

**PATIENT**

Annabelle Lehman

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Chihuahua

**SEX**

Spayed Female

**AGE**

06/23/2012

**WEIGHT**

6.6 bs

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Findings: Presented 3/29 for vomiting, Mild fever, severe neutrophilia/leukocytosis found  
- On clavamox since then and convenia was given at that date  
- Clinically improved with supportive care but WBC persists

Abnormal labwork values: Persistent severely elevated WBC/Neutrophilia  
Originally 40k on 3/29 with bands. Came down 33k to 3/31 no bands back to 38k on 4/6 -  
Neutrophilia, path review pending. Urine culture pending (hematuria on UA 4/6). ALP slightly elevated

Current Medications: Clavamox

Radiographic Findings: Thoracic rads clear

Fine Needle Aspirates: Client did not approve sedation nor FNA

**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 presented normal size (3.45 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with mild to moderate loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several nonobstructive nephroliths are visualized. A 0.35 cm cortical cyst is observed at the caudal pole. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney presented normal size (4.07 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with 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, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

**Adrenal Glands**

The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.37 cm at cranial pole) (0.46 cm at caudal pole) (1.40 cm in length); normal shape; 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 size (0.62 cm at cranial pole) (0.39 cm at caudal pole) (1.32 cm in length); normal shape; 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 (0.79 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



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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. Luminal contents are anechoic. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal.

### **Gastrointestinal**

The stomach and intestine are free of stasis and exhibit normal peristaltic activity. The gastric lumen is mildly distended with ingesta. The gastric wall and pylorus are normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. 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. The lumen of the descending colon contains a large amount of granular-appearing fecal material. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

### **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.

### **Free Abdomen**

Trace free fluid is observed. A 0.24 cm lymph node is observed in the right cranial quadrant.

### **Other**

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

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

### Primary Findings

- The pancreatic changes are consistent with moderate pancreatitis with regional peritonitis. The adjacent lymphadenopathy is likely reactive, with a lower possibility of infiltrative neoplasia.

### Secondary Findings

- Bilateral age-related renal changes with nonobstructive nephrolithiasis.
- The diffuse hepatic changes are non-specific and could be consistent with vacuolar hepatopathy, regenerative nodular hyperplasia, and/or age-related remodeling. Inflammatory and infiltrative disease are considered less likely.

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Supportive care for pancreatitis is recommended, including a low-fat diet, gastric protectants, antiemetics, pain medication and fluid therapy as needed. A repeat CBC is recommended in 3-5 days. Consider a repeat ultrasound in 7-10 days to assess for progression, or sooner if problems arise.



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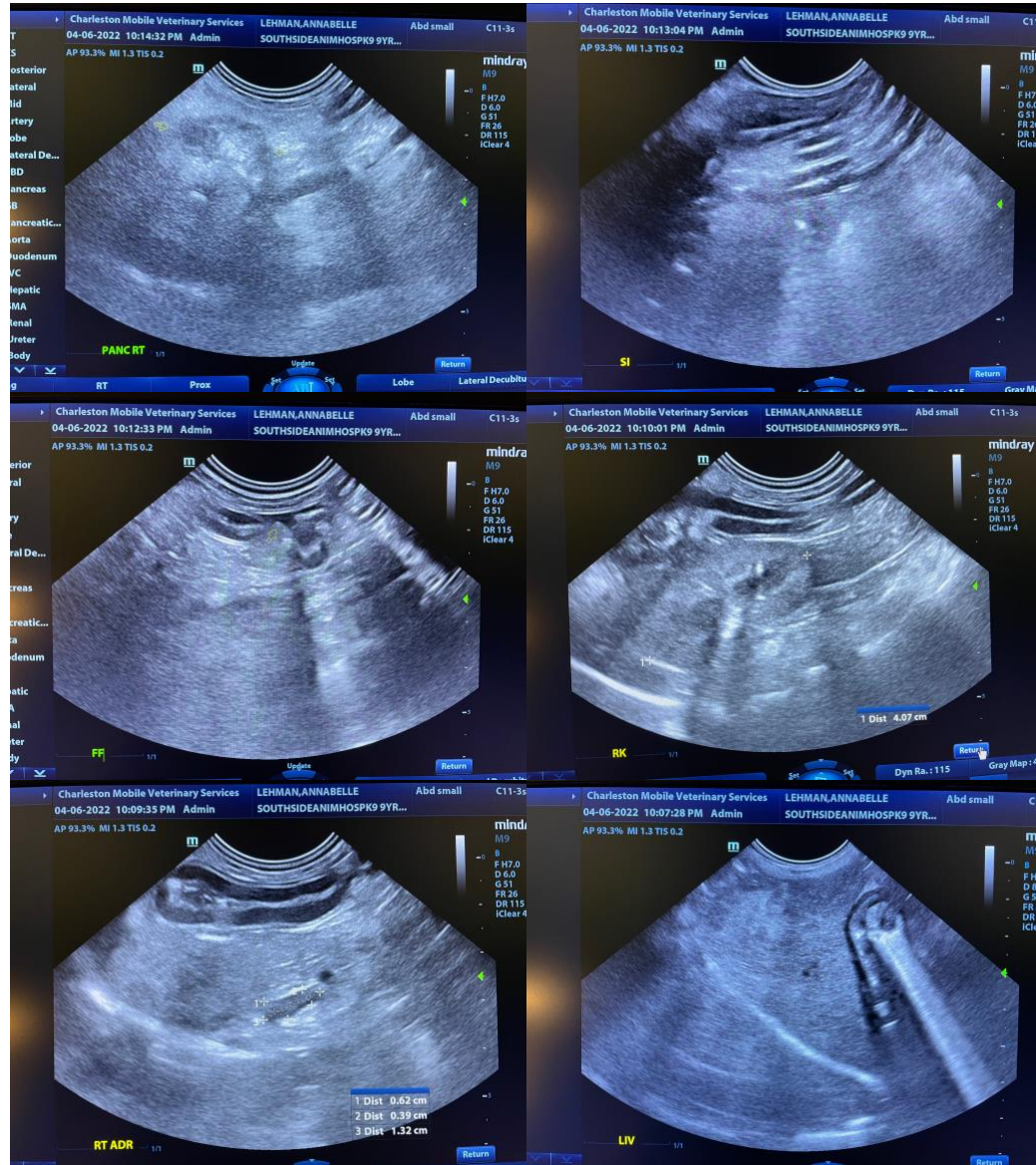
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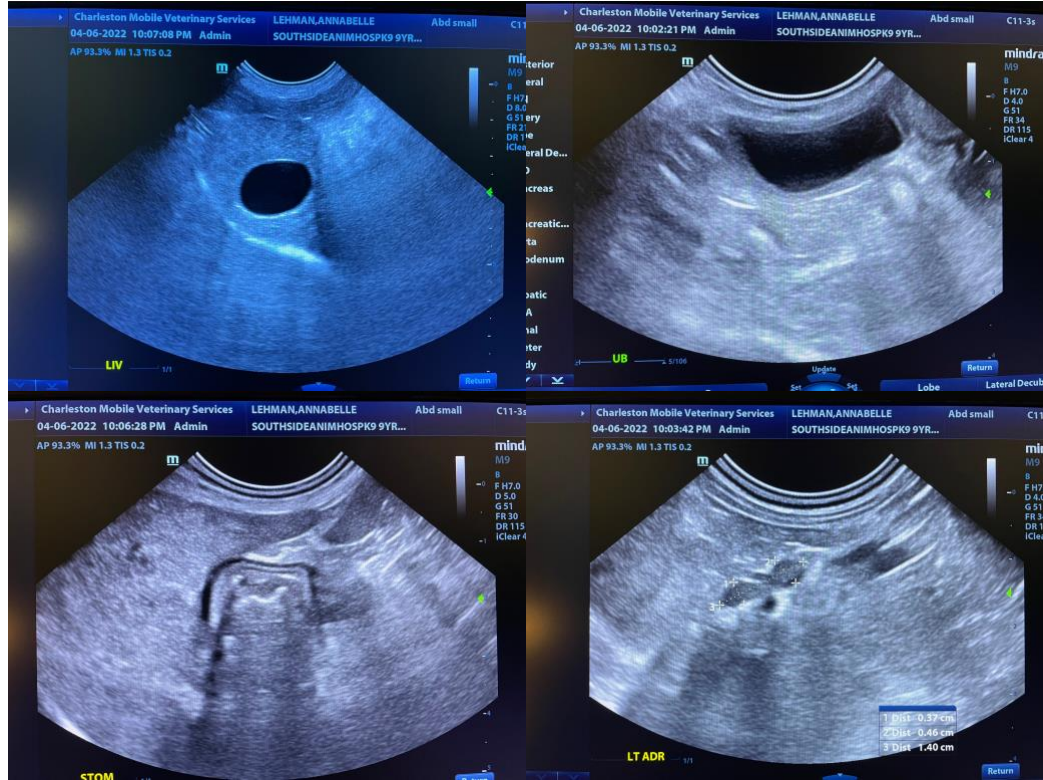
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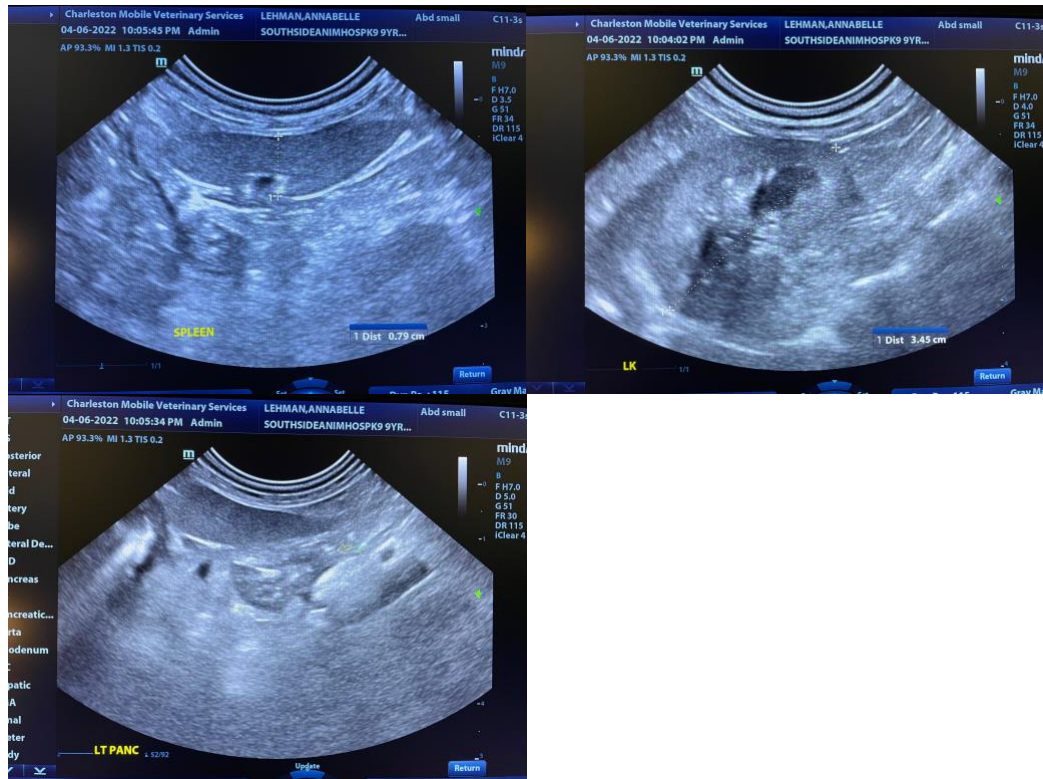
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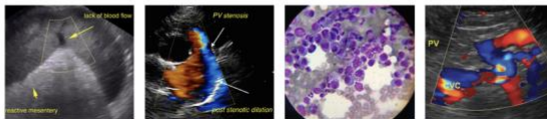
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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