



**PATIENT**

Lulu Luberoff

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Mix

**SEX**

Spayed Female

**AGE**

15 Years 6 Months

**WEIGHT**

34.3 lbs

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Recheck developing Mucocele/ liver, pancreas and Kidneys

No specific concerns.

Meds: Ursodiol 125 mg SID, Dasaquin, Hepaticlear, Carprofren 24 mg SID, Thyroxine 0.3 mg SID

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: ^ TP 7.6, ^ ALKP 1685, ^ CHol 468, ^ Triglycerides 539, ^ PrecPSL 149, ^ Platelets 512K

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

**Urinary System**

Urinary bladder is adequately distended. It has a normal uniform wall thickness. Contents include primarily anechoic fluid with a moderate amount of echogenic non-shadowing debris, most consistent with exfoliated cells, mucous and/or small blood clots. Both sterile inflammation as well as urinary tract infection can present with echogenic debris. No masses or cystoliths are observed. The trigone and visible pelvic urethra are normal in thickness with a smooth mucosal surface.

Kidneys are overall normal in size and shape with smooth peripheral margination. A normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio is maintained. The medulla and cortices are uniform in texture with some mild increased cortical echogenicity and mild loss of corticomedullary distinction, expected in this age patient. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, mineral or infarcts observed. Left kidney measures 5.41 cm. Right kidney measures 5.04 cm.

**Adrenal Glands**

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.70 cm at cranial pole and 0.50 cm at caudal pole), shape and overall architecture, echogenicity and echotexture. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.60 cm at cranial pole and 0.60 cm at caudal pole), 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**

Liver is subjectively enlarged with mildly irregular margins. Parenchyma is mildly heterogenous characterized by multiple poorly defined hypoechoic nodules within otherwise hyperechoic liver parenchyma. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal without distension or congestion.

Gallbladder is mildly overdistended with a moderate amount of non-dependent, mildly aggregated/inspissated sludge. Hypo to anechoic cystic areas are noted between the gallbladder sludge and luminal wall. The wall is otherwise smooth without visible thickening. There is no evidence of cystic or CBD dilation. There is no evidence of effusion.



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**Gastrointestinal**

The visible stomach wall is normal in thickness and layering. The lumen of the stomach is empty with no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease. Pyloric outflow tract appears patent.

The visible small intestines are normal in wall thickness and layering. Small intestinal motility appears adequate (1-3 contractions per min). The lumen is mildly distended with echogenic non-shadowing luminal contents and gas consistent with normal ingesta/chyme. There is no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease.

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

**Pancreas**

Pancreas is prominent (enlarged) in size and mildly irregular in shape with a slightly undulating contour. Parenchyma is coarse in echotexture and heterogenous to hypoechoic in echogenicity. \*See other.

**Free Abdomen**

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

There is no apparent pathologic lymphadenopathy noted in these images.

In the caudal abdomen in the area of the medial iliac lymph nodes is an approximately 0.60 cm in diameter hypoechoic structure that could represent mild lymphadenopathy versus other. Additionally, very subtly in the left cranial abdomen largely medial to the spleen there appears to be some enhanced hyperechoic mesenteric fat and omentum.

**PRIMARY FINDINGS**

- Mildly heterogenous liver – These changes are most consistent with benign processes such as nodular hyperplasia, steroid (vacuolar) hepatopathy, extramedullary hematopoiesis or possibly chronic inflammatory disease and less commonly infiltrative round cell or metastatic neoplasia.
- Stable emerging mucocele – Cholecystic debris is of unknown clinical significance. It can be seen with biliary stasis from fasting or illness. Cholecystic debris is not necessarily related to hepatobiliary disease. The non-dependent nature of this sludge combined with the cystic areas are suggestive, however, of possible emerging cystic mucosal hyperplasia or early gallbladder mucocele.
- Chronic low-grade smoldering pancreatitis can't be ruled out and should be suspected in the face of appropriate clinical signs. Some subtly enhanced tissue in the left cranial abdomen could indicate some mild or low-grade smoldering inflammation, but this finding again is very subtle and should be interpreted in combination with patient's clinical signs, any pain in the area, etc.
- Suspect mild reactive medial iliac lymph nodes – infiltrative neoplastic disease cannot be ruled out but is considered less likely.



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**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- Age related kidney changes and a moderate amount of echogenic urinary bladder debris.

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The hepatobiliary and pancreatic changes are largely stable/unchanged, with new findings being some urinary bladder debris and mild lymphadenopathy, which warrant a rectal and perianal exam if not recently evaluated.

If not recently evaluated, 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.

Otherwise, diagnostic and treatment recommendations are largely unchanged.





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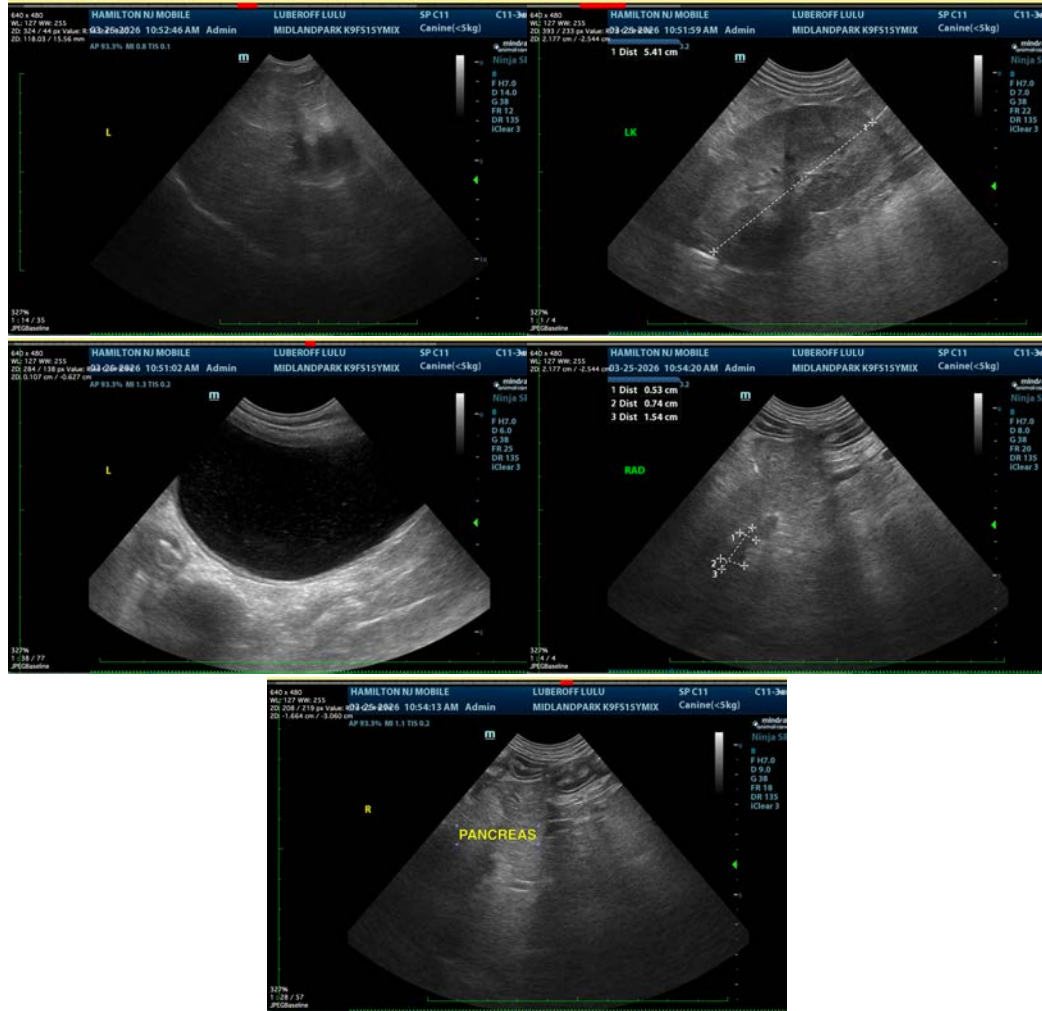
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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