



PATIENT

Taters Harbin

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Pit Bull

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

5 Years

WEIGHT

82.8 Pounds

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Taters presented for one episode of hematemesis 1.5 days ago, lethargy and inappetence. PE unremarkable other than 3 lbs weight loss since July. Has a history of a very sensitive stomach - sometimes even smells will seem to trigger him and will intermittently have such violent vomiting episodes that will 'pass out' (suspect vagal episodes). Despite lethargy, very BAR for exam and had to receive buprenex 0.015 mg/kg + domitor (0.5 mg/mL): 0.25 mL for ultrasound sedation.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Routine bloodwork unremarkable. Cortisol 0.5 ug/dL - recommended followup ACTH stimulation test but have not yet performed.

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 were noted. Ureteral papillae were normal. The pelvic urethra was imaged 3.0 cm beyond the cystourethral junction.

The **kidneys** revealed normal size and structure, corticomedullary definition and ratio for this age. The cortices presented largely uniform texture with normal echogenic relationship to liver and spleen. Medullary structure differed distinctly from the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The capsules were acceptably uniform without significant irregularities. The left kidney measures 6.0 cm. The right kidney measures 6.0 cm.

Adrenal Glands

The **adrenal glands** were not visualized.

Spleen

The **spleen** presented a smooth homogeneous parenchyma hyperechoic to liver and renal cortical parenchyma. The capsule was smooth without noticeable expansion or deviation from within the spleen or adjacent pathology. The splenic vasculature demonstrated normal volume without signs of congestion or thrombosis. No sonographic evidence of acute or chronic inflammatory, neoplastic, or infarctual changes were noted.

Liver

The **liver** presented mild increased portal markings and slight coarse architecture. No evidence of gross pathology. The gallbladder and common bile duct were unremarkable.

Gastrointestinal

There was some residual chyme and gas was noted in the **stomach**, yet not pathological. This is consistent with end post prandial presentation. Transit of chyme into the small intestine was normal. Curvilinear patterns were maintained throughout the GI tract. No evidence of pathology. 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. Pancreatic duct and capsular contour were acceptably normal and parenchyma respected normal curvilinear patterns. No overt evidence of active inflammatory or neoplastic disease was noted.



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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Post-prandial presentation with full stomach
- Slight coarse hepatic architecture

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No evidence of gross pathology. Screening for Addison's warranted, given that the adrenals were not visible, and the clinical signs along with the age and breed of the patient. GI protectant protocol warranted such as the following:

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Helicobacter/Gastritis protocol

A clinical trial of **Zithromax** (Dogs: 5-10 mg/kg p.o. q24h. May increase dosing interval to q48h after 3-5 days of treatment), **Metronidazole** (10-20 mg/kg p.o. b.i.d.), **Pepcid** (0.5-1 mg/kg s.i.d.) and **Sucralfate** (0.5-2 g/dog PO) or **Omeprazole** (1 mg/kg p.o. s.i.d.) over the next 3 weeks along with a **novel-protein or hydrolyzed diet** with slurry feeding b.i.d./t.i.d. over the next 2-4 days and then increase to canned diet bid. Dry food should be avoided over the next 4 weeks. A recheck sonogram to assess GI improvement or progression would be ideal in 4 weeks.

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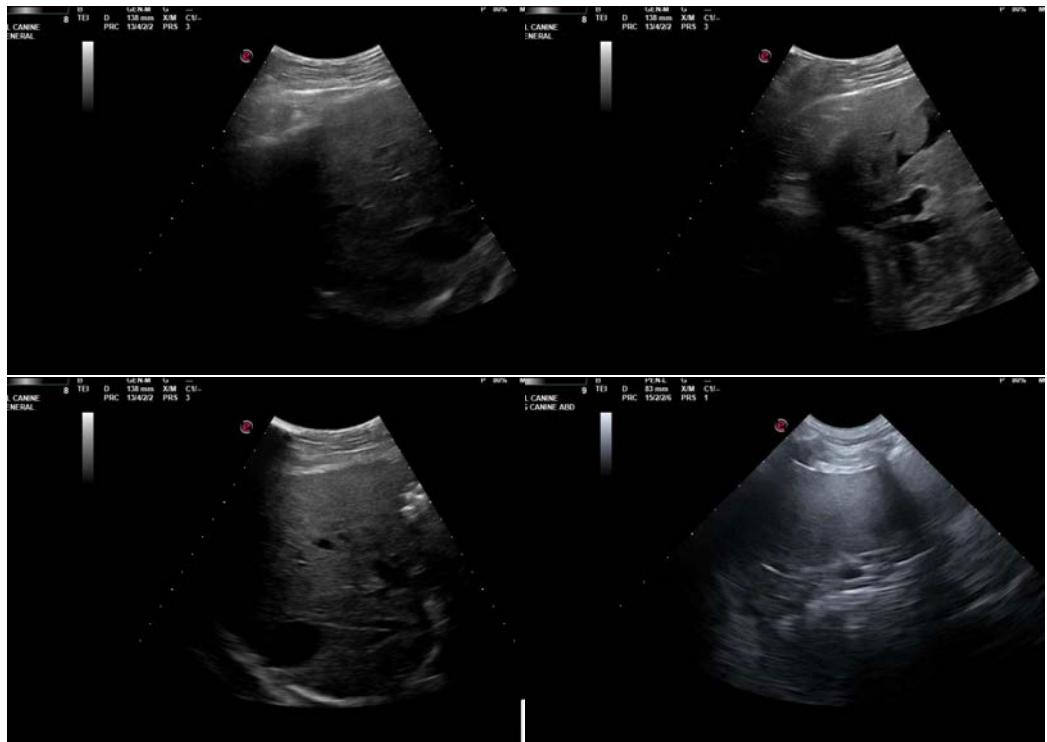
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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