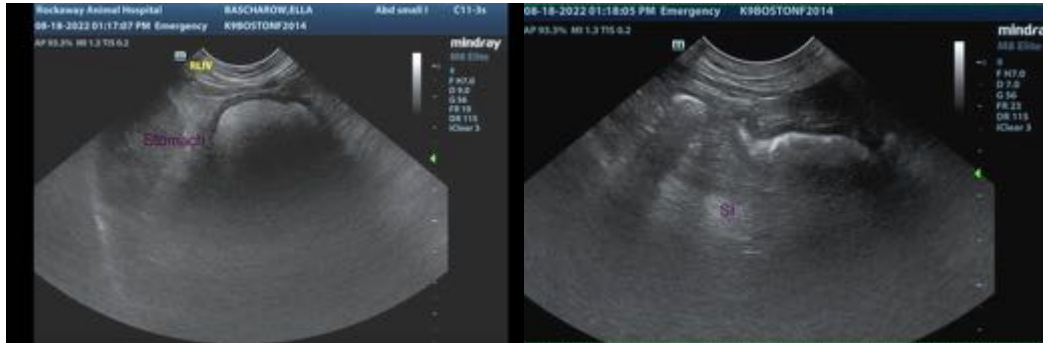
Primary Findings

- The gastric luminal contents could be consistent with foreign material (i.e., stuffing) or ingesta. If the patient has truly been anorexic for at least 24 hours, foreign material would be favored.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

If the patient has been NPO for > 24 hours, a gastrotomy with removal of the suspected foreign material is recommended. Consider three-view thoracic radiographs prior to anesthesia to assess for occult aspiration pneumonia.





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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