Multicystic dysplastic kidney in a dog

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Signalment: A 1-year-old female mongrel dog was evaluated for anorexia and vomiting for 4 days. Blood screen tests were consistent with chronic renal failure. Abdominal ultrasonographic findings were revealed small sized kidneys with anechoic multiple cysts.

Results: The dog was euthanized due to poor prognosis. A full necropsy was performed, and the histopathologic findings in the dog were consistent with renal dysplasia. Thus the dog was diagnosed as multicystic dysplastic kidney.

Clinical Relevance: To the authors' knowledge, this is the first reported case of multicystic dysplastic kidney in a mongrel dog. This disease should be considered when small sized kidneys with multiple cysts are detected by ultrasonography in juveniles, and should distinguish multicystic dysplastic kidney from polycystic kidney disease.

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