

**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Mina Hill History: Mass on spleen-contouring lesion in cranial abdomen on rads. Current meds: Prednisone, Amoxicillin

**SPECIES ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

Canine **Urinary System**

**BREED** Urinary bladder is adequately 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.

Lab/Beagle

**SEX** Left kidney is normal in size (5.06 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.

Spayed Female

**AGE** Right kidney is normal in size (4.63 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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**Adrenal Glands**

**WEIGHT** Left adrenal gland is small (flattened contour). Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal. The left adrenal gland measures 2.23 cm long x 0.27 cm at the cranial pole and 0.34 cm at the caudal pole.

45 Pounds

Right adrenal gland is normal in size (2.42 cm long x 0.7 cm at cranial pole and 0.59 cm at caudal pole), shape and overall architecture, echogenicity and echotexture. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

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**Spleen**

Spleen is subjectively large 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 0.8 cm non-capsule-disrupting hypo- to anechoic nodule is noted in the mid body of the spleen. Splenic vasculature appears normal. The spleen is folded upon itself, which is a positional non-pathologic variant.

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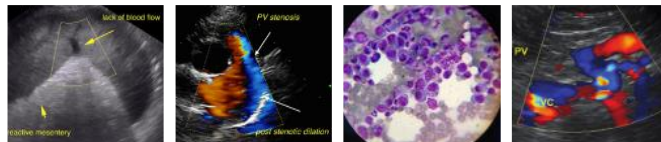
Dr. Corrado Gallbladder is moderately distended with anechoic bile as well as suspended and gravity dependent echogenic debris. The wall is smooth without visible thickening. There is no evidence of cystic or CBD dilation. There is no evidence of effusion or inflammation.

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**DATE** The visible stomach wall is normal in thickness and layering. The lumen of the stomach is mildly distended with echogenic non-shadowing luminal contents and gas consistent with normal ingesta.

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**PATIENT** There is no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease. Pyloric outflow tract appears patent.

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The visible small intestines are normal in wall thickness and layering. 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.

Canine

The visible colon is normal in wall thickness and layering. Contents are consistent with normal formed feces and gas.

**BREED**

***Pancreas***

Lab/Beagle

The observed pancreas appears appropriately isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Visible capsule is smooth and normal in contour. Visible pancreatic parenchyma is homogenous and unremarkable.

**SEX**

There is no visible pancreatic duct dilation. There is no evidence of active peripancreatic inflammation.

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***Free Abdomen***

There is no evidence of peritoneal effusion. There is no apparent lymphadenopathy.

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***Other***

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There is no evidence of heart base or pericardial pathology noted in these images at this time. If cardiac function evaluation is desired a full echocardiogram is recommended.

**WEIGHT**

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

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**Primary Findings**

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- A flat left adrenal gland- Could be secondary to this patients reported steroids, however, hypoadrenocorticism should be ruled out if/when patient is off of steroids.
- A folded spleen, which likely represents a normal non-pathologic positional variant with a hypo to anechoic splenic nodule, which likely represents a benign lesion such as a cyst, hematoma, nodular hyperplasia, extramedullary hematopoiesis, etc., however while considered less likely, infiltrative neoplasia can mimic benign lesions, and cannot be ruled out.

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**Secondary Findings**

- 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**

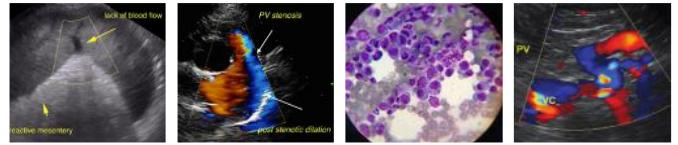
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There is no visible evidence of a splenic mass present in these images at this time, and the splenic changes described above trend in appearance toward benign. Therefore, further recommendations are dependent on patients clinical signs and presenting complaint, etc. As mentioned above, however, if/when patient is off of steroids, especially if clinical signs support hypoadrenocorticism, testing should be considered, beginning with a baseline cortisol. If baseline cortisol is less than 2, a full ACTH stimulation test is recommended to rule out hypoadrenocorticism.

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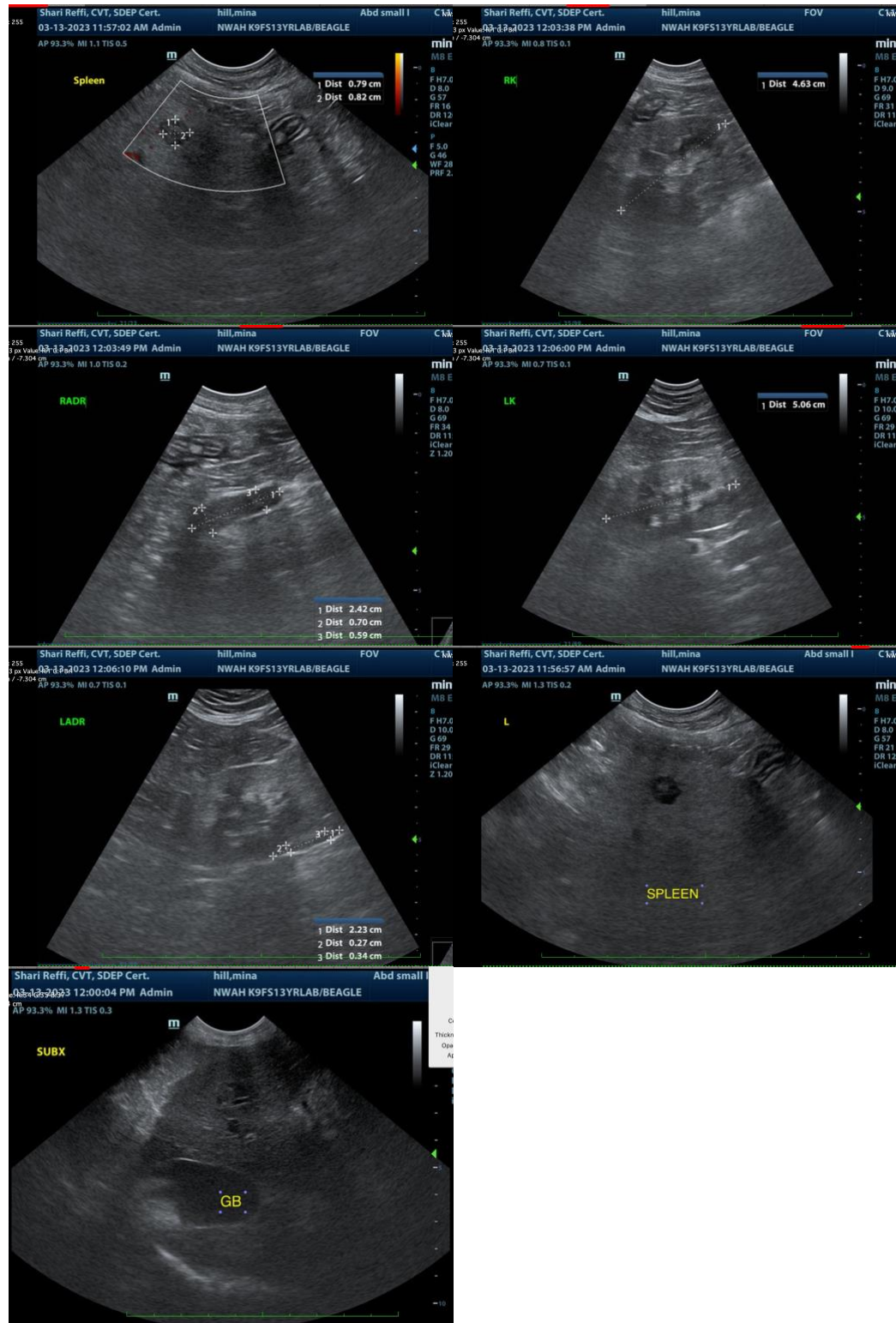
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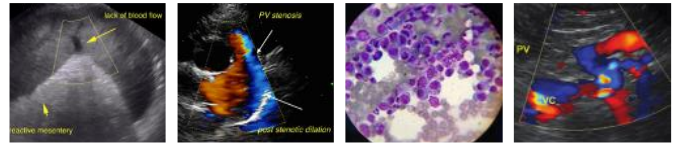
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.



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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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