



**PATIENT**

Birdie Mathison

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Pt having issues with diarrhea for about a week. Soft serve most days and no blood in stool. Appetite is off and on. Vomiting occasionally- 1 episode a day- going on for about a week. Abdominal radiographs taken today 3/28/23. TTO about the radiograph. There is a suspicious circular gray area near the stomach and liver ( lateral view): r/o abdominal mass, gallbladder enlargement ( mucocele), open. Another suspicious circular gray area near the kidney and thoracic spine ( lateral view), appears on the left side on VD view cranial to kidneys - r/o abdominal mass, enlargement of the spleen, open. Bloodwork pending.

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Tibetan Spaniel

**RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE ABDOMEN**

Right lateral and ventrodorsal views of the abdomen totaling 4 images available for review.

**SEX**

Spayed Female

**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

A round soft tissue opaque structure is seen in the cranioventral abdomen in the position of the gastric pylorus.

The splenic head is slightly prominent in the lateral view.

**AGE**

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The liver, kidneys, and urinary bladder present within normal limits.

A moderate amount of gas is seen within the nondilated small intestinal loops. The small intestinal loops are evenly distributed throughout the mid abdomen with no evidence of plication or radiopaque foreign material.

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A moderate amount of fecal matter is seen in the colon.

The right coxofemoral joint presents signs of severe hip dysplasia and osteoarthritis.

**HOSPITAL NAME**

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Veterinary Hospital

**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

- Small intestinal maldigestion pattern with no evidence of mechanical ileus.
- No radiographic evidence of abdominal mass effects.
- Severe canine hip dysplasia and osteoarthritis of the right coxofemoral joint.

**REFERRING VET**

Dana Nassoii, D.V.M

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The radiographic findings are compatible with functional ileus. Mechanical ileus is considered highly unlikely based on the radiographic presentation. Subileus can never be ruled out entirely. The gastric pylorus is filled with soft tissue opaque material most likely fluid and prominently seen on the right lateral views which is a normal finding.

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The splenic head is also prominent in appearance with no evidence of significant splenomegaly.

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Further definition by means of full abdominal ultrasound could be considered in case of persisting or deteriorating clinical signs in order to gain more information about the gastrointestinal tract's wall layering, content, and motility as well as to rule out other potential underlying pathology such as pancreatopathy or other.



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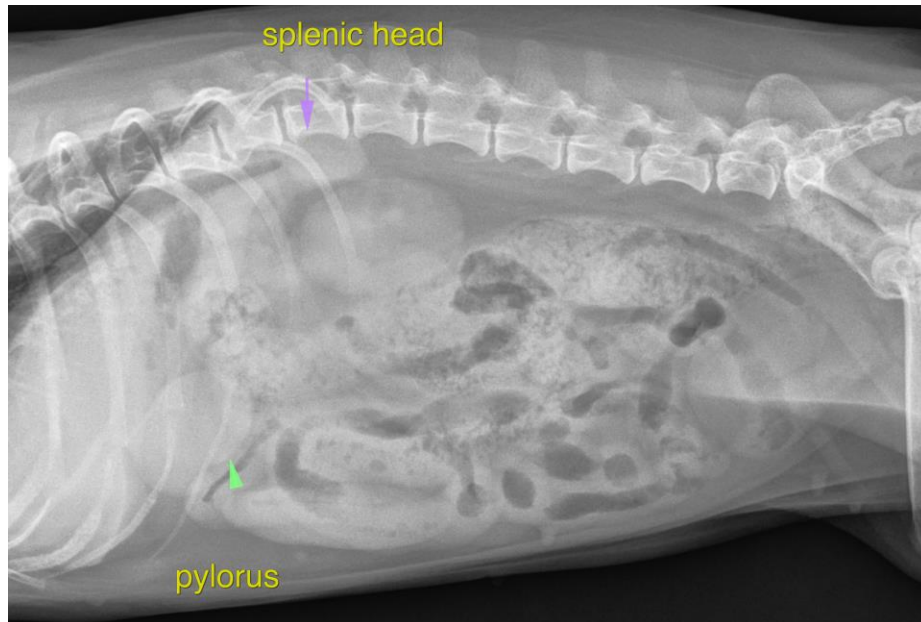
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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