



**PATIENT**

Riddik Thomas

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Increased abdominal effort when breathing, harsh breathing (suspected laryngeal paralysis), increasingly restless in evenings/night time, general agitation. Owner is a paranoid tech and wants to rule out an abdominal tumor vs gall bladder enlargement. No change in appetite, no v/d. Does hack/gag occasionally at night, nsf on chest films. Hyperthyroid (on thyro-tabs)  
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Elevated ALT/ALP

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**RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE ABDOMEN**

Radiographs of the abdomen in three imaging planes are provided for review.

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**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

The vertebral endplates L1/L2 present advanced spondylosis formation. The periarticular bones of both coxofemoral joints present mild osteophyte new bone formation.

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A metal opaque air gun pellet is seen in the soft tissues at the right lateral aspect of the caudal thoracic spine. 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.

**AGE**

12 Years

The hepatic volume is mild to moderately increased the liver is protruding beyond the costal arch; the gastric axis is deviated caudally. The caudoventral hepatic margins are rounded.

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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.

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.

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

The small intestinal loops are of even diameter and non-dilated, a small amount of gas is seen within the small intestinal loops and considered within normal limits.

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

**REFERRING VET**

Dr. Cindy Nowle

**RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS**

- Hepatomegaly, stationary
- Spondylosis deformans L1/L2, mildly progressive
- Air gun pellet soft tissues right lateral to caudal thoracic spine

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The main finding is the hepatomegaly, that appears to be stationary in comparison to the previous radiographic study. Potentials for the hepatomegaly include metabolic hepatic disease/steroid induced hepatopathy, hepatitis or neoplastic infiltration. Ultrasound including FNA sampling can be used as minimally advanced diagnostic tests.

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If there is strong suspicion for pathology of the gallbladder, consider an abdominal ultrasound



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There is no evidence of an abdominal mass.

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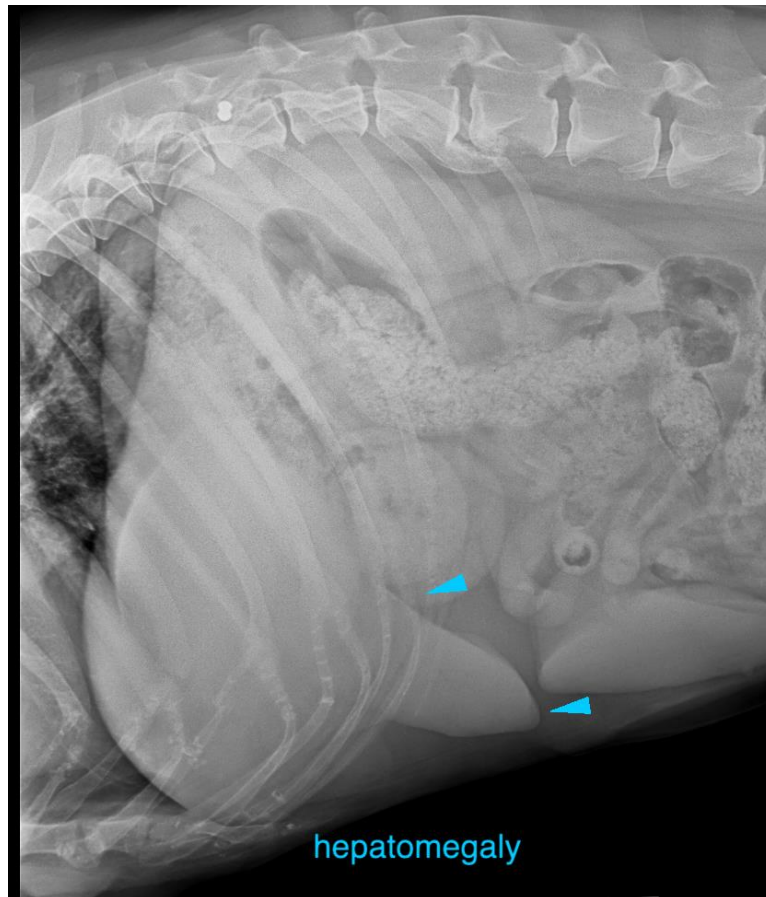
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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