

## PATIENT

Atlas Glassey

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Border Collie

## SEX

Male, neutered

## AGE

6 Yrs.

## WEIGHT

40.7 lbs.

## INTERPRETED BY

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Clinical Exam Findings:

- Chronic GI sensitivity, intermittent vomiting, weight loss
- Radiographic Findings
- No obvious foreign body or obstructive patterns noted
  - Butorphanol administered for this study

## 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 mostly anechoic. No cystic calculi are observed. The region of the trigone and the proximal urethra, visible to a depth of 4 cm, are normal.

The prostate is normal in size (0.67 cm in width) and shape. Parenchyma is homogenous. The prostatic urethra appears normal without evidence of dilation or obstruction.

The left kidney is normal in size (6.39 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal in size (6.28 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

### **Adrenal Glands**

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.57 cm at cranial pole) (0.58 cm at caudal pole) with a normal shape and homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

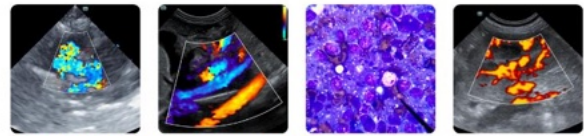
The right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.68 cm at cranial pole) (0.46 cm at caudal pole) with a normal shape and homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

### **Spleen**

The spleen is normal in size (1.98 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.



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The gall bladder is difficult to visualize due to its intercostal location. It appears moderately distended. The wall is mildly thickened (up to 0.24 cm) and hyperechoic. A moderate to large amount of aggregated echogenic mineralized, partially dependent sludge is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

**Gastrointestinal**

The gastric lumen is mildly distended with ingesta. The gastric wall is normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The small intestinal lumen is segmentally dilated with chyme. 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 shadowing fecal material. There is no obvious evidence of an obstructive pattern.

**Pancreas**

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.

**Lymph nodes**

The abdominal lymph nodes are normal/not visible.

**Free Abdomen**

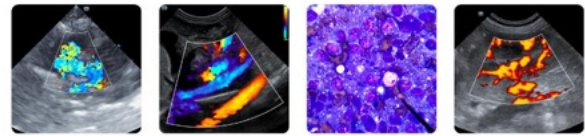
The peritoneal cavity is normal. There is no evidence of inflammation or effusion.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- Excessive gallbladder sludge/sand may be secondary to cholestasis, fasting or an emerging mucocele. The gallbladder wall changes are suggestive of cholecystitis.

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A minimum database including a CBC chemistry panel, urinalysis and T4 is recommended to assess overall metabolic function.
- The following diagnostics/treatment recommendations can also be considered:
  - Texas GI panel including serum cobalamin, folate, PLI, TLI and resting cortisol level
  - Fecal evaluation for ova/Giardia
  - Prophylactic deworming with Fenbendazole.
  - 3-4 week hypoallergenic or hydrolyzed protein diet trial
  - Initiation of a probiotic with a high colony count +/- fiber supplement (i.e., psyllium).
  - Depending on the results of the above diagnostics/therapeutics, endoscopic or surgical gastrointestinal biopsies may be warranted. Three-view thoracic radiographs should be performed prior to any anesthetic event.
- Given the gall bladder changes, Ursodeoxycholic acid (Ursodiol) is recommended. Serial sonographic monitoring (e.g., every 6-8 weeks) of the gall bladder is recommended to assess for progression to a fully formed mucocele. If progression occurs, a cholecystectomy may be warranted.



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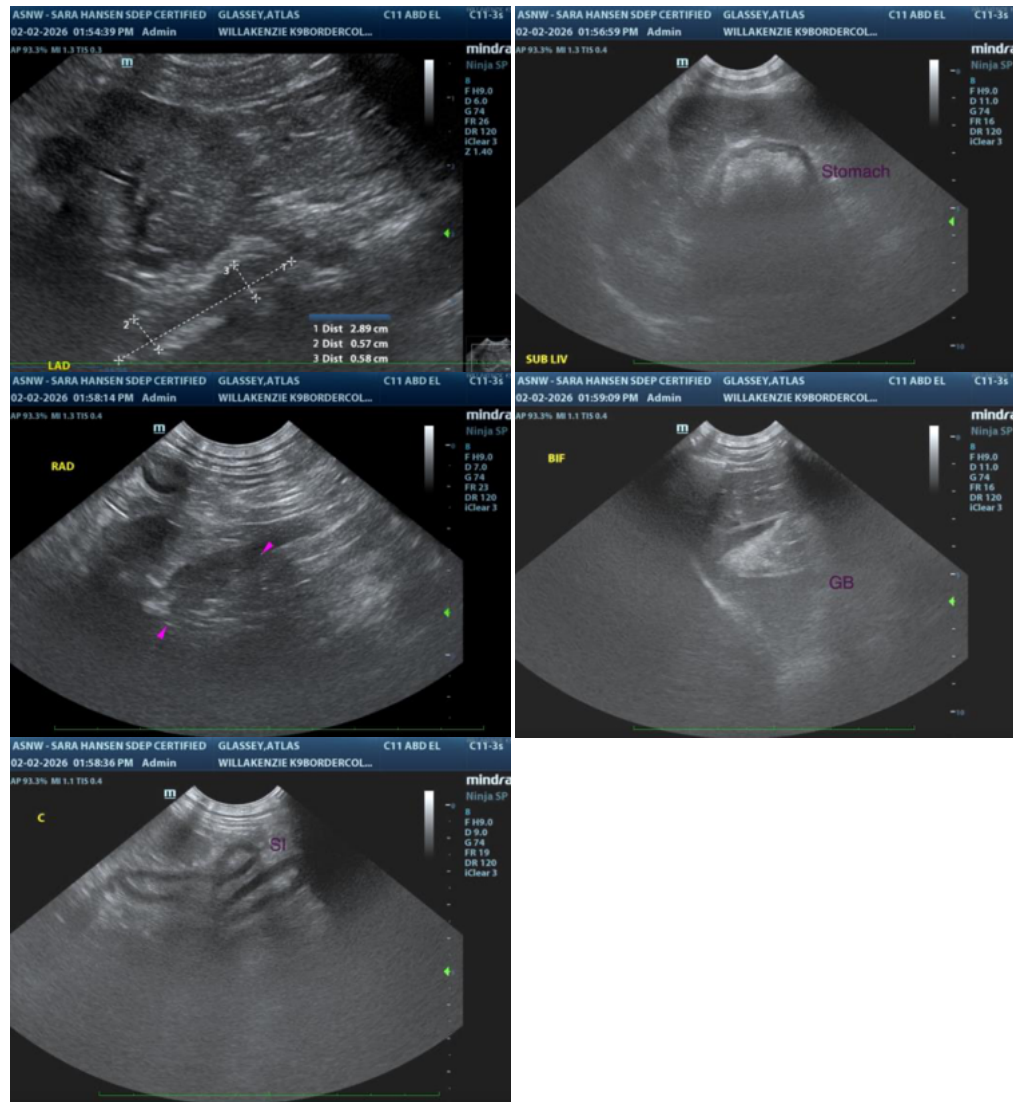
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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