



PATIENT

Ginger Carbone

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

15 Years

WEIGHT

10.8 lbs

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12/2/25

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

BCA 4/9. Hx of early renal dz; now losing wt. , cachectic over spine. Receiving Mirtaz 1/8 t PO q24h PRN.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: SDMA 20 (H 14); Ca 2+ 11.4 (H 11.2); Chol 370 (H 305)

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The 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.

Kidneys are bilaterally small, irregular and diffusely echogenic with decreased corticomedullary distinction and poor visualization of internal architecture. No mineral is observed. Mild pyelectasia is present bilaterally. Left kidney measures 3.64 cm. Right kidney measures 2.95 cm.

Adrenal Glands

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.38 cm), shape and overall architecture, echogenicity and echotexture. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.43 cm), shape and overall architecture, echogenicity and echotexture. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

Spleen

The 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

The 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. In the mid left liver there is an approximately 1.0 cm x 0.70 cm focal nodule of mixed echogenicity, primarily hyperechoic in echogenicity but containing multiple cysts of varying size. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal without distension or congestion.

The 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 very echogenic reverberation artifact from intraluminal gas. There is no evidence of obstruction, foreign material, or infiltrative disease; however, visualization is partially inhibited by gas.

The visible small intestines are normal in wall thickness and layering. Small intestinal motility appears adequate (1-3 contractions per min). The lumen of the small intestine is mildly distended with very echogenic reverberation artifact from intraluminal gas. There is no evidence of obstruction, foreign material, or infiltrative disease; however, visualization is partially inhibited by gas.



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

Pancreas

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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.

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

There is no apparent pathologic lymphadenopathy noted in these images.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Bilateral chronic kidney disease changes with bilateral moderate pyelectasia.
- Feline biliary cystadenoma – In a senior cat, this liver lesion is most consistent with a/multiple benign biliary cystadenoma(s). Malignancy cannot be ruled out but is considered less likely given lack of clinical signs and/or laboratory changes.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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If not recently evaluated, a urinalysis and, if indicated based on urinalysis results, urine culture is recommended. If protein is present in an otherwise quiet sediment, protein quantification with a urine protein to creatinine ratio is recommended.

A blood pressure is recommended.

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Further evaluation of the hypercalcemia is recommended, beginning with a malignancy panel (PTH, PTHrP, iCa) to Michigan State College of Veterinary Medicine for further investigation of the reported hypercalcemia.

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Beyond that, further workup of the reported weight loss is largely dependent on appetite. If appetite is normal or even increased, then next steps could include a T4 +/- free T4.

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.

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If, however, appetite is decreased, then supportive/symptomatic medical management of possible subclinical nausea could be considered in the form of antiemetics, gastroprotectants, as well as the appetite stimulants, etc.

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Ultimately, pending results of above, further evaluation for possible pain (dental, orthopedic, other), upper respiratory disease or oropharyngeal disease, cardiac disease and/or neurologic disease vs other as possible causes for decreased appetite and/or unintentional weight loss is also recommended.

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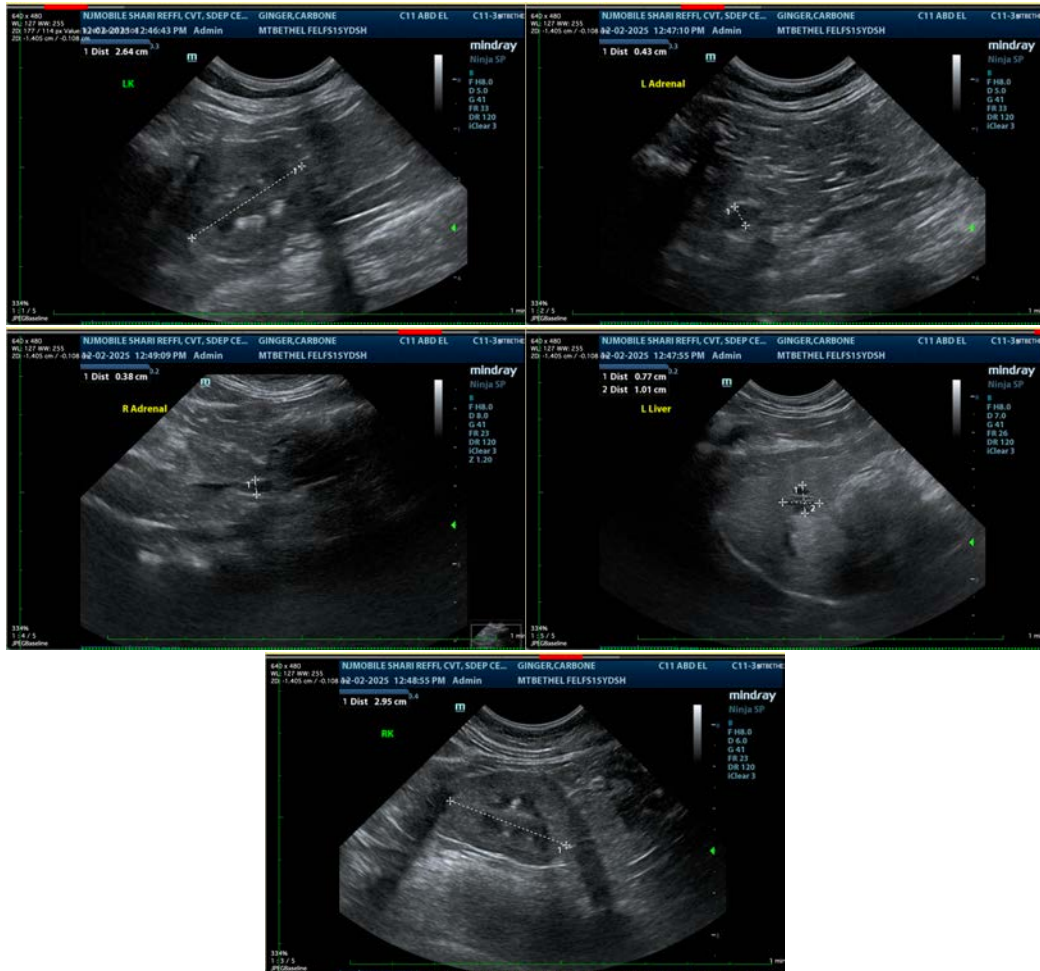
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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