



PATIENT

Lily Carter

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

German Shep Mix

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

11.18.2015

WEIGHT

68 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Clinical Exam Findings: abdominal US to make sure cancer hasn't spread to other organs, anal sac tumor and lymph node

Current Medications: Metronidazole, ElleVet Complete Oil ,Entyce oral solution,

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The **urinary bladder** is mildly to moderately distended. The wall is normal in thickness with a smooth mucosal surface. Two, small cystic calculi are visualized. The remaining luminal contents are anechoic. The cystourethral junction and the visualized portion of the proximal urethra are normal.

The **left kidney** is normal size (7.33 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. Moderate pyelectasia is present (0.52 cm in the longitudinal plane). There is no evidence of nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The **right kidney** is normal size (7.76 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. A few, nonobstructive nephroliths are visualized. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

Adrenal Glands

The **left adrenal gland** is normal size (0.47 cm at cranial pole) (0.55 cm at caudal pole) (2.42 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 (1.10 cm at cranial pole) (0.56 cm at caudal pole); 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 (1.82 cm in width at the level of the hilus) with a normal capsular contour. The parenchyma is subtly mottled in appearance. No focal lesions are observed. Splenic vasculature is normal.

Liver

The **liver** is subjectively normal in size with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is slightly mottled in appearance. No distinct focal lesions are observed. 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 **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.

Gastrointestinal

The **stomach and intestine** are free of stasis and exhibit normal peristaltic activity. The gastric lumen is not distended. 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 dilated. The small intestinal wall thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural



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detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

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.

Free Abdomen

There is no obvious evidence of free fluid. The medial iliac **lymph nodes** are severely enlarged and coalescing. The cranial aspect of the mass effect measures 6.97 cm in its longest dimension and contains a 4.24 cm fluid pocket containing suspended echogenic debris. The caudal aspect measures >7.00 cm and has irregular peripheral margins and heterogeneous parenchyma.

Other

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

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings

- Severe medial iliac lymphadenopathy, likely secondary to metastatic disease from the anal sac tumor. The nodes appear to have grown since the previous sonogram.

Secondary 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. However, correlation with the patient's liver values is recommended.
- Bilateral, chronic, age-related renal changes with right nonobstructive nephrolithiasis
- Small, cystic calculi (previously observed).
- The splenic parenchymal changes are most consistent with a benign process such as lymphoid hyperplasia, extramedullary hematopoiesis, splenitis or antigenic stimulation with a low possibility of infiltrative neoplasia (i.e., lymphoma, mast cell neoplasia).

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Three-view thoracic radiographs should be considered to assess for pulmonary metastatic disease.

Due to the progressive metastatic disease of the anal sac tumor, symptomatic care for the patient's GI signs should be continued. Consider initiation of a probiotic with a high colony count (i.e., Provable Forte or Visbiome). Metronidazole can be continued long-term if it controls the patient's clinical signs.



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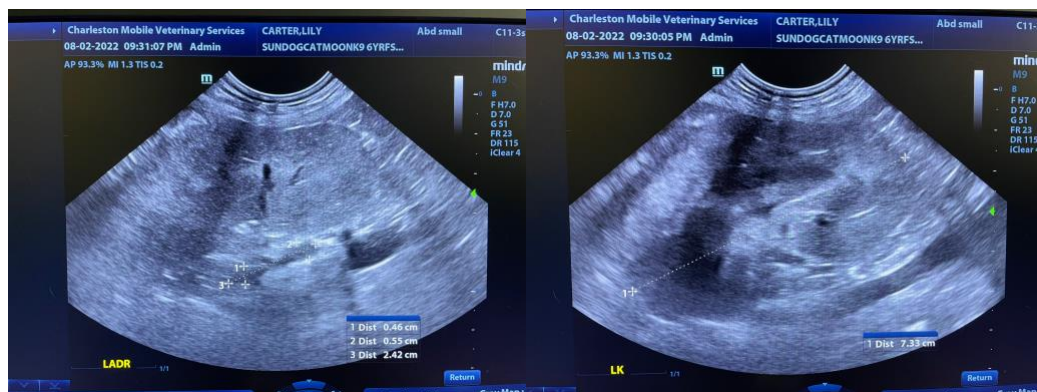
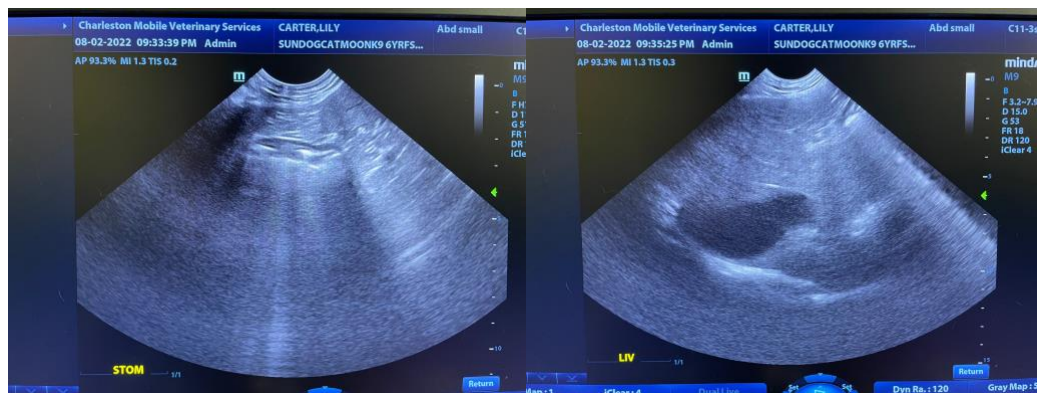
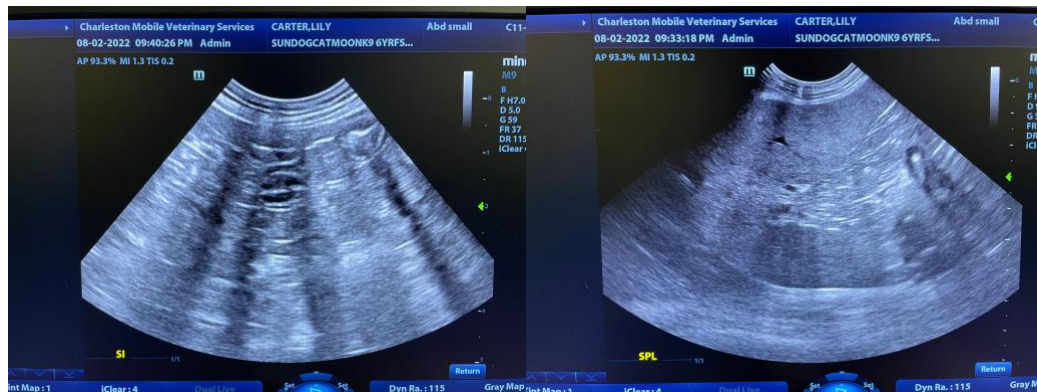
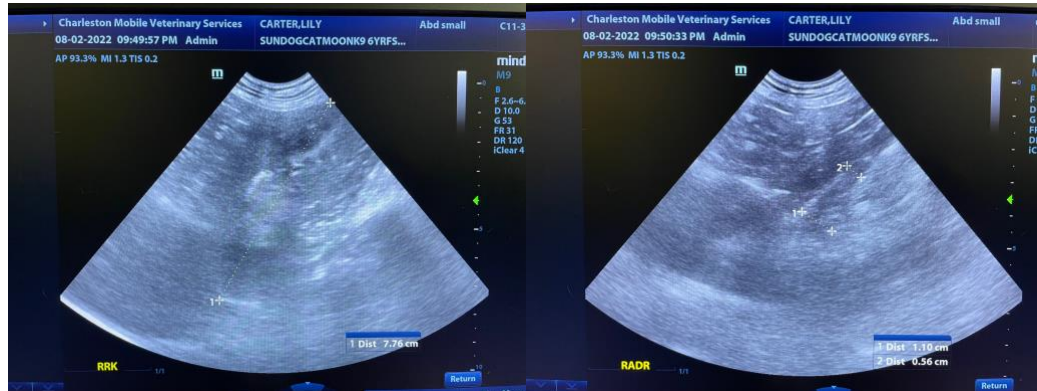
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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