



## PATIENT

Sally Hutnik

## SPECIES

Feline

## BREED

DSH

## SEX

Spayed Female

## AGE

12 Years

## WEIGHT

5.94

## INTERPRETED BY

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Pet presented for decreased appetite and vomiting. Main concern now is that pet is not keeping any food down besides Churu. Pet is also FIV +

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: CBC WBC: 22.6 Neut: 22.6 Mono: 0.497 Chem SDMA: 15 Na: 143 T4: 1.2

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

### Urinary System

Urinary bladder is adequately distended with anechoic contents. No masses, inflammatory changes, echogenic sediment or cystoliths are observed. The urinary bladder, trigone and visible pelvic urethra are normal in thickness with a smooth mucosal surface.

The left kidney is of normal size (3.7 cm in length) and the right kidney is small in size (2.3 cm in length) and diffusely echogenic with decreased corticomedullary distinction and poor visualization of internal architecture. There is no pyelectasia noted. Punctate nonobstructive nephroliths are noted bilaterally.

### Adrenal Glands

The areas of the adrenal glands are examined without evident adrenal gland pathology.

### Spleen

Spleen is subjectively normal in size with a normal smooth capsular contour. Parenchyma is appropriately finely textured and homogenous with normal echogenicity relative to surrounding tissue (hyperechoic to liver). No focal nodules or masses are observed. Splenic vasculature appears normal.

### Liver

Liver is subjectively normal in size with normal smooth curvilinear peripheral contour. Parenchyma is appropriately hypoechoic to the spleen in echogenicity and appropriately mildly coarse and homogenous in echotexture. No focal lesions are observed. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal without distension or congestion.

Gallbladder is non-distended in size. The wall is smooth without visible thickening. Luminal contents are primarily anechoic. There is no evidence of cystic or common bile duct dilation.

### Gastrointestinal

The visible stomach wall is normal in thickness and layering. The lumen of the stomach is mildly distended with a small to moderate amount of echogenic non-shadowing luminal contents and gas consistent with normal ingesta. There is no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease. Pyloric outflow tract appears patent.

In the bowel loops that are able to be seen in these images, the visible small intestine demonstrates areas of moderately thick muscularis layer relative to mucosa (disruption of the normal 1:3 muscularis:mucosa ratio). Small intestinal submucosa is slightly irregular, thick and hyperechoic, without evident loss of layering appreciated. The lumen of the small intestine is mildly distended with echogenic non-shadowing luminal contents and gas consistent with normal ingesta. There is no



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evidence of obstruction or foreign material noted. More significant bowel wall pathology and/or even other intraluminal changes in parts of the bowel unable to be visualized, cannot be ruled out.

The visible colon is normal in wall thickness (< 0.2 cm) and layering. Contents are consistent with normal formed feces and gas.

### **Pancreas**

The pancreas that is observed appears appropriately isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Visible capsule is smooth and normal in contour. Visible pancreatic parenchyma is homogenous and unremarkable. There is no visible pancreatic duct dilation. There is no evidence of active peripancreatic inflammation.

### **Free Abdomen**

There is no visible free peritoneal effusion noted in these images.

There is no apparent pathologic lymphadenopathy noted in these images.

## **ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- Suspect moderate inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) pattern – Thick muscularis has been reported with infiltrative bowel disease including both benign inflammatory disease as well as infiltrative neoplasia such as lymphoma. No loss of layering, etc. is noted to make lymphoma more probable, but lymphoma cannot be definitively ruled out without tissue sampling.
- Chronic kidney disease changes with nonobstructive nephroliths noted bilaterally.

## **INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A gastrointestinal malabsorption panel (including cobalamin, folate, TLI and PLI) to Texas A&M GI Laboratory is recommended for further evaluation of GI and pancreatic function.
- A blood pressure is recommended if not recently evaluated.
- If possible, an additional 12-24 hours of fasting followed by recheck imaging of the full gastrointestinal tract and/or alternative imaging such as contrast radiography versus other could be considered if clinical signs persistent beyond supportive/symptomatic medical management.
- In the meantime, supportive/symptomatic medical management of clinical signs is recommended in the form of antiemetics, gastroprotectants and appetite stimulant if necessary, fluid therapy, pain management if clinically indicated.



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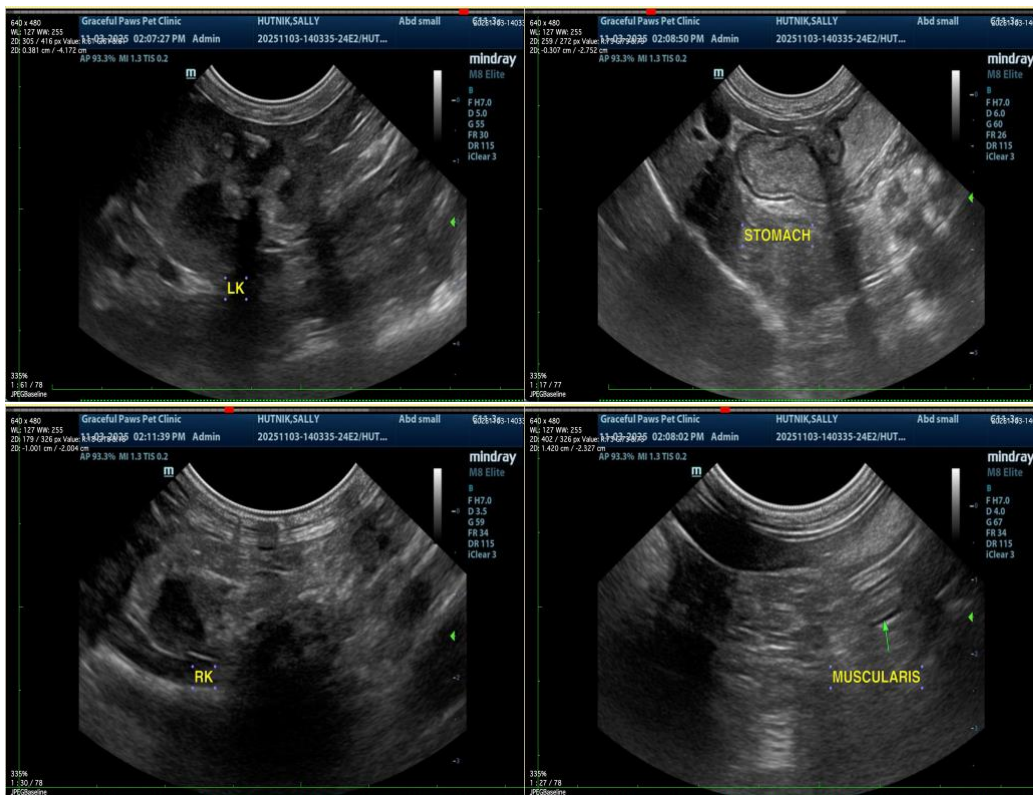
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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