



**PATIENT**

Oso Steeves

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Not eating, weight loss and chronic diarrhea.

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Canine

**RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX & ABDOMEN**

Lateral and ventrodorsal views of both thorax and abdomen totaling 4 images available for review.

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**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

**Thorax**

The surrounding bony structures are within normal limits.

The extrathoracic soft tissues present homogeneous without abnormalities.

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Male Neutered

The cardiac silhouette is upright and thin. The caudal vena cava and pulmonary vasculature are thin as well.

The cranial mediastinum presents the expected soft tissue opacity. The mediastinal width is less than twice the width of the vertebral column at the same level.

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The trachea is normal in diameter and presents the anticipated course. The luminal outline of the trachea is smooth.

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The bronchial tree presents with thin walls and tapers uniformly towards the periphery as expected.

The lung parenchyma presents the expected architecture and opacity. The intrapulmonary vascular branching is seen up to the third order lung vessels.

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The diaphragm is well delineated with even surface and the expected mild cranial bulging of the diaphragmatic cupola.

**Abdomen**

The surrounding bony structures are within normal limits.

No abnormalities of the extraabdominal soft tissues are noted. The abdominal wall is smooth and thin.

The serosal detail is maintained throughout the peritoneal and retroperitoneal space.

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The liver is appropriate in position, size and presents uniform opacity.

The splenic head is in the anticipated position and within normal limits for size and opacity. The splenic body and tail are considered normal for position, size, shape and opacity.

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Both kidneys are seen and present with normal size, shape, delineation and opacity. The urinary bladder is in its anticipated position. No radiopaque calculi are noted throughout the upper and lower urinary tract.

The stomach is in its anticipated position and presents normal content.

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Turgid appearance of small intestinal loops is seen which appears to correspond to the terminal ileum segment on the orthogonal view with a soft tissue opacity level with the ileocecolic junction.

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The colon is seen in the expected position and presents with appropriate content.

**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

- Intestinal maldigestion pattern with suspicion of functional ileus and mild distension of the terminal ileum.
- Hypovolemia with microcardia and underperfusion of the lung.

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The radiographic findings suggest functional small intestinal ileus. The delayed passage of the ileocecal valve is one potential explanation of the radiographic presentation of this anatomic region of the intestine. However, this may also be an incidental finding and further verification by means of abdominal ultrasound would be ideal in this patient.

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

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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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