

**PATIENT**

Cece Wogman

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Yorkshire terrier

**SEX**

Female, spayed

**AGE**

3 Yrs.

**WEIGHT**

18 lbs.

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

History: 3 week history of intermittent vomiting, reduced appetite (although still eating), and lethargy. Lost 0.1 pounds in 3 weeks. BCS 7/9. Trial treatment with probiotic, metronidazole, sucralfate, famotidine did not seem to change overall condition.

The patient was sedated for the exam with Dexdomitor

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Tense on abdominal palpation, very quiet demeanor.

Radiographs on 9/1 show delayed gastric emptying. 9/1/21 - unremarkable CBC/Chem 17/Electrolytes.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

*Urinary System*

The urinary bladder and visible portion of the pelvic urethra are normal for the degree of luminal distension. The urine is anechoic with no evidence of debris. Cystic calculi and discrete masses are not observed. The region of the trigone is normal.

The left kidney is normal size (4.28 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal size (4.25 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

*Adrenal Glands*

The left adrenal gland is small in size (0.27 cm at cranial pole) (0.28 cm at caudal pole) (1.51 cm in length); normal shape; homogeneous 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 small in size (0.22 cm at cranial pole) (0.36 cm at caudal pole) (1.25 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 (1.54 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. Luminal contents are anechoic. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.



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***Gastrointestinal***

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The gastric lumen is moderately fluid distended and hypomotile. 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. The colonic lumen contains liquid appearing fecal material. No obstructive disease is noted.

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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.

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***Free Abdomen***

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

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**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

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- Gastric stasis
- The bilaterally small adrenal glands may be a normal variant for this patient or may be early atrophy (i.e., secondary to hypoadrenocorticism).

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The following diagnostics/treatment recommendations can be considered:

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1. Serum cobalamin, folate, PLI and TLI
2. A fecal evaluation for ova/Giardia
3. A 6-week limited antigen diet trial to assess for food allergies.
4. A resting cortisol level to screen for hypoadrenocorticism. If resting cortisol level is < 2.0 mcg/dL, an ACTH stimulation test is recommended.
5. Given the gastric stasis, consider a pro-motility agent (i.e., Metoclopramide) as empirical treatment for a gastric motility disorder. If vomiting does not improve within 3-5 days of initiating therapy, Metoclopramide can be discontinued.
6. Three-view thoracic radiographs should be performed to assess for occult esophageal disease.
7. Depending on the results of the above diagnostics/therapeutics, endoscopic or surgical gastrointestinal biopsies may be warranted.

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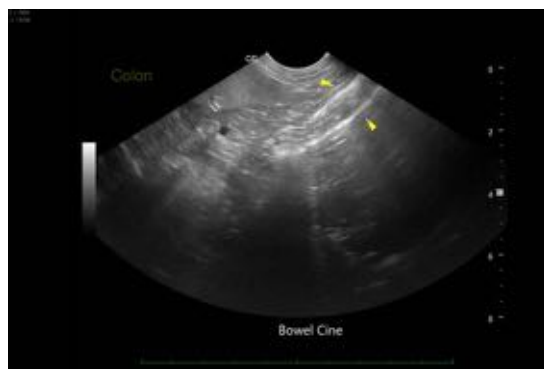
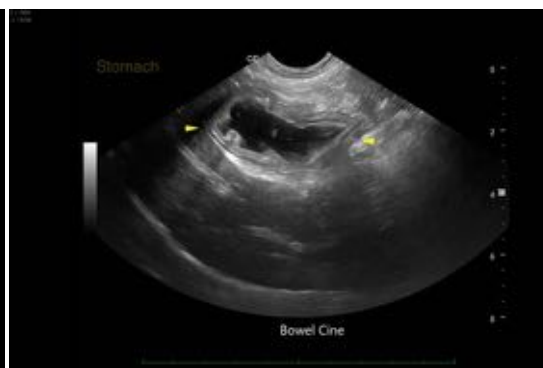
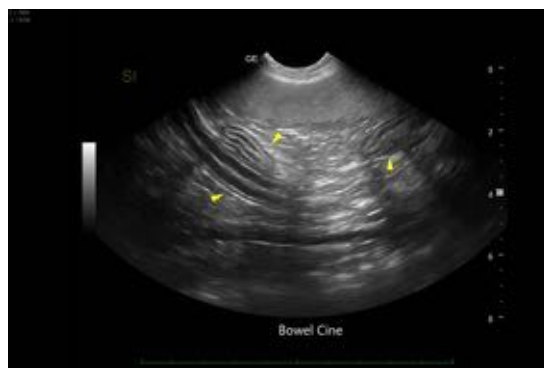
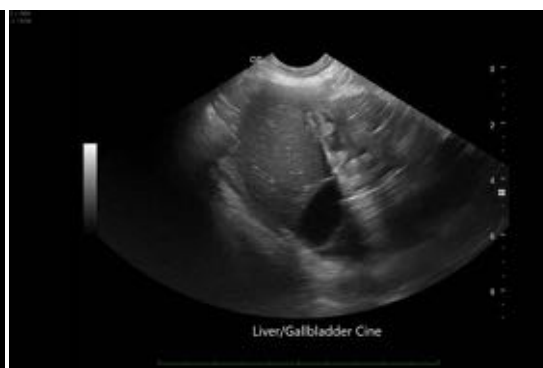
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the



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image/video clips provided.

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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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