



PATIENT

Chewy Smith

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Shi Poo

SEX

Neutered male

AGE

13 years

WEIGHT

14.5 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Dog had bout of vomiting approx mid February 2022 that lasted 2 days and resolved on own without any treatment. Dog had been on antibiotics and apoquel for allergic skin issues. Dog is on long-term metacam for OA issues. Owner stopped skin meds as skin appeared good and vomiting stopped after 2 days. Starting Fri Feb 25/22 dog was lethargic and started vomiting Sat Feb 26, anorexic Sunday Feb 27 and seen at clinic Mon Feb 28/22. Bloodwork done in May 2021 all within normal ranges. Most recent bloodwork (Mon Feb 28) has mildly elevated liver enzymes and very high amylase and lipase values. Spec CPL value very high > 2000 (0-200) confirming pancreatitis. Dog willing to eat a bit of low fat canned food. Mon 28 and Tues March 1/ has received SQ fluids, injectable cerenia and injectable Baytril. Giving small amount low fat canned food that he will eat. Abdomen mildly distended and mildly painful. Has not had oral metacam Since Fri Feb 25 and started gabapentin oral Mon Feb 28

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 prostate is normal in size (0.75 cm) and shape for this neutered male dog. The parenchyma is homogenous and the external margins are smooth. The prostatic urethra appears normal with no evidence of irregularity, invasion, mass effect or calculi.

The left kidney has a normal shape and size (4.13 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 (3.78 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 0.56 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 0.59 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 The spleen echotexture is heterogenous and mottled, the splenic capsule is smooth with no irregularities. The blood flow through the hilus and splenic parenchyma appears normal. There is an ill-defined, small, hypoechoic nodule visualized within the splenic parenchyma measuring 0.57 cm.



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Liver

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

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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.

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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. The duodenum measured as normal (between 0.3-0.5cm in wall thickness) and the jejunum measured as normal (between 0.2-0.47cm.) Visualized peristalsis appears appropriate. There were no focal lesions consistent with obstruction or a mass effect observed.

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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.

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Pancreas

The pancreas is large and hypoechoic to surrounding mesentery. There is no evidence of nodules or cystic lesions. There is evidence of regional mesenteric inflammation. Consistent with moderate to severe pancreatitis.

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Free Abdomen

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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 increased echogenicity in the cranial abdomen particularly around the pancreas.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

PRIMARY FINDINGS:

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- Large, hypoechoic pancreas surrounded by hyperechoic mesentery. The pancreatic changes are most consistent with mild pancreatitis or a recent episode of pancreatic inflammation.
- Mildly mottled spleen with hypoechoic nodule. There is a non-cavitated, hypoechoic splenic nodule visualized. Differentials include lymphoid hyperplasia, extramedullary hematopoiesis, infiltrative neoplasia, inflammation, other. Cytology or histopathology would be necessary to

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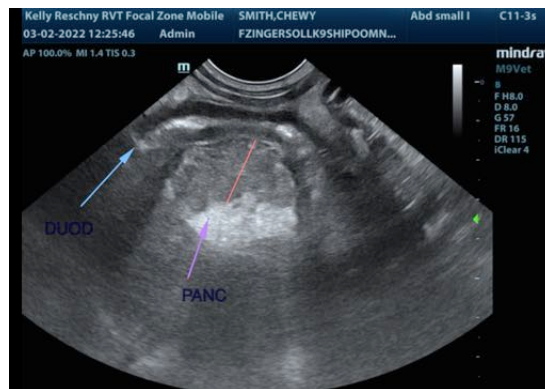
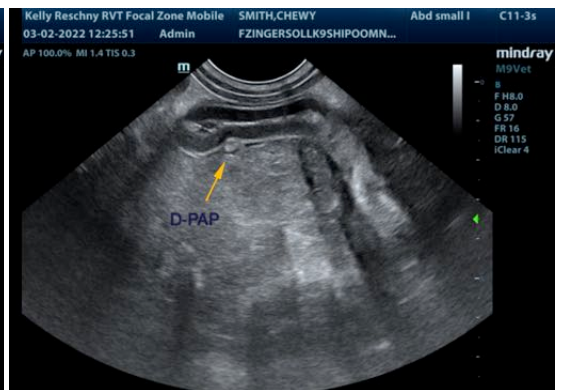
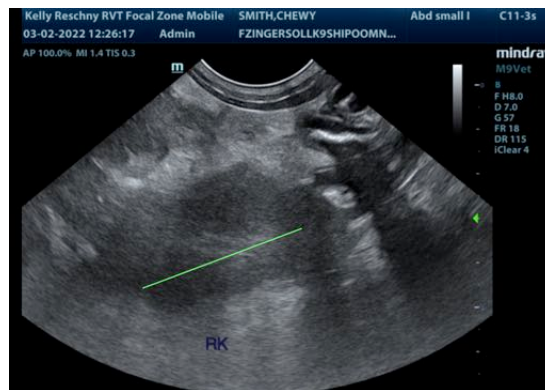
- Large heterogenous liver. The diffuse hepatic changes are non-specific and could be consistent with vacuolar hepatopathy, nodular hyperplasia, inflammatory/immune-mediated disease, fibrosis, extramedullary hematopoiesis, toxic hepatopathy (e.g., copper), infiltrative neoplasia (less likely) or other hepatopathy.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The pancreas appears prominent and inflamed. This is most consistent with active acute pancreatitis. It is possible that the liver enzyme elevation is reactive secondary to this and it should be monitored. I recommend treatment for pancreatitis with fluid support, pain medications, nausea medications and a low fat diet.

There is a small, hypoechoic nodule in the spleen. Options for further evaluation include a FNA, continued monitoring with ultrasound or less likely surgical biopsy.

Consider three view thoracic radiographs to rule out concurrent thoracic disease/involvement.





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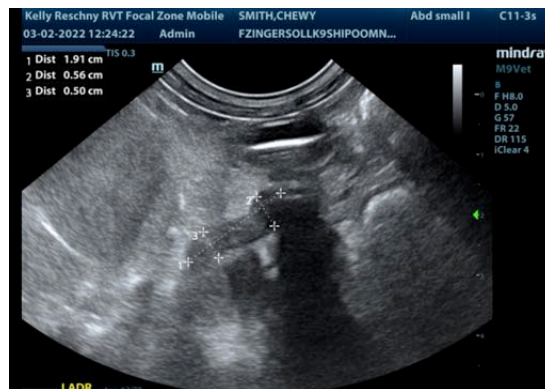
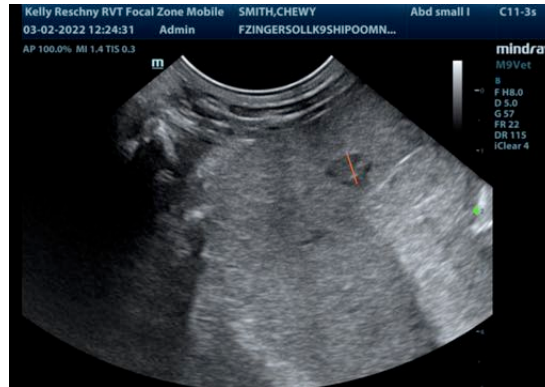
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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