



PATIENT

Layla Scott

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Golden Retriever

SEX

Female Spayed

AGE

11/06/2011

WEIGHT

27.5kg

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Clinical Exam Findings: Layla presents to the Neurology/Neurosurgery service on the 10th of November for evaluation of pelvic limb weakness and an uncoordinated gait. Layla was seen by her veterinarian on the 3rd of November for pelvic limb weakness (R > L) and difficulty with stairs. She was treated with Librela in September and initially did very well but recently declined. She has not had recent bloodwork. Layla is currently on the following medications: Librela (started in September of 2025), PrednisOLONE tablet 5 mg BID. She improved slightly with the medications but not a large improvement. She does not appear painful.

Mentation: quiet, alert, responsive
Gait: ambulatory without assistance, paraparetic with a proprioceptive ataxia
Postural reactions: delayed in both PL
Reflexes: normal, CT cut off at TL junction
Cranial nerves: normal
Sensory: nonpainful
Neuroanatomic localization: T3-L3 myelopathy
Severe bruising/ecchymosis ventral abdomen
Current Medications: none
Radiographic Findings: in-house bw, x-rays and radiology report emailed.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder wall is normal in thickness. The mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder is moderately distended. Luminal contents are anechoic. No cystic calculi are observed. The region of the trigone and the proximal urethra, visible to a depth of 2 cm, are normal.

The left kidney is normal in size (6.27 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal in size (6.73 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.76 cm at cranial pole) (0.63 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.

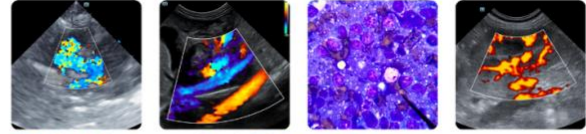
The right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.94 cm at cranial pole) (0.57 cm at caudal pole) with a normal shape and homogenous parenchyma. The glandular echogenicity and detail are unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition are normal. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (2.16 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



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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. The portal vein to caudal vena cava ratio is approximately 1: 1.

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

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Gastrointestinal

Within the gastric lumen, a 2.0 cm shadowing structure is visualized. 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 ileocecolic junction and colonic wall are normal. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

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Pancreas

The region of the pancreas is isoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat. No obvious parenchymal abnormalities are observed. There is no evidence of regional inflammation or effusion.

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Lymph Nodes

The abdominal lymph nodes are normal/not visible.

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Free Abdomen

Trace free fluid is observed.

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Other

A brief echocardiogram reveals no obvious evidence of right atrial or auricular mass. There is no obvious evidence of pericardial effusion.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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- Trivial ascites
- The shadowing structure within the gastric lumen likely represents foreign material. It appears nonobstructive at the time of this study.

The abdomen is otherwise unremarkable. An obvious cause for the patient's abdominal bruising is not definitively identified in this study. Considerations include coagulopathy, thrombocytopenia, trauma, other.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- A CBC with a reticulocyte count and clinical pathology review is recommended.
- Consider testing for tick-borne disease.
- A coagulation panel should also be considered.
- A buccal mucosal bleed time would be useful in helping determine if a thrombocytopenia is present.
- Depending on the results of the above diagnostics, further work-up may be indicated.

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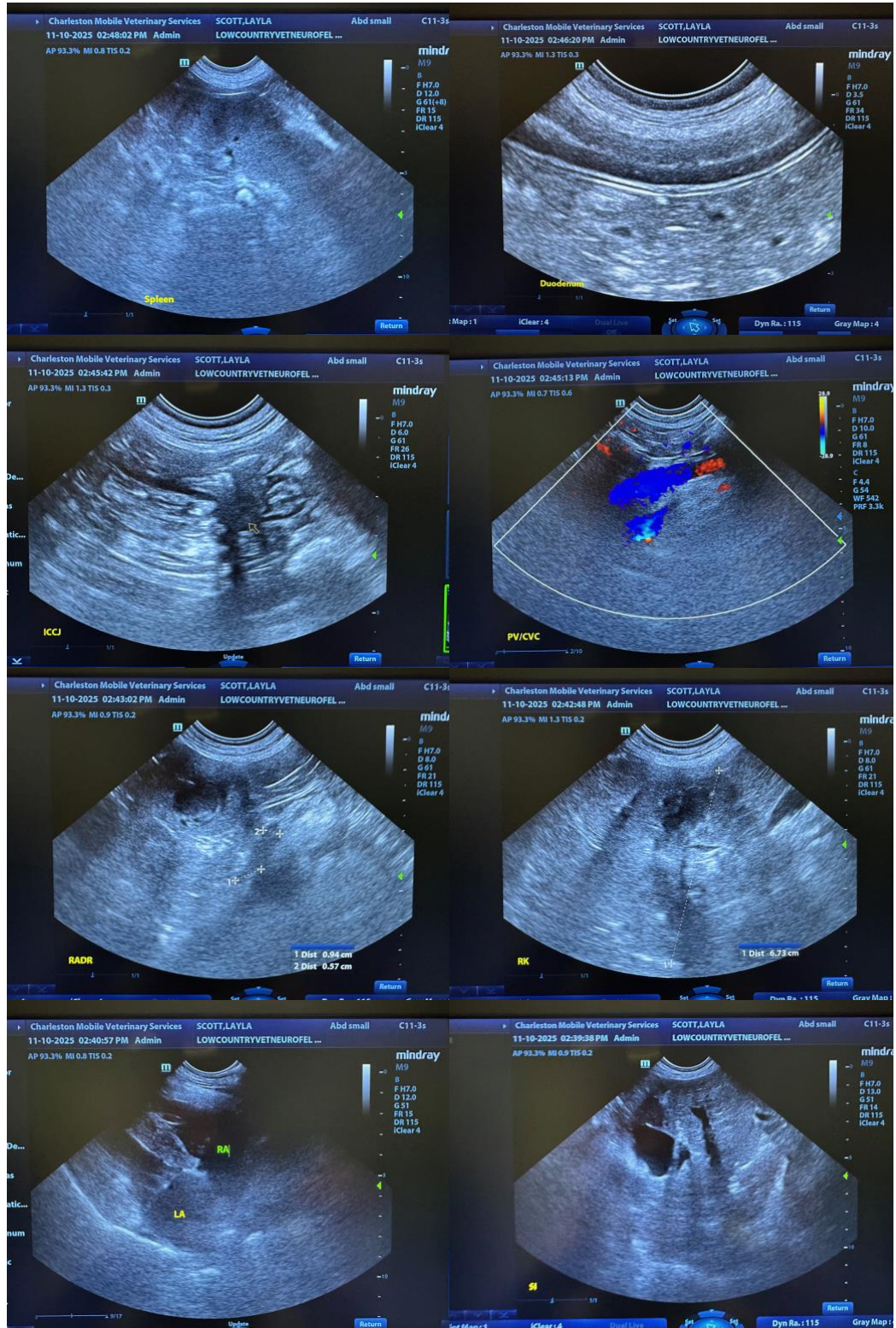
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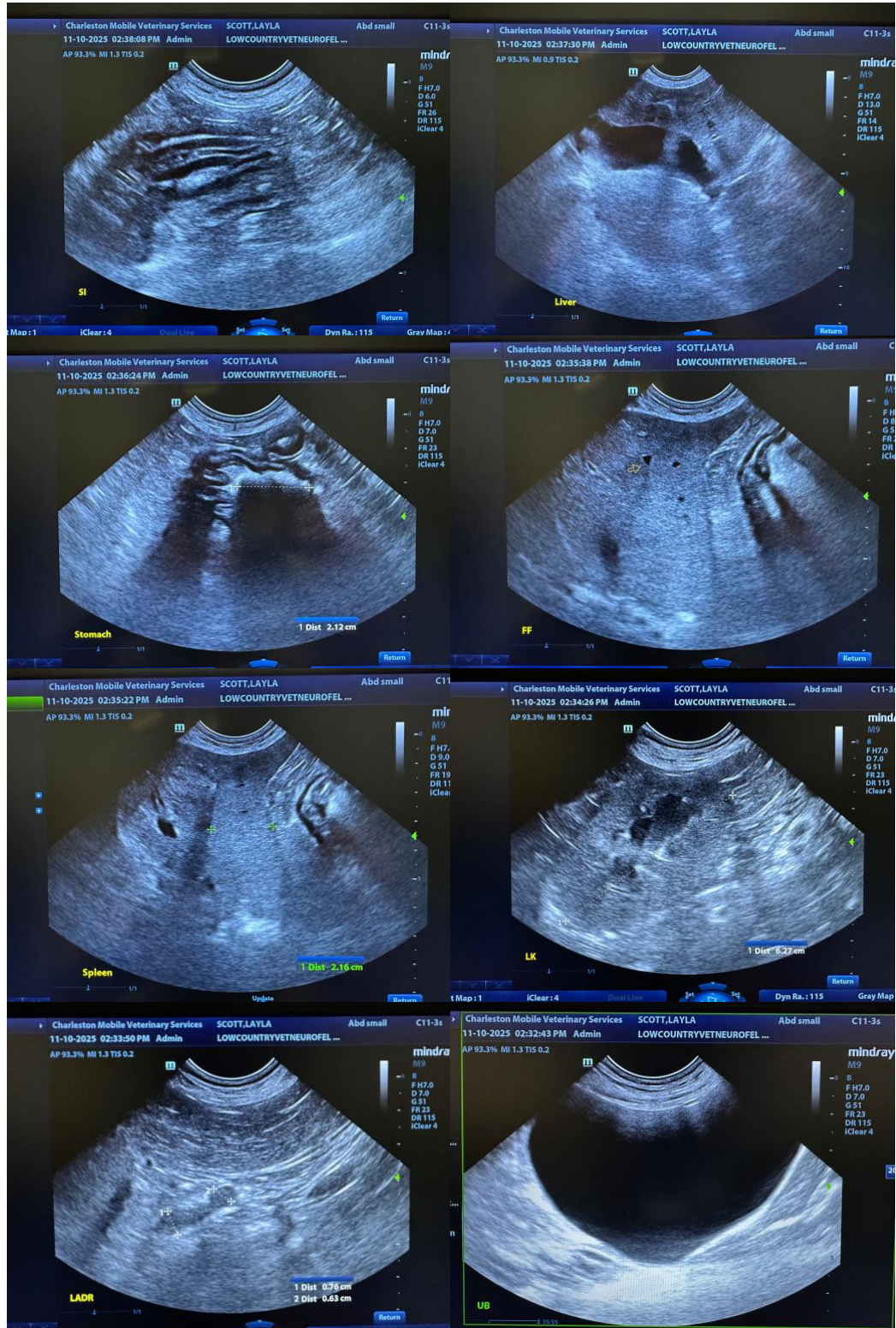
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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