



PATIENT

Astro Volpe

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Feline

BREED

Domestic Shorthair

SEX

Female Spayed

AGE

20 years

WEIGHT

7.78 lbs.

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Bladder mass, hematuria, renal dz. Current meds: Bup oral sid for pain.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: SDMA 30, Creat 3.4, Bun 60, USG 1.015, Bld 3+,

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder is mildly to moderately distended. A 3.50 x 1.26 cm irregular, partially vascular mass is observed along the dorsal wall. A few foci of mineralization are present within the mass. The mass causes expansion of the serosal surface. There is questionable infiltration at the region of the trigone. The ventral wall is normal in thickness with a smooth mucosal surface. Luminal contents are mostly anechoic. No cystic calculi are observed. The visible portion of the proximal urethra is normal.

The left kidney is small in size (2.83 cm in length) with a normal shape and smooth peripheral contours. There is mild loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several hyperechoic shadowing diverticular foci are observed. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal size (2.90 cm in length) with a normal shape, smooth peripheral margins, and normal internal architecture. There is minimal loss of corticomedullary distinction. Several hyperechoic shadowing diverticular foci are observed. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, infarcts or hydronephrosis. Renal vasculature is normal.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland is normal size (0.42 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

The right adrenal gland is normal size (0.45 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

Spleen

The spleen is normal in size (0.77 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.

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. The portal vein to caudal vena cava ratio is approximately 1:1. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy observed. 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. The common bile duct can be followed to the level of the duodenal papilla and is normal in size (0.17 cm in diameter). The duodenal papilla is normal (0.47 cm in width). There is no evidence of intraluminal obstruction.

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



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mildly thickened (up to 0.34 cm) with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. There is disruption in the normal 1:3 muscularis to mucosal ratio with a 1:1 ratio in most segments. There is a mild thickening of the submucosal layer in some segments. Discreet masses are not identified. The colonic wall is normal. There is no evidence of an obstructive pattern.

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Pancreas

The left limb of the pancreas is visible/prominent with normal curvilinear peripheral contours. The parenchyma is hypoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat. The pancreatic duct is visible but not overtly dilated. There is no evidence of peripancreatic inflammation or effusion.

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Free Abdomen

There is no evidence of free fluid. A few prominent mesenteric lymph nodes are visualized, the largest measuring 0.70 cm in length. Surrounding mesentery is mildly hyperechoic.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings:

- Urinary bladder mass. Neoplasia (i.e., transitional cell carcinoma) is considered likely with a lower possibility of an inflammatory process (i.e., polypoid cystitis).

Secondary Findings:

- Bilateral, age-related renal changes with dystrophic mineralization.
- 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.
- 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.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

- Three-view thoracic radiographs are recommended to assess for pulmonary metastases.
- If an aggressive approach is desired, a urinary bladder wall biopsy can be considered as well as referral to a board-certified veterinary oncologist to discuss chemotherapy. Otherwise, palliative care is recommended.

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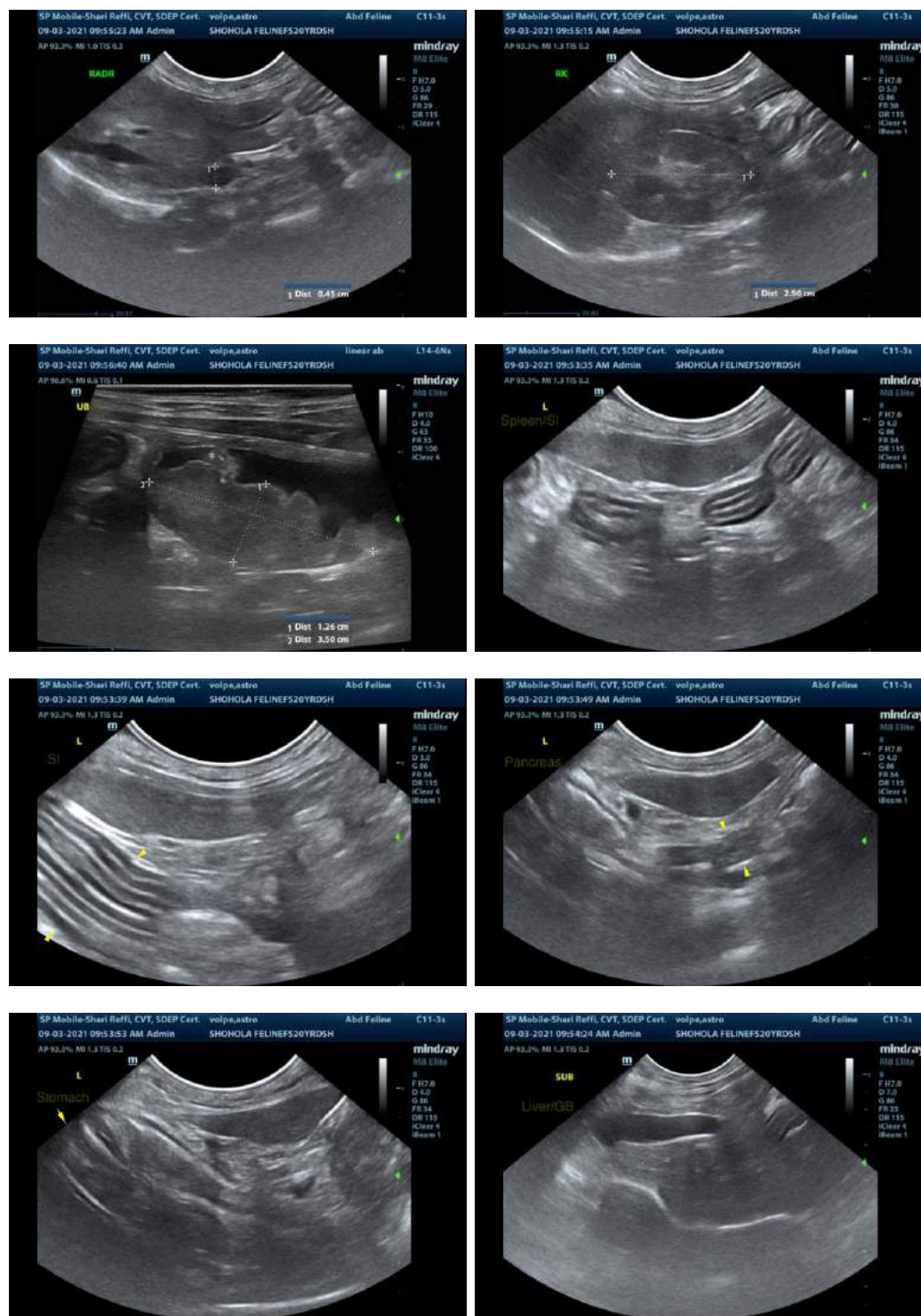
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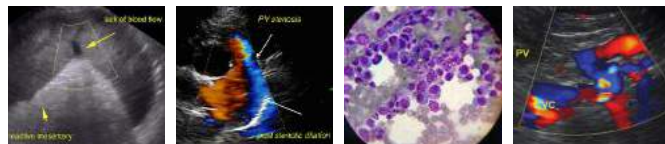
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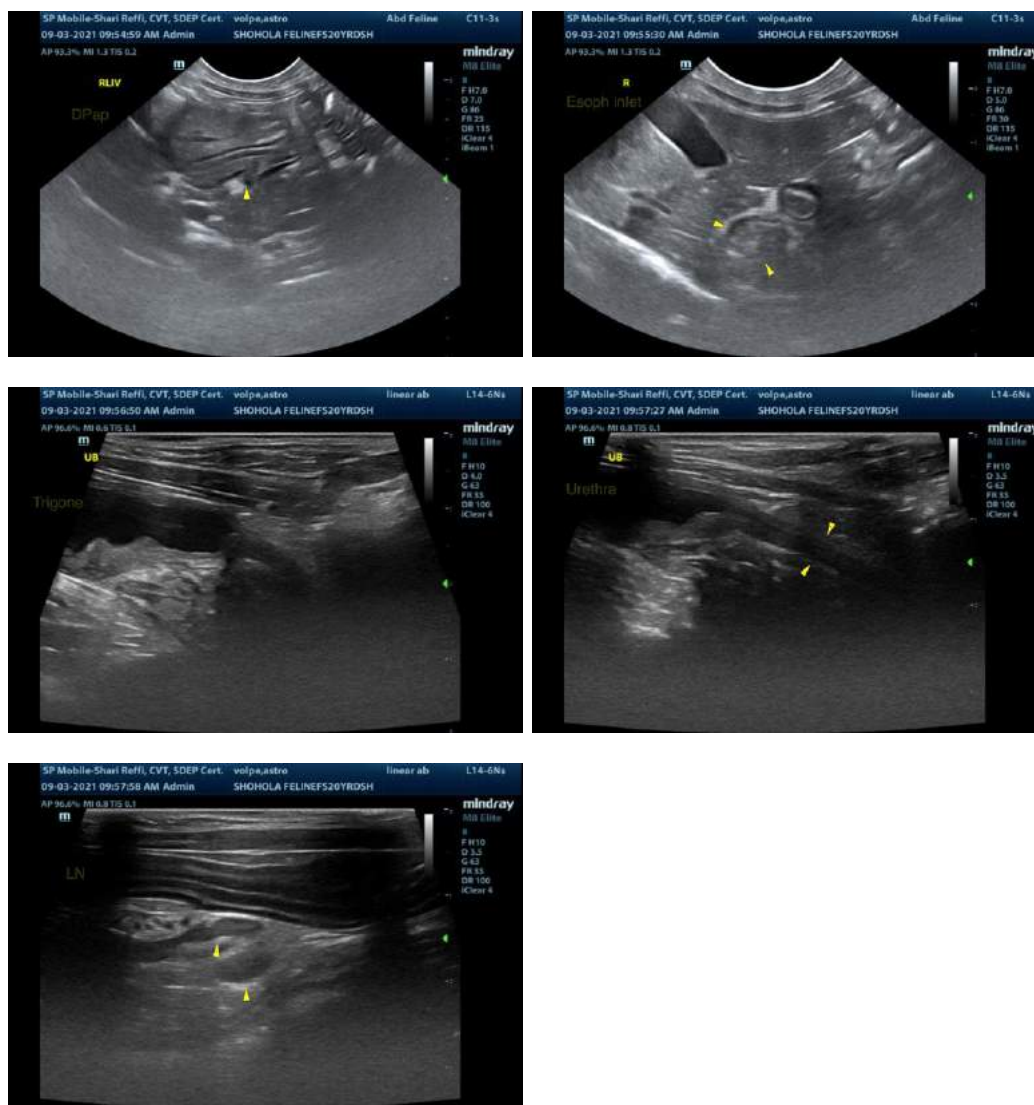
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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