

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

9/7/22

New onset partial seizure activity. First noted Sat and Tuesday. Recent monocytosis unresponsive to dental cleaning. New eosinophilia

PATIENT

Extracranial workup prior to neurology referral, Blind; SARD, Splenectomy early 2022; benign. Hx pancreatitis; cPL 8/6/22 normal 31

Dolly Siegel

SPECIES

Canine

Current Medications: Cosequin, Heartgard Plus.

Lab Results: 9/2/22: Neuts: 13240, Monos: 1889, Eos: 1590. 8/2/22

Monos 1328.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: 2/17/22. See attached.

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

BREED

Yorkie X

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

10/10/12

The left kidney is normal in size (3.3 cm) but irregular in shape (likely from previous infarcts). There are small non-obstructive nephroliths present. There is an ill-defined, hyperechoic region in the cranial pole measuring approximately 0.98 cm in diameter, which likely represents a previous infarct, and there is a nephrolith in the region. Overall echogenicity is slightly hyperechoic with poor 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 or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

WEIGHT

8.4 Pounds

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The right kidney has a normal shape and size (3.2 cm) with non-obstructive nephroliths. Overall echogenicity is slightly hyperechoic with poor 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, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

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Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 0.47 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.

HOSPITAL NAME

Paradise AH

The right adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 0.40 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.

REFERRING VET

Dr. Riehl

Spleen

The spleen is surgically absent.

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.

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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 shadowing ingesta. 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. Jejunum wall measured 0.25 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 prominent and mottled compared to the surrounding isoechoic 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 an occasional prominent mesenteric lymph node visualized. One such lymph node measures 0.43 cm. The omentum is of normal echogenicity.

Other

A brief view of the heart was submitted. No significant pericardial effusion was seen.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Decreased corticomedullary distinction in both kidneys with non-obstructive nephroliths – Mild loss of corticomedullary distinction in both kidneys could be consistent with chronic degenerative disease or interstitial nephrosis. The hyperechoic mineralized foci observed at the corticomedullary junction of the left/right kidney are consistent with small, non-obstructive nephroliths.
- Irregular, hyperechoic area in the cranial pole of the left kidney – I suspect this is an area of previous injury, infarction, etc. An early mass lesion cannot be excluded as a possibility. Recommend continued monitoring.
- Prominent, mottled pancreas – The pancreatic changes are most consistent with mild pancreatitis or a recent episode of pancreatic inflammation.
- 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.

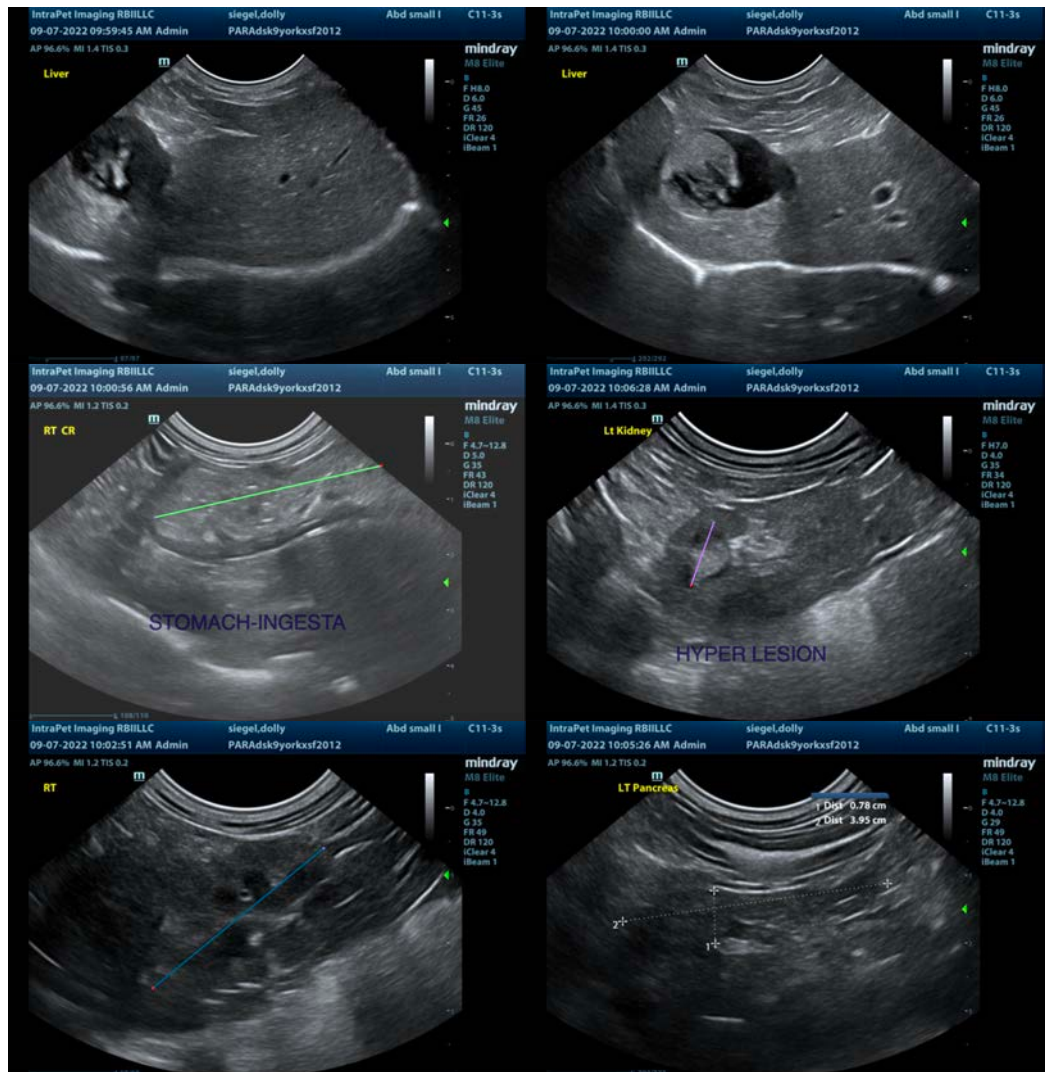
INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

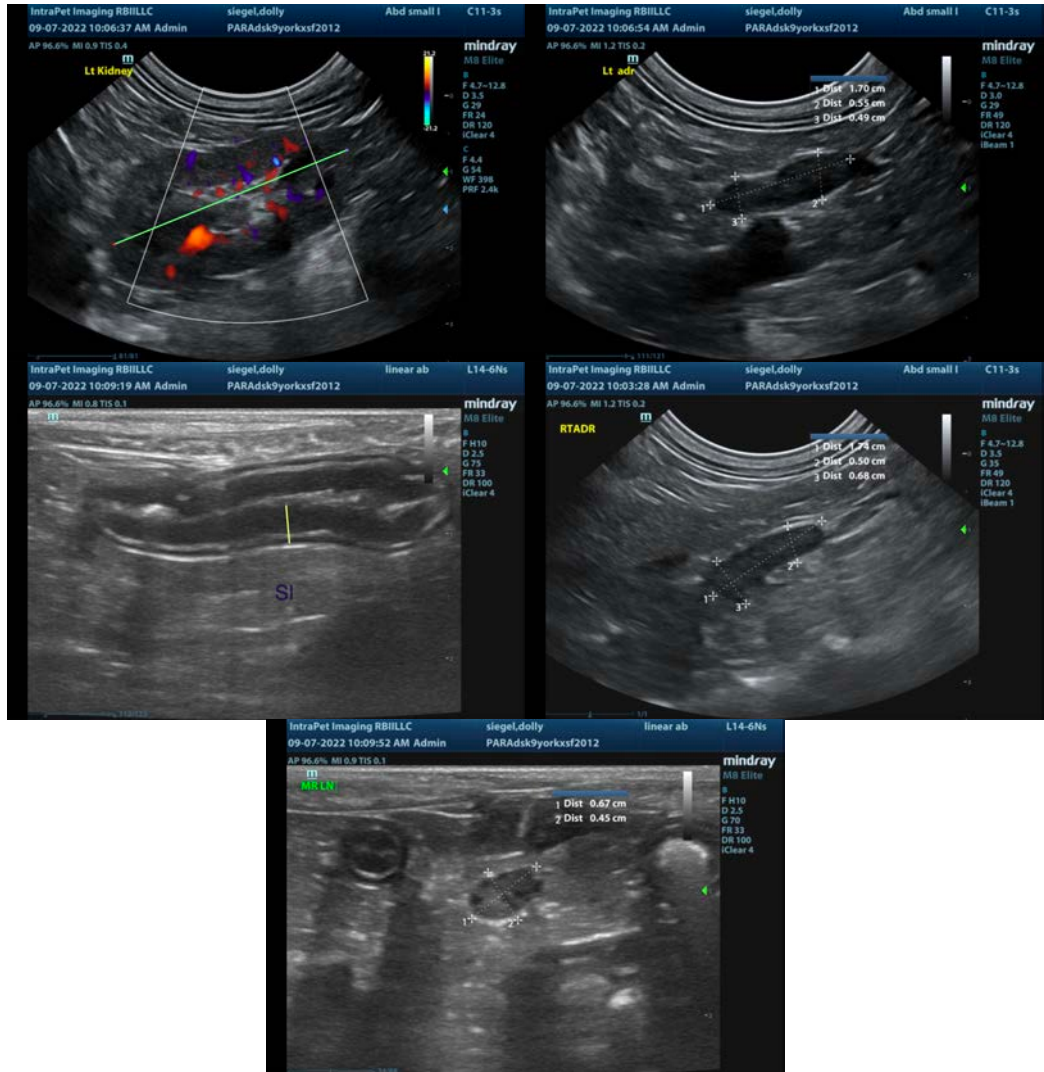
Today's scan is somewhat similar to the previous scan on 2/17/22. There are persistent renal changes that are most consistent with chronic progressive renal disease. Recommend urinalysis, culture, and blood pressure evaluation if not already done. There is an ill-defined hyperechoic region in the cranial pole of the left kidney. I suspect this is an area of infarction/renal injury, but continued monitoring is warranted.

The pancreas appears prominent and mottled. This finding is similar to the previous scan and is likely consistent with remodeling.

There is moderate gallbladder debris on today's scan. If liver enzyme elevations are present, consider starting Ursodiol.

No focal lesions are visualized on today's scan to correlate with the seizure activity reported. 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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