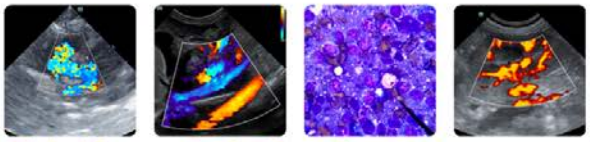

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Newman Gaspari

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

AUS to further evaluate difficult to manage blood glucose (459) in a DM pt. PU/PD. BW shows mild ALP elevation, normal GGT, ALT and AST. Patient is currently on Lantus- 2u SQ q12hr after food. There has been a difficult time regulating his blood glucose levels, and the patient is experiencing increased hind-end weakness beyond what would be expected for a diabetic cat his age. Obese body condition.
Meds: Lantus 2u SQ BID after eating

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: May 2026: - MSU Insulin growth factor 1 (CLIA): 533- wnl (Feline hypersomatotropism less likely) - CBC: Hct 38.3%, Plts 261-n - Chem: Gluc 459 H, K 5.3- mild H, ALP 63 H, GGT 1-n, normal ALT/AST - T4: 3.5 (r/o hyperT4?) - UA: USG 1.030, Gluc 1000 ug/dL, neg ket - UC: no growth

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 large in size (left 4.9 cm, right 4.9 cm) with increased cortical echogenicity. Normal smooth peripheral margination and shape are maintained. 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 (0.47 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 (0.50 cm at cranial pole and 0.39 cm at caudal pole), shape and overall architecture, echogenicity and echotexture. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal.

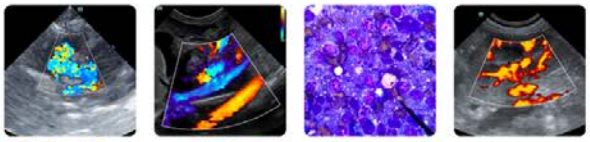
Spleen

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 (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 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.



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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.

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 empty with no evidence of obstruction or foreign material.

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

Pancreas

The area of the pancreas contains irregular hyperechoic pancreatic remodeling.

Free Abdomen

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

Mesenteric and cranial abdominal/possibly pancreaticoduodenal lymph nodes are prominent in size with swollen capsular contour. Normal elongated shape (length to width ratio) is maintained. There is no loss of parenchymal detail.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- 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 or distinct characteristics of malignancy are present. Therefore, differentials cannot be further ranked without tissue sampling.

- Hyperechoic pancreas – This finding is suggestive of pancreatic fibrosis, possibly secondary to chronic pancreatitis. A TLI is recommended to rule out exocrine pancreatic insufficiency (EPI), especially if clinical signs (weight loss, diarrhea, etc.) are present.

- Mildly reactive mesenteric and cranial abdominal/pancreaticoduodenal lymph nodes – infiltrative neoplastic disease cannot be ruled out but is considered less likely.

- Hyperechoic hepatomegaly – This appearance is most consistent with benign hepatic lipidosis or endocrine/DM hepatopathy. Infiltrative disease such as amyloidosis or round cell neoplasia, such as mast cell tumor or less likely, lymphoma, is also possible.

- Feline renomegaly – These renal changes can be seen with glomerular or interstitial nephritis, FIP, amyloidosis, acute tubular necrosis or infiltrative neoplasia such as lymphoma. Normal variant due to fat deposition cannot be ruled out.

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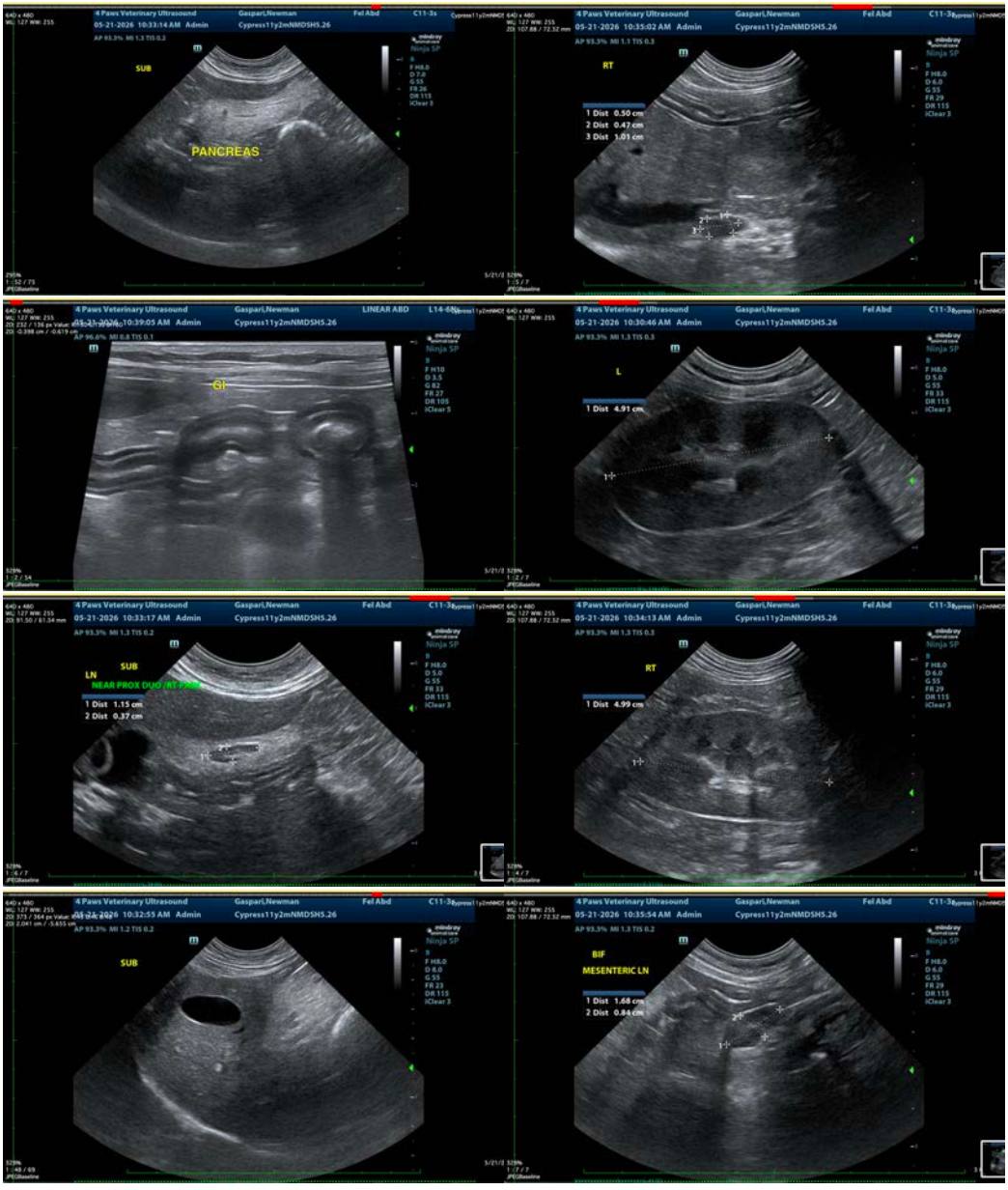
INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Given patient's history, a free T4 or further thyroid evaluation is warranted.

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.

Fine needle aspirates of the liver +/- kidneys +/- lymph nodes if they can safely be reached could be considered if patient's coagulation status is appropriate.

Ultimately, however, further evaluation and management of the reportedly difficult to manage hyperglycemia could be considered via placement of a freestyle libre sensor if not recently evaluated.



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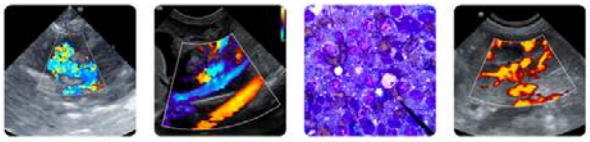

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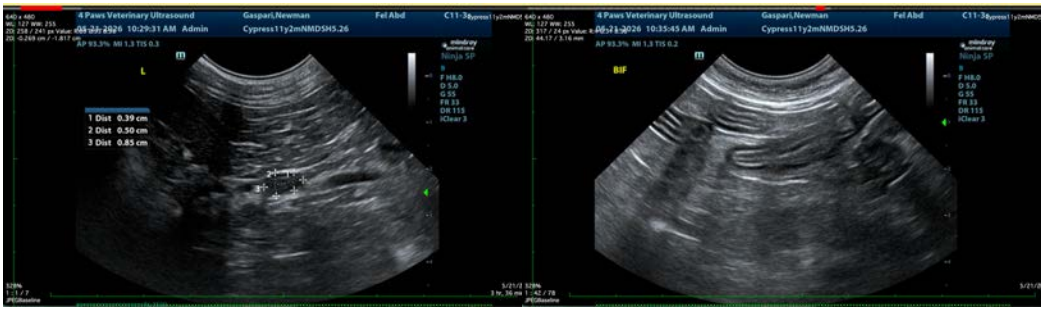

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Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if I can be of any further assistance please contact me.

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