



## PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Brandy Smith History: Referring vet noticed mass in central abdominal, has had previous abdominal bleed.

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Lab

## SEX

Spayed Female

## AGE

10 years

## WEIGHT

67 lbs

## INTERPRETED BY

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## HOSPITAL NAME

Torch Lake VC

## REFERRING VET

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## INVOICE

11428

## DATE

8.18..22

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: HCT 33%, platelets 100K

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

### Urinary System

(No images provided).

The **left kidney** is normal size (6.28 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

The **right kidney** is normal size (6.27 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter.

### Adrenal Glands

The region of the **adrenal glands** is evaluated. No obvious pathology is seen. However, the splenic pathology inhibits good visualization.

### Spleen

The **spleen** is enlarged with a >8cm relatively homogenous mass arising from the parenchyma. The remaining parenchyma is slightly mottled in appearance. The mesentery surrounding the spleen is hyperechoic. Splenic vasculature appears normal with no obvious 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. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy observed.

The **gall bladder** lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A scant amount of gravity dependent, echogenic debris is observed within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen.

### Gastrointestinal

In the visualized portion of the **stomach**, the gastric wall is normal in thickness. The lumen is is not distended. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The small intestinal wall is normal in thickness 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.

### Pancreas

The **pancreas** is somewhat obscured by the splenic mass. In the visualized portion, no obvious abnormalities are seen.

### Free Abdomen

A moderate amount of echogenic free fluid is present. The abdominal **lymph nodes** are normal/not visible.

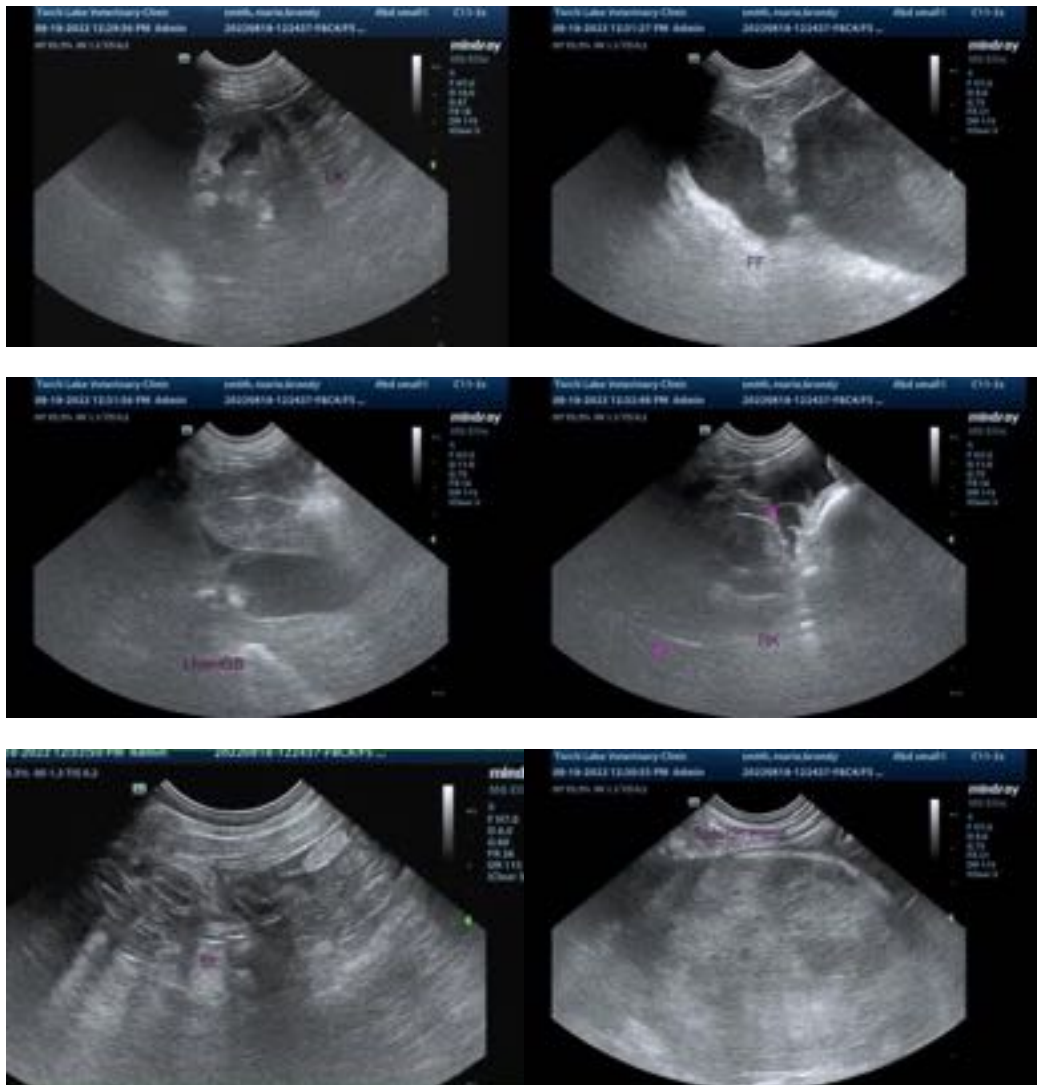
## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

### Primary Findings

- Large splenic mass. Neoplasia (i.e., sarcoma, round cell tumor) is suspected. There is adjacent peritonitis.
- The ascites may be secondary to hemorrhage and/or neoplastic effusion.

### INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Three-view thoracic radiographs are recommended to assess for pulmonary metastases. If there is no evidence of pulmonary metastatic disease, a splenectomy with submission of the spleen for histopathology can be considered. If surgery is pursued, a liver biopsy should also be obtained to assess for micro-metastatic disease. Given the relatively solid nature of the mass, a fine-needle aspirate is a consideration prior to surgery to get a better idea of tumor type. Clotting status should be evaluated prior to aspiration.



**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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