

Fallmouth Veterinary Hospital, Nonspecific Hepatitis,  
Standard Poodle  
CASE SUMMARY

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Case Courtesy of:

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**Signalment:** Canine, 9yrs., F/S, Standard Poodle, "Obi".

**History:** Hyporexia progressing to anorexia. Recent ingestion of crab shells and vomiting. Weight loss, cachexia, and lethargy were actively progressing.

**Diagnostics and Exam Findings:** Ultrasound and bloodwork reveal nonspecific hepatitis and inflammatory bowel disease. Liver aspirate confirm there is no evidence of neoplasia or severe infection.

**Laser Treatment:** 8J/cm<sup>2</sup> delivered to the caudal thorax and anterior abdominal area surrounding the liver, delivered a total of 4320 joules.

**Frequency of Treatment:** Every 2 to 4 days for a total number of 12 treatments in a 30 day period.

**Other Treatments:** Standard of care, including appetite stimulant, diuretic, liver support, steroid.

**Comments:** Appetite resumed by the third laser treatment. An elevated ALT value was noted between the third and fourth laser treatment, but then decreased by the eighth laser treatment. Increased activity, as well as resuming historical behaviors and weight normalization resumed as therapy was carried out.

**Supporting Documentation:**

Video testimonial from owner - <https://vimeo.com/117376427>