



PATIENT

Pinky Bircakovic

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

15 Years

WEIGHT

4.25 kg

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Presented for vomiting and diarrhea after being seen at rDVM. Vomited multiple times on Saturday. No further vomiting until Wednesday during the day. Diarrhea has been ongoing since Saturday. Appetite has been decreased. O force fed a small amount Wednesday. Has a history of mammary tumors, have been previously removed. Thorax radiographs have been taken and sent for interpretation for a Metastasis check.

Hard nodule noted L cranial abdominal area, behind ribs. Rest of exam WNL.

Current Medications: Maropitant Injection, Methadone 0.1mg/kg, Metronidazole Injectable, Gabapentin 100mg

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder, trigone, and visible pelvic urethra were of normal thickness. The ureters were not visible which is normal. There was normal wall layering with no masses, uroliths or abnormal thickening visualized. Urine was anechoic. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes were noted.

The kidneys have a slightly irregular capsule and with hazing of corticomedullary definition to the point of inability to determine cortical/medullary ratio. No evidence of pelvic dilation was present. Left kidney measures 3.68 cm. Right kidney measures 4.06 cm.

Adrenal Glands

Adrenal glands were visualized on still images only. They appear to have normal shape, size, position and echogenicity for this breed and age though this could not be confirmed on cine loops. Left measures 0.46 cm in thickness. Right measures 0.43 cm in thickness.

Spleen

The spleen was normal with age appropriate homogeneous parenchyma and a smooth capsule with normal splenic vasculature with no signs of congestion or thrombosis. No sonographic evidence of acute or chronic inflammatory, neoplastic, or infarct changes were noted.

Liver

The liver is subjectively normal in size with normal contours and structure. There is age appropriate echogenicity and echotexture. No overt structural evidence of inflammatory, infiltrative or regenerative pathology is evident. Vascular and biliary tracts are of normal volume with no evidence of congestion.

Gall bladder is moderately distended with normal wall thickness and anechoic contents. Common bile duct is non-distended and tapers normally.

Gastrointestinal

The stomach contains minimal luminal contents. It measures at a normal thickness of with some variability due to the presence of rugal folds. The distinction of the gastric wall layers is adequate. No masses or focal lesions were observed.

The visualized areas of duodenum, jejunum and ileum have a relatively uniform diameter with minimal fluid distension. Wall thickness is normal. Bowel loops follow a curvilinear path with distinct wall



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layering maintaining the typical 1:3 muscularis:mucosa layer ratio. There were no focal lesions consistent with obstruction or a mass effect observed.

Sections of colon are visualized with formed fecal material and gas shadowing distally. There is no observed focal or generalized colon wall thickening or loss of layering.

Pancreas

The area of the pancreas was isoechoic to surrounding tissue with no overt inflammation. Pancreatic tissue was not distinctly visualized which is common.

Free Abdomen

Mesenteric lymph nodes are prominent and surrounded by hyperechoic mesentery, consistent with inflammation.

No free fluid noted.

On the left side of the abdomen, in what appears to be the subcutaneous space, there is a roughly ovoid, heterogeneous to hypoechoic mass effect measuring 0.70 cm x 1.3 cm, possibly representing a mammary mass or other extraabdominal subcutaneous mass.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Mesenteric lymphadenopathy, consistent with gastroenteritis.
- Aging renal changes.
- Subcutaneous mass, consistent with reported physical exam findings – Possible mammary mass.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

GI changes are consistent with nonobstructive gastroenteritis and in the absence of chronic GI signs, acute gastroenteritis is most likely. While the pancreas appeared sonographically normal, pancreatitis cannot be definitively ruled out. Consideration for dietary indiscretion, food sensitivity/allergy, toxin, infectious (bacterial, viral, parasitic) or mild inflammatory bowel disease is reasonable. Treatment is supportive and involves fluid support, GI support (anti-nausea, appetite stimulant), analgesia and enteral nutrition as needed. Antibiotics are generally not warranted. Serial imaging is indicated if clinical signs are not resolving. Current chem/lytes/CBC, GI panel (TLI/PLI/cobalamin/folate), fecal pathogen PCR, and empiric broad spectrum deworming and treatment with probiotics should be considered as clinically warranted. Ultimately GI biopsy may be required for more definitive diagnosis.

Empiric treatment for gastroenteritis includes maintenance of hydration with fluid support and GI support as needed (anti-nausea, appetite stimulant, analgesics if indicated). If initial treatments are unsuccessful, treatment for IBD could be considered which includes diet trial with either hydrolyzed or select protein diet, vitamin b-12 supplementation, and continued GI support as needed. Treatment with steroids (budesonide vs prednisolone) may be required – biopsies should be acquired prior to treatment with steroids.

The clinical significance of the extraabdominal mass is uncertain. FNA is recommended to further define.



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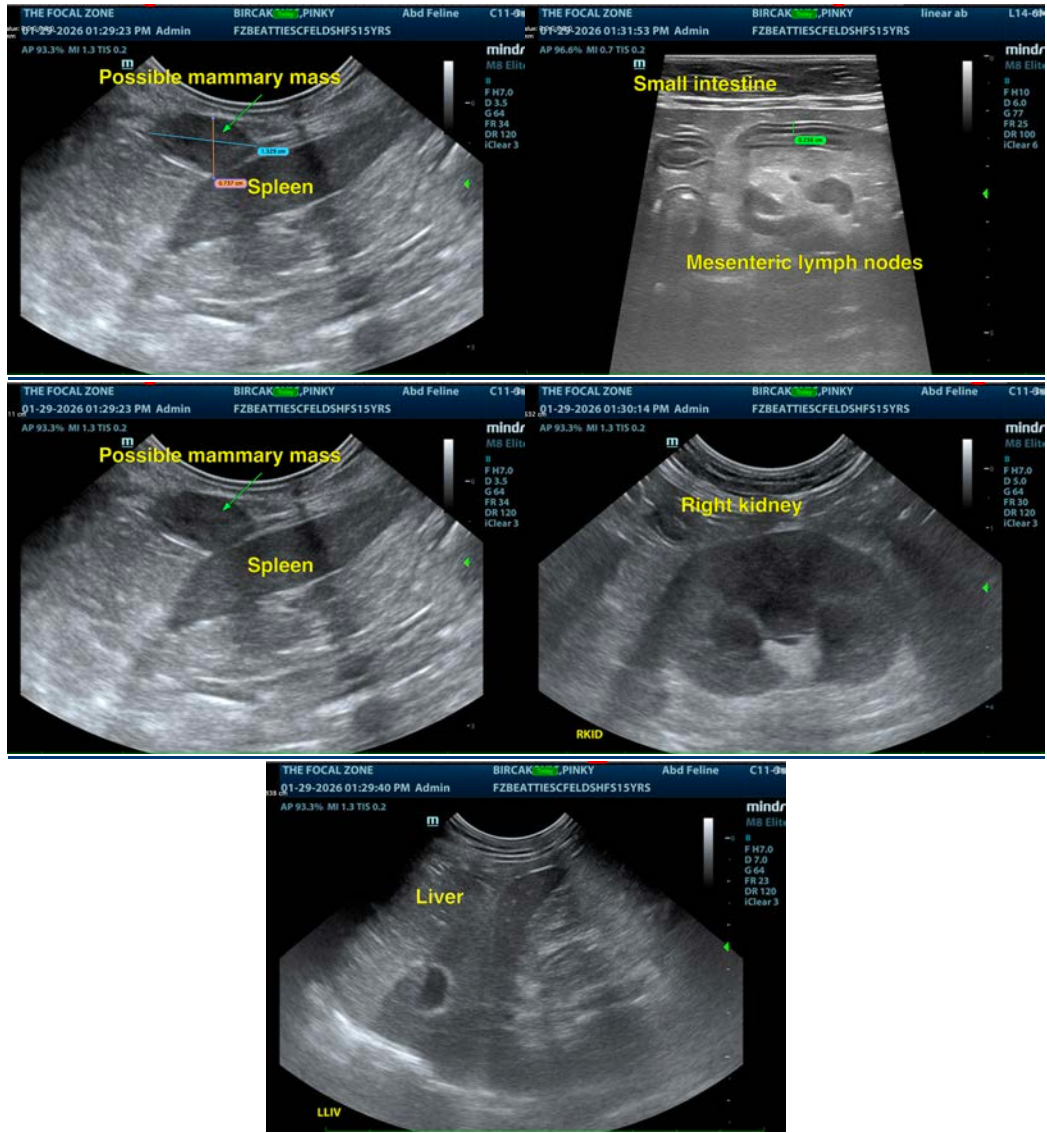
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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