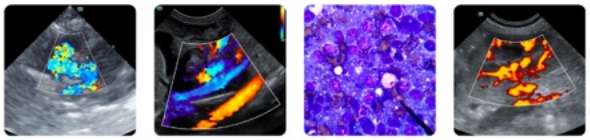

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SPECIES

Canine

BREED

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SEX

Spayed female

AGE

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WEIGHT

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: lethargy anorexia Hx of hypothyroidism , gallbladder sludge
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Lipase 596 Alb 4.3

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The **urinary bladder**, trigone, and pelvic urethra presented normal thicknesses and normal tone. The ureters were not visible which is normal. No uroliths or sediment were visualized and anechoic urine was present. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes was noted. Ureteral papillae were normal.

The **kidneys** revealed largely normal size and structure, corticomedullary definition and ratio (cortex 1/3 of medulla) were essentially maintained with some age-related loss of curvilinear patterns regarding the capsule and C/M junction. The cortices presented largely uniform texture with some increased echogenicity expected for this age patient. Medullary structure differed distinctly from that of the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The right kidney measured 4.64 cm.

Adrenal Glands

Both **adrenal glands** were visualized and recognized as having normal shape, size, position and echogenicity for this breed. The phrenic vasculature, glandular echogenicity and detail were unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition were normal for this age patient. The right adrenal gland measured 1.78 x 1.2 cm at the cranial pole and 0.52 cm caudal at the caudal pole. The left adrenal gland measured 1.44 cm x 0.66 cm at the caudal pole and 0.66 cm at the cranial pole.

Spleen

The **spleen** in this patient was mildly enlarged with uniform parenchyma and was folded upon itself caudally. This is a positional variant and is not pathological. There was no evidence of significant disease.

Liver

The **liver** images from right and left intercostal as well as subcostal views revealed subjectively normal liver size, contour, and structure. Some age-related parenchymal remodeling was noted but likely not clinically significant at this time. Vascular and biliary tracts were of normal volume and no evidence of congestion was noted. The gallbladder was mildly over distended with striating bile and was rounded measuring 3.0 cm in short axis. This is consistent with emerging mucocele.

Gastrointestinal

Examination of the **gastrointestinal tract** revealed a stomach and intestine free of stasis, of normal wall thickness, acceptable curvilinear mural detail, and peristaltic activity. Excessive gastric gas was noted.

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There was no structural pathology noted. Small and large intestine demonstrated normal luminal chyme and stool consistency respectively. No obstructive or overt infiltrative disease was noted. No associated abnormal lymphatic activity was noted.

Pancreas

The base and limbs of the **pancreas** were observed to be largely isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Some parenchymal remodeling, however, with mild deviation from curvilinear normalcy was observed. Pancreatic duct and capsular irregularities were present consistent with age related changes. If pain upon imaging (+ Murphy sign) was present or if the patient is focally painful in subxiphoid palpation then low-grade smoldering chronic pancreatitis should be suspected.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Emerging gallbladder mucocele

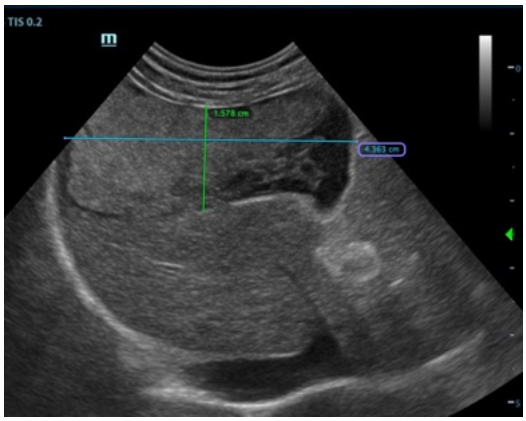
INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Ursodiol therapy is warranted +/- gallbladder motility study. There was no evidence of clinically significant pathology other than the gallbladder may be causing low-grade clinical signs, yet there was no evidence of active inflammation. This is not a surgical mucocele.

Gall Bladder Motility Study

Preparation:

- Fast the dog for 12 hours before the test to ensure gallbladder is full.
- Obtain baseline ultrasonographic long axis measurements of gallbladder size in SDEP 11 & SDEP 12 positions. Long axis apex to neck, short axis at widest point.



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Meal Administration

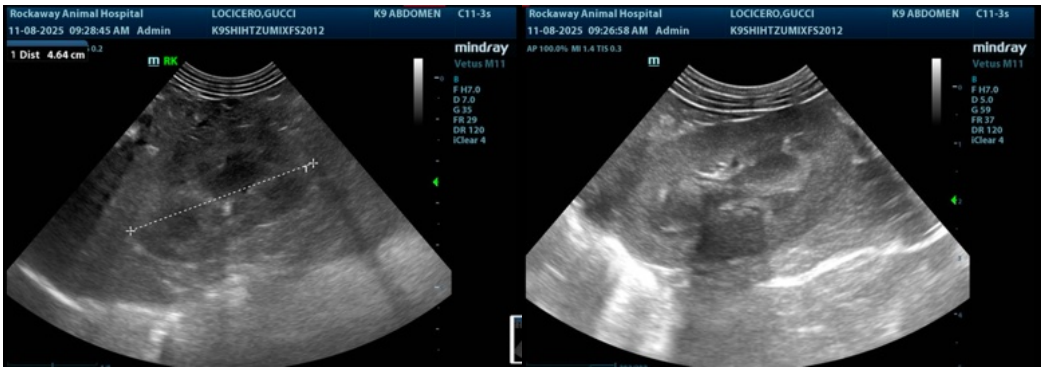
- Feed a high-fat test meal A/D diet (Hills) (*High Fat/ High Protein*)

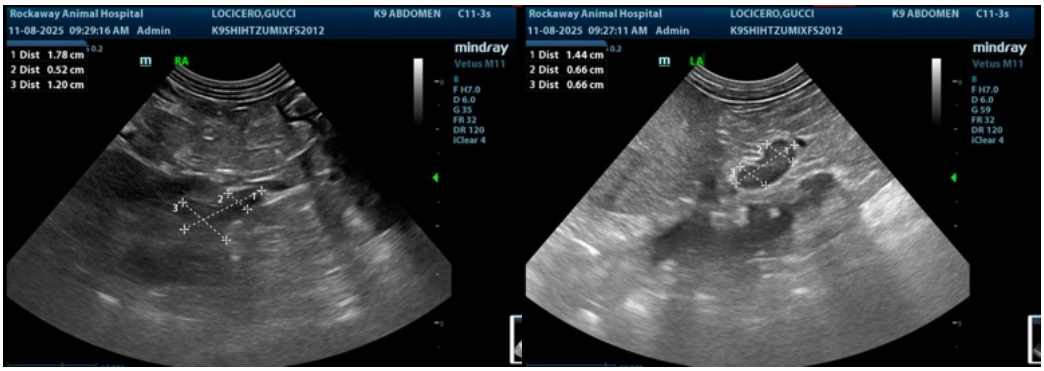
Post-Prandial Imaging

- Perform repeat ultrasound prior to feeding (Time 0) and then at 15 & 30 minutes post-meal.
- Re-measure gallbladder volume and assess for contraction.

No change or enlargement: Possible stasis, dyskinesia, mucocele risk, or obstruction.

SonoPath is currently conducting a study for publication on this subject and contributions of image sets following this protocol are appreciated. Info@sonopath.com for more information.





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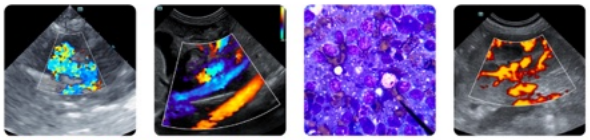

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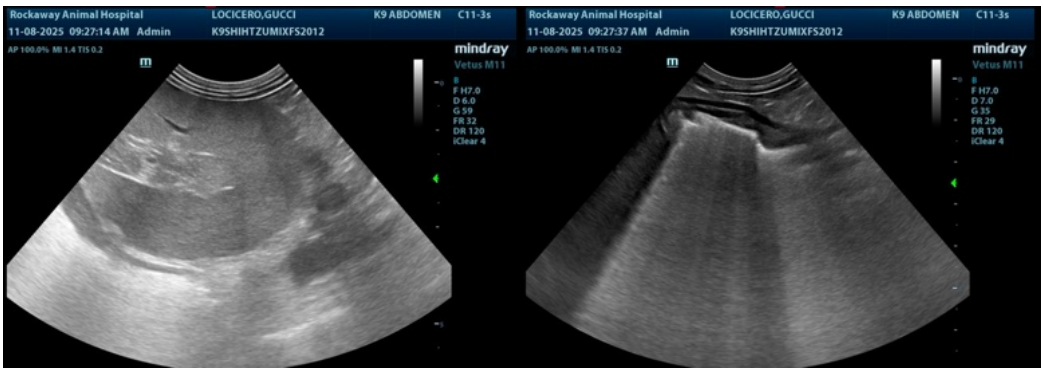

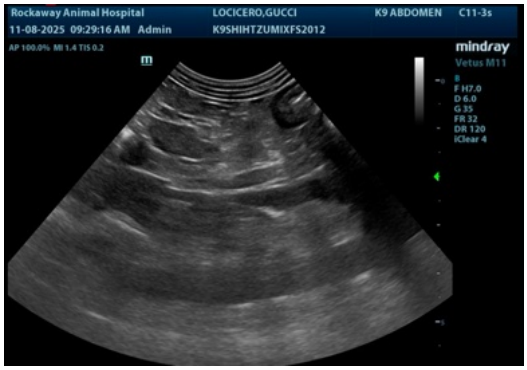

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Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance please contact me.

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