

**DATE**

7/1/22

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS****PATIENT**

Duke Valverde

History: Few years ago: intermittent moments of straining with accidents in the house or frequent trips outside - has been worked up with the rdvm, discussed concerns for behavioral changes - typically improves on it's own Friday had a large accident in the bed - since have been wanting to go out every 10-15 minutes - only really producing drops of urine - also seen to have episodes of staining outside that last 20 minutes Hasn't eaten sine the 27th, have only defecated a small bit Owner stated that she has seen patient have intermittent episodes where it appears he is dragging his limbs.

**SPECIES**

Canine

Current Medications: Buprenorphine, Cerenia.

**BREED**

German Shepherd

Lab Results: See attached.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

**SEX**

Neutered Male

Imaging Performed By: Andi Parkinson, BS, RDMS.

**AGE**

12/9/17

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

The **urinary bladder** presented a minimal amount of urine at the time of the sonogram. The urinary catheter was in proper position. Minor bladder wall thickening was noted. A trace amount of sand was present.

**WEIGHT**

125.3 Pounds

The **kidneys** revealed largely normal size and structure, corticomedullary definition and ratio (cortex 1/3 of medulla) were essentially maintained with some minor 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 his age patient. Medullary structure differed distinctly from that of the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The right kidney measured 7.87 cm. The left kidney measured 8.33 cm.

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DABVP, Cert. IVUSS**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 3.75 cm x 0.72 cm. The left adrenal gland measured 2.5 cm x 0.53 cm at the caudal pole and 0.62 cm at the cranial pole.

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**Spleen****REFERRING VET**

Dr. Nacke-Horney

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.

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**Liver**

The **liver** images submitted revealed subjectively normal liver size, contour, and structure. Parenchymal echogenicity was naturally coarse and hypoechoic to the spleen. Vascular and biliary tracts were of normal volume with no evidence of congestion. The gallbladder presented acceptably thin walls with primarily

anechoic content. The cystic and common bile ducts were normal. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy was evident. No overt structural evidence of inflammatory, infiltrative or regenerative pathology was evident.

### ***Gastrointestinal***

The **gastrointestinal tract** presented considerable gastric artifact due to the presence of ingesta. This did not permit thorough evaluation of portions of the gastric and upper intestinal structure. No overt abnormality was seen in the visualized tissue, however. This is consistent with a post-prandial presentation within a few hours of mealtime. If the prandial temporal interval does not fit the case history, and the patient presents a history of post-prandial vomiting, this could indicate a delayed upper gastrointestinal outflow due to primary or secondary pyloric hypertrophy, upper GI infiltrative disease, motor deficits, or a non-visualized foreign body. A prudent approach would be to rescan this patient at 24 hour NPO status to further review the non-visible regions if stomach primarily as well as assess any delayed outflow issue.

### ***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.

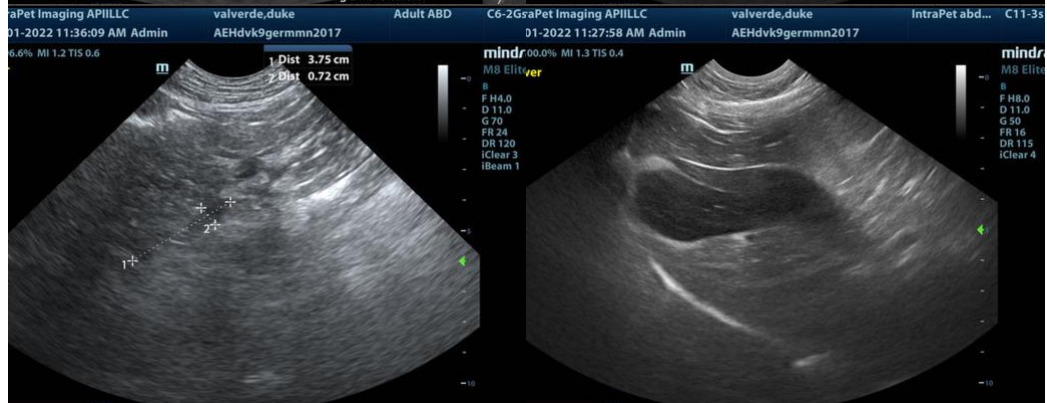
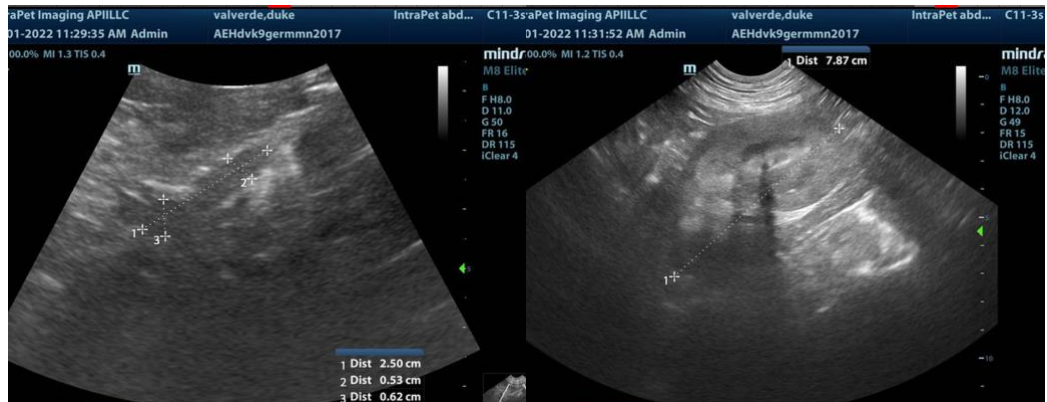
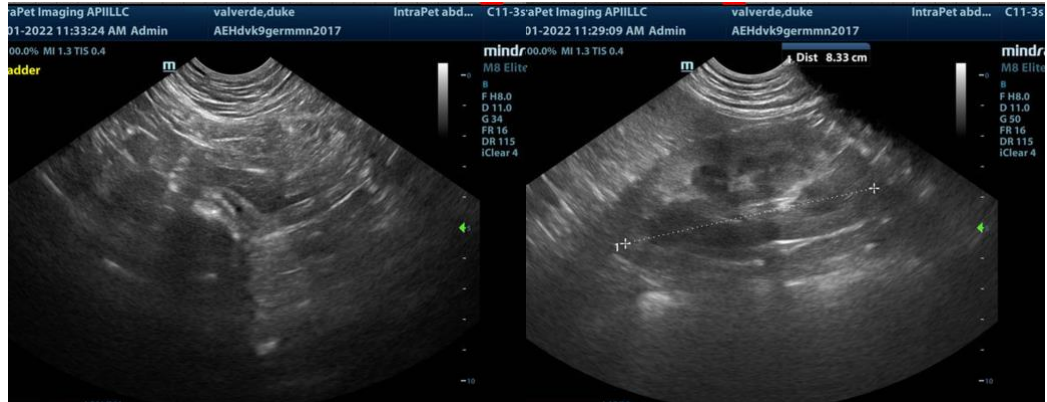
## **ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- Slight urinary bladder thickening and trace sand accumulation- no overt evidence of an obstruction at this time

## **INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

It's possible that the patient may be obstructing with sand periodically, however, the amount in the bladder is trivial. Full urinary work up is warranted. Treatment for underlying UTI indicated. Traumatic catheterization of the pelvic urethra that is out of view could also be considered.





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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