

PATIENT	PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS
Scout Kremer	History: 12yo 8 mo MN Golden retriever Under anesthesia for COHAT, owner elects screening AUS for abdominal pathology at same time No clinical signs of abdominal disease. Mild weight gain over past 6 months Has degenerative mitral valve disease, takes Pimobendan
SPECIES	Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results:
Canine	6/13/23: CBC: wnl CHEM: wnl except ALP 167 U/L (5-160 U/L) and Na:K ratio 27 (28-37) w/ no actual electrolyte abnormality.
BREED	ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN
Golden Retriever	Urinary System
SEX	The urinary bladder wall is normal in thickness and 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 visible portion of the proximal urethra are normal.
Neutered Male	The region of the prostate is not visualized due to its pelvic location.
AGE	The left kidney is normal in size (6.47 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.
12 years, 8 mos	The right kidney is normal in size (7.73 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.
WEIGHT	Adrenal Glands
83 lbs	The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.55 cm at cranial pole) (0.47 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.
INTERPRETED BY	What is thought to be the caudal pole of the right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.57 cm in width) with a normal shape, glandular echogenicity and detail. Surrounding vasculature appears normal.
Andrea Nicastro, DVM, Diplomate ACVIM (Small Animal Internal Medicine)	Spleen
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Graham Sager- Gellerman, DVM	Liver
HOSPITAL NAME	The liver is subjectively prominent in size with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is isoechoic relative to the spleen. One-to-two ill-defined hypoechoic nodules/areas are visualized on the left side (the largest measuring 1.77 cm in diameter). Hepatic vasculature and intrahepatic biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion.
Back Bay VC	The gall bladder 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.
REFERRING VET	Gastrointestinal
Graham Sager- Gellerman, DVM	The lumen is mildly distended with ingesta. The gastric wall is normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The small intestinal wall thickness is normal
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with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is 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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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

Findings

- 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.

SEX

Neutered Male

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

AGE

12 years, 8 mos

- Serial monitoring (i.e., every 3-4 months) of the patient's liver values is recommended. If values continue to increase, a repeat abdomen ultrasound +/- a more advanced hepatic work-up (i.e., tissue sampling) may be warranted.

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- Given the recent weight gain, consider a T4/free T4 by equilibrium dialysis.

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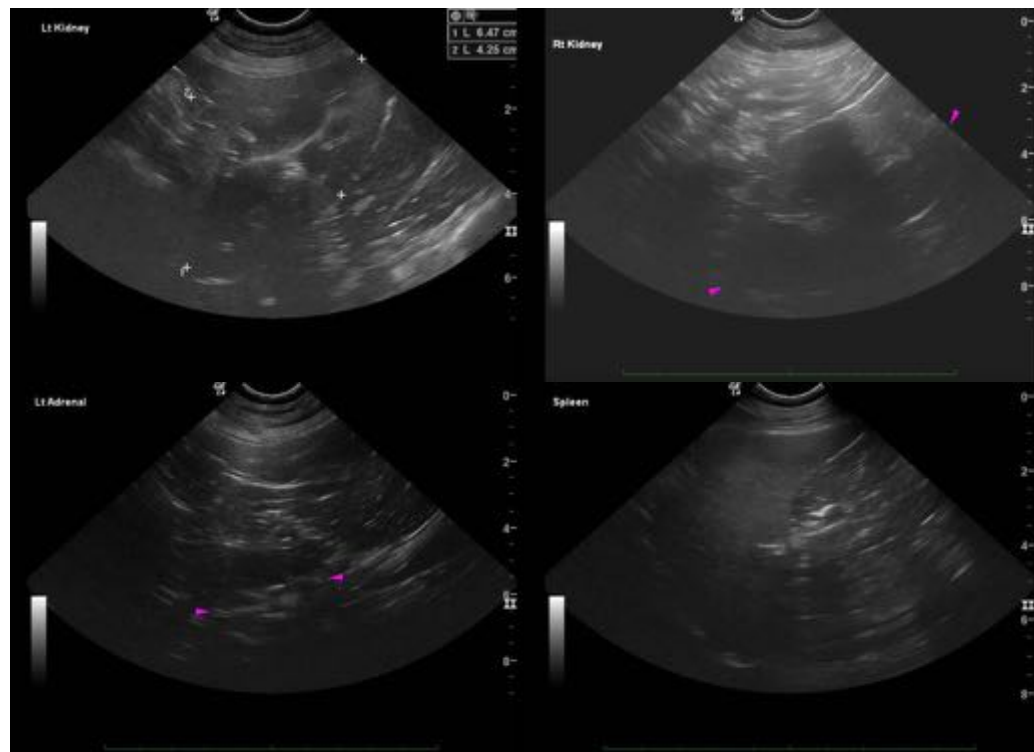
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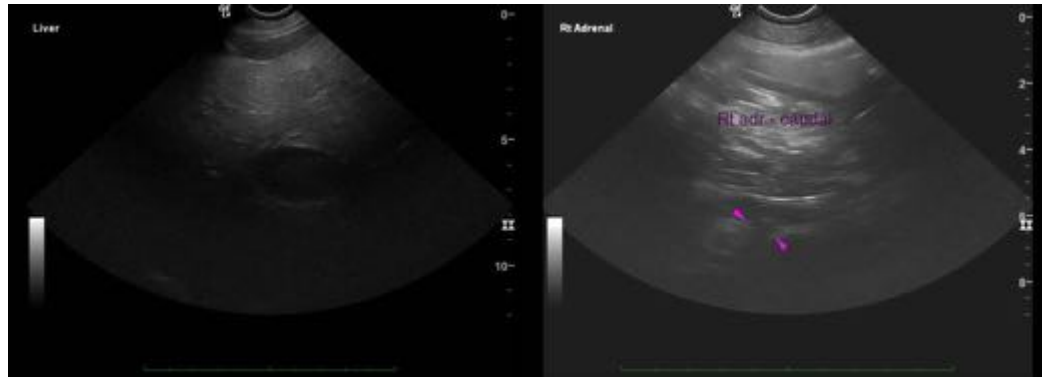
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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