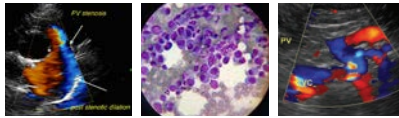


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DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

6/8/22 Frequent urination, possible calculi. Pet was catheterized with a urinary catheter and no stones were found. Suspected mass at neck of bladder or something pressing on the neck of the bladder.

PATIENT

Trixie Ireland
Current Medications: None listed.
Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.
Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.
Stat Report: Not requested.

SPECIES

Canine

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

BREED

Pit Bull

Urinary System

Urinary bladder is mildly to moderately distended with anechoic contents. Apical urinary bladder wall is diffusely thick (0.40 cm). Mucosa is hyperechoic and irregular. No masses or cystoliths are observed. The trigone and visible pelvic urethra are normal thickness with a smooth mucosal surface.

SEX

Spayed Female

The right kidney is normal in size (7.24 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. A homogeneous, hypoechoic, primarily solid nodule is noted in the medial aspect of the caudal pole, measuring 1.0 cm x 1.4 cm in diameter.

AGE

2/2/10

The left kidney is normal in size (7.02 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

75.4 Pounds

Adrenal Glands

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (2.84 cm long x 0.80 cm at the cranial pole and 0.79 cm at the caudal pole), shape and contour. Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

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The left adrenal gland is normal in size (2.9 cm long x 0.71 cm at the cranial pole and 0.98 cm at the caudal pole), shape and contour. Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

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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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Advanced Vet Complex

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.

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Dr. Benson

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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 peritoneal effusion. There is no apparent lymphadenopathy.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

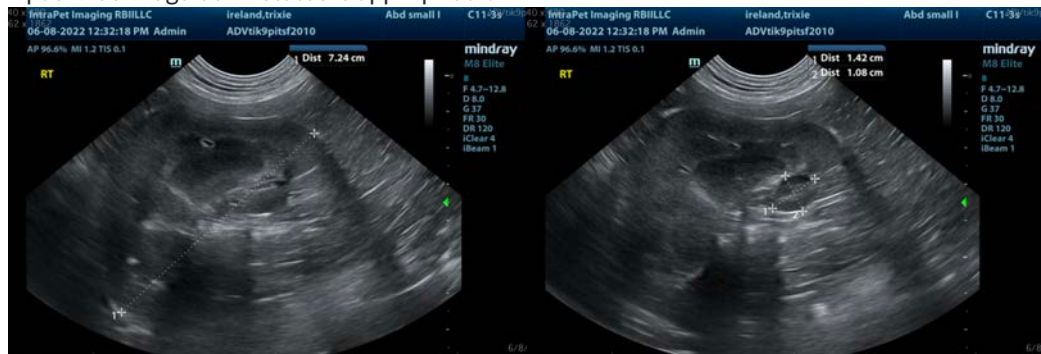
- Chronic Cystitis – Urinary bladder wall changes are most consistent with chronic cystitis. Infiltrative neoplasia cannot be ruled out but is considered less likely give the location and diffuse nature of the changes.
- Small solid nodule in the medial aspect of the caudal pole of the right kidney – Differentials include both benign nodule as can be seen with granuloma, hematoma, hemangioma, less likely an abscess, and/or infiltrative neoplasia such as primary renal carcinoma or metastatic lesion.

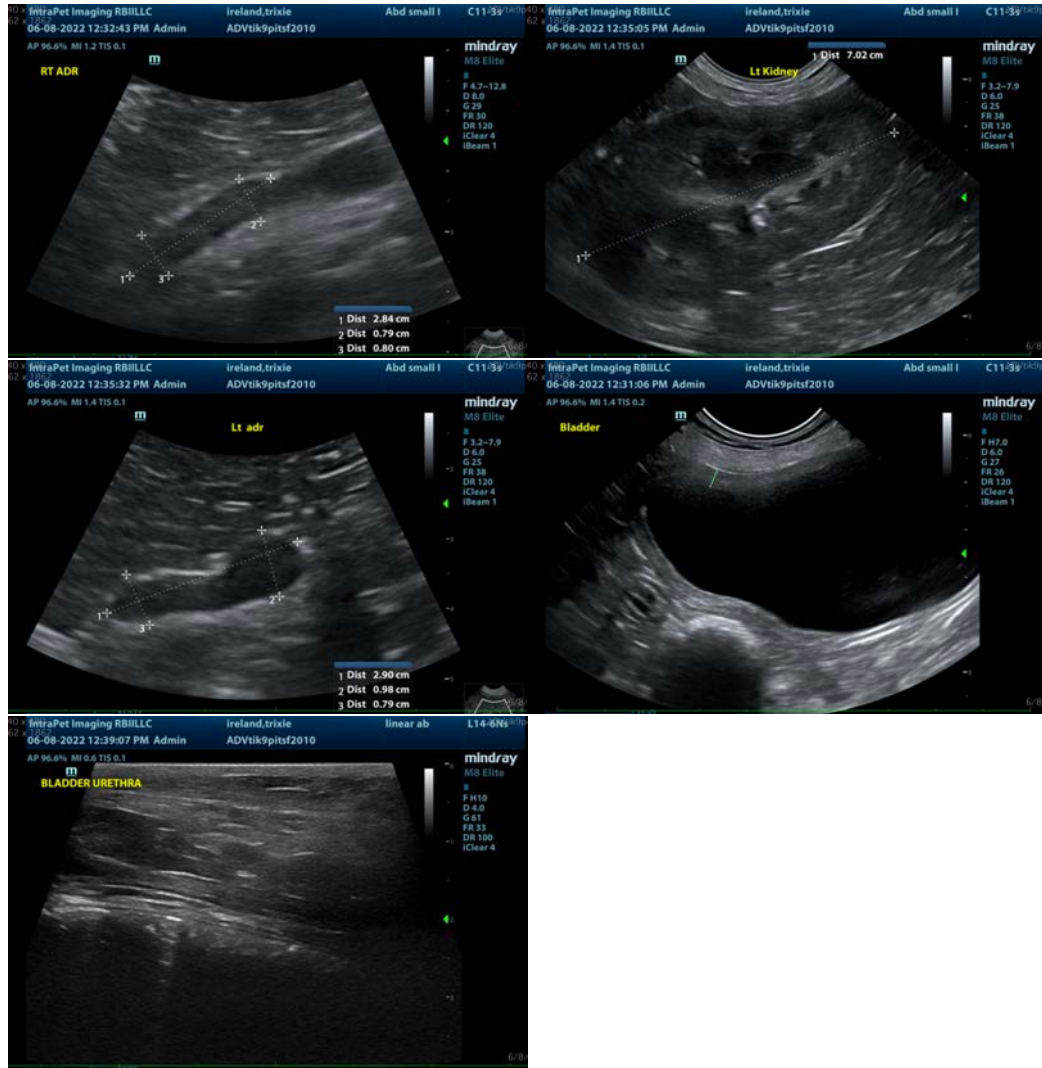
INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendations include:

1. Urinalysis and culture recommended, if not already evaluated.
2. If lower urinary signs persist, next steps to consider include submission of urine to look for BRAF gene mutation, which is associated with urinary bladder cancer, which is considered unlikely, given the appearance of the bladder in these images. However, it is not impossible. Cystoscopy could also be considered for further evaluation of the distal urethra not visible via ultrasound.

Further options for the renal nodule include monitoring for progression/changes via a recheck ultrasound in 4-6 weeks, or, if a more aggressive approach is elected at this time, a fine needle aspirate could be considered if patient's coagulation status is appropriate.





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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