

**PATIENT**

Thackery Binx Rice

**SPECIES**

Feline

**BREED**

Domestic mediumhair

**SEX**

Male, intact

**AGE**

12 week old

**WEIGHT**

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Recent vomiting and reduced appetite. Concern for possible foreign body.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

*Urinary System*

The urinary bladder wall is normal in thickness and the mucosal surface is smooth. The bladder lumen is moderately 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.

The left kidney is normal size (3.79 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney is normal size (3.41 cm in length); normal shape and architecture with smooth peripheral margins. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with normal corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

*Adrenal Glands*

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.31 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.27 cm width). Normal shape and glandular echogenicity. The phrenicoabdominal vein and surrounding vasculature are normal.

*Spleen*

The spleen is normal in size (0.51 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. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy observed. The portal vein: caudal vena cava ratio is approximately 1:1. 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 minimally fluid distended. The gastric wall in the region of the fundus is borderline thickened (up to 0.44 cm) with retention of the normal layering pattern. The mesentery effacing the serosal surface of the fundus is slightly hyperechoic. The pylorus is normal in thickness with a normal layering pattern. The pyloric outflow tract is patent. The small intestinal lumen is not dilated. The small

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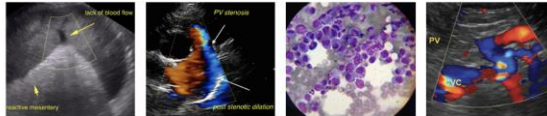
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intestinal wall thickness is normal with a normal layering pattern and appropriate mural detail. Discreet masses are not identified. The ileocecolic junction and colonic wall are normal. The colonic lumen contains shadowing fecal material. There is no obvious evidence of an obstructive pattern.

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**Pancreas**

The left limb is visible/prominent with minimal deviation from the normal peripheral contours. The parenchyma is hypoechoic relative to surrounding omental fat. No focal lesions are observed. The pancreatic duct is visible but not overtly dilated. There is no evidence of peripancreatic effusion.

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**Free Abdomen**

The peritoneal cavity is normal. There is no evidence of inflammation or effusion. A few prominent mesenteric lymph nodes are visualized, the largest measuring 0.79 cm in length. A 0.79 cm cranial abdominal lymph node is also seen. The mesentery surrounding the lymph nodes is slightly hyperechoic.

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**Other**

A brief echocardiogram reveals no obvious evidence of pericardial effusion.

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**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

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- The gastric wall changes are most consistent with gastritis with a lower possibility of emerging neoplasia. Adjacent peritonitis is present.
- The abdominal lymphadenopathy could be consistent with immunologic immaturity, reactive lymphadenitis or lymphoid hyperplasia. Infiltrative neoplasia is possible but considered unlikely.
- 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**

Supportive care for acute gastroenteritis is recommended. If clinical signs persist, despite appropriate medical management, a more advanced GI workup (i.e., fecal evaluation for ova and Giardia, malabsorption panel, +/- GI biopsies) may be warranted.

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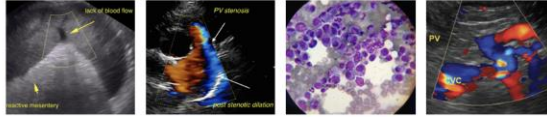
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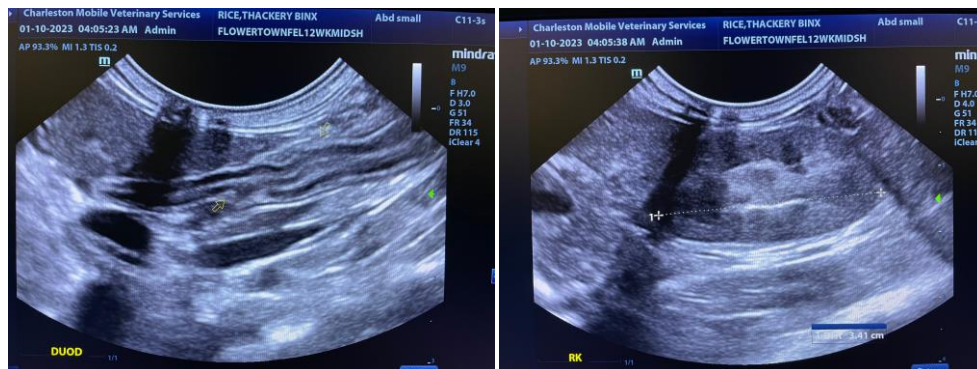
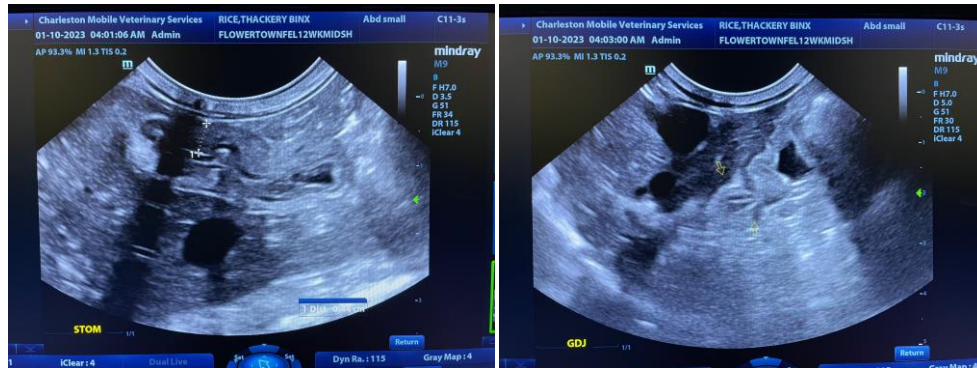
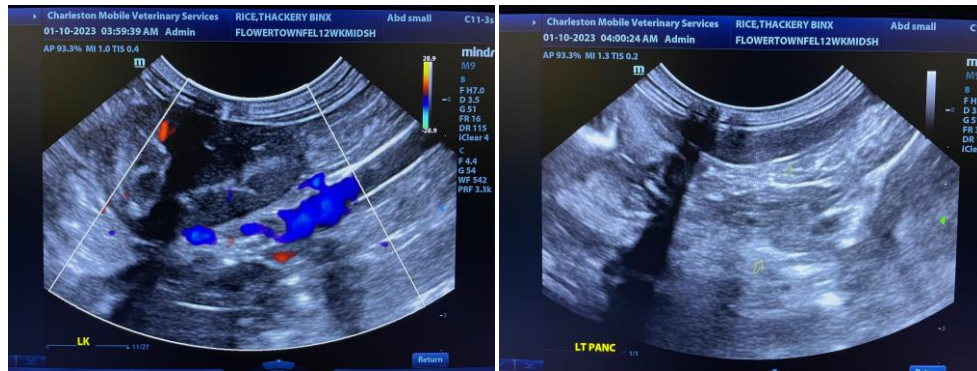
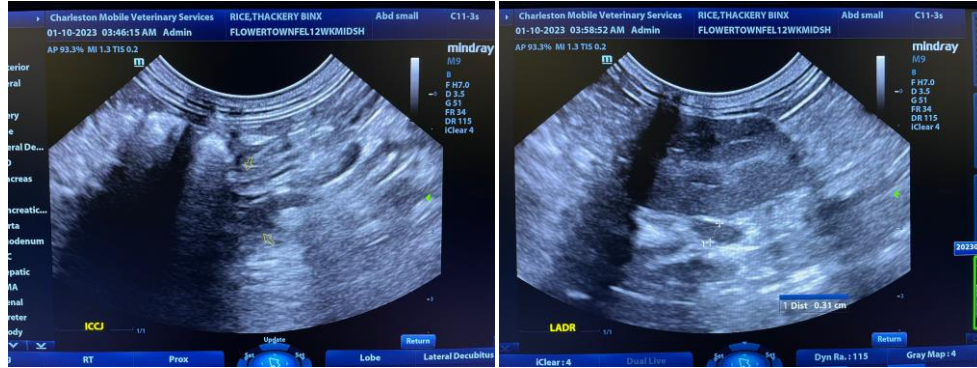
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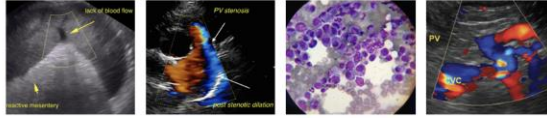
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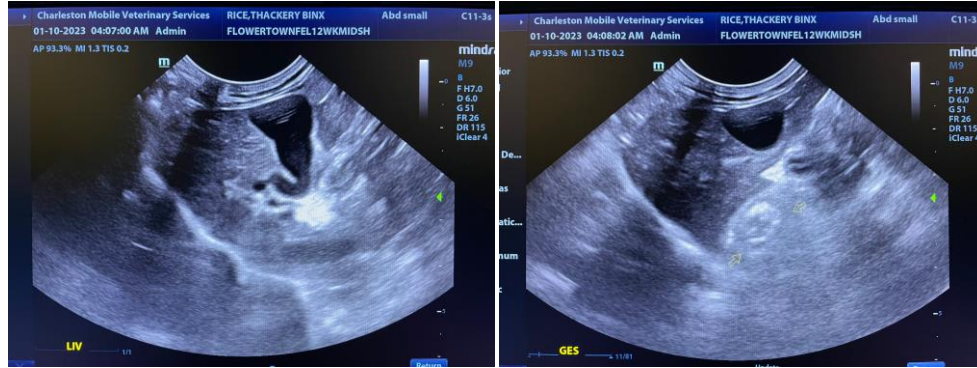
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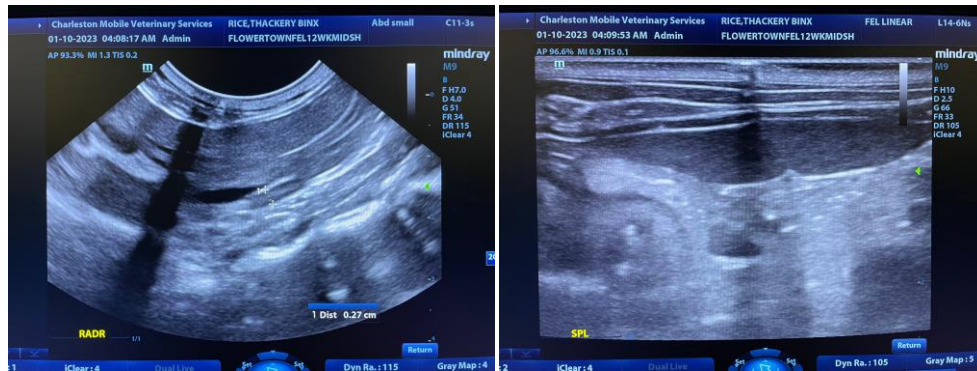
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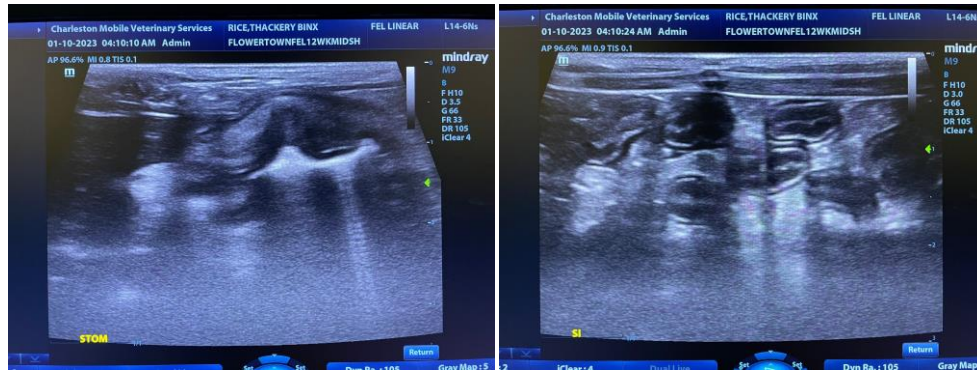


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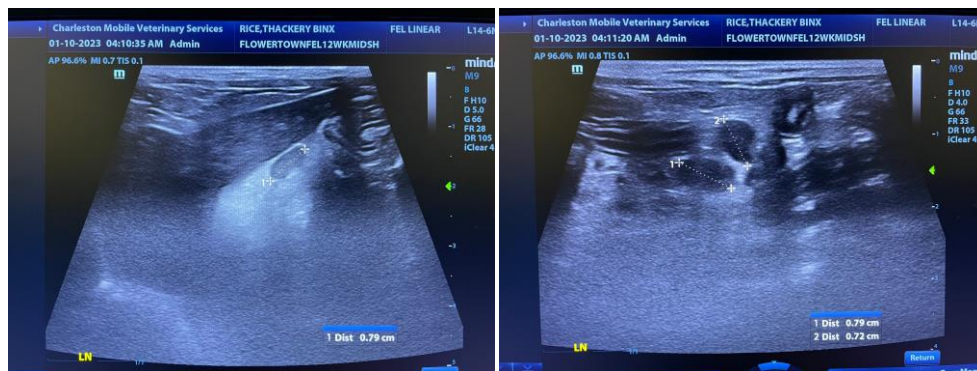
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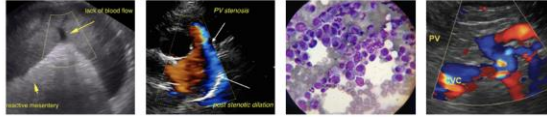
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible



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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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