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DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

6/21/22

Bela is an 11 y/o FS Havanese for bloody diarrhea and vomiting - Friday started vomiting with grass, hx of eating grass and then vomiting - Did not eat on Friday, vomiting overnight, white foam with mucus - today did not eat - diarrhea with first liquid to goopy brown, progress to bloody diarrhea - vomited approximately 7 times - shows no interest in eating - sister passed from PLE - no recent weight loss, no change in drinking or urination - no known toxin ingestion or FB ingestion - hx- no historical medical conditions. Medications: - none, O unsure of preventatives

PATIENT

Bela Bailey

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Havanese

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

6/18/11

WEIGHT

9 Pounds

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Current Medications: Ondansetron, Unasyn, Sucralfate, Provable, Buprenorphine, Protonix, Entyce.

Lab Results: See attached.

Radiographs: Gas filled colon, mild gas distension of SI, no overt FB or obstructive pattern, mild concern with SI gas dilation

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder is moderately distended with anechoic urine. The Bladder wall, trigone, ureteral papillae and visible urethra (to a depth of 2cm) appear normal with no evidence of wall thickening, mucosal irregularities, masses or cystic calculi.

The left kidney has a normal shape and size (3.95 cm). Overall echogenicity is normal with adequate corticomedullary distinction and a typical 1:3 cortex:medulla ratio. There is no evidence of perinephric inflammation or effusion. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney has a normal shape and size (4.31 cm). Overall echogenicity is normal with adequate corticomedullary distinction and a typical 1:3 cortex:medulla ratio. There is no evidence of perinephric inflammation or effusion. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 0.57 cm at the caudal pole. It is observed in its normal position cranial to the left renal artery. It is normal in appearance (uniformly hypoechoic) and shape with no evidence of a mass effect.

The right adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 0.52 cm at the caudal pole. It is observed in its normal position between the cranial aspect of the right kidney and the caudal vena cava. It is normal in appearance (uniformly hypoechoic) and shape with no evidence of a mass effect.

Spleen

The spleen is subjectively normal in size, echotexture is homogenous, and the splenic capsule is smooth with no irregularities. The blood flow through the hilus and splenic parenchyma appears normal. No focal parenchymal abnormalities are visualized.

Liver

The liver is subjectively normal in size, and echogenicity with smooth peripheral margins. The parenchyma is homogenous echotexture. The visible portions of the vasculature and biliary tract appear normal. No focal nodules or cystic lesions are observed.

The gallbladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall of the gall bladder is not thickened and has a smooth mucosal surface. Luminal contents are primarily anechoic. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not visible.

Gastrointestinal

The stomach contains minimal luminal contents. It measures at a normal thickness of <0.7cm with some variability due to the presence of rugal folds. The distinction of the gastric wall layers is adequate and there is no impression of reduced peristaltic activity. No masses or focal lesions were observed.

The visualized areas of duodenum, jejunum and ileum have a relatively uniform diameter with minimal fluid distension. Wall thickness is normal. Bowel loops follow a curvilinear path with distinct wall layering maintaining the typical 1:3 muscularis:mucosa layer ratio. Duodenum wall measured 0.31 cm. Visualized peristalsis appears appropriate. There were no focal lesions consistent with obstruction or a mass effect observed.

The ileocecal junction was visualized and exhibited normal intact wall layering and is subjectively of normal thickness. Sections of colon are visualized with formed fecal material and gas shadowing distally. There is no observed focal or generalized colon wall thickening or loss of layering.

Pancreas

The pancreas is normal and isoechoic to surrounding mesentery. There is no evidence of nodules or cystic lesions. There is no evidence of regional mesenteric inflammation or fluid.

Free Abdomen

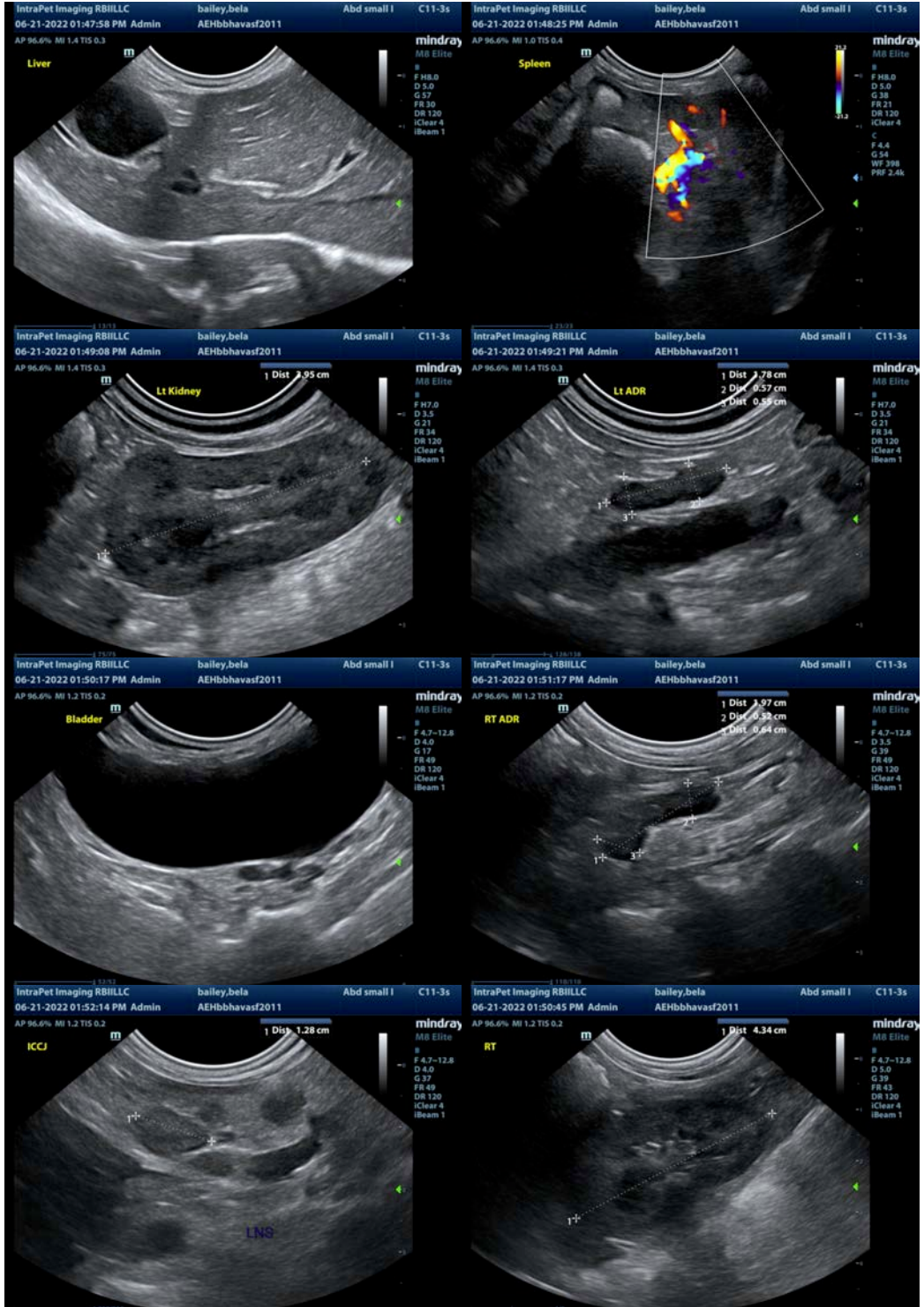
Evaluation of the peritoneal cavity did not reveal any evidence of effusion. There is a small cluster of prominent mesenteric lymph nodes measured at the ileocecal junction, measuring 1.0 cm, 0.77 cm, and 0.47 cm in diameter. The omentum is of increased echogenicity around the enlarged lymph nodes.

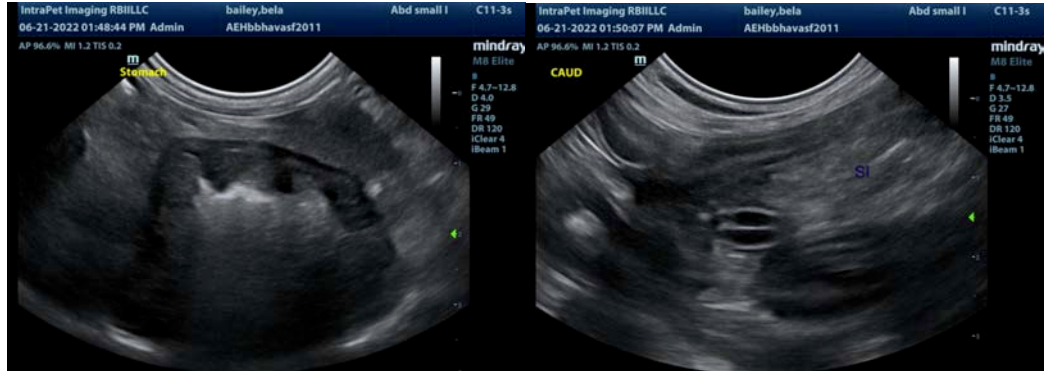
ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Mild lymphadenopathy around the ileocecal junction – The prominent abdominal lymph nodes are most consistent with reactive lymphadenitis or lymphoid hyperplasia. Neoplastic infiltration is considered less likely.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

There are no large focal lesions visualized associated with the gastrointestinal tract. There is a small cluster of prominent mesenteric lymph nodes near the ileocecal junction, which are likely reactive nodes. Hopefully this is a case of acute hemorrhagic diarrhea, and supportive care will be very helpful. If symptoms persist, consider a GI panel to Texas A&M for a qualitative PLI, TLI, cobalamin and folate to further evaluate for chronic intestinal disease and consider serial radiographs, as foreign material cannot always be excluded based on an ultrasound.





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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