



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Bixie Liddle Acute onset vomiting enlarged spleen, mineralization in kidneys Current meds P-Lyte Cerenia Metro

SPECIES ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Canine *Urinary System*

The urinary bladder, trigone, and pelvic urethra are normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder lumen is moderately distended with mostly anechoic urine. 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 in size (2.78 cm in length) with a normal shape, smooth peripheral margins and normal internal architecture. There is mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several hyperechoic shadowing diverticular foci are observed. A few nephroliths are visualized. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal in size (2.11 cm in length) with a normal shape, smooth peripheral margins and normal internal architecture. There is mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several hyperechoic shadowing diverticular foci are observed. A questionable small nephrolith is visualized. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydronephrosis.

WEIGHT *Adrenal Glands*

3.86 lbs. The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.56 cm at cranial pole) (0.46 cm at caudal pole) (1.28 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 (0.45 cm at cranial pole) (0.42 cm at caudal pole) (1.13 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.

IMAGING *Spleen*

PERFORMED BY Jenn The spleen is subjectively prominent in size (0.87 cm in width at the level of the hilus) with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. No focal lesions are observed. Splenic vasculature is normal.

HOSPITAL NAME *Liver*

Rockaway AH 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 gravity-dependent sludge is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

REFERRING VET *Gastrointestinal*

Dr. Ascot The gastric wall is mildly thickened (up to 0.51 cm) with retention of the normal layering pattern. The gastric lumen is mildly distended with fluid and chyme. A 0.90 cm shadowing structure is observed within the lumen. The pyloric wall is normal in thickness. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The

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small intestinal wall thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. The ileocecal colic junction and colonic wall are normal.

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Pancreas

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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.

Canine

Free Abdomen

BREED

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

Papillon

SEX

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Female, spayed

Primary Findings:

AGE

The gastric wall changes are most consistent with gastritis with lower potential for emerging neoplasia. The shadowing structure within the gastric lumen may represent foreign material and/or ingesta. Overt pyloric outflow tract obstruction is not seen. However, an intermittent outflow obstruction cannot be completely excluded.

13 Yrs.

WEIGHT

Secondary Findings:

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Bilateral, chronic age-related renal changes with dystrophic mineralization and non-obstructive nephroliths.

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The splenic parenchyma changes are most consistent with a benign process such as lymphoid hyperplasia, extramedullary hematopoiesis or splenitis with a low possibility of infiltrative neoplasia (i.e., lymphoma, mast cell neoplasia).

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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- If a conservative approach is desired, consider medical management for acute gastroenteritis with repeat sonographic imaging in 12 hours to determine if the shadowing material within the gastric lumen has passed into the small intestine.
- If a more aggressive approach is desired, an abdominal exploratory can be considered to assess for foreign material within the GI tract. If no foreign material is found, gastrointestinal biopsies should be obtained to assess for microscopic disease.
- Three-view thoracic radiographs are recommended to assess for occult aspiration pneumonia.

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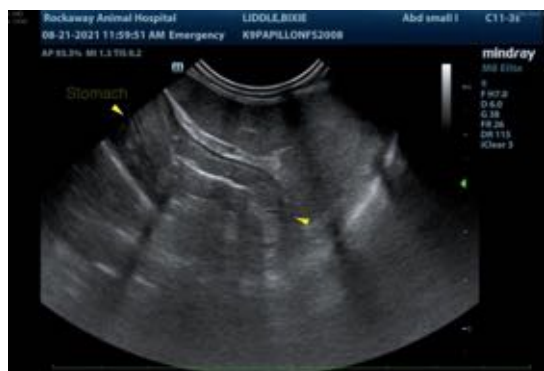
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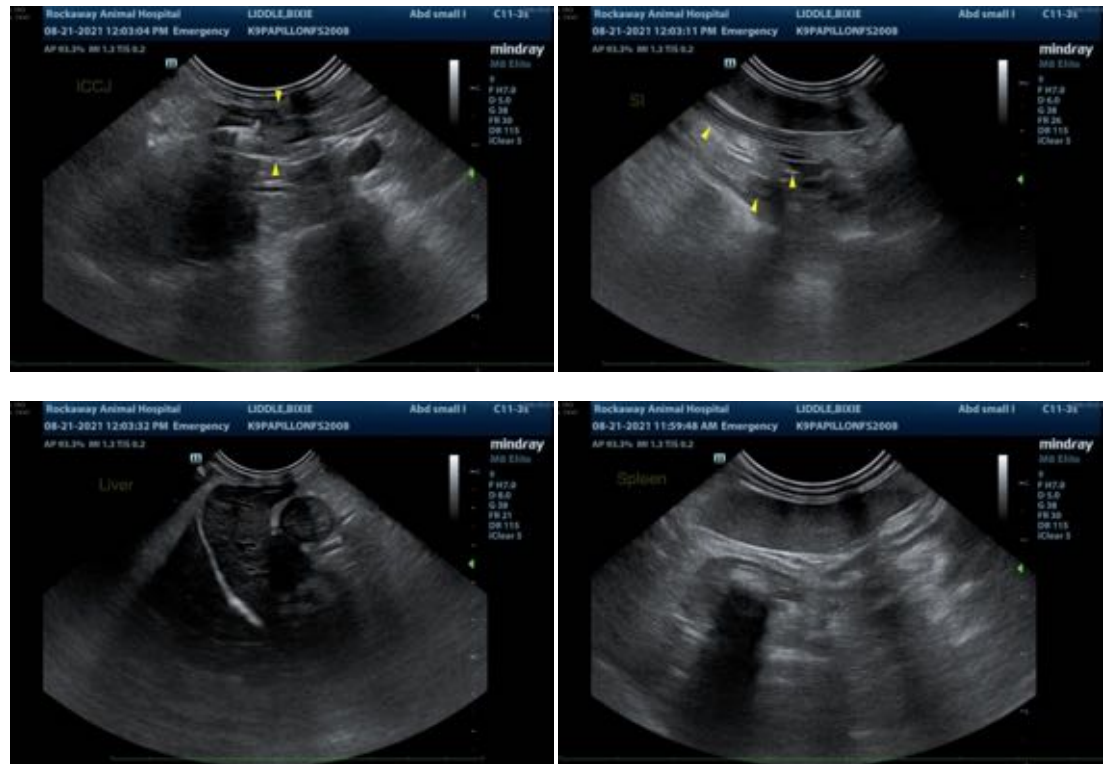
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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