



PATIENT

Little Man Ulrick

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

Domestic Longhair

SEX

Neutered male

AGE

3 years

WEIGHT

7.4 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: weight loss, vomiting and chronic diarrhea first noted by owners Oct 25, first evaluated in Dec 25 - convenia, profender - no improvement per O

Sent GI panel at eval in Jan 26 - Minimally responsive to metronidazole, B12 supplementation and change to hydrolyzed protein diet starting in Jan 26.

However appetite and frequency of vomiting improved overall with these. Weight did increase while getting b12 injections but pt lost it again over the last 2 months.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: cbc/chem in December showed neutrophilic leukocytosis, chem unremarkable gi panel in Jan showed low cobalamin and folate current cbc/chem pending 5/19/26

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The bladder lumen is normally distended, and the wall of the urinary bladder appears thin and smooth. The urine is anechoic. Normal appearance of the bladder neck and proximal urethra. There are no calculi and no evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes.

The left kidney is normal in shape and size: 3.60×1.97 cm, and the thickness of the cortex is 0.34 cm in the sagittal plane. The right kidney is normal in shape and size: 3.84×2.03 cm, and the thickness of the cortex is 0.38 cm in the sagittal plane. The renal cortices are mildly hyperechoic compared to the liver parenchyma. The corticomedullary ratio is normal and corticomedullary definition is preserved bilaterally. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephrolithiasis, or hydronephrosis.

Adrenal Glands

Dorsoventral diameters measured in the sagittal plane: the left adrenal gland measures 0.31 cm at the cranial pole and 0.34 cm at the caudal pole. The right adrenal gland is not confidently visualized.

Spleen

Splenic thickness is 0.67 cm. The parenchyma demonstrates normal echogenicity and fine homogeneous echotexture without focal parenchymal abnormalities. The splenic capsule is smooth and regular.

Liver

The liver is subjectively normal in size, with sharp edges and a regular contour. The hepatic parenchyma is mildly diffusely hypoechoic relative to the falciform fat, with mildly increased conspicuity of the portal venous walls. No focal hepatic lesions are identified. No hepatic lymphadenopathy is observed.

The gallbladder lumen is minimally distended. The gallbladder wall measures 2.08 mm in thickness. The luminal content is scant and predominantly anechoic. No evident dilation of the cystic duct or common bile duct is observed.



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Gastrointestinal

The stomach is markedly distended with abundant ingesta, with mural thickness measuring 1.27 mm and preserved wall layering. The pylorus measures 3.20 mm in thickness. Duodenum: 2.0 mm. Jejunum: 2.91 mm. Mucosa: 1.94 mm. Submucosa: 0.61 mm. Muscularis propria: 0.20 mm.

The ileum and ileocecolic junction could not be visualized and adequately evaluated due to the marked amount of intraluminal ingesta throughout the gastrointestinal tract, significantly limiting complete gastrointestinal assessment and accurate mural measurements.

The colon measures 0.72 mm in thickness and contains soft fecal material within the descending segment.

Pancreas

The pancreas measures 6.70 mm in thickness. The pancreatic parenchyma is mildly hypoechoic relative to the adjacent mesenteric fat. The pancreatic duct measures 1.69 mm in diameter. No convincing evidence of active peripancreatic fat inflammation is identified.

Free Abdomen

Small-volume abdominal effusion is present. Cranial mesenteric lymph nodes measure 6.02–7.77 mm, and are mildly hypoechoic and mildly heterogeneous. The ileocecal lymph nodes are not visualized. The region of the iliac trifurcation appears normal.

PRIMARY FINDINGS

- Subtle diffuse hepatic hypoechoogenicity with increased conspicuity of portal venous walls.
- Gallbladder wall thickening with minimal luminal distension.
- Mild pancreatic enlargement/hypoechoogenicity with pancreatic duct dilation.
- Cranial mesenteric lymphadenopathy/heterogeneity.
- Small-volume abdominal effusion.

SECONDARY FINDINGS

- Mild bilateral renal cortical hyperechogenicity.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The combination of chronic gastrointestinal clinical signs, previously documented hypocobalaminemia/hypofolatemia, mild cranial mesenteric lymphadenopathy, and subtle pancreatic abnormalities is most compatible with chronic inflammatory enteropathy with concurrent pancreatobiliary involvement (“feline triaditis-type” disease complex).

The jejunal wall measurements obtained during this examination do not demonstrate muscularis propria thickening or loss of mural stratification. The jejunal muscularis-to-mucosa ratio is



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INTERPRETED BY	The previously documented hypcobalaminemia and hypofolatemia support the presence of chronic diffuse small intestinal disease/malabsorptive enteropathy. Previously reported questionable fPLI elevation also supports the possibility of concurrent chronic pancreatopathy in the context of the current ultrasonographic findings.
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IMAGING PERFORMED BY	Mild renal cortical hyperechogenicity is nonspecific and may represent incidental chronic renal change without evidence of obstructive or advanced structural renal disease.
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Final diagnostic and therapeutic decisions should be made by the attending veterinarian, who can best integrate these findings with the patient's clinical status.



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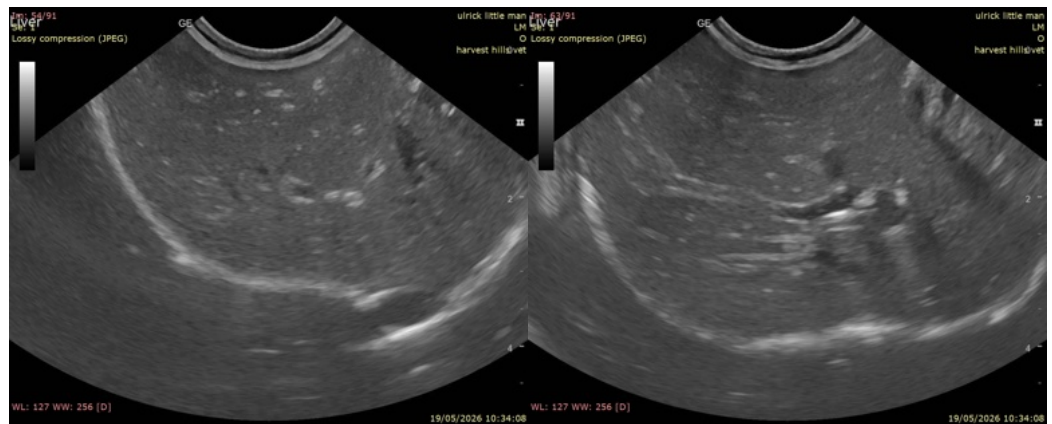
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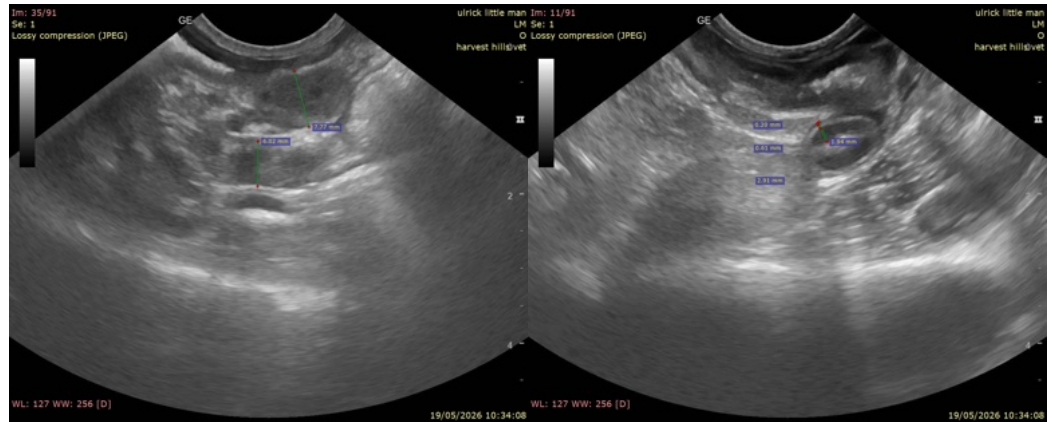
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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