



## PATIENT

Milo Conner

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

American Staffordshire  
Terrier

## SEX

Neutered Male

## AGE

7 Years

## WEIGHT

60 lbs

## INTERPRETED BY

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Patient presented for difficulty urinating. Polakiuria and stranguria noted during exam. Large bladder palpated. After walking p, bladder was still full. Rads showed no stones nor significant abnormalities. Prostate palpated normally.

## 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 mild 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.

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

The right kidney is normal in size (6.71 cm), shape and echogenicity. It has smooth peripheral margination. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with appropriate corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, mineral or infarcts observed.

The left kidney is normal in size (6.52 cm), shape and echogenicity. It has smooth peripheral margination. There is a normal 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio with appropriate corticomedullary distinction. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, mineral or infarcts observed.

### Adrenal Glands

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.55 cm at cranial pole and 0.72 cm at caudal pole), shape and overall architecture, echogenicity and echotexture. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

The left adrenal gland is normal in size (0.48 cm at cranial pole and 0.86 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), except for an approximately 2.0 cm x 2.1 cm non-capsule disrupting hypo- to anechoic nodule in the mid spleen. There may be other similar sized/similar appearing nodules within the spleen, as several discrete hypoechoic nodules are noted in the still images that I believe are spleen, but they are not labeled, so liver can't be definitively ruled out. It is difficult in the videos to appreciate any liver nodules and/or differentiate the same splenic nodule versus multiple splenic nodules. 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. No focal lesions are observed. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal without distension or congestion.



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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 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 of the small intestine is empty with 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***

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**

- At least one (but suspect multiple) hypo to anechoic splenic nodule(s) – likely represents a benign lesion such as a cyst, hematoma, nodular hyperplasia, extramedullary hematopoiesis, etc., however while considered less likely, infiltrative neoplasia can mimic benign lesions, and cannot be ruled out.
- Mild amount of echogenic urinary bladder debris.

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

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 ration is recommended.

A full general metabolic health screen is recommended to also include CBC/Chem panel and electrolytes if not recently evaluated.

There is no ultrasonographically visible evidence of infiltrative neoplasia involving the urinary bladder or the intrapelvic urethra as far as it can be seen, and/or the prostate, but given patient's reported clinical history, pending results of above, submission of urine to look for BRAF gene mutation could be considered given the possibility for disease more distal.

Ultimately, however, if a diagnosis is not obtained, advanced imaging such as cystoscopy or potentially a pelvic CT scan and/or consultation with a veterinary internist or neurologist may be warranted to help further investigate the inability for patient to void properly.



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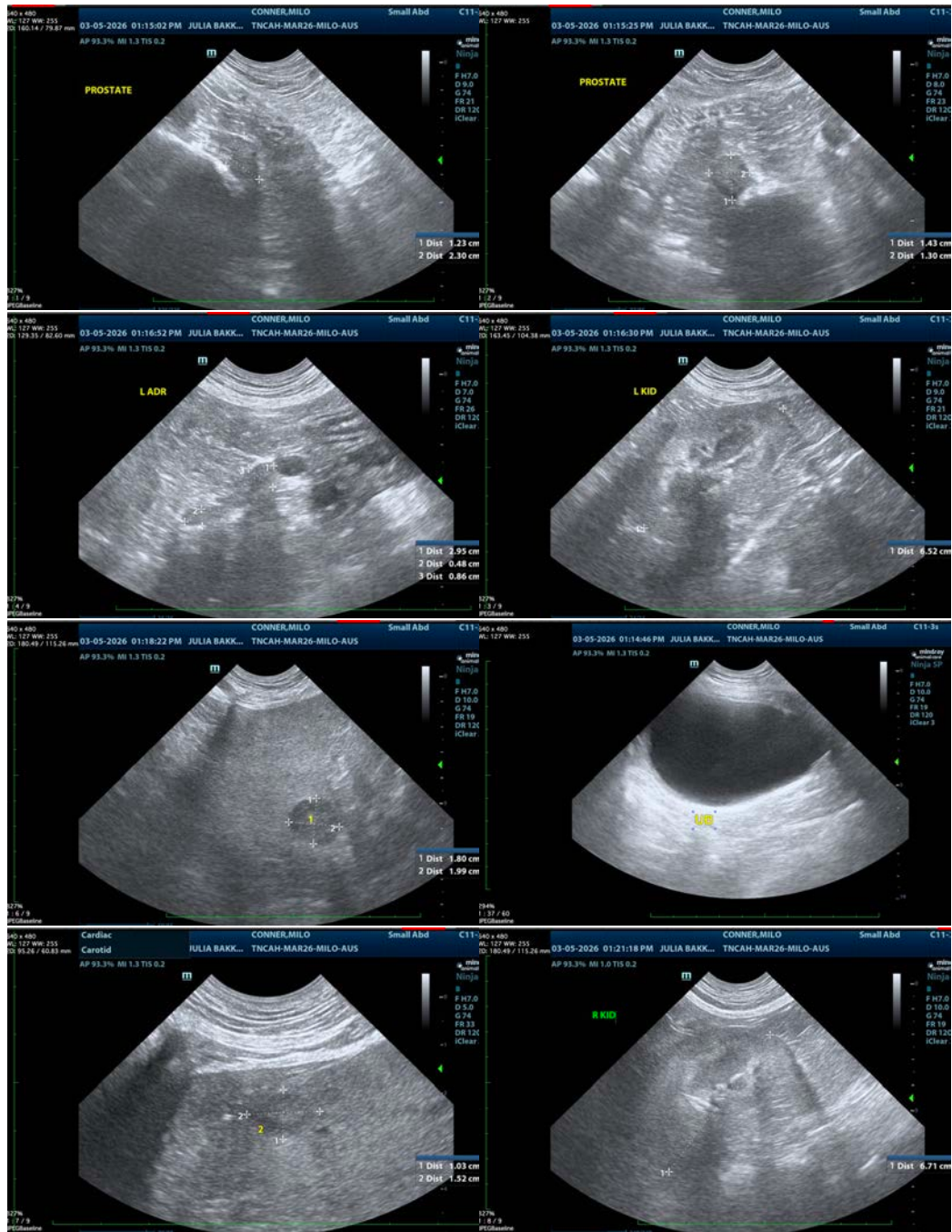
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Regarding the splenic nodule(s), while they trend largely in appearance toward benign, sampling could be considered in the form of fine needle aspirates if patient's coagulation status is appropriate.

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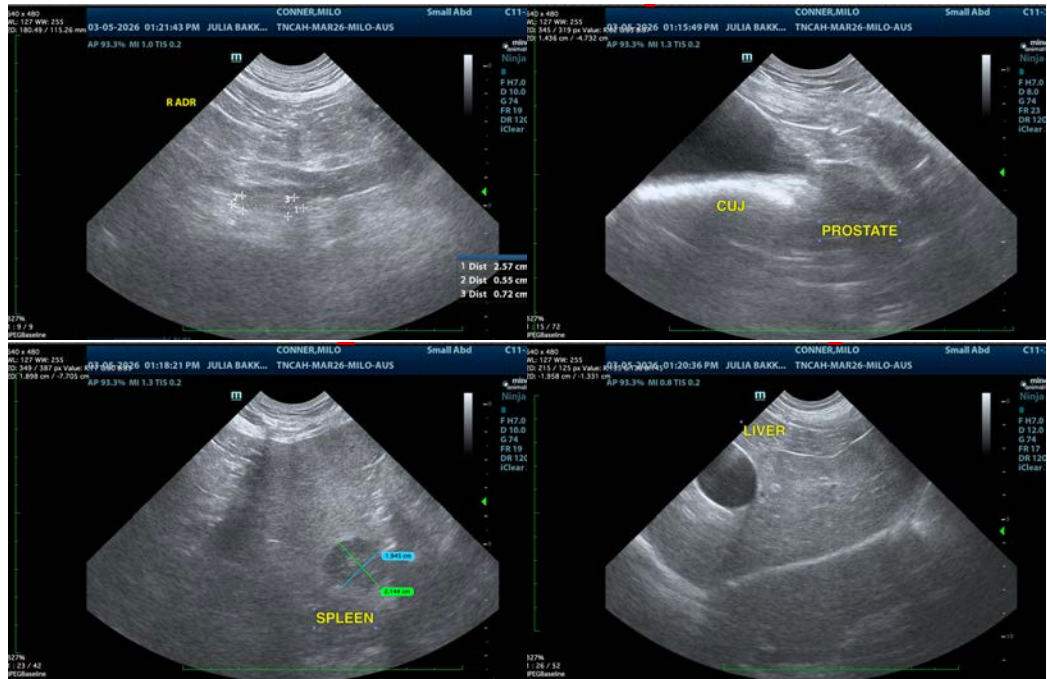
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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