



PATIENT

Maui Lemaster

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

Siberian

SEX

Male, neutered

AGE

1.5 Yrs.

WEIGHT

9.9 lbs.

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: ADR, not interested in his food for over a week, eating very little. Lethargic, less active. Stools are very small. Vomiting at least once daily. No hx of known FB. Painful on abdominal palpation and extension of rear legs. Pet has lost 2 lbs since May

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: CBC: WBC: 20.6 Neu: 18746 Lymph: 1030 Chem: Glu: 153 TP: 9.9 Glob: 6.9

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 left kidney is normal size (3.71 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. A hyperechoic medullary band is observed at the corticomedullary junction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

The right kidney is normal size (4.20 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. A hyperechoic medullary band is observed at the corticomedullary junction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.33 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

The right adrenal gland is not definitively visualized.

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (0.68 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 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. The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A small amount of aggregated echogenic mostly gravity dependent debris/sludge is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.



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Gastrointestinal

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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 thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. There is disruption in the normal 1:3 muscularis: mucosal ratio in most segments. There is also evidence of thickening of the submucosal layer in several regions. Discreet masses are not identified. The ileocecal colic junction and colonic wall are normal. No obstructive disease is noted.

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Pancreas

The pancreas is normal in size with normal peripheral contours. The pancreatic duct is normal. The base and limbs of the pancreas are isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. No focal lesions are observed. There is no evidence of peripancreatic inflammation or effusion.

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Free Abdomen

Trace free fluid is observed. A >6 cm irregular mass effect is observed in the region of the lymph nodes adjacent to the ileocecal colic junction. The nodes in this region are enlarged, clustered and hypoechoic. Surrounding mesentery is hyperechoic.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings:

- The mass effect involving the lymph nodes at the ileocecal colic junction may represent infiltrative neoplasia (i.e., lymphoma). Alternatively, pyogranulomatous lymphadenitis (i.e., secondary to FIP) is also a top differential. Regional peritonitis is present.
- Bowel changes consistent with inflammatory bowel disease or emerging lymphoma.

Secondary Findings:

- The medullary band present in both kidneys may be a benign incidental finding. Alternatively, subclinical renal disease may be present.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Three-view thoracic radiographs are recommended to assess for lymphadenopathy in the chest.
- A fine needle aspirate of the lymph node mass effect is recommended (if clotting status is appropriate). A 25-gauge needle should be used. If cytologic evaluation is inconclusive, surgical biopsies of the abdominal lymph nodes and gastrointestinal tract may be necessary to get a definitive diagnosis.
- A GI panel should also be considered to assess for maldigestion/malabsorption.

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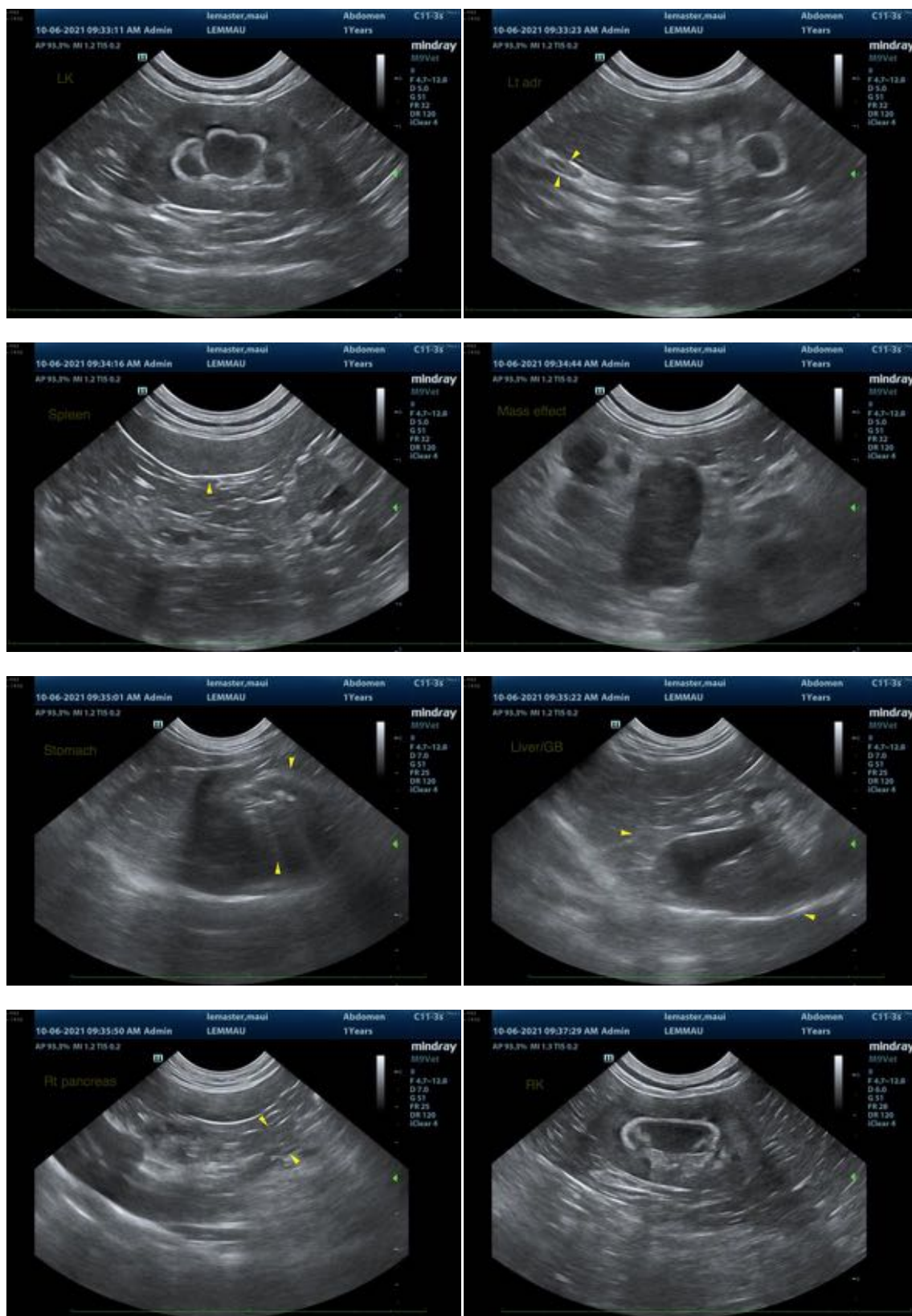
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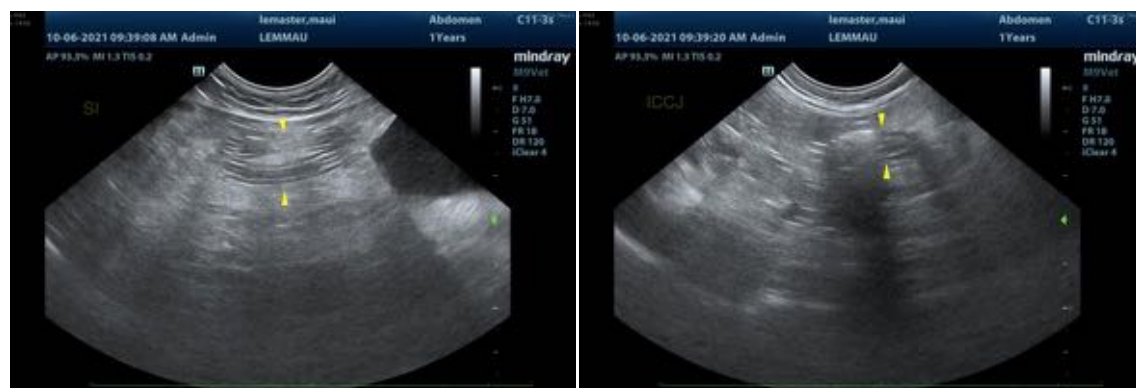
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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