



**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Maggie Faulker History: PU/PD x approx 3 months. Now abdomen somewhat distended. Blood work revealed mildly elevated ALT + moderate elevated ALP & GGT. Moderate proteinuria (UPC 3.6). No weight loss. No vomiting or diarrhea. Mild exercise intolerance. No coughing or resp distress.

**SPECIES RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX**

Canine The body condition score is about 7/9 with smooth alternating layers of fat and soft tissue opacity. The bony structures appear physiological.

**BREED** The degree of pulmonary expansion is fair. The lungs are in contact with the thoracic boundaries and the tips are pointed. The lobar vessels are clearly visible to the tertiary branches. The bronchial tree is thin walled and tapers uniformly towards the periphery.

Lab Mix

**SEX**

The cranial mediastinum is of physiological size and opacity. The trachea diverges slightly from the thoracic vertebrae and dips at the carina.

Spayed Female

The cardiac silhouette occupies 2/3 of the chest height and 3 intercostal spaces (VHS 10.5). No chamber or outflow tract enlargement is evident.

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In left lateral recumbency the ventral liver lobe is rounded but within the costal arch.

**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

- Physiological study of the thorax
- Rounding of ventral liver lobe

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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I can see no changes that would explain the clinical signs. Abdominal ultrasound to identify a stump pyometra, hepatic disease or early signs of Cushing's disease is recommended. An ACTH stimulation or low dose dexamethasone suppression testing should be performed if hyper- or hypoadrenocorticism are suspected. In case hypercalcemia is present, a tumor search is necessary.

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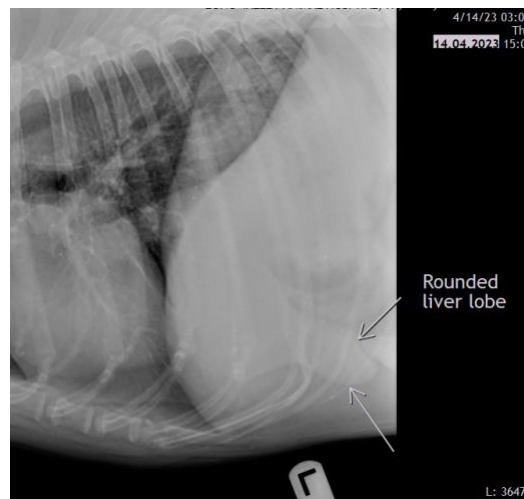
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**PATIENT**

Maggie Faulker

**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.**

**SPECIES**

Canine

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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