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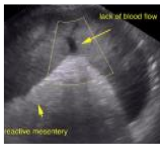
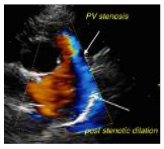
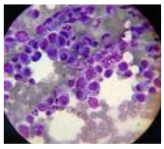
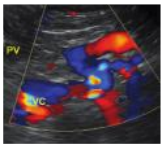

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PATIENT
Blu Shinzato

SPECIES
Canine

BREED
Mix

SEX
Neutered Male

AGE
6 Years

WEIGHT
63 Pounds

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: continued hematemesis (large amount of blood and clots with decreasing HCT no obvious esophageal fb Current meds Metro Metoclopramide Pepcid
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: HCT 29% with mild regeneration

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART & ABDOMEN

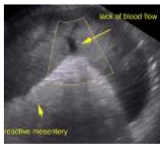
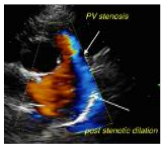
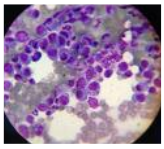
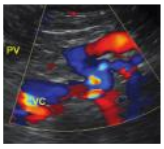
CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	MR VMAX (m/s)	TR VMAX (m/s)	LA/AO (Boon method)	LA/AO (Heart Base; Swe)	FS (%)	EF (%)	EPSS (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	4.5-5.5	<2.7	1.3	<1.3	28-40	40-100	<0.6
PATIENT	--	--	1.33	1.3	22.2	49.5	0.67
CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	**HR** (BPM)	**AV VMAX** (m/s)	**PV MAX** (m/s)	**BODY WEIGHT** (kg)	**LA** 2D short axis Base view (cm)	**LVIDd** Avg; 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)	**LVIDs** Avg; 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	50-100	0.7-1.7	0.7-1.6				
PATIENT	NM	1.2	0.9	--	4.6	4.5	--

Cardiac Presentation

The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated normal **left atrial** size based on 3 separate methods of LA evaluation. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented normal linear structure, extension in systole, and union in diastole with normal kinesis. The **left ventricle** presented thicknesses with linear contour and was not dilated nor restricted. The **myocardium** presented normal echogenicity without subjective evidence of significant fibrotic or ischemic disease. **Contractility** of the ventricular walls was subnormal, as evidenced by the fractional shortening measurement and subjective evaluation of the different regions of the myocardium. The **left ventricular outflow** tract demonstrated normal laminar flow and subjective structural integrity. The **right atrium** and auricle revealed normal size, structure and content. No evidence of masses was noted. **Tricuspid** valvular assessment demonstrated adequate linear morphology and kinesis. The **right ventricle** was of normal size (1/3 diameter of LV), chordae structure, myocardial echogenicity and thickness. **Pulmonary outflow** tract assessment revealed normal valve structure, laminar flow, and diameter (approx.1:1 pa/ao ratio). No visible **pericardial** or free pleura fluid was noted. The cranial **mediastinum and pericardial and extra-cardiac regions** were free of masses in the visible window.

Urinary System

The urinary bladder, trigone, cystourethral junction, and visible pelvic urethra to a depth of 2.0 cm exhibited normal thickness and tone. Anechoic urine was present in the lumen with no uroliths or sediment. The ureteral papillae were normal. The ureters were not visible which is normal. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes were noted.

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Normal size and margination was present in the kidneys. A normal 1:3 cortex / medulla ratio and normal corticomedullary definition were maintained. The echogenicity of the cortex was similar to or slightly less than normal liver parenchyma while the medulla echogenicity was hypoechoic to the cortex with no evidence of pelvic dilation. The left kidney measured 7.2 cm in length. The right kidney measured 7.5 cm in length.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland was uniform in size and contour with a uniformly hypoechoic parenchyma. The left adrenal gland measured 2.9 cm in length x 0.62 cm width at the caudal pole.

The right adrenal gland was uniform in size and contour with a uniformly hypoechoic parenchyma. The right adrenal gland measured 2.7 cm in length x 0.63 cm width at the caudal pole.

Spleen

The spleen exhibited a finely textured and homogenous parenchyma which was hyperechoic to the liver and renal cortical parenchyma. The capsule was smooth and regular without apparent expansion. The splenic vasculature at the hilus was normal in volume with no evidence of congestion or thrombosis. Acute to chronic inflammatory, neoplastic, or benign parenchyma changes were not noted.

Liver

The liver was subjectively normal in size, structure, and contour. The liver parenchyma was uniform and hypoechoic to the spleen with a mild coarse echotexture. The hepatic and portal vasculature were normal in appearance without signs of congestion.

The gallbladder was non distended in size with mild echogenic, nonmineralized biliary sludge, likely incidental, secondary to fasting, not considered clinically significant. The cystic duct and common bile ducts were normal without evidence of dilation.

Gastrointestinal

The stomach presented intact yet mildly prominent wall layering. The lumen of the stomach was primarily empty with minor pockets of luminal gas, along with minor retained fluid. No evidence of definitive ulceration or mural masses. The ventral gastric body wall measured 0.77 cm.

The small intestine presented intact wall layering with 1:3 muscularis/mucosa ratio. The lumen of the small intestine was empty with no signs of ileus, obstruction or foreign material.

Normal visible colon wall layers were present with apparent formed feces in lumen.

Pancreas

The parenchyma of the left limb, body and right limb of the pancreas presented isoechoic to the adjacent omental fat. A normal curvilinear capsule contour of the pancreas was present. The visible pancreatic duct was normal. No signs of active inflammation or neoplastic disease was evident.

Free Abdomen

No overt lymphadenopathy or peritoneal effusion was present.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Overtly normal cardiac structure with LV hypocontractility

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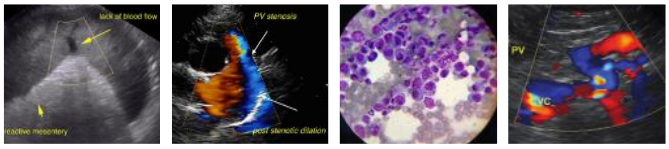

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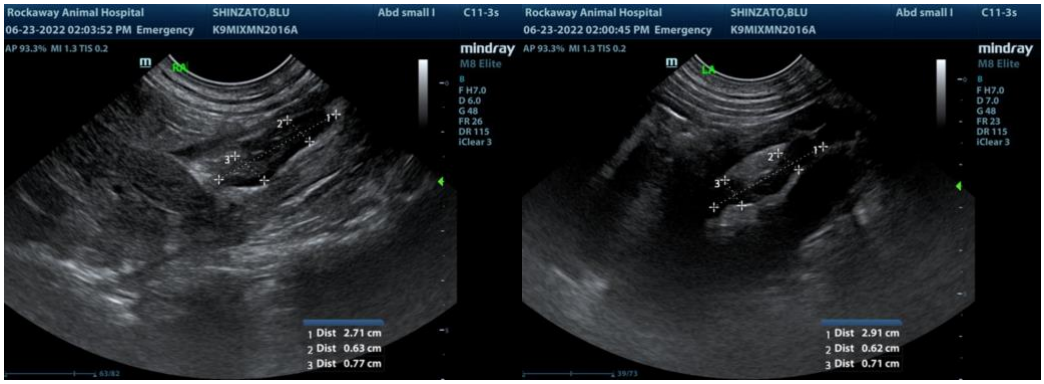
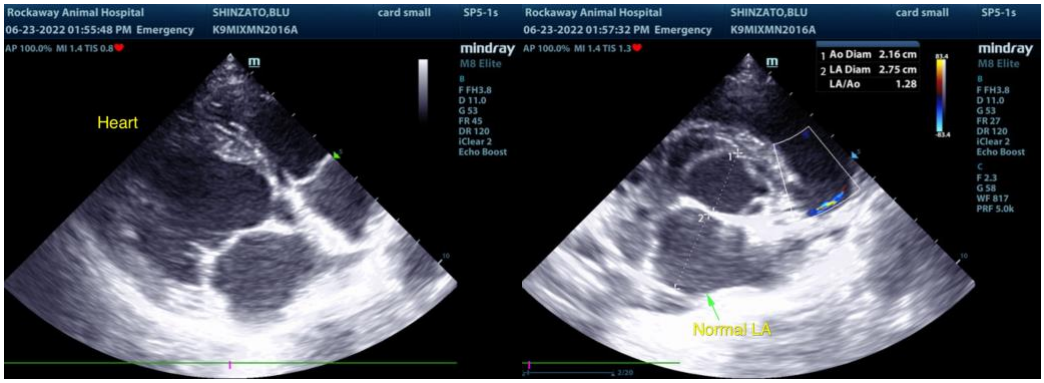
- Subjective mild gastritis pattern
- Sonographically unremarkable small bowel

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The cardiac presentation is nonspecific yet without evidence of significant structural cardiomyopathy. Potential causes that may result in LV hypocontractility, may include athletic state, given the patients young age. Systemic disease, hypothyroidism, patient variant is possible. DCM criteria was not met. Sonographic monitoring of the heart is warranted to assess for evidence of progressive chamber enlargement or persistent/progressive LV hypocontractility yet at this stage, no overt indication for cardiac medications. Correlation with full CBC/chemistry panel, T4 level and urinalysis is recommended.

Overall, no evidence of significant upper or generalized gastrointestinal mural pathology, i.e., significant upper or generalized mural hypertrophy, gastrointestinal masses, foreign body, neoplastic criteria, etc., as an obvious cause of the hematemesis. Potential for non-visualized or microulceration is certainly possible. Pending chemistry panel results, resting cortisol level may be considered to rule out occult Addisons disease, which may potentially result in microulceration. Continued gastric protectants warranted. Upper gastrointestinal endoscopy may be indicated for further assessment. The addition of sucralfate to current gastroprotectant protocol may prove beneficial.





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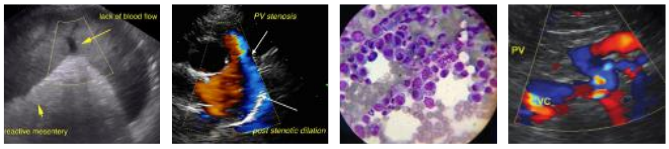

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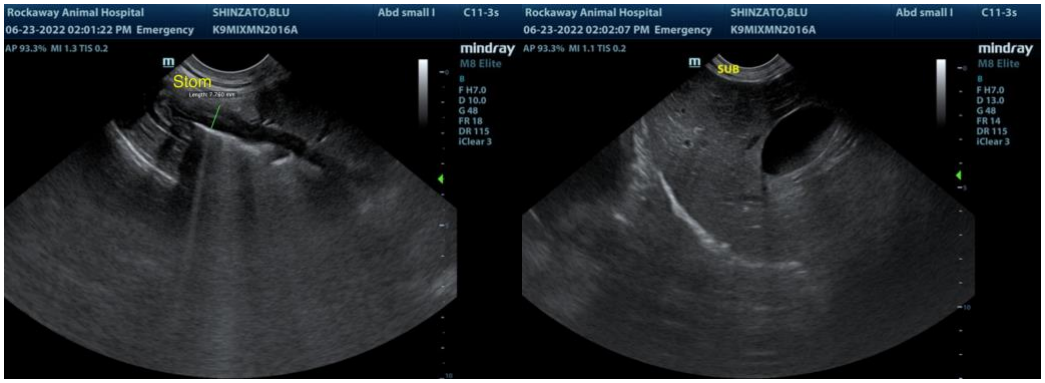

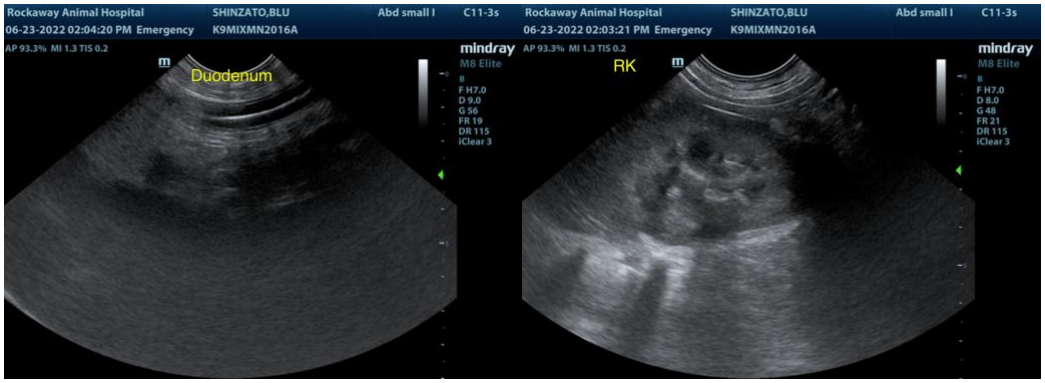

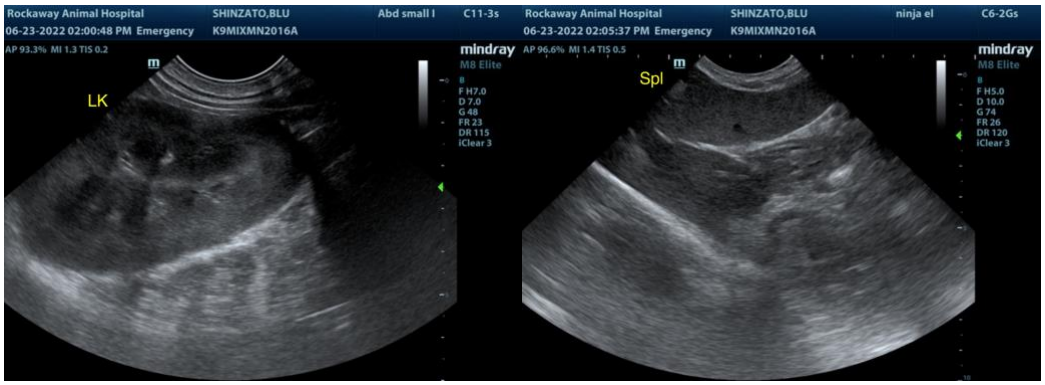

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Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance please contact me.

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