



## PATIENT

Harry Foster

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Australian Shepherd  
Mix

## SEX

Male

## AGE

8

## WEIGHT

35.3

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Hospital Deland

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

For the last 48 hours, patient has not been eating. he has been vomiting. owner gave left over Cerenia and Entyce from last vet visit to rDVM from 12/11. no significant improvement from giving those medications. per owner, after they saw rDVM on 12/11, he was doing better.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: CBC. lymphopenia, eosinopenia Chemistry. phosphorus 6.5, calcium 8.6, glucose 160 EPOC. potassium 3.2, glucose 146, pH 7.480 Radiographs. owner elected for ultrasound Other: Ultrasound with consultation. performed CpLi- Normal

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

### Urinary System

The **urinary bladder**, trigone, and pelvic urethra presented normal thicknesses and normal tone. The ureters were not visible which is normal. No uroliths or sediment were visualized, and anechoic urine was present. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes were noted. Ureteral papillae were normal.

The **prostate** was uniformly enlarged with lobar swelling appeared to impinge upon the urethra and mildly deviate the descending colon. The prostatic tissue was hyperechoic containing focal areas of decreased echogenicity. These changes are suggestive of either chronic inflammatory episodes, benign cystic pathology or both. Underlying neoplasia cannot be completely ruled out but is lower on the differential list. This presentation is most consistent with benign prostatic hyperplasia with possible active prostatitis. Neutering or off-label Finasteride (Propecia) (0.1-0.5 mg/kg Sid) treatment is indicated +/- FNA or prostatic wash cytology and culture. The prostate measured 4.8 cm in diameter.

The testicles were imaged and found to be uniform with no evidence of pathology.

The **kidneys** revealed normal size and structure, corticomedullary definition and ratio for this age. The cortices presented largely uniform texture with normal echogenic relationship to liver and spleen. Medullary structure differed distinctly from the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The capsules were acceptably uniform without significant irregularities. The left kidney measured 7.5 cm in length. The right kidney measured 7.5 cm in length.

### Adrenal Glands

The regions of the **adrenal glands** were imaged with no evident pathology.

### Spleen

The **spleen** presented a smooth homogeneous parenchyma hyperechoic to liver and renal cortical parenchyma. The capsule was smooth without noticeable expansion or deviation from within the spleen or adjacent pathology. The splenic vasculature demonstrated normal volume without signs of congestion or thrombosis. No sonographic evidence of acute or chronic inflammatory, neoplastic, or infarctual changes were noted.

### Liver

The **liver** images submitted revealed subjectively normal liver size, contour, and structure. Parenchymal echogenicity was naturally coarse and hypoechoic to the spleen. Vascular and biliary tracts were of normal volume with no evidence of congestion. The gallbladder presented acceptably



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thin walls with primarily anechoic content. The cystic and common bile ducts were normal. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy was evident. No overt structural evidence of inflammatory, infiltrative or regenerative pathology was evident.

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## Gastrointestinal

The **gastrointestinal tract** revealed gas accumulation with small intestinal stasis followed by an empty small intestine. Areas of free fluid and reactive mesentery were noted. An approximately 5.0 cm to 8.0 cm shadowing foreign body was noted in the jejunum with regional jejunal thickening and hyperechoic reactive or inflamed fat.

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The base and limbs of the **pancreas** were observed to be largely isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Pancreatic duct and capsular contour were acceptably normal and parenchyma respected normal curvilinear patterns. No overt evidence of active inflammatory or neoplastic disease was noted.

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## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Distal small intestinal fabric-type foreign body with chronic GI disease.
- BPH prostate.

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## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Enterotomy and GI biopsies are warranted to rule out underlying disease.

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According to SonoPath research presented at ECVIM 2016 (Stockholm, Sweden), Advances in Small Animal Medicine and Surgery (May 2017), and EVDI 2017 (Verona, Italy), concurrent underlying chronic inflammatory neoplastic intestinal disease can often reside in PICA patients. Therefore, surgical biopsies are essential in this case regardless of the exploratory findings.

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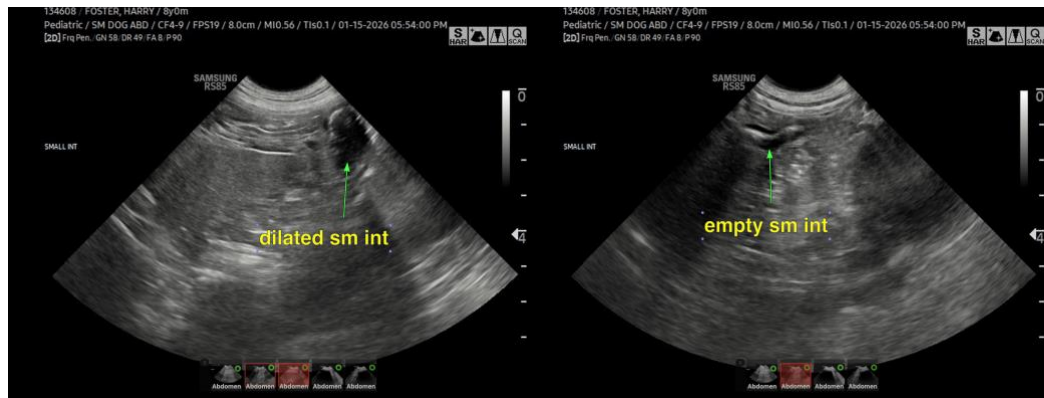
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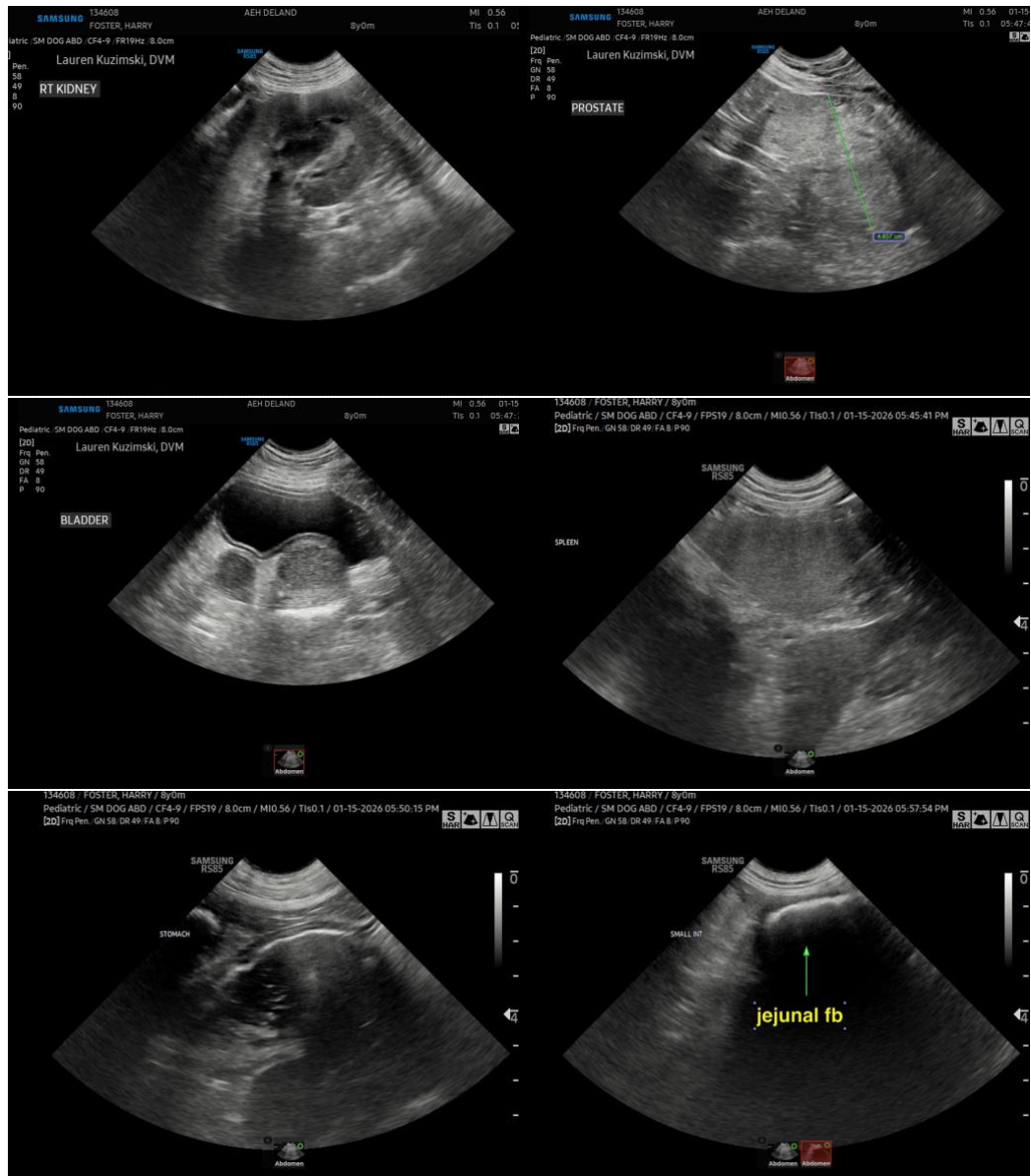
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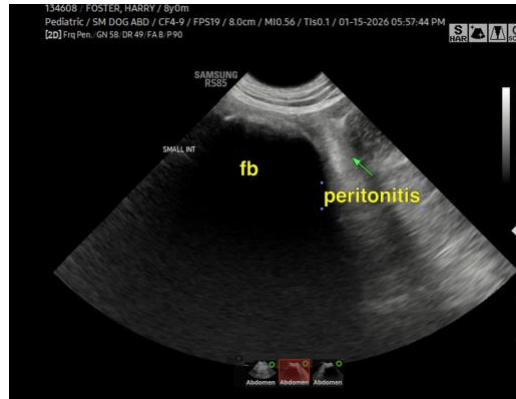
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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