

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

2/16/23 Routine BW in December showed mild ALT/ALKP elevations. Pet was switched to sensitive stomach diet and had 30 day course of denamarin. Recheck ALT/ALKP levels showed that both values had nearly doubled. Pet is overall doing well at home and owner has no other concerns.

PATIENT

Aidan Ruscart Current Medications: 30 day denamarin trial completed, starting 12/13.

Lab Results: 12/13/22: ALKP 489; ALT 242.

2/13/23: ALKP 1090; ALT 350.

SPECIES

Canine

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

BREED

Labrador X

Imaging Performed By: Andi Parkinson, BS, RDMS.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**Urinary System**

Neutered Male 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.

AGE

6/7/12

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

WEIGHT

79 Pounds

The right kidney is normal in size (7.23 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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The left kidney is normal in size (7.0 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**HOSPITAL NAME**

Fullerton AH

Adrenal glands are plump/swollen in size. Normal shape and contour are maintained without evidence of capsular invasion. Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal. The right adrenal gland measures 2.5 cm long x 1.27 cm at the cranial pole and 0.96 cm at the caudal pole. The left adrenal gland measures 2.64 cm long x 0.88 cm at the cranial pole and 1.07 cm at the caudal pole.

REFERRING VET

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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.

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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. The right caudal liver is markedly rounded with a discrete homogeneous isoechoic mass-like appearance measuring 12+ cm x 14+ cm in size. 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.

There is no apparent lymphadenopathy noted in these images.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- **Bilateral adrenomegaly** – consistent with adrenal hyperplasia secondary to pituitary dependent hyperadrenocorticism vs stress or normal variant. Interpret in combination with clinical signs of hyperadrenocorticism.
- **Mass-like appearance to the right caudal liver** – This may represent a marked steroid, endocrine, or vacuolar hepatopathy change. However, infiltrative disease including infiltrative neoplasia cannot be ruled out and should be investigated via tissue sampling.

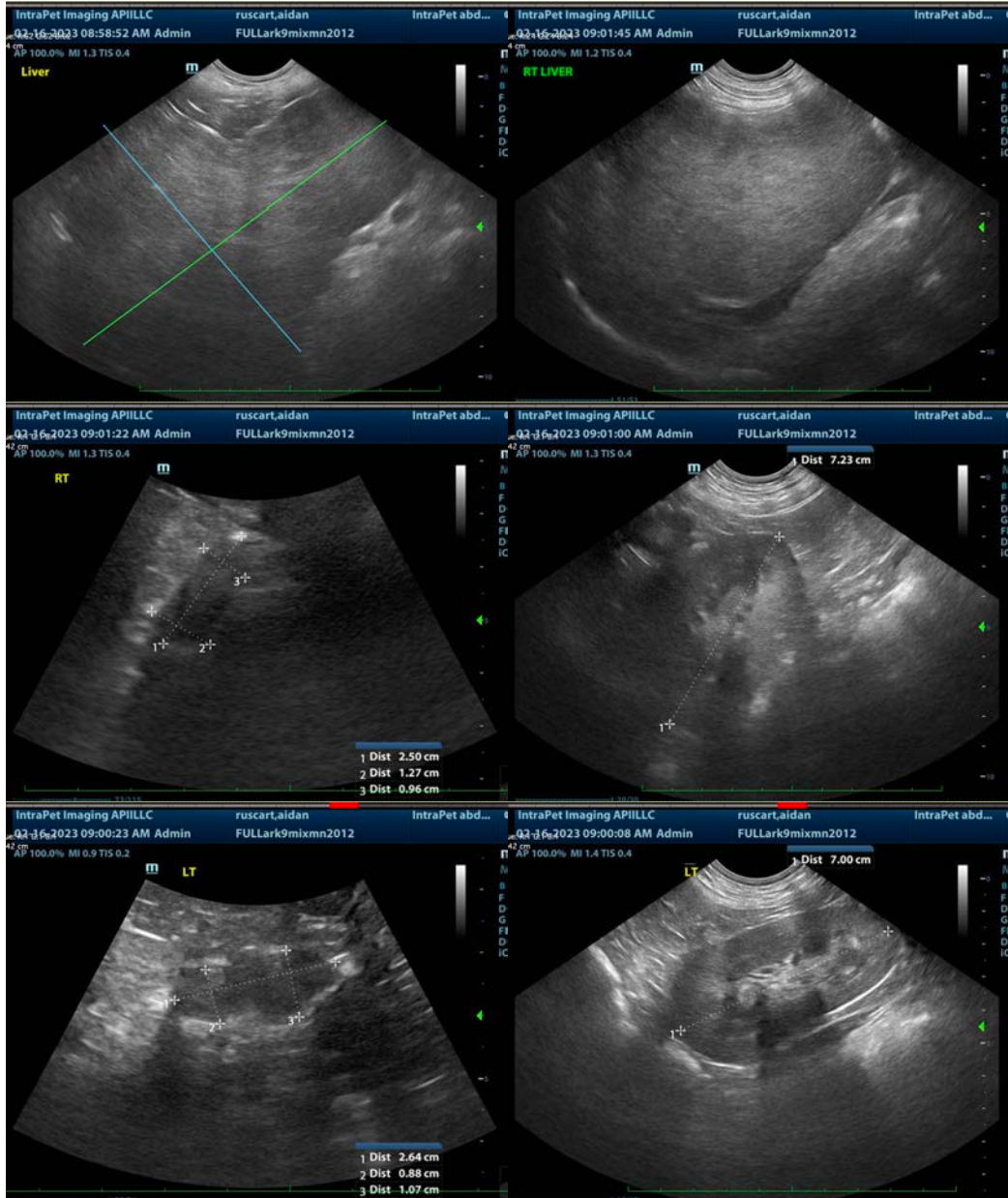
INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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.

A fine needle aspirate of the right caudal liver mass is recommended if patient's coagulation status is appropriate.

Pending results, if this patient has any supporting clinical signs of hyperadrenocorticism including PU/PD, polyphagia, etc., further evaluation for hyperadrenocorticism, beginning with a low-dose Dexamethasone suppression test could be considered. However, further workup is not recommended without supporting clinical signs. If not already evaluated, a urinalysis and, if indicated based on urinalysis results, urine culture are recommended. If protein is present in an otherwise quiet sediment, protein quantification with a urine protein to creatinine ration is recommended.

Blood pressure is also recommended.





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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