

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

2/7/23 Patient presents for evaluation and recheck abdomen (concern for cystitis pattern prior in bladder). Doing well clinically.

**PATIENT**

Lexi Ridge  
 Current Medications: None current.  
 Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: 8/23/22. See attached.  
 Sedation: Patient sedated with Torbugesic.  
 Stat Report: Not requested.

**SPECIES**

Canine  
 Imaging Performed By: Andi Parkinson, BS, RDMS.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN****BREED**

Labrador X

**SEX**

Spayed Female

**AGE**

6/2/19

**WEIGHT**

56 Pounds

**INTERPRETED BY**

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 DACVIM

**HOSPITAL NAME**

Perry Hall AH

**REFERRING VET**

Dr. Miller

**INVOICE**

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**Urinary System**

Urinary bladder is only mildly distended (empty). Visible contents are anechoic. Urinary bladder wall is unable to be fully assessed for pathology without further distension. No visible masses or cystoliths are observed. The trigone and visible pelvic urethra are normal thickness with a smooth mucosal surface. If there are urinary signs and/or concern for urinary bladder pathology, reassessment after complete filling is recommended. Despite being empty, the wall measures 0.59 cm thick, which even without full distention is improved from the previous reported thickness of 0.78 cm.

The right kidney is normal in size (6.41 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 (6.26 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 (2.2 cm long x 0.69 cm at the cranial pole and 0.44 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 (1.97 cm long x 0.49 cm at the cranial pole and 0.53 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.

There is no apparent lymphadenopathy noted in these images.

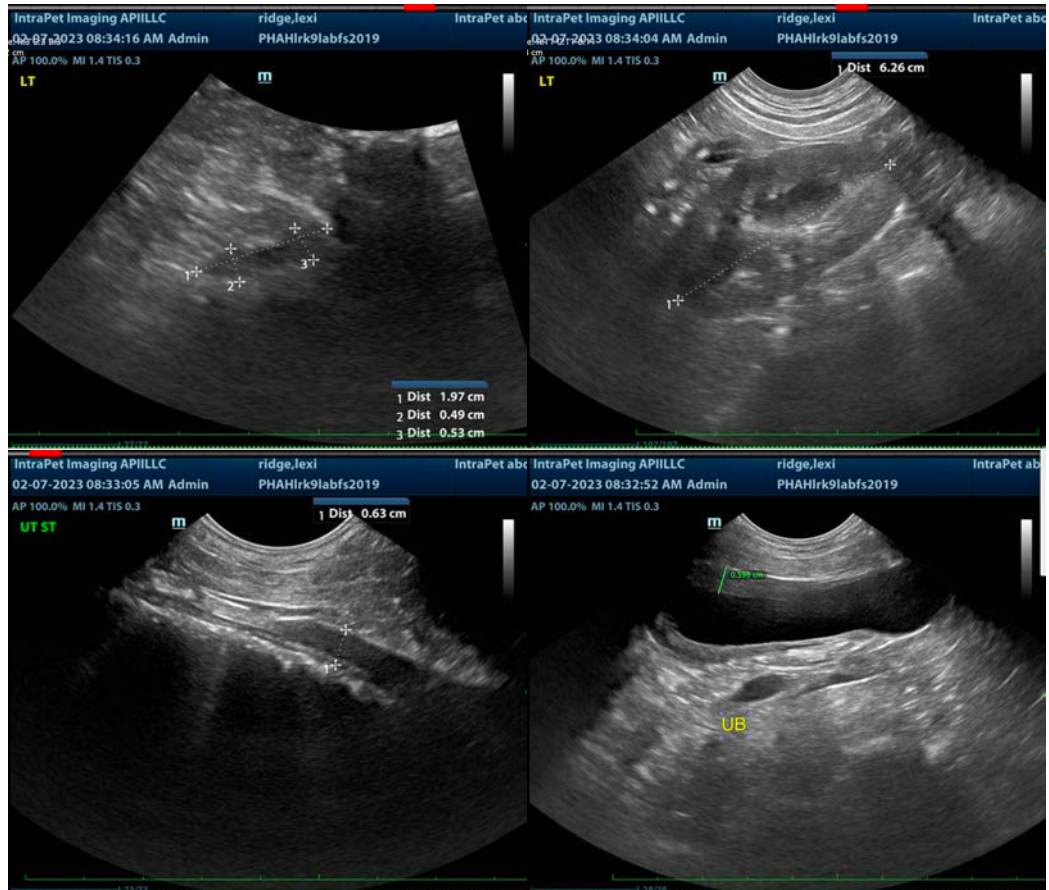
## **ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- The urinary bladder wall is difficult to fully assess given the empty state of the bladder. However, given that even an empty bladder is measuring less thick than previously described cystitis pattern, this is believed to be a normal patient variant/empty urinary bladder without evident pathology and should be interpreted in combination with clinical signs, etc.

## **INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

There are no additional follow up recommendations at this time, given the reported clinically normal status of the patient. If clinical signs return, follow up recommendations can be made at that time.





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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