



**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Munson Strahlendorff History: Diabetic (newly diagnosed) and possible Cushing's (LDDST running)  
 Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Urine culture neg ALT-182 ALP-884 Fruct-512 UA RBC-4-10 Gluc-3+ PH-7.5 USG-1.035

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Canine

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

**BREED**

Maltese Mix

**Urinary System**

The urinary bladder wall is normal in thickness. The mucosal surface is slightly irregular. The bladder is moderately distended. Luminal contents are mostly anechoic. No cystic calculi are observed. The region of the trigone and the proximal urethra, visible to a depth of 1.5 cm, are normal.

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Neutered Male

The prostate is normal in size (0.72 cm in width) and shape. Parenchyma is homogenous. The prostatic urethra appears normal without evidence of dilation or obstruction.

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The left kidney is normal in size (3.95 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal-to-mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

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10 lbs

The right kidney is normal in size (4.12 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

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**Adrenal Glands**

The caudal pole of the left adrenal gland is visualized (0.44 cm in width). There is normal glandular echogenicity and detail. Surrounding vasculature appears normal.

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (1.12 cm at cranial pole) (0.50 cm at caudal pole) with a normal shape and homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

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**Spleen**

The spleen is normal in size (1.35 cm in width at the level of the hilus) with a normal capsular contour. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. No focal lesions are observed. Splenic vasculature is normal.

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**Liver**

The liver is subjectively enlarged with slightly swollen peripheral contours. The parenchyma is isoechoic relative to the spleen and diffusely homogeneous in appearance. No distinct focal lesions are observed. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion.

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The gallbladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A small-to-moderate amount of aggregated, echogenic, gravity-dependent debris/sludge is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

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**Gastrointestinal**

The gastric lumen is not distended. The gastric wall and pylorus are normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The pyloric outflow tract is patent. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The small intestinal wall is normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.



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**Pancreas**

The pancreas is visible with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma in the region of the right limb is slightly hyperechoic relative to surrounding omental fat and slightly mottled in appearance. The pancreatic duct is visible but not overtly dilated. There is no evidence of peripancreatic inflammation or effusion.

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**Lymph Nodes**

The abdominal lymph nodes are normal/not visible.

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**Free Abdomen**

There is no obvious evidence of free fluid.

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**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

**Primary Findings**

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- The hepatic changes are most consistent with a diabetic hepatopathy, with a lower possibility of inflammatory disease, infiltrative neoplasia, hepatotoxicosis, fibrosis, and/or other hepatopathy.

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- Gallbladder debris/sludge, non-mucocele

**Secondary Findings**

- The pancreatic changes are most consistent with age-related parenchymal remodeling, potentially secondary to a prior inflammatory episode, early fibrosis or chronic pancreatitis.
- Minor bilateral age-related renal changes

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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Initiation of insulin therapy is recommended for this new diabetic. If the patient appears to be insulin resistant, further testing for Cushing's disease can be considered.

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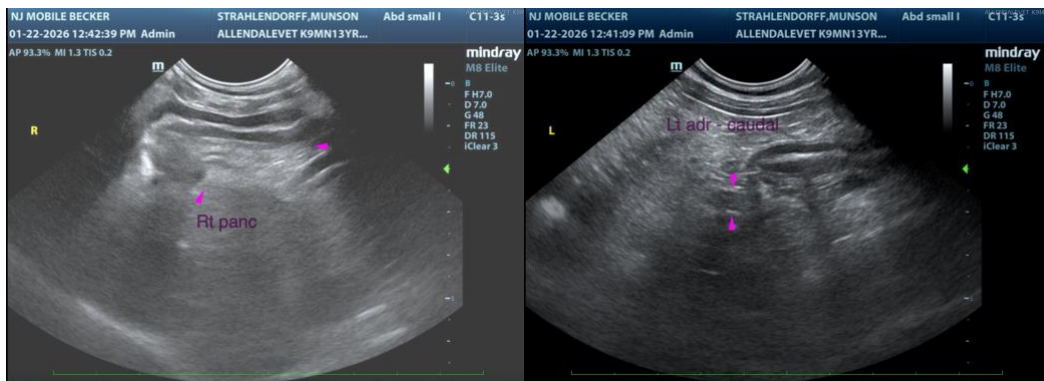
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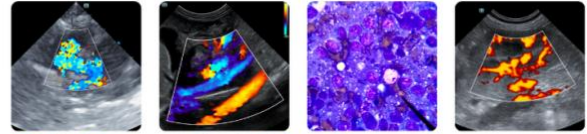
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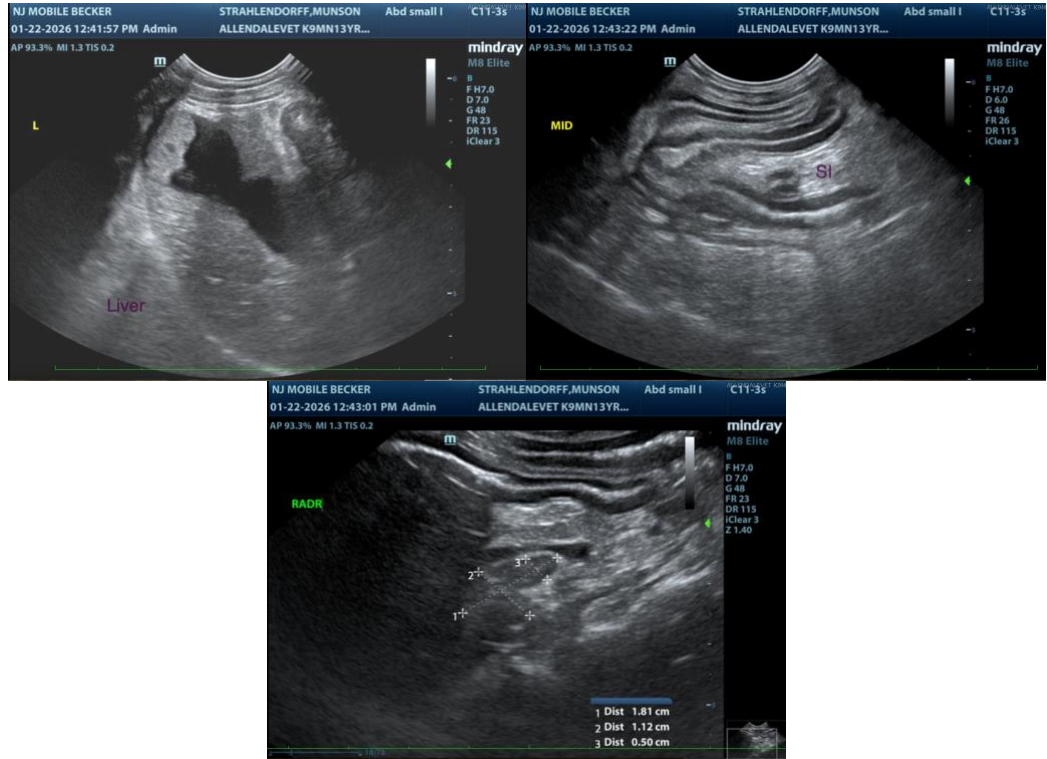
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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