



**PATIENT**

90945a Walter

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Beagle Mix

**SEX**

Male

**AGE**

6

**WEIGHT**

24.8 lbs

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Abdominal mass found on abdominal palpation and concurrent abdominal radiographs. Hematocrit 24%. ALP in the 200s.

**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 mostly anechoic. No cystic calculi are observed. The region of the trigone and the proximal urethra, visible to a depth of 3.5-4.0 cm, are normal.

The prostate is mildly enlarged (1.48 cm in width) with smooth peripheral contours. The parenchyma is heterogenous with ill-defined hyperechoic areas. The prostatic urethra is not overtly dilated.

The left kidney is normal in size (5.67 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with mild- to moderate loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal in size (6.21 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with mild- to moderate loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

**Adrenal Glands**

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.55 cm at cranial pole) (0.52 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 (0.78 cm at cranial pole) (0.46 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 enlarged with irregular peripheral contours. A >8.5 cm lobulated, heterogenous, slightly cavitated mass is arising from the cranial pole. Smaller nodules/masses are observed adjacent to the larger mass. In the remainder of the spleen, the parenchyma is diffusely mottled, with a "moth-eaten" appearance. Splenic vasculature is normal with no evidence of thrombosis.

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

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/not seen.

**Gastrointestinal**

The gastric lumen is mildly 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



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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. The colonic lumen contains some granular-appearing fecal material. There is no obvious evidence of an obstructive pattern.

**Pancreas**

The right limb of the pancreas is visible with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is largely isoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat and slightly mottled in appearance. The pancreatic duct is visible but not overtly dilated. There is no evidence of peripancreatic inflammation or effusion.

**Lymph Nodes**

A 3.2 x 1.0 cm hypoechoic medial iliac lymph node is visualized. A 0.85 x 0.46 cm hypoechoic lymph node is observed in the left- mid-abdomen. At least two enlarged hypoechoic lymph nodes are also seen in the cranial abdomen (one measuring 1.5 x 1.1 cm). At least one prominent periportal lymph node is also seen (measuring 1.13 x 0.91 cm). A few prominent mesenteric lymph nodes are also seen (one measuring 2.98 x 0.62 cm).

**Free Abdomen**

There is no obvious evidence of free fluid.

**Other**

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

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

**Primary Findings**

- The splenic masses/nodules and diffuse splenic parenchymal changes are concerning for infiltrative neoplasia. A round cell tumor (i.e., lymphoma) is of top concern.
- The abdominal lymphadenopathy could be consistent with infiltrative neoplasia, lymphadenitis, or lymphoid hyperplasia.

**Secondary Findings**

- The pancreatic changes are most consistent with age-related parenchymal remodeling, potentially secondary to a prior inflammatory episode, early fibrosis or chronic pancreatitis.
- Bilateral nonspecific age-related renal changes
- The prostate changes could be consistent with late-in-life neutering/hyperplasia (if applicable), prostatitis, emerging neoplasia, other. Correlation with the patient's clinical history is recommended.

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Consider fine-needle aspiration of the splenic mass (assuming normal clotting status). A 25-gauge needle should be used.
- Three-view thoracic radiographs are also recommended to assess cardiopulmonary status.
- Depending on the results, consultation with a board-certified oncologist may be indicated. If further testing is not pursued, palliative care is recommended.



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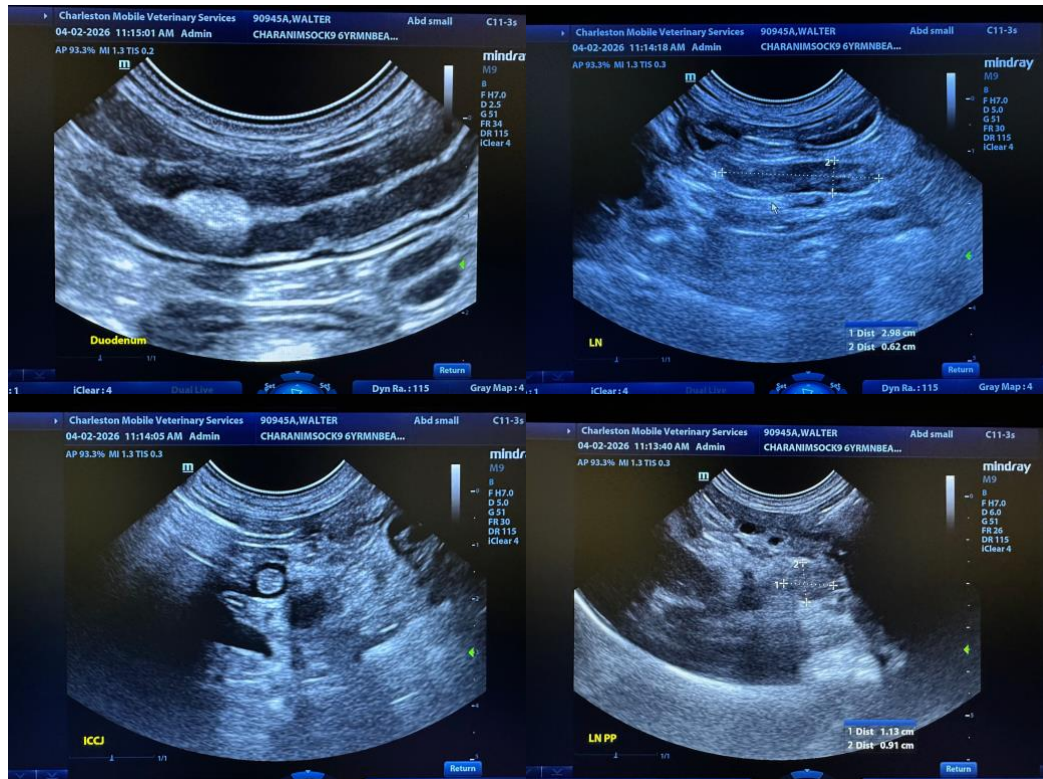
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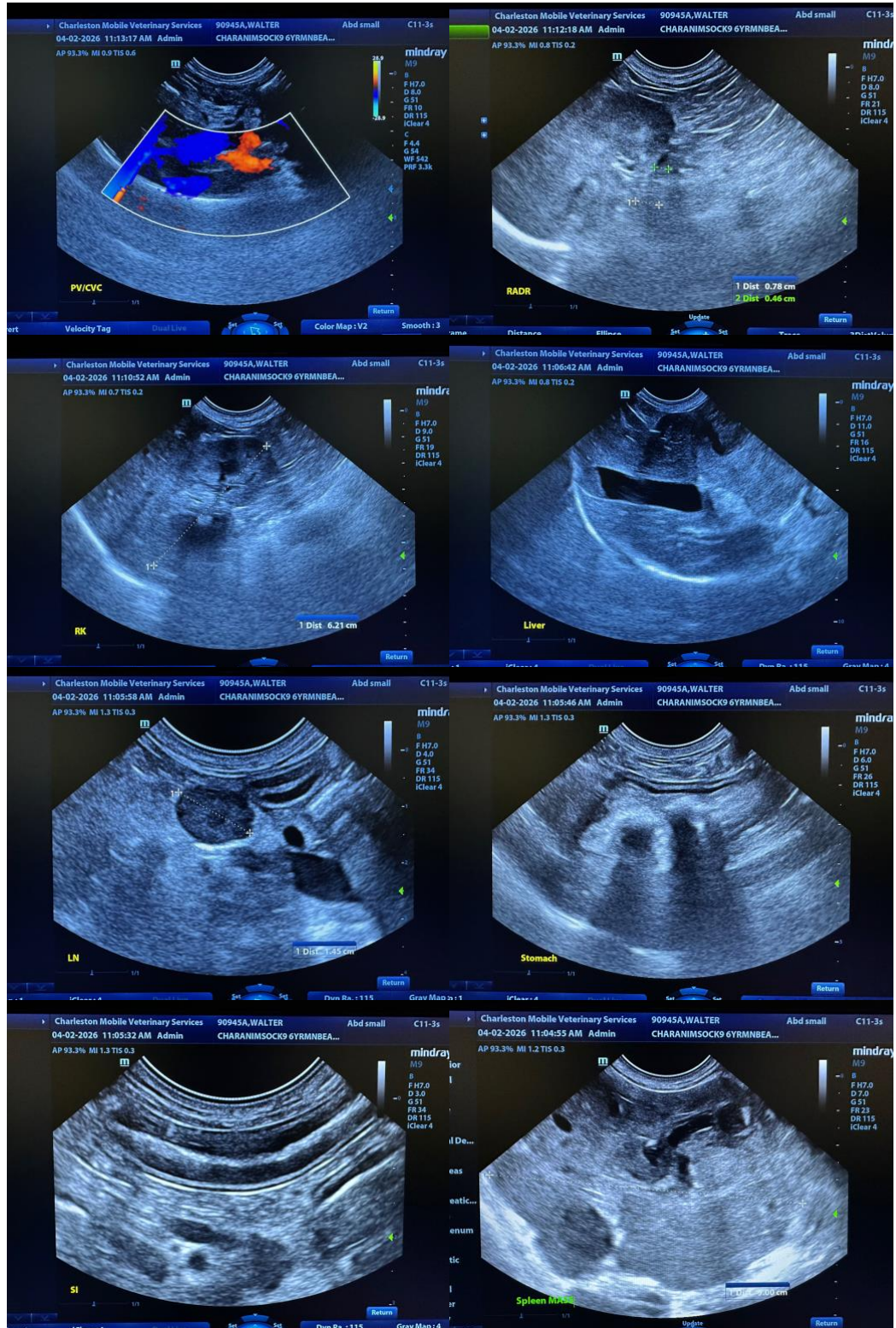
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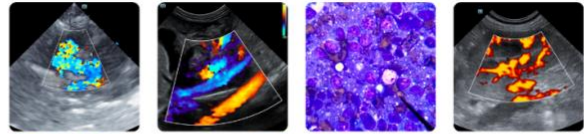
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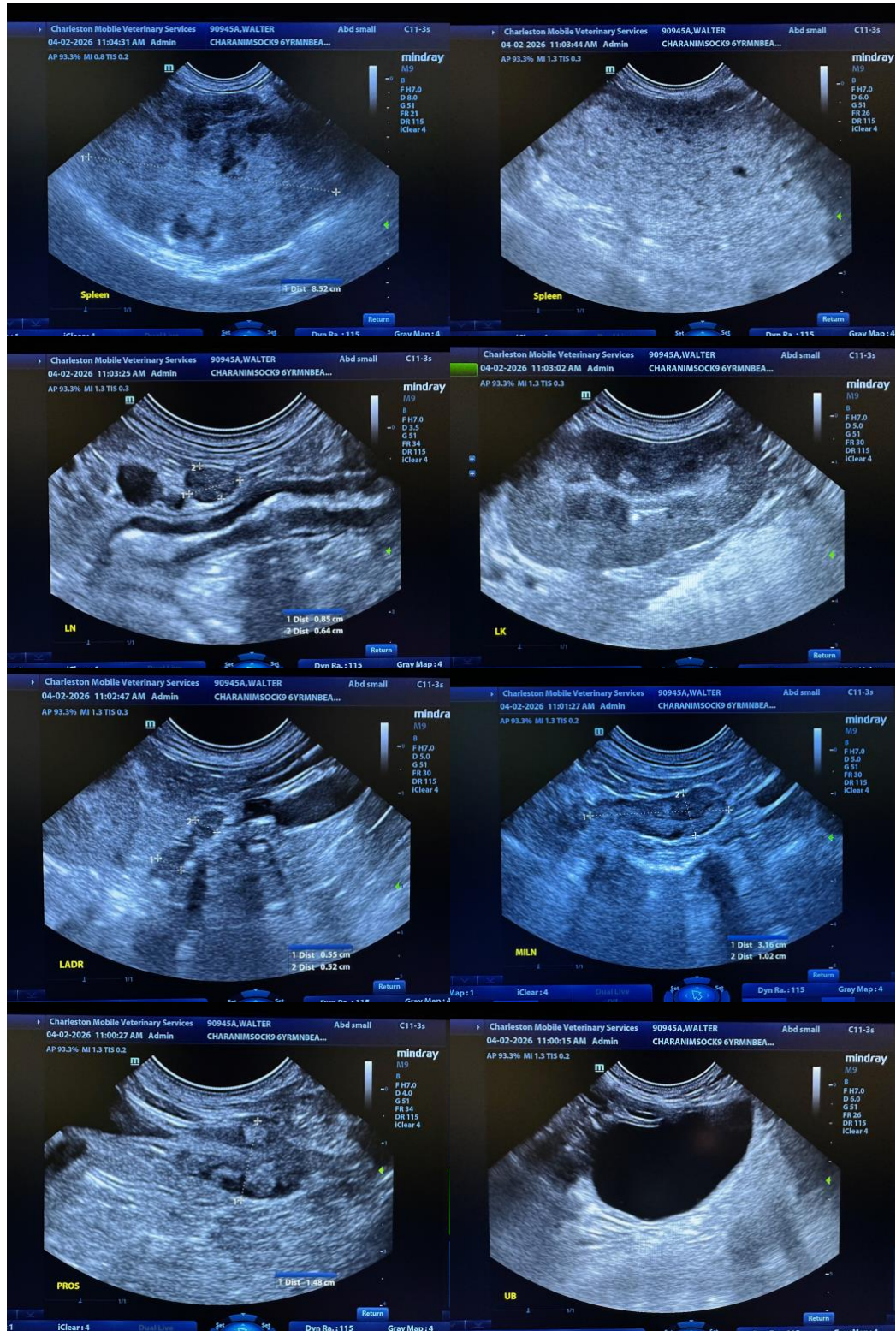
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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