



PATIENT

Jasmine Arminio

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Seems to be slowing down a little more. On Proin ER 74 mg for urinary incontinence and Movoflex joint chews

SPECIES

Canine

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Multiple SQ fatty masses, USG 1.025, ALKP 739 U/L. GGT 248 U/L, Borderline stress leukogram

BREED

Mixed

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder is moderately 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.

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Spayed Female

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. The left kidney measures 7.06 cm. The right kidney measures 7.47 cm.

AGE

14 Years 5 Months

Adrenal Glands

WEIGHT

78 Pounds

Adrenal glands are plump/swollen in size. Normal shape and contour are maintained without evidence of capsular invasion. Some likely age related parenchymal heterogeneity is present without concerning capsular distortion. Visible surrounding vasculature appears normal. The left adrenal gland measures 3.25 cm long x 1.0 cm at the cranial pole and 1.26 cm at the caudal pole. The right adrenal gland measures 4.5 cm long x 1.8 cm at the cranial pole and 2.3 cm at the caudal pole.

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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). No focal nodules or masses are observed. Splenic vasculature appears normal.

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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

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The visible stomach wall is normal in thickness and layering. The lumen of the stomach is mildly distended with very echogenic reverberation artifact from intraluminal gas. There is no evidence of obstruction, foreign material or infiltrative disease; however, complete visualization of far wall is partially inhibited by gas. Pyloric outflow tract appears patent. The acoustic shadowing present in some of the images is a little stronger than is typically seen with gas, and a non-obstructive gastric foreign body cannot be definitively ruled out given this finding. If clinical signs of a gastric foreign body are present and/or there is clinical suspicion, then recheck imaging after further fasting would be recommended.

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The visible small intestines are normal in wall thickness and layering (canine duodenum < 0.5 cm and feline duodenum < 0.4 cm; other < 0.3 cm). 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.

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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 pancreatic parenchyma is appropriately isoechoic to surrounding tissue. Visible capsule is smooth and normal in contour. There is no visible pancreatic duct dilation. There is no evidence of active peripancreatic inflammation.

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Free Abdomen

There is no evidence of free peritoneal effusion noted in these images.

There is no apparent lymphadenopathy noted in these images.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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- **Bilateral adrenomegaly** – consistent with adrenal hyperplasia secondary to pituitary dependent hyperadrenocorticism vs stress or normal variant. Interpret in combination with clinical signs of hyperadrenocorticism.
- Age related kidney changes
- There is some change in the stomach concerning for a possible non-obstructive gastric foreign body, and this finding should be interpreted in combination with supporting clinical evidence.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The described adrenal gland, liver and gallbladder changes are all suggestive of hyperadrenocorticism. If clinical signs of hyperadrenocorticism, such as polyuria, polydipsia, polyphagia, panting, hair loss, hypertension, etc. are present, testing for hyperadrenocorticism with a LDDS test is warranted. If clinical signs are not present, monitoring is recommended with testing pursued when/if clinical signs develop. If not recently evaluated, blood pressure is recommended. If not recently evaluated, a urinalysis and, if indicated based on urinalysis results, urine culture are also recommended. If protein is present in an otherwise quiet sediment, protein quantification with a urine protein to creatinine ratio is recommended.

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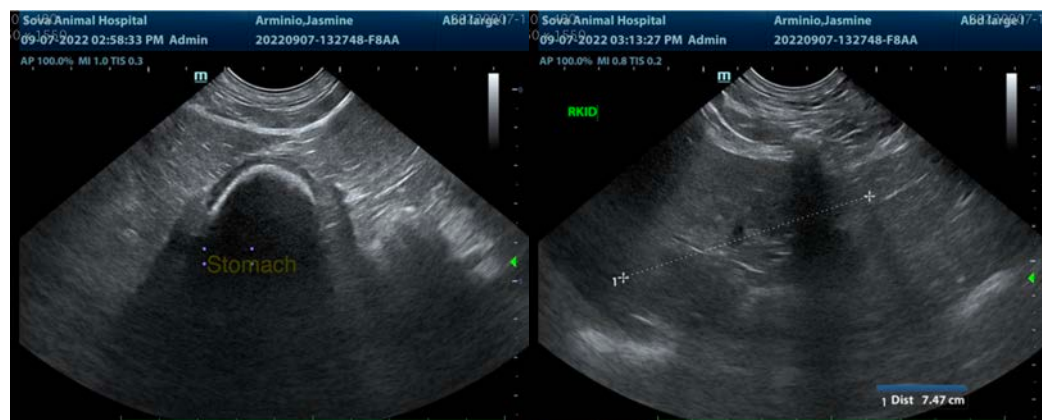
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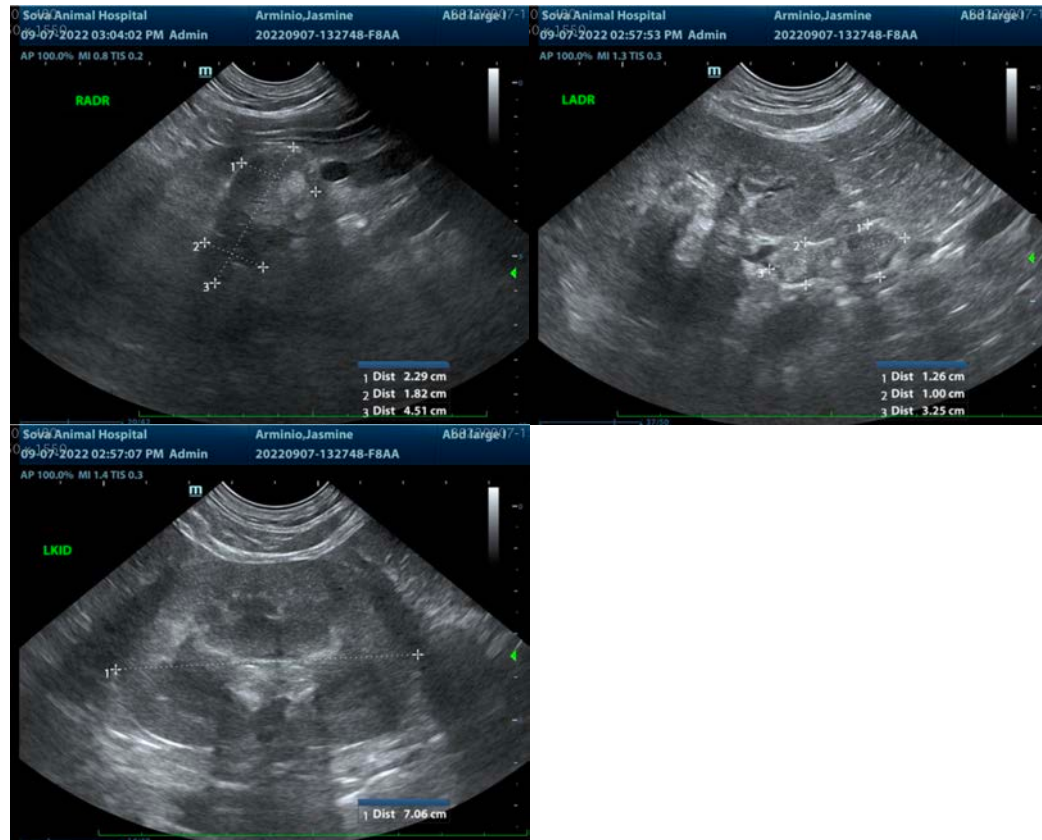
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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