

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

8.16.23 Seen in March for "wellness"-from Jan 2022 to March 2023 went from 8.8# to 7.5#. Did full BW on 3/9/23 was unremarkable. Tested freeT4 4/21/23-normal.

PATIENT

Recheck today for continued wt. loss and vomiting daily.

Little Archuleta

Current Medications: None.

Lab Results: 3/9/23 -Vetscreen/CBC/T4-wnl. 4/21/23-free T4 wnl.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous.

SPECIES

Sedation: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

Stat Report: Not requested.

Feline

Imaging Performed By: Rachel Brillhart, RDMS.

BREED**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

DSH

Urinary System

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 is normal.

SEX

Female Spayed

The left kidney is normal in size (3.74 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. The cortex is isoechoic relative to the spleen. 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 appears normal.

AGE

7/14/2011

The right kidney is normal in size (3.58 cm in length) with a normal shape, architecture and smooth peripheral margins. The cortex is isoechoic relative to the spleen. 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 hydroureter. Renal vasculature appears normal.

WEIGHT

6.44 lbs

INTERPRETED BY**Adrenal Glands**

The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.35 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature appear normal.

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

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (0.62 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 appears normal.

Liver

The liver is subjectively normal in size with normal peripheral contours. The parenchyma is isoechoic relative to the spleen and diffusely homogeneous in appearance. No distinct focal lesions are observed. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion.

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 gastric lumen is not distended. The gastric wall is normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The small intestinal wall is normal to mildly thickened (up

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to 0.28 cm). There is disruption in the normal 1:3 muscularis: mucosal ratio in most segments. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

Pancreas

The left limb is visible with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is hypoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat. No focal lesions are observed. The pancreatic duct is not overtly dilated.

Free Abdomen

Trace free fluid is observed. Several prominent mesenteric lymph nodes are visualized (the largest measuring 2.16 x 0.68 cm).

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings

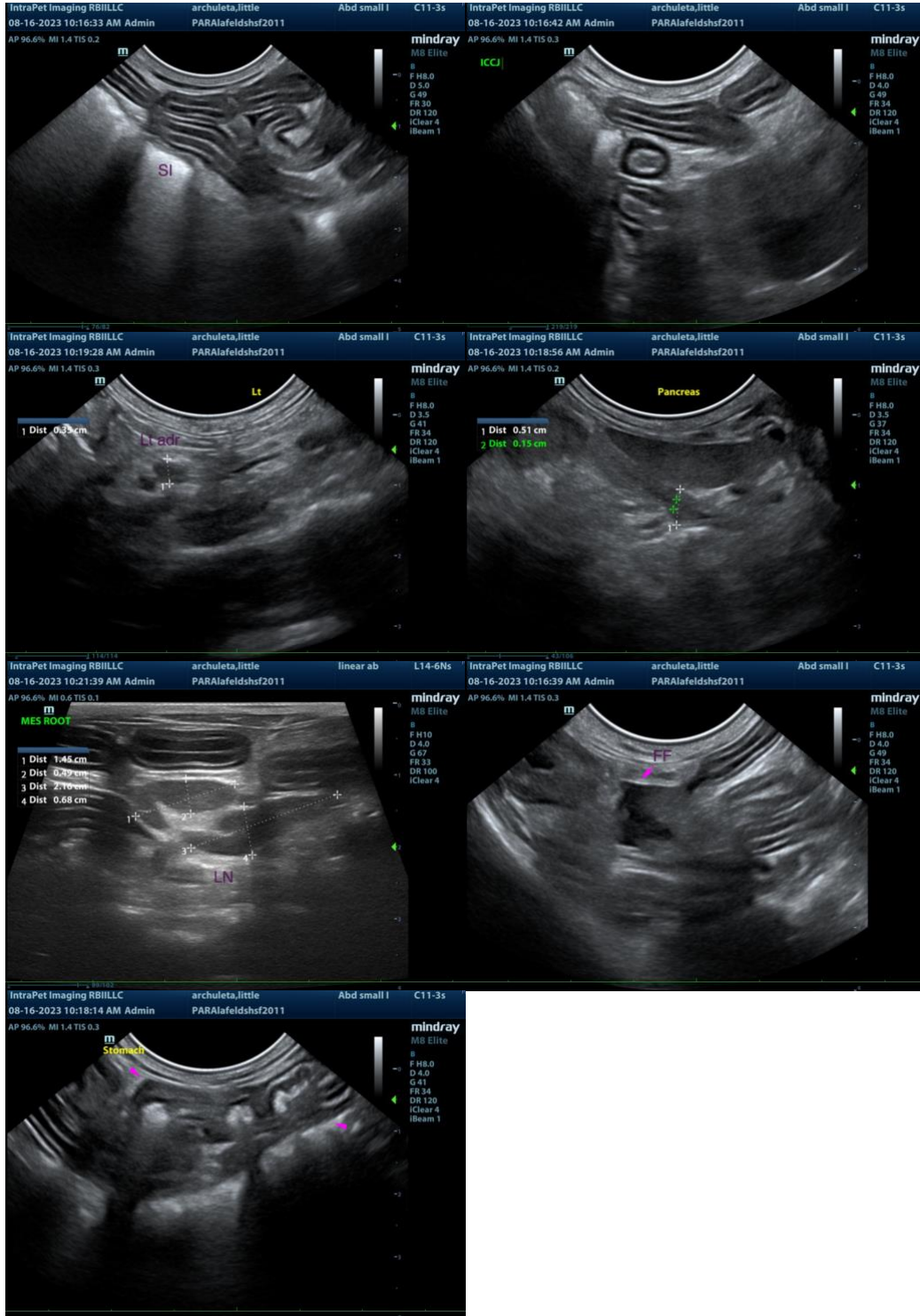
- The small intestinal wall changes are most consistent with inflammatory bowel disease with some potential for emerging lymphoma.
- The prominent abdominal lymph nodes are most consistent with reactive lymphadenitis or lymphoid hyperplasia. Neoplastic infiltration is considered less likely.
- Trace ascites

Secondary Findings

- The pancreatic changes may be a normal variant for this patient or could be consistent with mild, chronic pancreatitis. Correlation with clinical findings is recommended.
- Bilateral chronic age-related renal changes

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Given the patient's clinical history and sonographic changes, consider the following:
 1. Recheck bloodwork including a CBC, chemistry panel, urinalysis and T4 to assess overall metabolic function. Heartworm, antigen and antibody testing is also recommended, as heartworm disease can cause chronic vomiting in cats.
 2. Three-view thoracic radiographs to assess for occult disease in the esophagus
 3. Fecal evaluation for internal parasites
 4. Texas GI panel including serum cobalamin and folate, TLI and PLI
 5. Consider a 4-week limited antigen or hydrolyzed protein diet trial, along with initiation of a probiotic.
 6. Depending on the results of the above diagnostics/therapeutics, endoscopic or surgical GI biopsies may be necessary to get a definitive diagnosis.



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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