**DATE**

8/9/21

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Patient presents for chronic vomiting and weight loss, significant weight loss this past visit (4 pounds.)

PATIENT

Cosmo Geppi

Current Medications: No current medications.

Lab Results: Stable azotemia, labs stable

SPECIES

Feline

Radiographs: Not provided by the veterinarian.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous IntraPet scans.

BREED

Domestic Shorthair

Sedation: Not needed.

Stat Report: Not requested.

SEX

Neutered male

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**AGE**

7/10/07

Urinary System

The urinary bladder, trigone, and pelvic urethra are normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder lumen is mildly 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.

WEIGHT

11.5 lbs

The left kidney is normal size (3.57 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with moderate loss of corticomedullary distinction. Trace pyelectasia is present (0.17 cm in the transverse plane). There is no evidence of nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

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The right kidney is normal size (3.80 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with moderate loss of corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

HOSPITAL NAME

Perry Hall AH

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.53 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

REFERRING VET

Dr. Miller

The right adrenal gland is normal size (0.47 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (0.88 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.

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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 portal vein to caudal vena cava ratio is approximately 1:1. The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall is thin and smooth. A small amount of echogenic debris is suspended within the lumen. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not seen. The duodenal papilla is prominent measuring 0.56 cm in width.

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 is normal to borderline thickened (up to 0.31 cm) with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. There is disruption in the normal 1:3 muscularis: mucosal ratio in some segments. Discreet masses are not identified. The ileocecal colic junction and colonic wall are normal. No obstructive disease is noted.

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

There is no evidence of peritoneal effusion. A few prominent lymph nodes are observed at the ileocolic junction. The largest measured 0.64 cm in length. A 0.44 cm lymph node is observed in the cranial abdomen.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings:

- Bowel pattern consistent with inflammatory bowel disease with potential for emerging lymphoma.
- The prominent abdominal lymph nodes are most consistent with reactive lymphadenitis or lymphoid hyperplasia. Neoplastic infiltration is considered less likely.

Secondary Findings:

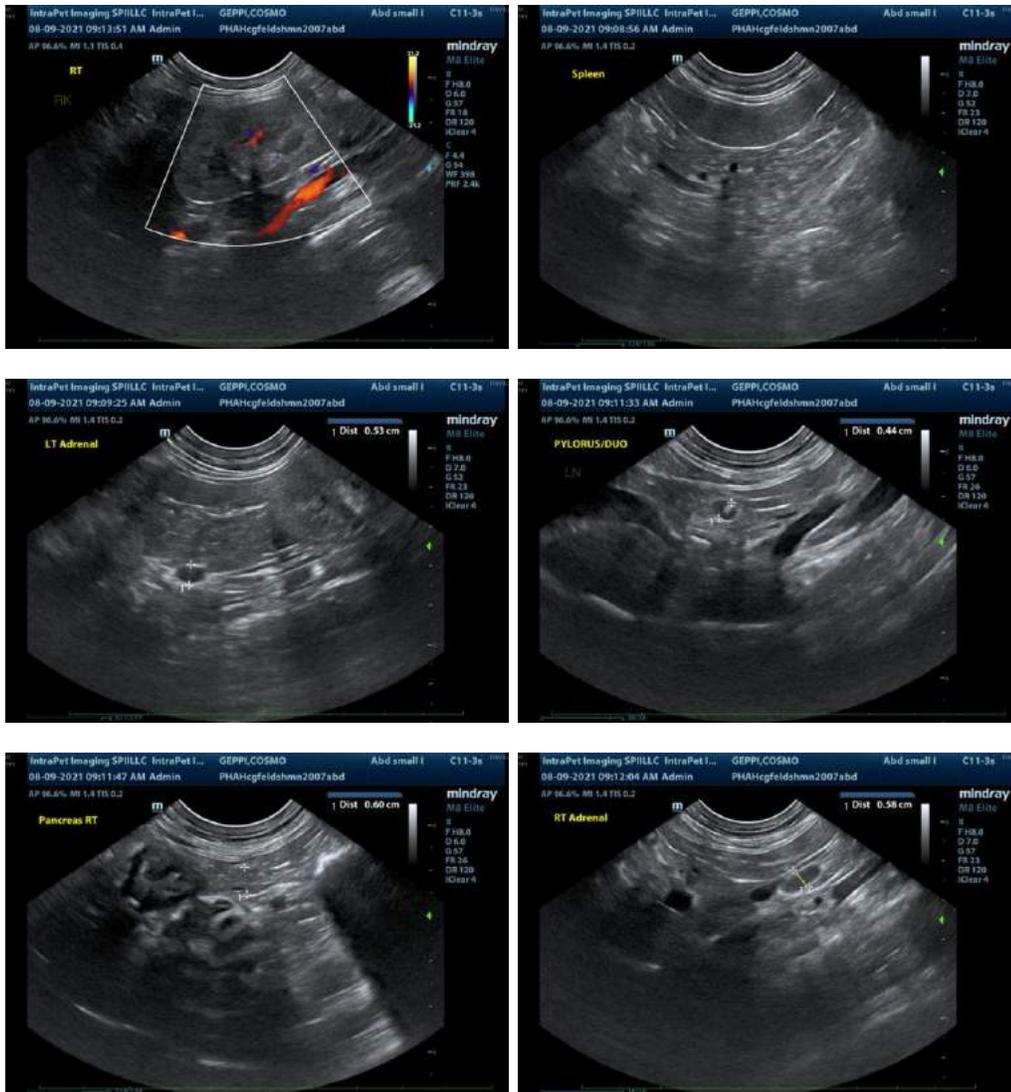
- Bilateral, age-related renal changes.

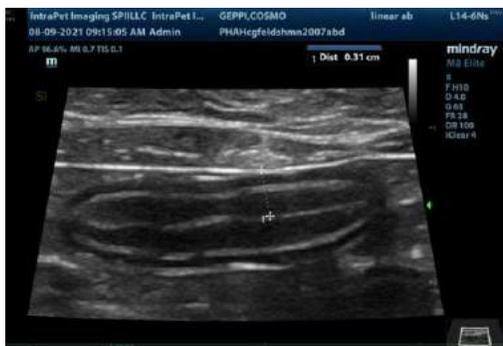
INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The following diagnostic/treatment recommendations can be considered:

1. Serum cobalamin, folate, PLI and TLI
2. A fecal evaluation for ova/Giardia
3. A 6-week limited antigen diet trial to assess for food allergies
4. If the above diagnostics/therapeutics are inconclusive, endoscopic or surgical gastrointestinal biopsies may be warranted.
5. For patients where chronic vomiting is present but additional diagnostics are not to be performed, consider triple therapy as empirical treatment for *Helicobacter* gastritis:
 - a. Amoxicillin: 10-22 mg/kg PO q 12 hours x 14-21 days
 - b. Metronidazole: 10-15 mg/kg PO q 12 hours for 14-21 days
 - c. Omeprazole: 0.7 mg/kg PO q 24 hours for 14-21 days
 - d. (+/- the addition of Bismuth subsalicylate: 3.85 mg/kg PO q 6-8 hours x 14-21 days)

- Also consider heartworm antigen and antibody testing as heartworm disease can be a cause of chronic vomiting in cats.
- Three-view thoracic radiographs are recommended to assess for occult esophageal disease.





The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. 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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