



PATIENT

Bosco Cobaugh

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

Domestic shorthair

SEX

Male, neutered

AGE

5 Yrs.

WEIGHT

9.8 lbs.

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: P has a long history of intermittent vomiting since at least September 2020. Nov 2020 p had dental for severe stomatitis - all premolars and molars surgically extracted. P was hospitalized 2-3x in 2021 for vomiting and anorexia. P consistently has normal BW and x-rays and improves with IVF/supportive care. Long term p has been on i/d or EN. Throughout 2022 o reports p still occasionally vomits but has otherwise been doing well until last week when p started vomiting multiple times per day and had a decreased appetite. P was again placed on IVF and supportive care and has improved but is slowly losing weight. No d/c/s, no pu/pd.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: PE - mild dehydration, abdominal pain, TPR wnl CBC - mild leukocytosis characterized by mild neutrophilia Chem - mild hyperglycemia (245 mg/dL), elevated amylase and lipase fPLI - abnormal UA - wnl (no glucose or protein) X-rays - wnl T4 - 1.9 ug/dL

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder wall is 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 1-2 cm, are normal.

The left kidney is normal size (3.56 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal size (3.95 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with mild 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 (0.42 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

The region of the right adrenal gland is evaluated. No obvious pathology is observed.

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (0.71 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 gallbladder is of normal contours and contains some dependent echogenic debris. The wall is normal in thickness. No choleliths are observed. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal.



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Gastrointestinal

The gastric lumen is moderately distended with fluid and ingesta. The gastric wall and pylorus are normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The pyloric outflow tract appears patent. The small intestinal lumen is segmentally dilated with chyme. 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 disease is noted.

Pancreas

The left limb of the pancreas is visible with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is slightly hypoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat and slightly mottled in appearance. The pancreatic duct is borderline dilated (0.23 cm in diameter). There is no evidence of peripancreatic inflammation or effusion.

Free Abdomen

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

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings:

- If the patient was fasted for this study, the presence of ingesta within the gastric lumen could suggest delayed gastric emptying. This could be due to a primary motility disorder or secondary to concurrent disease (i.e., inflammatory bowel disease, pancreatitis, other).
- The pancreatic changes are most consistent with age-related parenchymal remodeling, potentially secondary to a prior inflammatory episode, early fibrosis or chronic pancreatitis.

Secondary Findings:

- Minor bilateral chronic renal changes.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The following diagnostic/treatment recommendations can be considered:

1. Serum cobalamin, folate, PLI and TLI
2. A fecal evaluation for ova/Giardia
3. A 6-week hydrolyzed protein or limited antigen diet trial to assess for food allergies
4. For patients where chronic vomiting is present but additional diagnostics are not to be performed, consider triple therapy as empirical treatment for Helicobacter gastritis:
Amoxicillin: 10-22 mg/kg PO q 12 hours x 14-21 days
Metronidazole: 10-15 mg/kg PO q 12 hours for 14-21 days
Omeprazole: 0.7 mg/kg PO q 24 hours for 14-21 days
(+/- the addition of Bismuth subsalicylate: 3.85 mg/kg PO q 6-8 hours x 14-21 days)
5. Also consider heartworm antigen and antibody testing as heartworm disease can be a cause of



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6. Three-view thoracic radiographs are recommended to assess for occult esophageal disease.

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7. If the above diagnostics/therapeutics are inconclusive, endoscopic or surgical gastrointestinal biopsies may be warranted.

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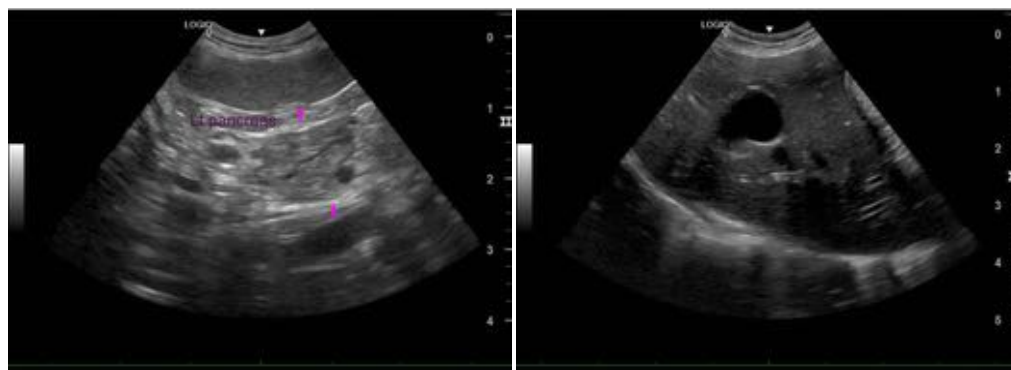
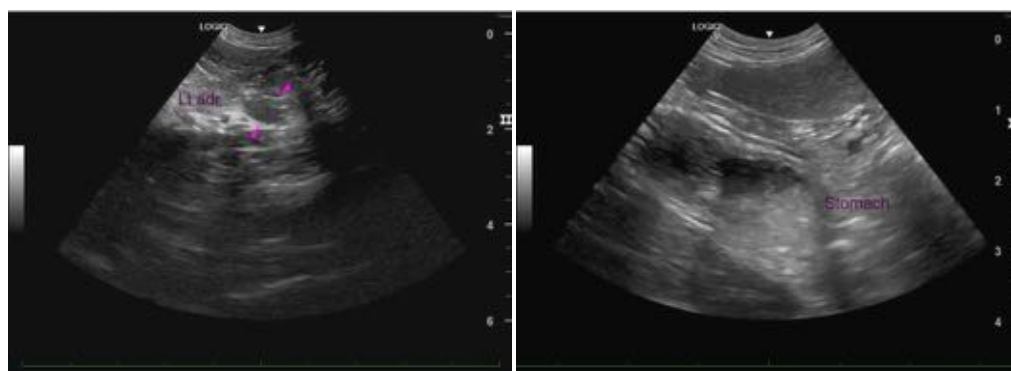
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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