

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

12/20/22 Lethargic, not eating, weak.

PATIENT Current Medications: prednisone 20 mg 1/2 tab bid started 12-18-22

Brooks Filling

doxycycline 100 mg 1/2 tab bid started 12-18-22, entyce 30 mg/ml 1 ml every 24 hours started 12-18-22

Lab Results: See attached.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

SPECIES

Stat Report: Not requested.

Canine

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**BREED****Urinary System**

Terrier X

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.

SEX

Neutered Male

Prostate is normal in size, echotexture and echogenicity for a neutered male.

AGE

1/13/12

The right kidney is normal in size (5.03 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.

WEIGHT

22.7 Pounds

The left kidney is normal in size (4.75 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.

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DACVIM**Adrenal Glands**

The area of the right adrenal gland is examined without evident adrenal gland pathology.

IMAGING PERFORMED BY

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The left adrenal gland is normal in size (2.14 cm long x 0.58 cm at the cranial pole and 0.68 cm at the caudal pole), shape and contour. Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

HOSPITAL NAME

Animal Medical Center

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). A 4.7 cm x 5.6 cm heterogeneous, cavitated mass is present, disrupting the capsule near the tail/caudal aspect of the spleen. Splenic vasculature appears normal.

REFERRING VET

Dr. Chaudhry

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. A 5.83 cm x 6.16 cm heterogeneous, partially cavitated mass is present in the caudal right liver, as well as a 2nd heterogeneous cystic lesion measuring approximately 1.5 cm in diameter, deeper to the larger mass. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal without distension or congestion.

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Gallbladder is moderately distended with anechoic bile as well as mild suspended and gravity dependent echogenic debris. The wall is smooth without visible thickening. There is no evidence of cystic or CBD dilation. There is no evidence of effusion or inflammation.

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 a moderate to large amount of anechoic free fluid present around the liver and spleen.

There is no apparent lymphadenopathy noted in these images.

There is no visible pericardial effusion or heart base tumors noted in these images.

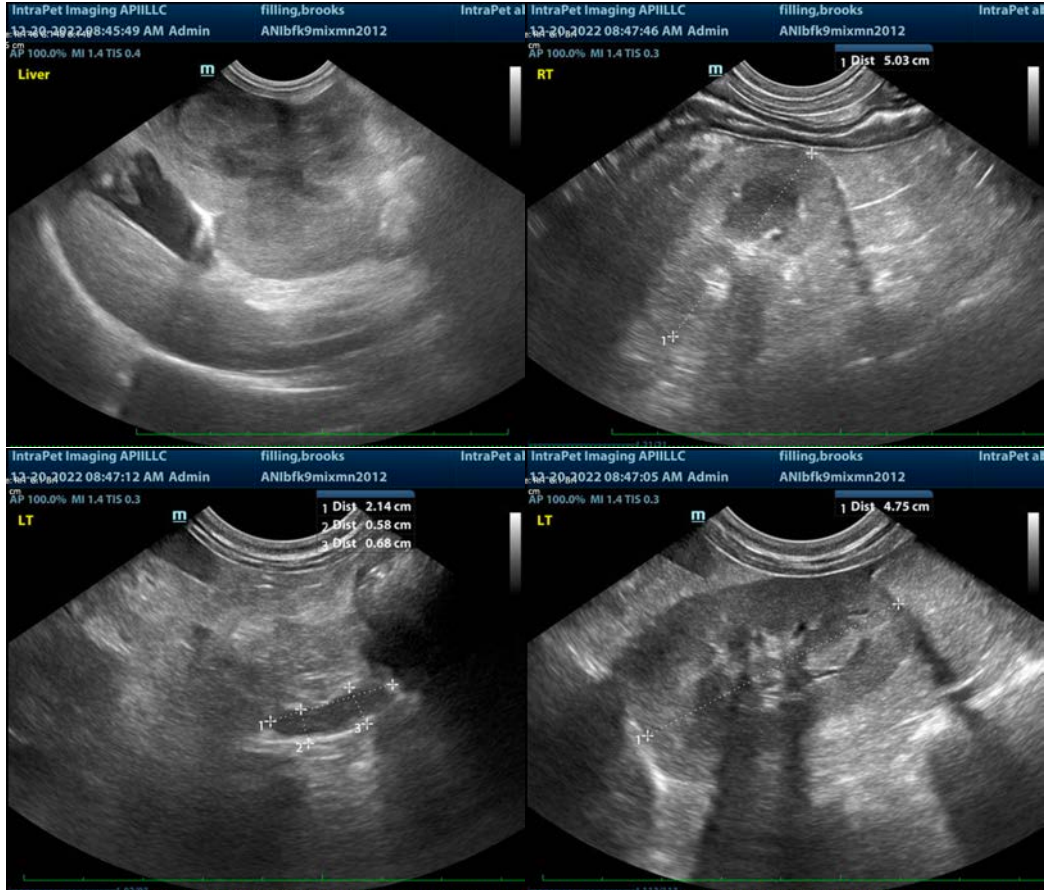
ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

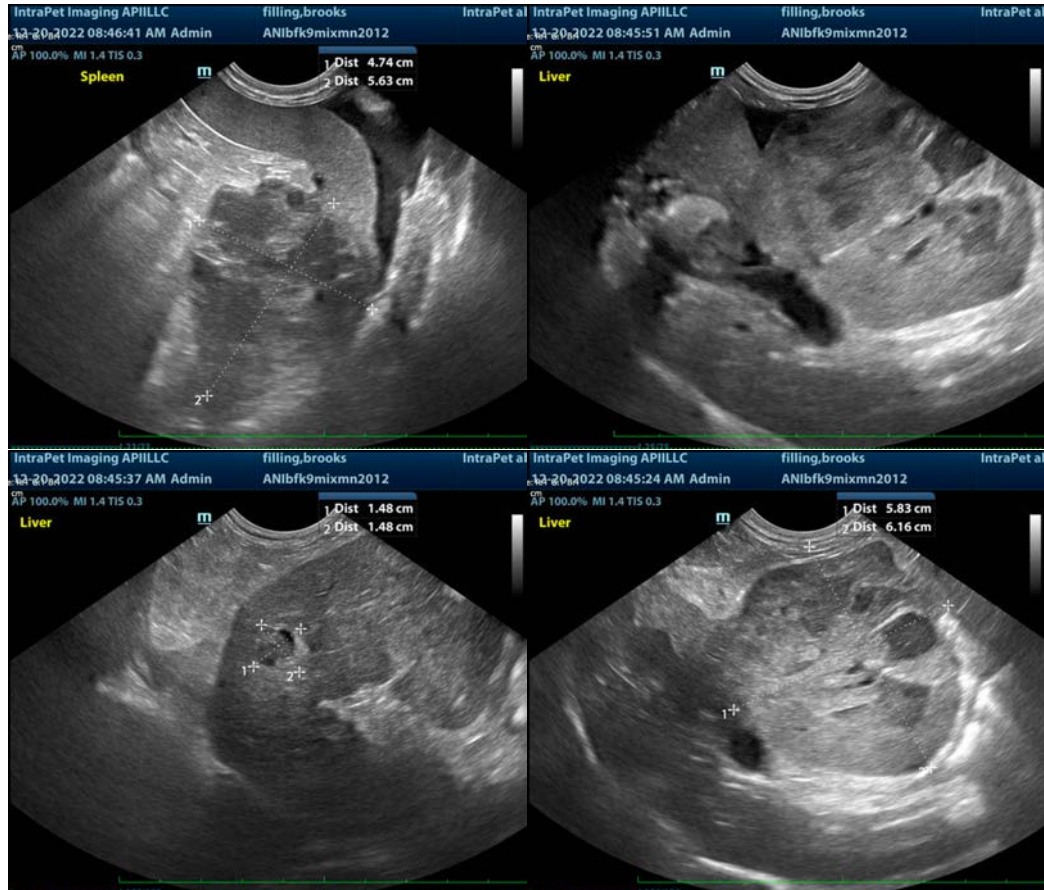
- **Multiple cavitated liver masses and a cavitated splenic mass** – Most concerning for infiltrative neoplasia involving both organs, such as hemangiosarcoma, especially given the concurrent free fluid suspected to be a hemoabdomen based on this patient's reported anemia. Benign disease is possible but considered much less likely.
- **Mild gallbladder debris** - Cholecystic debris is of unknown clinical significance. It can be seen with biliary stasis from fasting or illness. Cholecystic debris is not necessarily related to hepatobiliary disease. Echogenic bile is most commonly an incidental finding in dogs and should be interpreted in combination with clinical signs such as nausea, inappetence, cranial abdominal discomfort and/or laboratory changes such as increased ALP and/or increased Tbili.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Three view thoracic radiographs are recommended for further assessment of cardio-pulmonary status as well as to further evaluate for any evidence of metastatic disease, if not recently evaluated.

Sampling of the free abdominal fluid is recommended to definitively determine whether this patient's anemia is secondary to a hemoabdomen, and if hemoabdomen is present, an exploratory laparotomy for planned liver mass removal and splenectomy is recommended. Given the multifocal nature of the disease, removal of all of the grossly visible disease is not likely possible. However, removal of the actively hemorrhaging masses could be performed.





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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