

PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Aziza Taylor History: Vomiting blood, losing weight

SPECIES Current Medications: Furosemide, enalapril, clopidogrel

Feline **ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE**

Urinary System

BREED 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.

SEX Spayed Female The left kidney is normal size (3.54 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.

AGE 3/15/19 The right kidney is normal size (3.81 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.

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Adrenal Glands

Andrea Nicastro, DVM, Diplomate The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.34 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

ACVIM (Small Animal Internal Medicine) The right adrenal gland is normal size (0.49 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

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Spleen

Andrea Nicastro, DVM, Diplomate The spleen is normal in size (0.52 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

Cats Only The liver is subjectively normal in size with normal contours and structure. There is appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. No overt structural evidence of inflammatory, infiltrative, or regenerative pathology is evident. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy observed.

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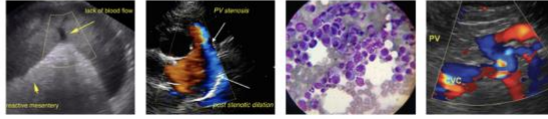
The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. Luminal contents are mostly anechoic. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal.

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The stomach and intestine are free of stasis and exhibit normal peristaltic activity. 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 mildly thickened (up to 0.34 cm) with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. There is disruption in the normal 1:3 muscularis: mucosal ratio with a 1:1 ratio in some segments. Discreet masses are not identified. The ileocecal colic junction and colonic wall are normal. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

Pancreas

The pancreas is diffusely prominent in size with minimal deviation from the normal peripheral contours. The parenchyma is hypoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat. No focal lesions are observed. The pancreatic duct is visible but not overtly dilated. There is no evidence of peripancreatic effusion.

Free Abdomen

The mesentery in the mid abdominal cavity is hyperechoic. No free fluid is observed. A few enlarged slightly rounded hypoechoic mesenteric lymph nodes are visualized, the largest measuring 1.50 cm in length. A few prominent lymph nodes are also observed in the right cranial quadrant.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Bowel pattern consistent with inflammatory bowel disease or emerging lymphoma
- The abdominal lymphadenopathy could be consistent with reactive lymphadenitis, lymphoid hyperplasia or infiltrative neoplasia (i.e., lymphoma).
- The pancreatic changes are suggestive of chronic pancreatitis
- Mid abdominal peritonitis is present, likely secondary to bowel pathology

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Fecal evaluation for ova and Giardia
- Malabsorption panel, including serum cobalamin, folate, TLI and PLI
- To obtain a definitive diagnosis, endoscopic or surgical gastrointestinal biopsies would be warranted. If surgery is pursued, abdominal lymph node biopsies should also be obtained.
- In the meantime, consider transitioning to a limited antigen diet.
- Empirical treatment for mild gastric ulceration (i.e., proton pump inhibitor, sucralfate) is also recommended.
- Given the patient's history of heart disease, a recheck echocardiogram may be warranted prior to anesthesia to assess anesthetic risk.



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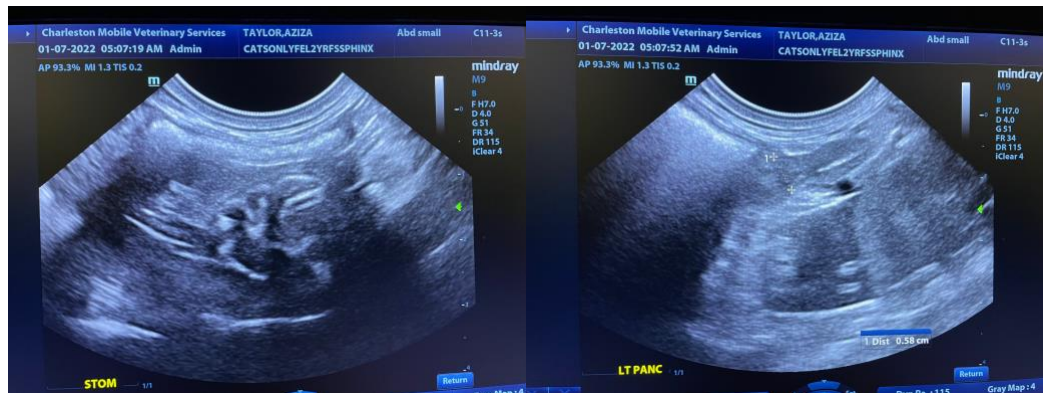
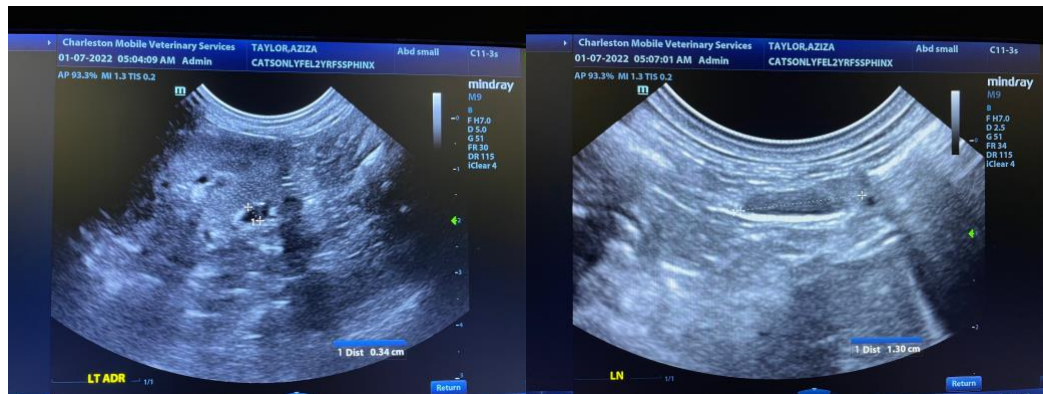
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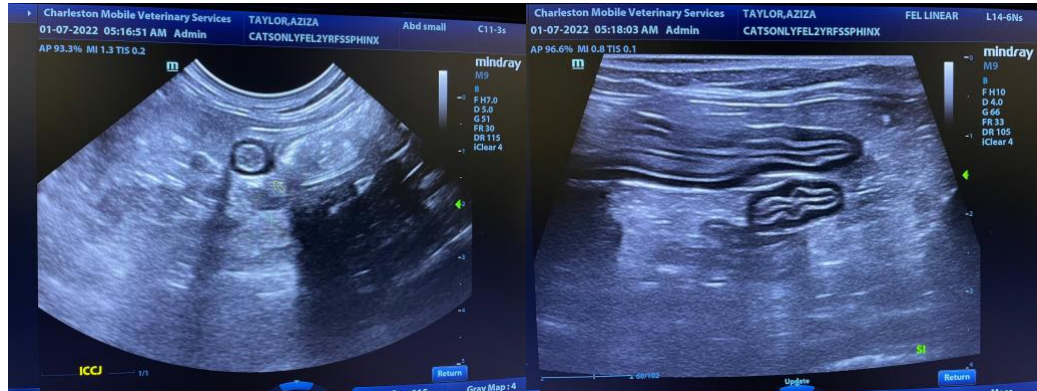
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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