

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

10/27/22

10/6/2022: P has been vomiting on/off since she was a puppy. Slow feeder helped slightly. Happens every few days/weeks, most frequently with activity. Bark social for 3mo with no issues and the last two visits she was projectile vomited while playing. Whole food or occasionally water. Energy level normal. Currently being fed Purina PP Chicken + Rice. No recent travel or changes in food/treats.

PATIENT

Rosie Smith

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Bernedoodle

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

8/15/21

WEIGHT

53.8 Pounds

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RDMS, RVT**HOSPITAL NAME**

Heart + Paw

REFERRING VET

Dr. Pagan

INVOICE

42439

Current Medications: Provable Forte Sprinkle Capsules (1 PO SID x15days) started 10/10/2022, Metronidazole & Panacur.

Lab Results: Fecal positive for Giardia 10/10.

Radiographs: No obvious signs of a foreign body. Gas pattern noted throughout stomach and intestines. Feces noted in colon. No intestinal obstructive pattern or cause for vomiting is identified.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**Urinary System**

The urinary bladder is moderately distended with anechoic contents. No masses, inflammatory changes, echogenic sediment or cystoliths are observed. The urinary bladder, trigone and visible pelvic urethra are normal in thickness with a smooth mucosal surface.

The right kidney is normal in size (5.28 cm), shape and echogenicity. It has smooth peripheral margination. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with appropriate corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, mineral or infarcts observed.

The left kidney is normal in size (5.93 cm), shape and echogenicity. It has smooth peripheral margination. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with appropriate corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, mineral or infarcts observed.

Adrenal Glands

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (2.6 cm long x 0.58 cm at the cranial pole and 0.52 cm at the caudal pole), shape and contour. Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (2.3 cm long x 0.38 cm at the cranial pole and 0.47 cm at the caudal pole), shape and contour. Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

Spleen

The spleen is subjectively normal in size with a normal smooth capsular contour. Parenchyma is appropriately finely textured and homogenous with normal echogenicity relative to surrounding tissue (hyperechoic to liver). No focal nodules or masses are observed. Splenic vasculature appears normal.

Liver

The liver is subjectively normal in size with normal smooth curvilinear peripheral contour. Parenchyma is appropriately hypoechoic to the spleen in echogenicity and appropriately mildly coarse and homogenous in echotexture. No focal lesions are observed. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal without distension or congestion.

The gallbladder is non-distended in size. The wall is smooth without visible thickening. Luminal contents are primarily anechoic. There is no evidence of cystic or common bile duct dilation.

Gastrointestinal

The stomach wall is normal in thickness (canine < 0.5 cm and feline < 0.4 cm) and layering. The lumen of the stomach is empty with no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease. Pyloric outflow tract appears patent.

The visible small intestines are normal in wall thickness and layering (canine duodenum < 0.5 cm and feline duodenum < 0.4 cm; other < 0.3 cm). Small intestinal motility appears adequate (1-3 contractions per min). The lumen of the small intestine is empty with no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease.

The visible colon is normal in wall thickness (< 0.2 cm) and layering. Contents are consistent with normal formed feces and gas.

Pancreas

The pancreatic parenchyma is appropriately isoechoic to surrounding tissue. Visible capsule is smooth and normal in contour. There is no visible pancreatic duct dilation. There is no evidence of active peripancreatic inflammation.

Free Abdomen

There is no evidence of free peritoneal effusion noted in these images.

The mesenteric lymph nodes are prominent in size with swollen capsular contour. Normal elongated shape (length to width ratio) is maintained. There is no loss of parenchymal detail.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- **Reactive mesenteric lymph nodes** – Likely a normal variant for a patient of this age.
- Otherwise, unremarkable/normal abdomen without an ultrasonographically visible cause for the patient's vomiting/diarrhea.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

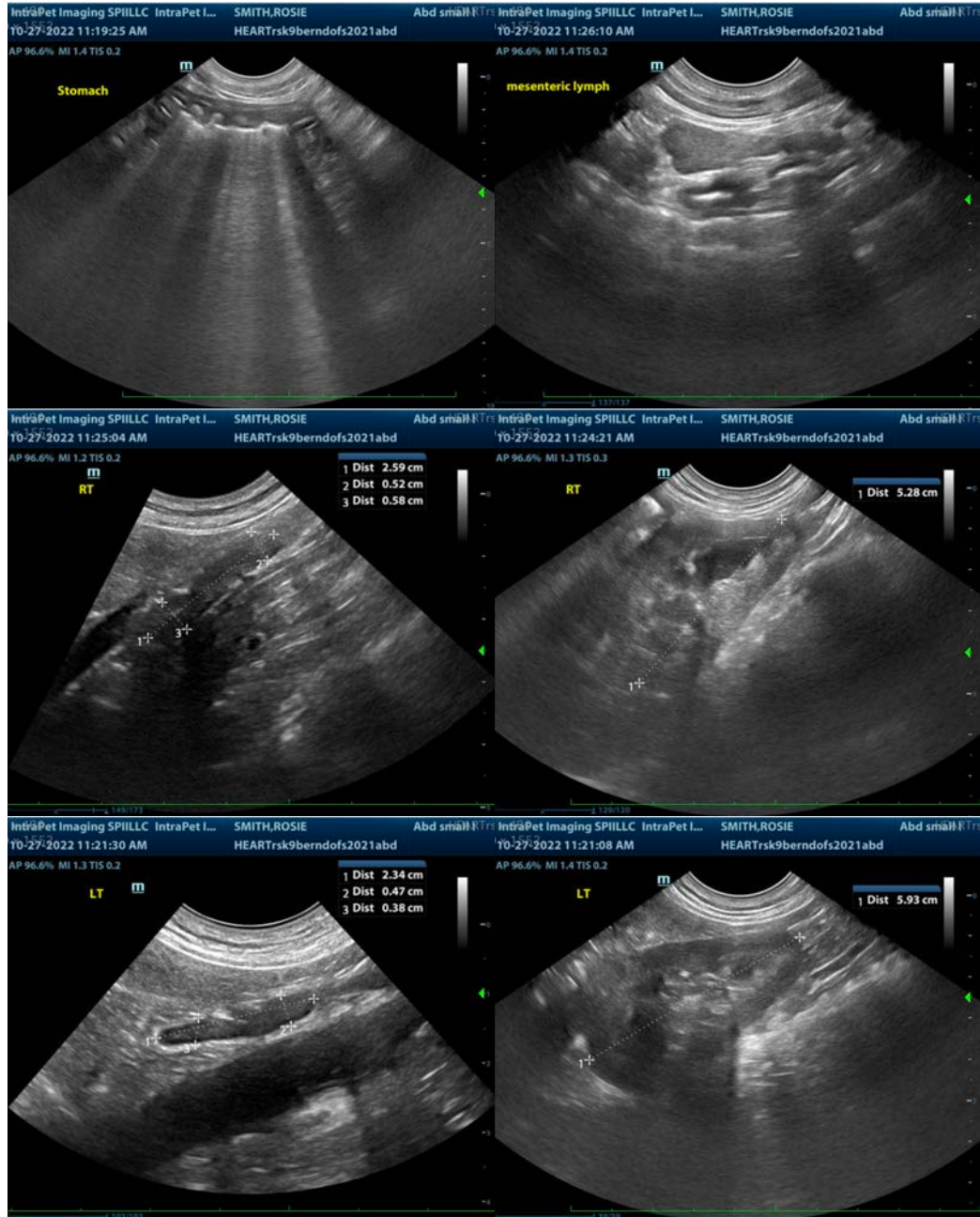
If not already evaluated, three view thoracic radiographs are recommended for further assessment of cardiopulmonary status as well as to further evaluate for any evidence of possible esophageal dilation, etc. that may point towards esophageal versus lower gastrointestinal disease.

A gastrointestinal malabsorption panel (including cobalamin, folate, TLI and PLI) to Texas A&M GI Laboratory is recommended for further evaluation of GI and pancreatic function.

A baseline cortisol is recommended. If baseline cortisol is less than 2, a full ACTH stimulation test is recommended to rule out hypoadrenocorticism.

A fecal enteropathogen PCR panel to Texas A&M GI Laboratory could be considered for further evaluation of possible infectious disease, as well as a fecal exam inf not recently evaluated.

In the meantime, empirical twice daily antacid therapy as well as the already reportedly in place deworming and probiotic are recommended in addition to transition to a hydrolyzed protein diet on a trial-and-error basis, moving onto a bland, easy to digest diet, biome diet, etc. on a trial-and-error basis if the hydrolyzed does not results in improvement.



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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