

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

8/9/23 Recheck bloodwork to assess ALKP; p PU/PD from time to time

PATIENT Current Medications: None.

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Lab Results: cbc nsf, chem - ALKP now 413 - continuing to increase and may actually be higher considering the degree of hemolysis/lipemia present can lower this value. chloride slightly low and TP/alb slightly high likely insignificant, 4dx neg

SPECIES Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

Canine

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

Imaging Performed By: Stephanie Warga RDCS, RVT.

BREED

Unknown

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**SEX**

Spayed Female

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.

AGE

11/8/10

The left kidney has a normal shape and size (3.85 cm). Overall echogenicity is normal with adequate corticomedullary distinction and a typical 1:3 cortex:medulla ratio. There is no evidence of focal perinephric inflammation or effusion. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

WEIGHT

12 Pounds

The right kidney has a normal shape and size (4.12 cm). Overall echogenicity is normal with adequate corticomedullary distinction and a typical 1:3 cortex:medulla ratio. There is no evidence of focal perinephric inflammation or effusion. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

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Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is large and irregular, measuring 0.84 cm at the cranial pole, 1.6 cm at the caudal pole, and 2.49 cm in length. It is observed in its normal position cranial to the left renal artery. It is abnormal in appearance in that it is enlarged particularly at the caudal pole where there is a hyperechoic nodule visualized measuring 0.69 cm x 0.63 cm. No evidence of vascular invasion is visualized.

HOSPITAL NAME

Eldersburg VH

The right adrenal gland is large and irregular, measuring 0.60 cm at the cranial pole, 0.56 cm at the caudal pole, and 2.42 cm in length. It is observed in its normal position between the cranial aspect of the right kidney and the caudal vena cava. It is abnormal in appearance in that there is a hyperechoic irregular mass effect in the mid body of the adrenal measuring 1.36 cm x 1.2 cm. No evidence of vascular invasion is visualized.

REFERRING VET

Dr. Easter

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.

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Liver

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

The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall of the gall bladder is not thickened and has a smooth mucosal surface. There is a moderate amount of non-organized echogenic debris. 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 measures 0.36 cm. Jejunum wall measures 0.27 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 area of 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, or subjective lymphadenomegaly. The Medial iliac nodes appear normal and there was no evidence of a caudal aortic thrombus at the bifurcation. The omentum is of normal uniform echogenicity.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

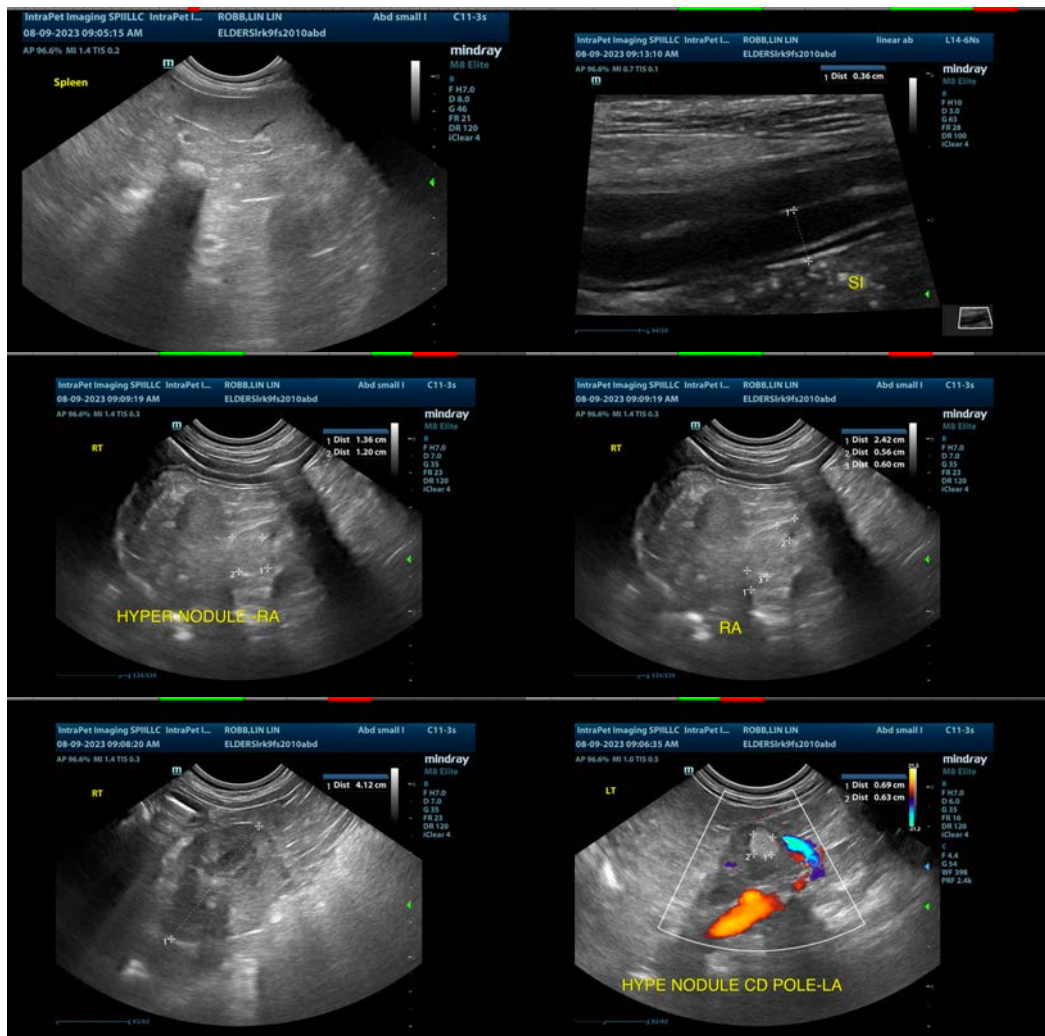
- Bilaterally enlarged, irregular adrenal glands – Findings could be consistent with concurrent adrenal nodules/tumors or with bilaterally hyperplastic adrenal glands. The appearance currently favors a benign process.
- Heterogeneous liver – The diffuse hepatic changes are non-specific and could be consistent with vacuolar hepatopathy, nodular hyperplasia, inflammatory/immune-mediated disease, fibrosis, extramedullary hematopoiesis, toxic hepatopathy (e.g., copper), infiltrative neoplasia (less likely) or other hepatopathy.
- Moderate gallbladder debris – The significance of the aggregated gallbladder debris is unclear. This could represent an early mucocele, cholestasis, or may be secondary to fasting but seems unlikely to be causing a current issue. Recommend continued monitoring.

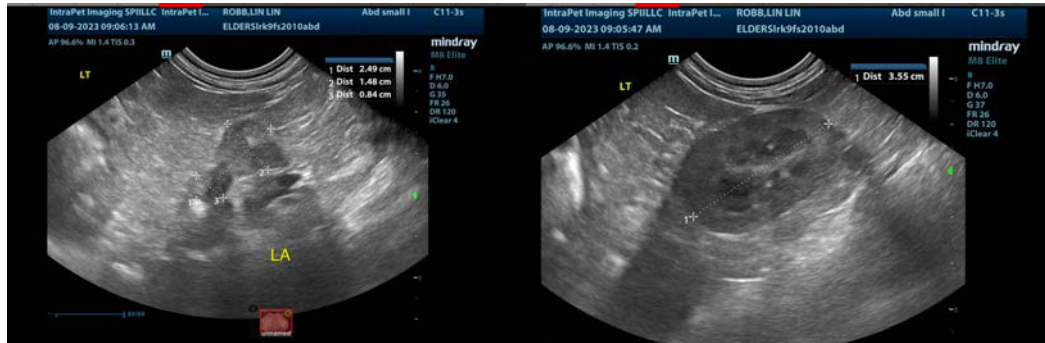
INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Both adrenal glands are large and irregular with focal nodules. The current size of these lesions favors a more benign process such as hyperplasia, adenomas, etc., although an early neoplastic process cannot be ruled out. Recommend a blood pressure evaluation. If hypertension is present, then consider measuring catecholamines, looking for possible underlying pheochromocytoma. If clinical signs associated with

Cushing's are present, and control of these symptoms is desired, you could consider adrenal function testing and possible medical management. Close monitoring of the adrenals with ultrasound is recommended, looking for change/progression of these lesions. Additionally, a contrast CT scan could be performed to further evaluate and look for evidence of vascular invasion, although none is noted on today's exam.

Recommend three view thoracic radiographs to evaluate for possible concurrent thoracic disease/involvement.





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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