

**PATIENT**

Benny Henriksen

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Bernese Mtn Dog

**SEX**

Neutered Male

**AGE**

5 Years

**WEIGHT**

87 Pounds

**INTERPRETED BY**

Beth Johnson, DVM  
DACVIM

**IMAGING PERFORMED BY**

Dr. Joan Gramazio

**HOSPITAL NAME**

Shohola Vet Hospital

**REFERRING VET**

Dr. Livia Demeo

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

ADR\_ off food, head tilt, drops and rolls on the floor, drooling at home, pacing, per O walks into corners head first. after 1st dose of simparica trio 3 weeks ago when GI symptoms started  
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: CBC/Chem/T4 WNL snap- negative

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

**Urinary System**

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.

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

The right kidney is normal in size (6.31 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 (5.44 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 unable to be well visualized in these images.

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.47 cm at the cranial pole and 0.62 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.

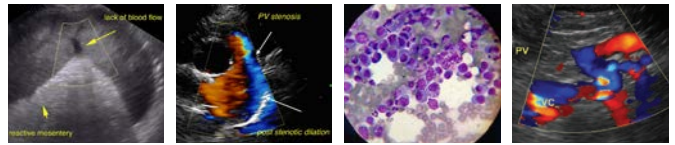
**Liver**

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.

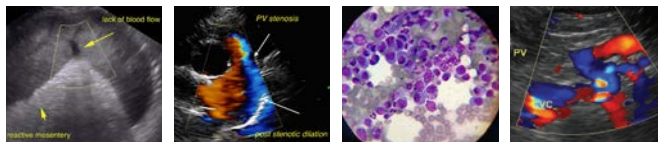
The gallbladder is non-distended in size. The wall is smooth without visible thickening. Luminal contents are primarily anechoic. There is no evidence of cystic or common bile duct dilation.

**Gastrointestinal**

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



<b>PATIENT</b>	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 mildly distended with echogenic non-shadowing luminal contents and gas consistent with normal ingesta. There is no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease.
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<b>SPECIES</b>	The visible colon is normal in wall thickness (< 0.2 cm) and layering. Contents are consistent with normal formed feces and gas.
Canine	
<b>BREED</b>	<b><i>Pancreas</i></b>
Bernese Mtn Dog	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.
<b>SEX</b>	<b><i>Free Abdomen</i></b>
Neutered Male	There is no evidence of free peritoneal effusion noted in these images.
<b>AGE</b>	There is no apparent lymphadenopathy noted in these images.
5 Years	
<b>WEIGHT</b>	<b>ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS</b>
87 Pounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relatively unremarkable/normal abdomen</li> </ul>
<b>INTERPRETED BY</b>	<b><u>INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS &amp; FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS</u></b>
Beth Johnson, DVM DACVIM	Given this patient's reported gastrointestinal, almost neurologic-sounding presenting complaint, further evaluation for underlying predisposing causes for possible stroke-like event is recommended, beginning, if not recently evaluated, with:
<b>IMAGING PERFORMED BY</b>	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.
Dr. Joan Gramazio	A blood pressure evaluation is also recommended.
<b>HOSPITAL NAME</b>	Beyond that, further evaluation of underlying primary neurologic disease (i.e., consultation with a veterinary neurologist) with potentially even advanced imaging could be considered.
Shohola Vet Hospital	If this patient's clinical signs are believed to be primarily gastrointestinal versus neurologic, then other diagnostic considerations could include:
<b>REFERRING VET</b>	A baseline cortisol is recommended. If baseline cortisol is less than 2, a full ACTH stimulation test is recommended to rule out hypoadrenocorticism.
Dr. Livia Demeo	
<b>INVOICE</b>	A gastrointestinal malabsorption panel (including cobalamin, folate, TLI and PLI) to Texas A&M GI Laboratory is recommended for further evaluation of GI and pancreatic function.
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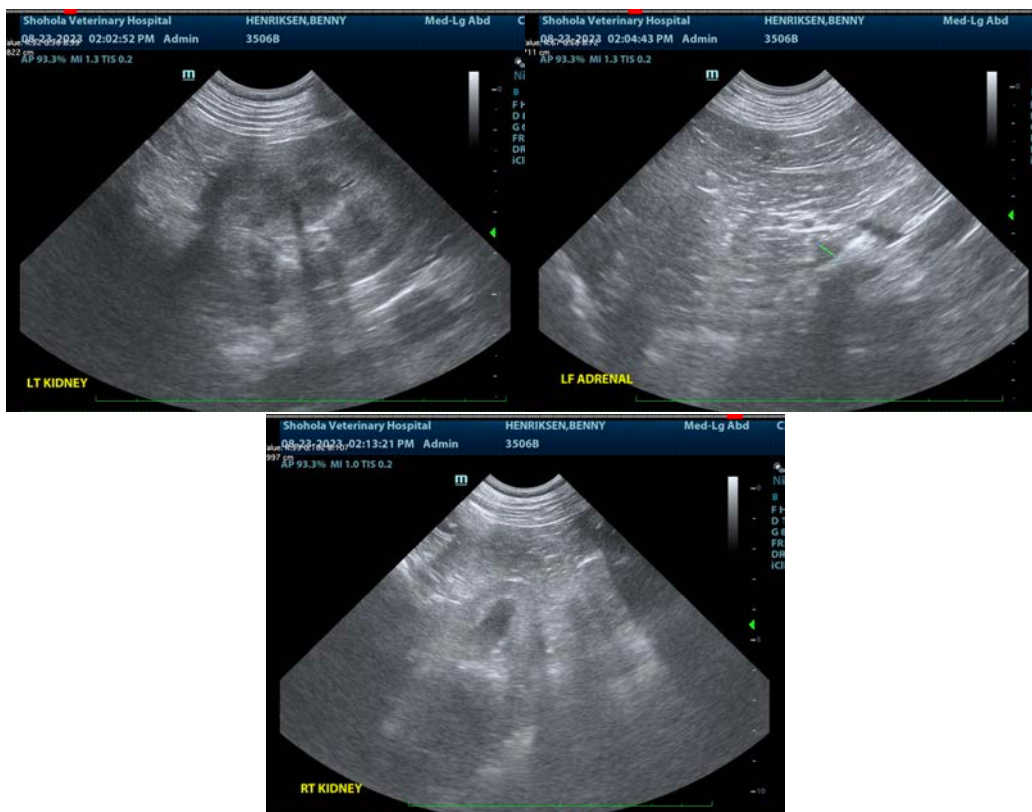
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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