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Abstract:

The purpose of this report is to describe two cases of chylous ascites (CA) in ferrets. In the first patient, CA was likely secondary to an obstruction of lymphatic drainage due to lymphoma; and in the second patient CA developed as a postoperative complication of adrenal carcinoma with multiple metastases. In both cases CA was diagnosed based on the concentration of triglycerides (TG) and cholesterol (Chol) in the abdominal fluid. Medical treatment resulted in partial remission of the CA in the first case; however the patient suffered an acute death approximately 3 weeks following its initial presenation. In the second patient multiple abdominocenteses were required to relieve abdominal discomfort and dyspnea. Five days following the adrenal

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