



PATIENT

Monster Diaz

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Feline

BREED

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SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

10 Years

WEIGHT

12 lbs 8 oz

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Weight loss, doughy abd, dehydrated 5-7%, vomiting- blood tinge
ABNORMAL Labwork Values: elevated ALT

Current Medications - denosyl in AM, omeprazole 5 mg in AM (would not tolerate abx)

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 irregular and diffusely echogenic with decreased corticomedullary distinction and poor visualization of internal architecture. There is no pyelectasia noted and no mineral is observed. Left kidney is normal size at 4.3 cm. Right kidney is normal size at 4.8 cm.

Adrenal Glands

The right adrenal gland is normal in size (0.40 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

Spleen is subjectively large in size (1.2 cm thick at the hilus) with a mildly swollen but smooth capsule. Parenchyma is normal and homogenous in echogenicity and echotexture. No focal nodules or masses are observed. Splenic vasculature appears normal.

Liver

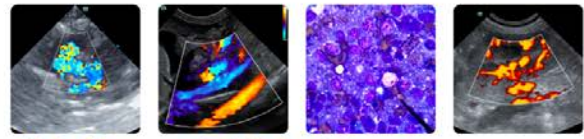
The liver is subjectively normal in size with normal smooth curvilinear peripheral contour. Parenchyma is appropriately hypoechoic to the spleen in echogenicity and appropriately mildly coarse and homogenous in echotexture. No focal lesions are observed. Visible vasculature and biliary tree appear normal 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.

Gastrointestinal

The visible gastric wall is diffusely markedly thick, measuring 2.2 cm thick, characterized by a coarse hypoechoic wall and loss of layering. The lumen is moderately distended with reverberation artifact from gas, partially limiting the far distal wall. No visible evidence of obstruction or foreign material noted in these images at this time.

The visible small intestine demonstrates areas of markedly/significantly 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.



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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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Free Abdomen

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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.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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- The gastric wall changes are concerning for infiltrative neoplasia such as round cell neoplasia i.e., lymphoma versus other. A benign inflammatory process is possible but considered less likely.

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- Marked/significant 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.

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- Splenomegaly– can be associated with congestion caused by sedation (if sedated) but can also be associated with diffuse infiltrative disease. Both benign conditions such as extramedullary hematopoiesis, lymphoid hyperplasia, amyloidosis as well as infiltrative neoplastic diseases such as round cell neoplasia should be considered.

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- Mild to moderate bilateral chronic kidney disease changes.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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.

Given the reported ALT, if thyroid has not been evaluated, a T4 +/- free T4 is recommended.

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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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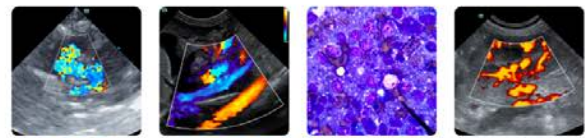
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Fine needle aspirates of the thick gastric wall +/- spleen and liver are recommended if patient's coagulation status is appropriate.

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The bowel changes likely represent the same pathology affecting the stomach but also may not. If a cytologic diagnosis is unable to be obtained, ultimately biopsies of the stomach, as well as the bowel, being sure to include ileum, if possible, may be necessary for definitive diagnosis and to therefore further guide medical management.



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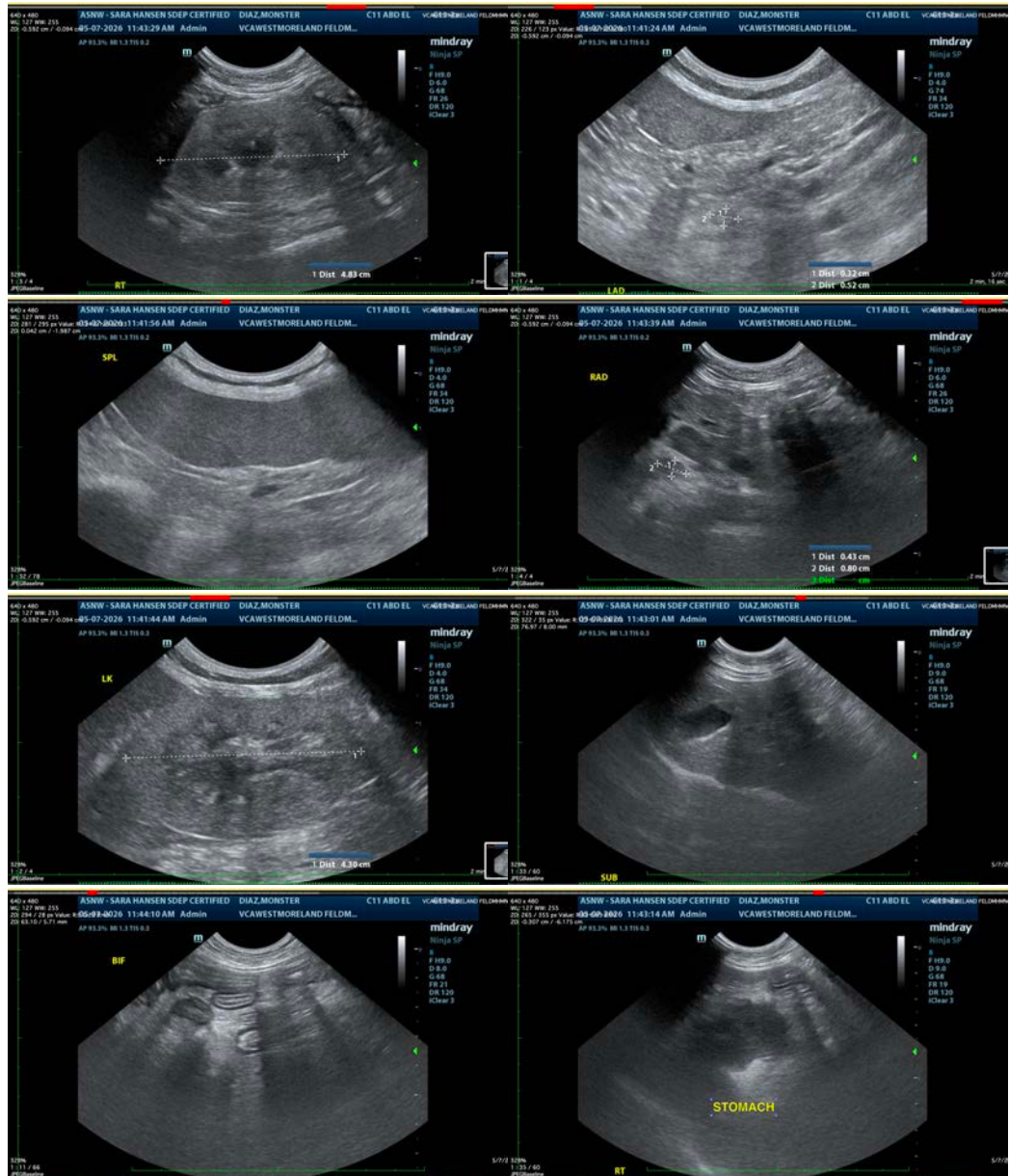
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Other than supportive/symptomatic medical management of clinical signs, further treatment recommendations are largely dependent on results of the above.





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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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