



PATIENT

Peanut Butter Johnson

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Chihuahua Mix

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

14 Years

WEIGHT

8.5 Lbs.

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: P was seen 1/24 for PU/PD, lethargy, and shaking. On exam p was painful in cranial abdomen and 5% dehydrated. Cerenia was administered and BW and AUS was declined at this time. P was admitted & hospitalized 1/27 d/t anorexia, vomiting and continued shaking. AUS performed 1/27. Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Elevated Alk Phos, GGT, BUN/Crea Ratio, neutrophils, PrecisionPSL Slightly decreased Chloride

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder, trigone, and pelvic urethra are normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder lumen is moderately distended with anechoic urine. No masses, inflammatory changes or calculi are observed. Ureteral papillae and visualized portion of the proximal urethra, visible to a depth of 2 cm, are normal.

The prostate is normal in size (0.87 cm in width) and shape. Parenchyma is homogenous. The prostatic urethra appears normal without evidence of dilation or obstruction.

The left kidney presented normal size (3.11 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with 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.

The right kidney presented normal size (3.97 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with 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.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is mildly enlarged (0.53 cm at cranial pole) (0.60 cm at caudal pole) (1.64 cm in length); with a normal shape; homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

The right adrenal gland is mildly enlarged (0.64 cm at cranial pole) (0.60 cm at caudal pole) (1.76 cm in length); with a normal shape; homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (1.08 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.

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. The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A small amount of aggregated



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echogenic partially dependent debris is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

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The gall bladder is of normal contours and contains some gravity dependent echogenic debris. The wall is normal in thickness. No choleliths are observed. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

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Gastrointestinal

The gastric lumen is mildly to moderately distended with ingesta. 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 thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. No obstructive or overt infiltrative disease is noted.

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Pancreas

The left limb of the pancreas is prominent in size with minimal deviation from the normal peripheral contours. The parenchyma is slightly hypoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat and subtly mottled in appearance. No distinct focal lesions are observed. The pancreatic duct is not overtly dilated. The mesentery effacing the serosal surface is mildly hyperechoic.

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Free Abdomen

The peritoneal cavity is normal. There is no evidence of inflammation or effusion. The abdominal lymph nodes are normal/not visible.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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Primary Findings

- The pancreatic changes are suggestive of mild acute or chronic, active pancreatitis. There is also subtle, age-related remodeling.
- The diffuse hepatic changes are non-specific and could be consistent with vacuolar hepatopathy, regenerative nodular hyperplasia, and/or age-related remodeling. Inflammatory and infiltrative disease are considered unlikely.
- Mild bilateral adrenomegaly

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Supportive care for pancreatitis is recommended including IV fluid therapy, gastric protectants, antiemetics, pain medication as needed, +/- fresh frozen plasma.
- Regarding the history of PU/PD, consider the following:

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- Urinalysis to confirm isosthenuria, if not already performed.
- Consider a urine culture and sensitivity to assess for occult pyelonephritis.
- If patient is isosthenuric with no evidence of a urinary tract infection, further testing for Cushing's disease (i.e., low-dose dexamethasone suppression test or ACTH stimulation test) should be considered.
- If Cushing's disease is confirmed, a baseline blood pressure measurement is also recommended.
- If proteinuria is present, a UPC should be performed.

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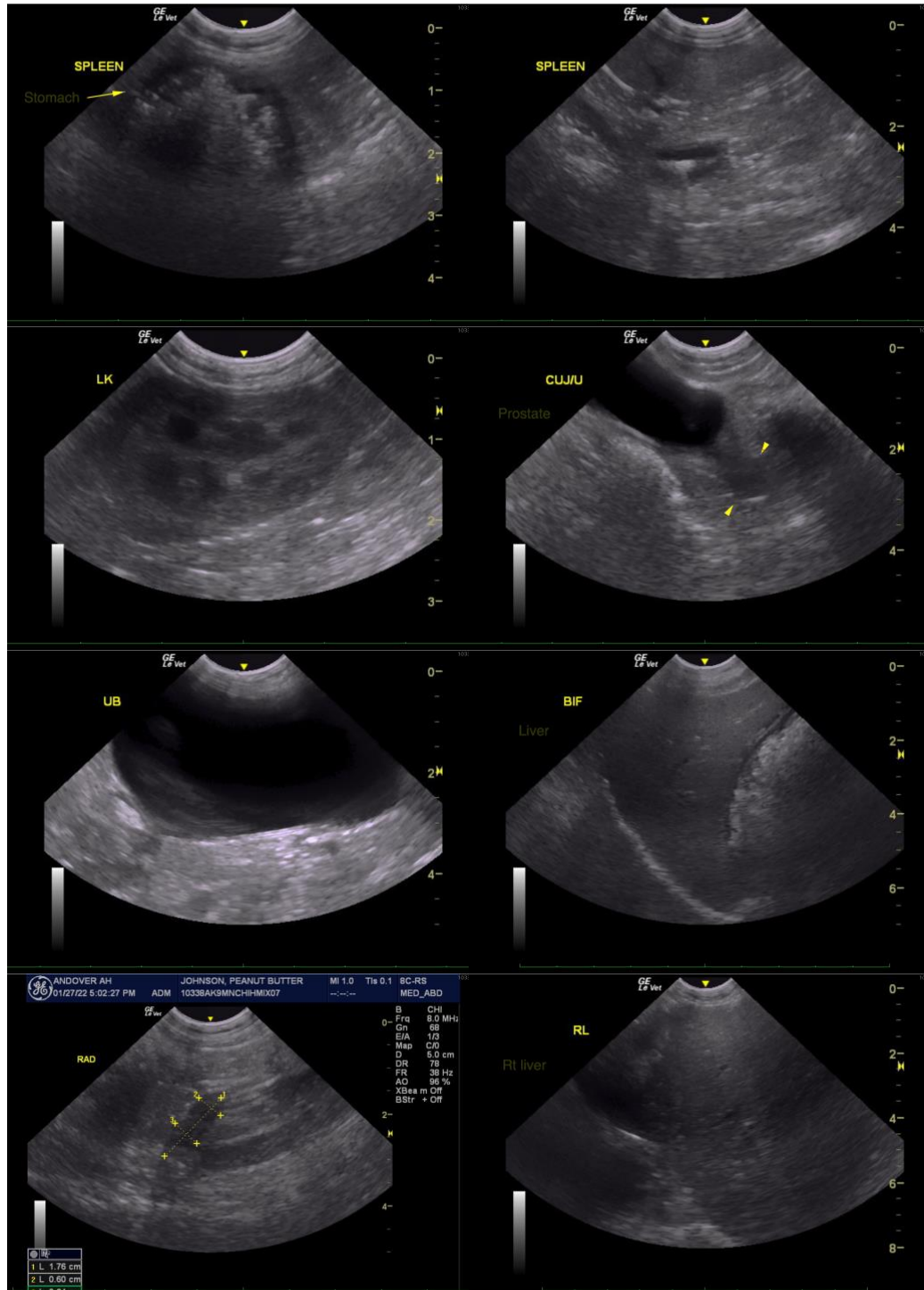
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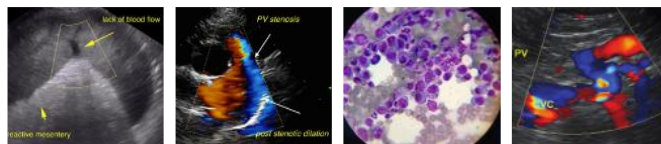
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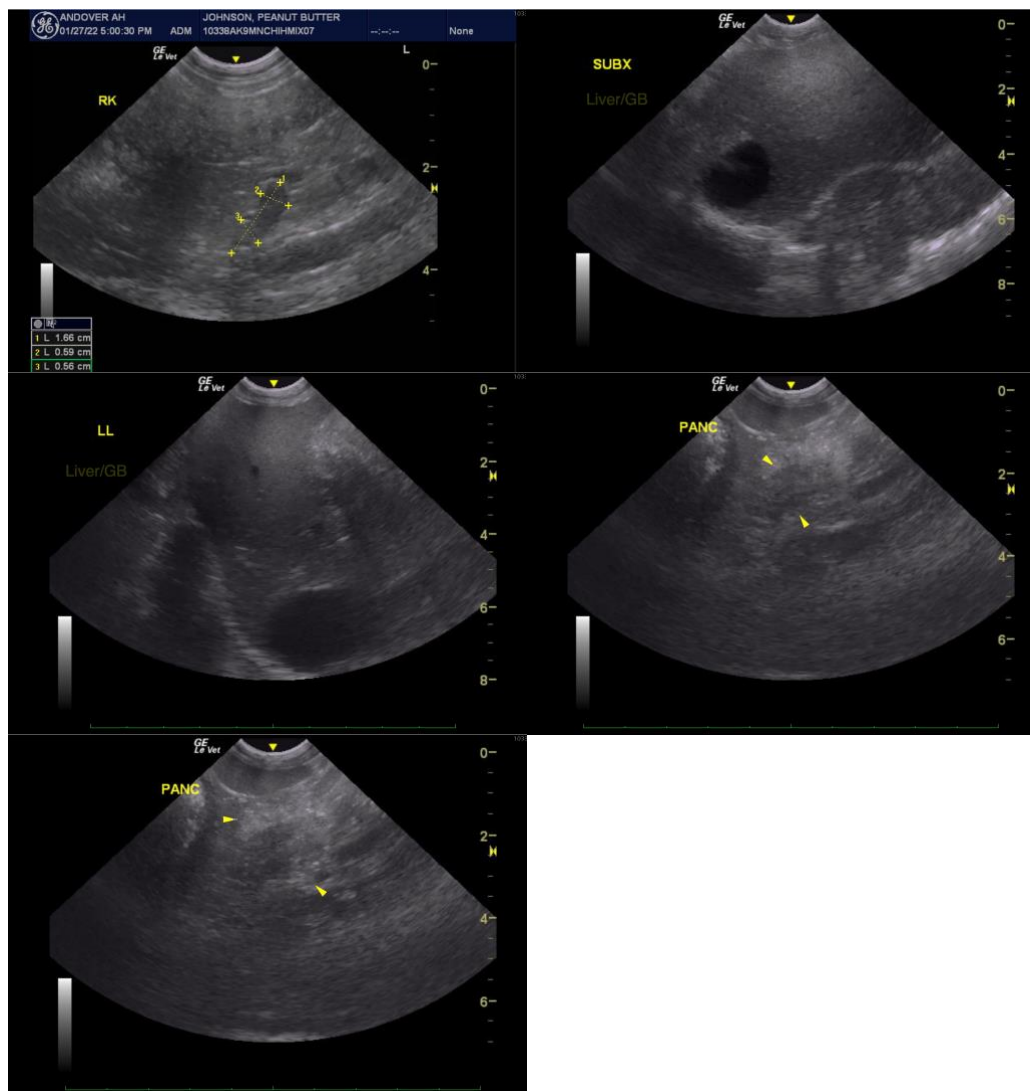
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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