



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Dallas Navarra History of elevated renal values.

SPECIES Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Non-regenerative anemia, elevated renal values, chronic elevation of WBC/neutrophils/monocytes.

Canine

BREED ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

Maltese

SEX

Neutered Male

Urinary bladder is adequately distended with primarily anechoic contents and occasional echogenic non-shadowing debris. Apical urinary bladder wall is diffusely thick (0.34 cm thick). Mucosa is hyperechoic and irregular. No masses or cystoliths are observed. The trigone and visible pelvic urethra are normal thickness with a smooth mucosal surface.

AGE

14 Years

Prostate is normal in size, echotexture and echogenicity for a neutered male.

WEIGHT

7 Pounds

Kidneys are bilaterally irregular and diffusely echogenic with decreased corticomedullary distinction and poor visualization of internal architecture. There is no pyelectasia noted and no mineral is observed. The left kidney is normal in size at 3.79 cm. The right kidney is small in size at 2.7 cm.

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Adrenal Glands

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (1.05 cm long x 0.74 cm at the cranial pole and 0.60 cm at the caudal pole), shape and contour. Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (1.52 cm long x 0.63 cm at the cranial pole and 0.38 cm at the caudal pole), shape and contour. Corticomedullary structure is unremarkable. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

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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). A 3.5 cm x 4.2 cm heterogeneous, hypo- to partially anechoic vascular mass is noted in the mid body that results in capsular bulge but no evident escape. Splenic vasculature appears normal.

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Liver

Liver is subjectively enlarged (swollen contour) without disruption of architecture. It has a normal homogenous echotexture. Parenchyma is diffusely hyperechoic characterized by less prominent than normal portal vein walls and increased echogenicity relative to the spleen and falciform fat. No focal lesions are observed. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal without distension or congestion. The portal vein to caudal vena ratio is normal at 1:1.

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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 stomach wall is normal in thickness (canine < 0.5 cm and feline < 0.4 cm) and layering. The lumen of the stomach is empty with no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease. Pyloric outflow tract appears patent.



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Canine	
BREED	<i>Pancreas</i>
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SEX	<i>Free Abdomen</i>
Neutered Male	There is no evidence of free peritoneal effusion noted in these images.
AGE	There is no apparent lymphadenopathy noted in these images.
14 Years	There is no evidence of heart base or pericardial pathology noted in these images at this time. If cardiac function evaluation is desired a full echocardiogram is recommended.
WEIGHT	PRIMARY FINDINGS
7 Pounds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Splenic mass – Differentials include both benign lesion such as hematoma, nodular hyperplasia, extramedullary hematopoiesis, etc. as well as infiltrative neoplasia, which can mimic benign lesions and cannot be ruled out, including sarcoma, round cell neoplasia, etc. • Hyperechoic hepatomegaly - This appearance is non-specific and most consistent with a benign steroid (endocrine) or vacuolar hepatopathy or reactive or idiopathic hepatopathy. Inflammatory and/or infiltrative disease (such as round cell neoplasia) are also possible, but considered less likely.
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Kelly Vazquez	Three view thoracic radiographs are recommended for further assessment of cardio-pulmonary status as well as to further evaluate for any evidence of metastatic disease, if not recently evaluated.
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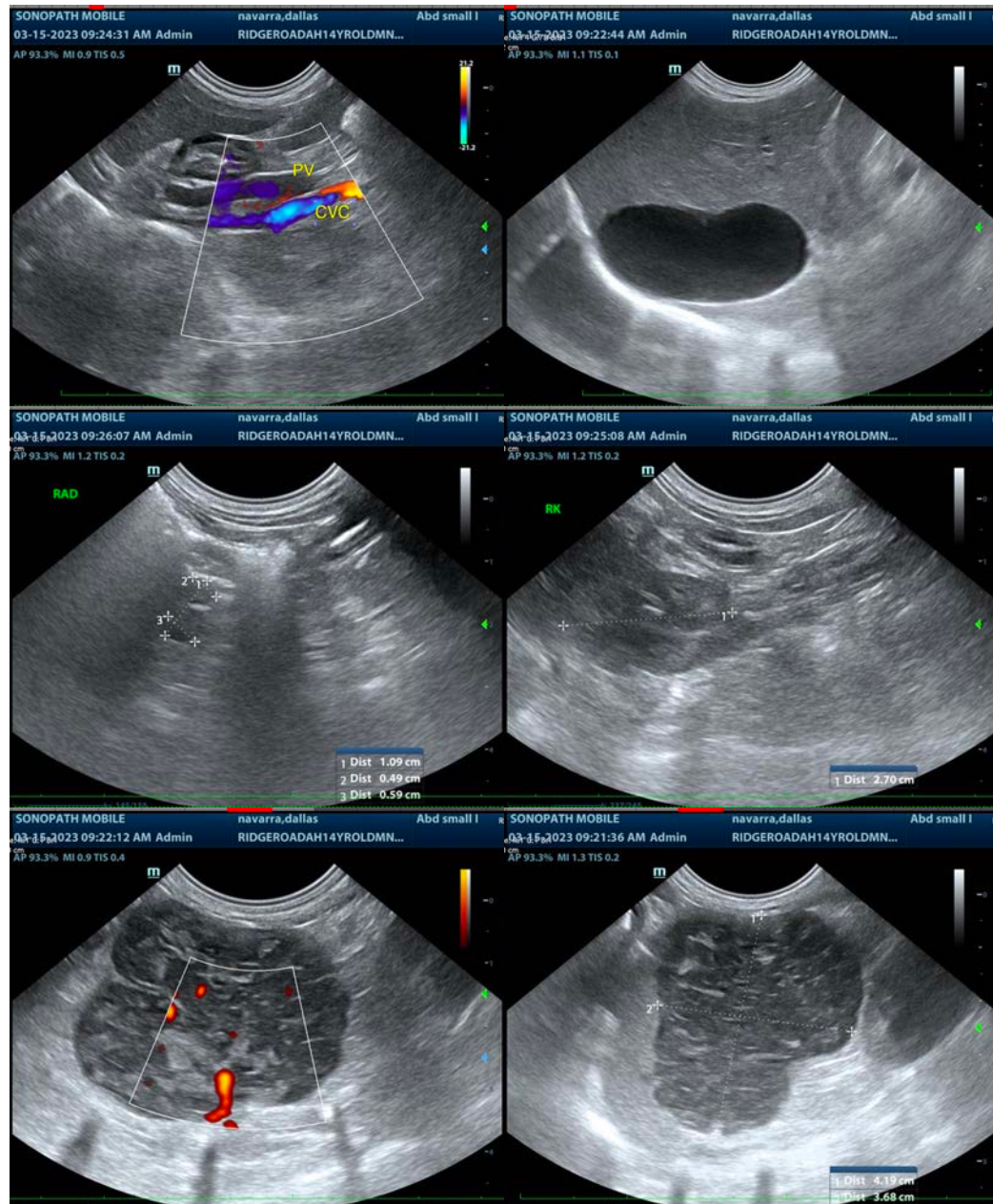
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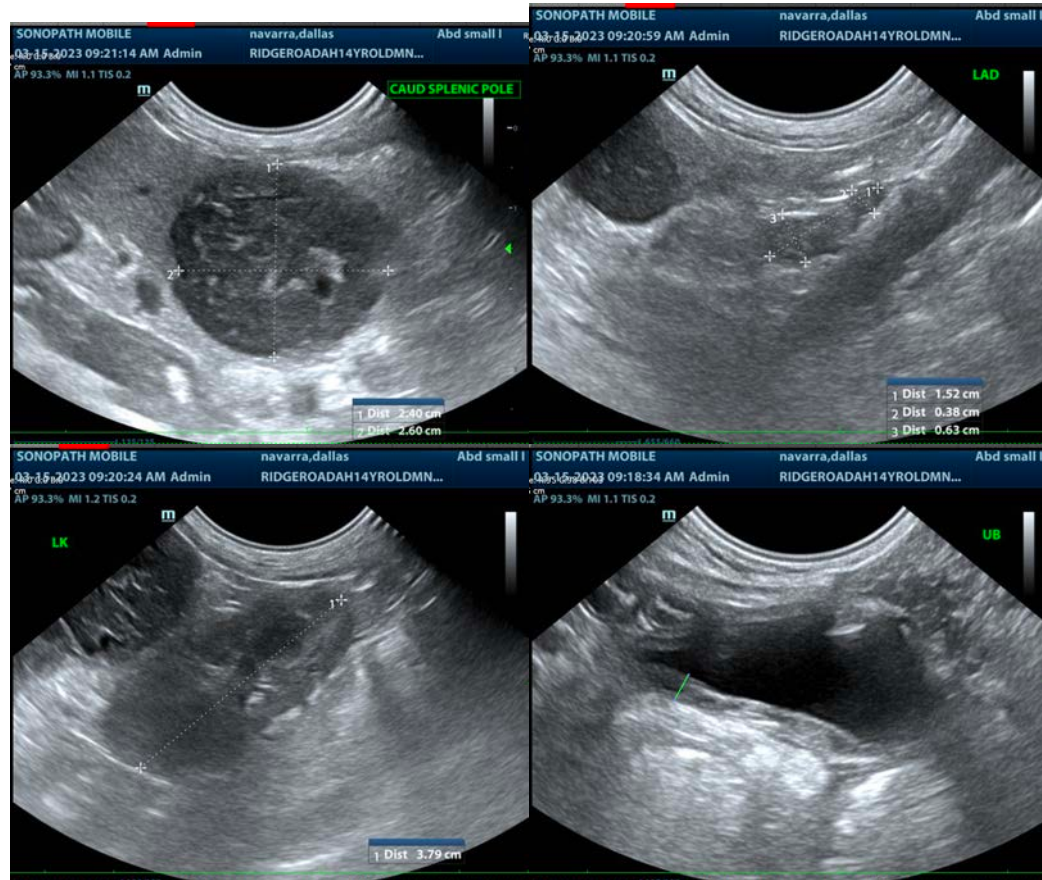
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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