

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

8/7/23

Elevated ALKP 1040. Mildly elevated ALT. Post bile acids elevated.

PATIENT

Sampson Monfredo

Current Medications: None.

Lab Results: ALKP 1040, ALT 132.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

Imaging Performed By: Andi Parkinson, BS, RDMS.

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Miniature Schnauzer

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. 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

Male, neutered

The prostate is not definitively visualized due to its pelvic location.

AGE

12/11/2014

The left kidney is normal size (3.94 cm in length) with a normal shape, smooth peripheral margins and normal internal architecture. There is mild to moderate loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several hyperechoic shadowing diverticular foci are observed. A few small non-obstructive nephroliths are visualized. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydroureter.

WEIGHT

5.62 kg.

The right kidney is normal in size (4.33 cm in length) with a normal shape, smooth peripheral margins and normal internal architecture. There is mild to moderate loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several hyperechoic shadowing diverticular foci are observed. A few small non-obstructive nephroliths are visualized. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydroureter.

INTERPRETED BY

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Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is upper limits of normal size (0.68 cm at cranial pole) (0.56 cm at caudal pole) (1.59 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.

HOSPITAL NAME

Banfield Towson

The right adrenal gland is normal size (0.61 cm at cranial pole) (0.48 cm at caudal pole) (1.30 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. Chadha

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (0.84 cm in width at the level of the hilus) with a normal capsular contour. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. A small ill-defined meylolipoma is observed in the region of the hilus. Splenic vasculature is normal.

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Liver

The liver is subjectively normal in size. A 2.95 x 1.29 cm slightly hypoechoic swelling/mass is observed in the left lateral lobe. The lesion causes slight capsular expansion. The remaining peripheral margins are curvilinear. The parenchyma is isoechoic relative to the spleen and exhibits subtle heterogeneity. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion. The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A moderate amount of aggregated echogenic sludge is adhered to the luminal surface. 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 thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. No obstructive disease is noted.

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:

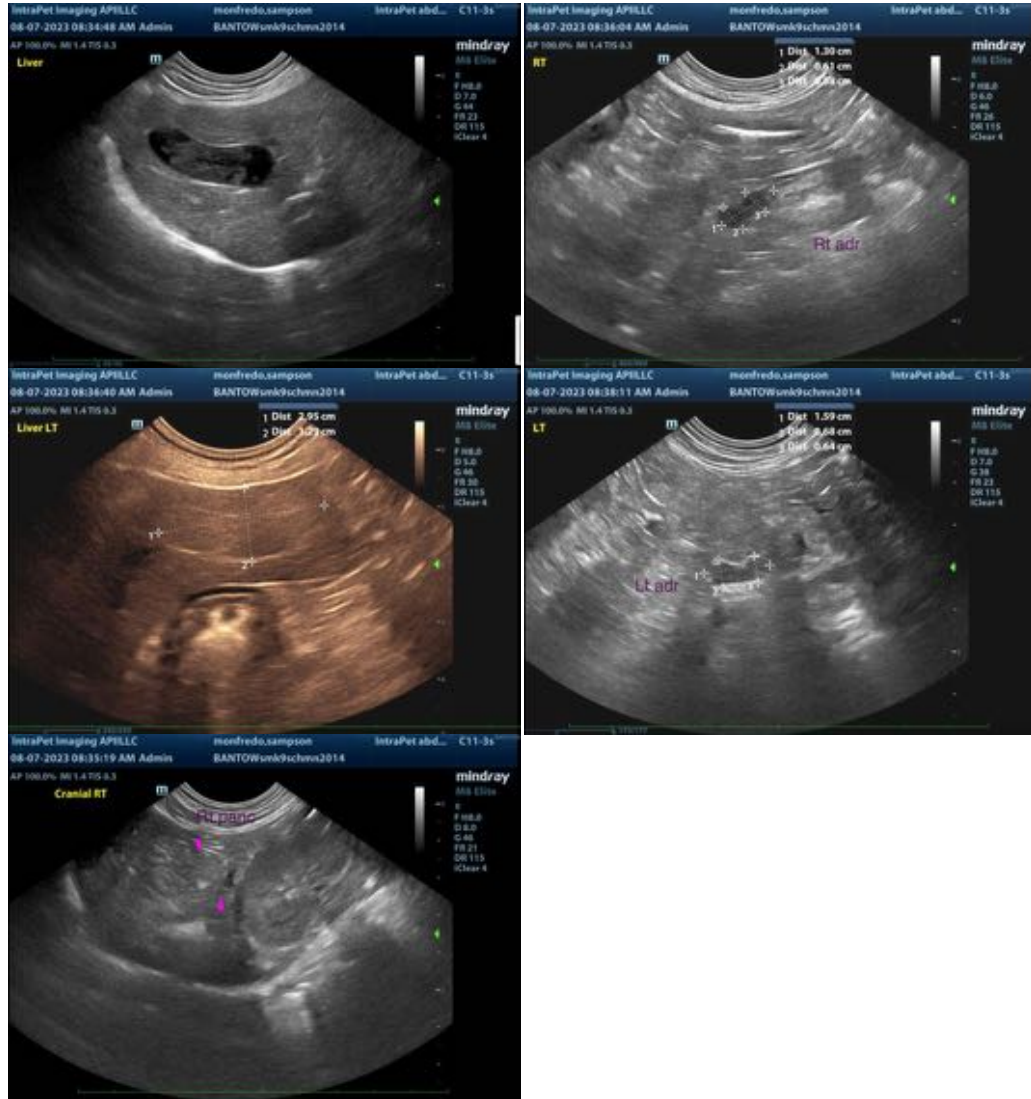
- The left hepatic swelling/mass could be consistent with a benign process (i.e., regenerative nodule, focus of vacuolar hepatopathy or inflammation). However, an emerging tumor (i.e., adenoma, adenocarcinoma, round cell tumor) is also possible. The diffuse hepatic parenchymal changes trend toward the benign (i.e., vacuolar hepatopathy and/or regenerative nodular hyperplasia) with a lower possibility of inflammatory disease, infiltrative neoplasia or other pathology.

Secondary Findings:

- Adhered gallbladder sludge, non-mucocele.
- The pancreatic changes are most consistent with age-related parenchymal remodeling, potentially secondary to a prior inflammatory episode, early fibrosis or chronic pancreatitis.
- Bilateral chronic renal changes with non-obstructive nephrolithiasis.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Consider a fine needle aspirate of the left hepatic lesion (if clotting status is normal). A 25 gauge needle should be used. If cytology results are inconclusive, consider laparoscopic or surgical biopsy of the hepatic lesion as well as other liver lobes or close monitoring of the patient's liver values and sonographic monitoring (i.e., every 2-3 months) of the hepatic lesion to assess for growth.



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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