

**DATE**

6/24/22

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Rescued from shelter recently so not much history. Severe dental disease, suspected collapsing trachea, unilateral cryptorchid. Pre-op BW for sx found elevated LES, no clinical signs at this time.
Current Medications: Clindamycin 75mg BID x10 days 6/3-6/13, Carprofen 12.5mg BID x7days starting 6/3, Clindamycin 25mg BID started 6/20 for ddz in preparation for dental cleaning.
Lab Results: ALT 764, ALP 351, Amylase 1771, Globulin 4.2.
Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.
Sedation: Torbugesic IV.
Stat Report: Not requested.
Imaging Performed By: Stephanie Pearce RDCS, RVT.

PATIENT

Dawson Animal Allies

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Chihuahua

SEX

Intact male

AGE

6/20/12

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

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.

Prostate is mildly enlarged. Parenchyma is diffusely homogenous and relatively hyperechoic. Normal distinct margins and symmetrical bilobed shape are maintained. The right testicle was imaged with the right inguinal area and the left testicle is distended contains a small, hyperechoic nodule.

Left kidney is normal is size (3.73 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.

Right kidney is normal is size (3.83 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.

INTERPRETED BYBeth Johnson, DVM
DACVIM**Adrenal Glands**

Left adrenal gland is normal in size (1.36 cm long, 0.41 cm at cranial pole and 0.38 cm at caudal pole), shape and overall architecture, echogenicity and echotexture. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

Right adrenal gland is normal in size (1.38 cm long, 0.56 at cranial pole and 0.47 cm at caudal pole), shape and overall architecture, echogenicity and echotexture. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

HOSPITAL NAME

Chadwell AH

REFERRING VET

Dr. Jones

Spleen

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

Liver is subjectively enlarged (swollen contour) without disruption of architecture. It has a normal homogenous echotexture. Parenchyma is diffusely hyperechoic characterized by less prominent than normal portal vein walls and increased echogenicity relative to the spleen and falciform fat. No focal lesions are observed. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal without distension or congestion.

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.

Gastrointestinal

The visible stomach wall is normal in thickness 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. 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 observed pancreas appears appropriately isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. The capsule is mildly irregular in shape. Parenchyma is mildly heterogenous and coarse. There is no visible pancreatic duct dilation. There is no evidence of active peripancreatic inflammation.

Free Abdomen

There is no evidence of peritoneal effusion or apparent lymphadenopathy noted in these images. Incidental ring downs were noted at the level of the diaphragm, which can be suggestive of pulmonary pathology.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Hyperechoic hepatomegaly – This appearance is most consistent with a benign steroid (endocrine) or vacuolar hepatopathy or reactive or idiopathic hepatopathy. Infiltrative neoplasia such as round cell neoplasia is also possible, but considered less likely.

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.

Pancreatic age-related remodeling – Mild irregularities are consistent with benign age-related change. Low-grade smoldering chronic pancreatitis cannot be ruled out and should be suspected in the face of appropriate clinical signs.

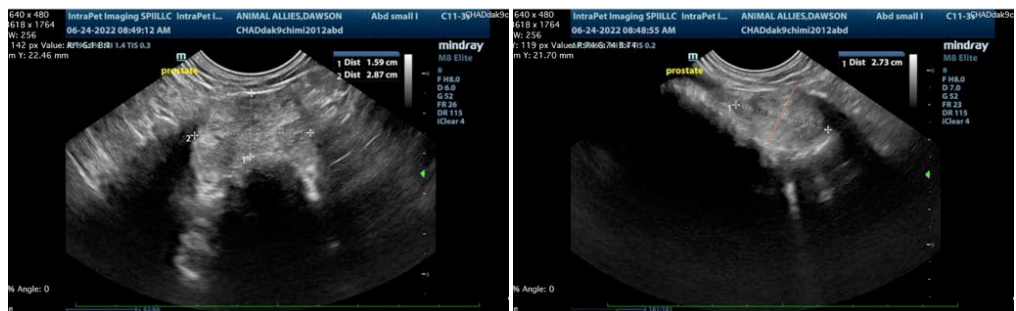
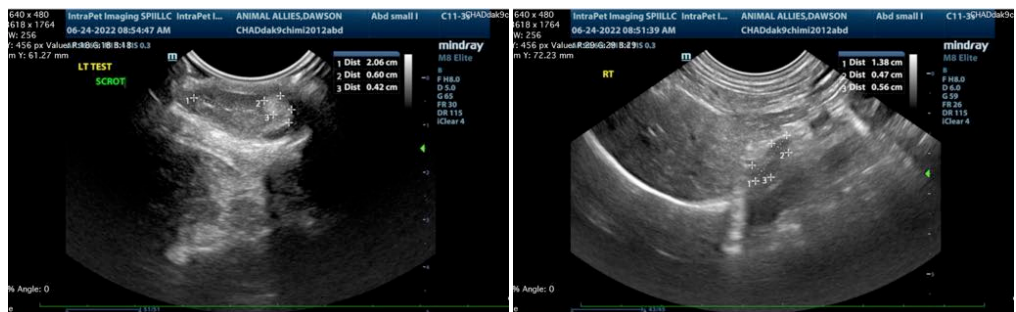
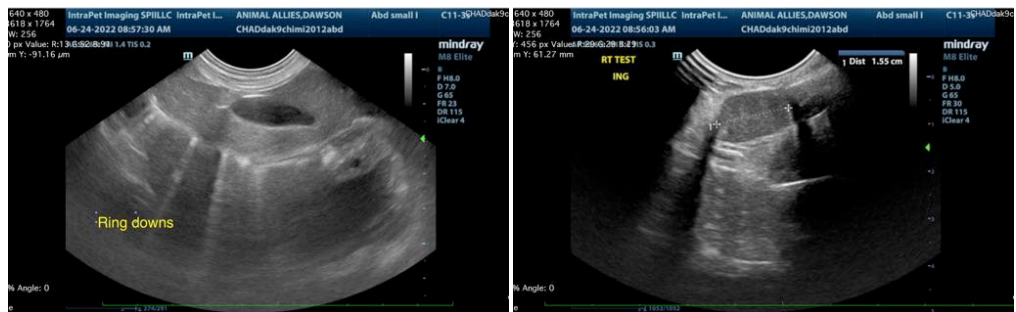
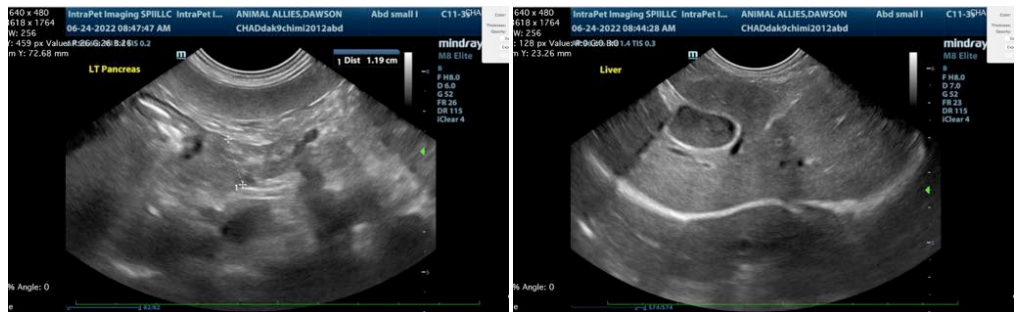
Right inguinal cryptorchid testicle as well as a small, hyperechoic **left testicular nodule**.

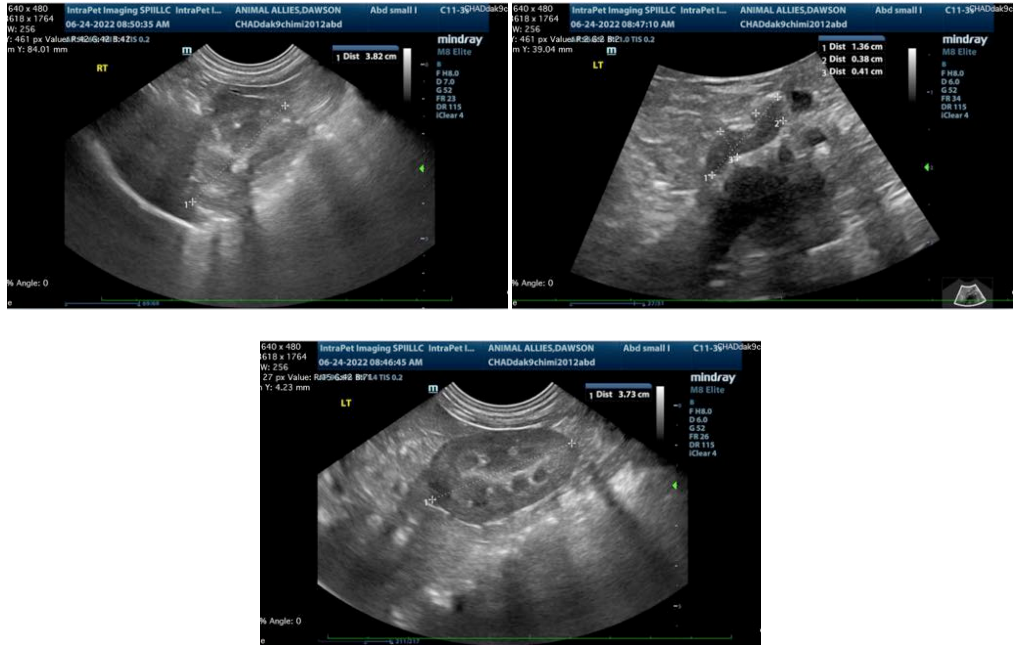
Ring downs suggestive of pulmonary pathology.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Given the presence of ring downs 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.

- Testing for Leptospirosis is recommended as are bile acids if not already evaluated. If bile acids are normal, recommendations include a course of antibiotics combined with hepatic nutraceuticals with monitoring of ALT for improvement. If the bile acids are abnormal and/or the ALT does not improve with supportive medical care a liver biopsy could be considered at the time of neuter.





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.

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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