



## PATIENT

Nino Benitez

## SPECIES

Feline

## BREED

Domestic Shorthair

## SEX

Neutered male

## AGE

6 years

## WEIGHT

9.4 lbs

## INTERPRETED BY

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Px presented as a referral for an abdominal ultrasound due to Hx of vomiting and weight loss since November 2025. Client states that Px is eating normally, and that there is no diarrhea.

## 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 was noted. Ureteral papillae were normal.

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 3.9 cm. The right kidney measured 4.0 cm.

### Adrenal Glands

Both **adrenal glands** were visualized and recognized as having normal shape, size, position and echogenicity for this breed. The phrenic vasculature, glandular echogenicity and detail were unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition were normal for this age patient. The left adrenal gland measured 0.25 cm and the right adrenal gland measured 0.25 cm.

### Spleen

The **spleen** was normal in size (0.8 cm) with uniform, but subtly micronodular parenchyma, and undulating capsular contour. This is consistent with reactive spleen owing to immune stimulus or early infiltrative disease such as mast cell disease or lymphoma. 25-gauge FNA would be ideal if weight loss is an issue to differentiate early round cell neoplasia versus splenitis or reactive spleen all of which can present in this manner.

### 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 thin walls with primarily anechoic content. The cystic and common bile ducts were normal. The common bile duct measured 0.14 cm. 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** presentation revealed mild uniform prominence of the gastric mucosa as well as areas of "ropey" small intestinal wall with slight disruption of the normal 1:3 muscularis/mucosal ratio. The intestinal submucosa was slightly irregular, thickened and hyperechoic suggestive of low grade, chronic disease. Intestinal wall thickness measured up to 0.23 cm. The mesenteric lymph nodes were slightly enlarged measuring up to 0.4 x 0.79 cm. No evidence of obstruction was present. Chronic inflammatory bowel disease is likely with a low possibility of an early neoplastic event such as lymphoma. Full thickness tissue biopsies via open laparotomy, ideally guided by intraoperative ultrasound in order to obtain the most representative mural sample, would be necessary to rule out this possibility.

## *Pancreas*

The **pancreas** was hypoechoic and mildly irregular. Subxiphoid palpation is recommended to assess for pain in this region.

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Slight mesenteric lymphadenopathy.

Minor intestinal thickening.

Hypoechoic, mildly irregular pancreas.

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

\*\* Images were excessively dark in this patient.

There was no gross pathology noted as the cause of weight loss. The prognosis is guarded depending on further diagnostics.

Maldigestion panel, three view chest radiographs and full CNS examination is recommended to examine for occult disease that could be responsible for the weight loss. Evaluation for competitive eating environments should also be considered.



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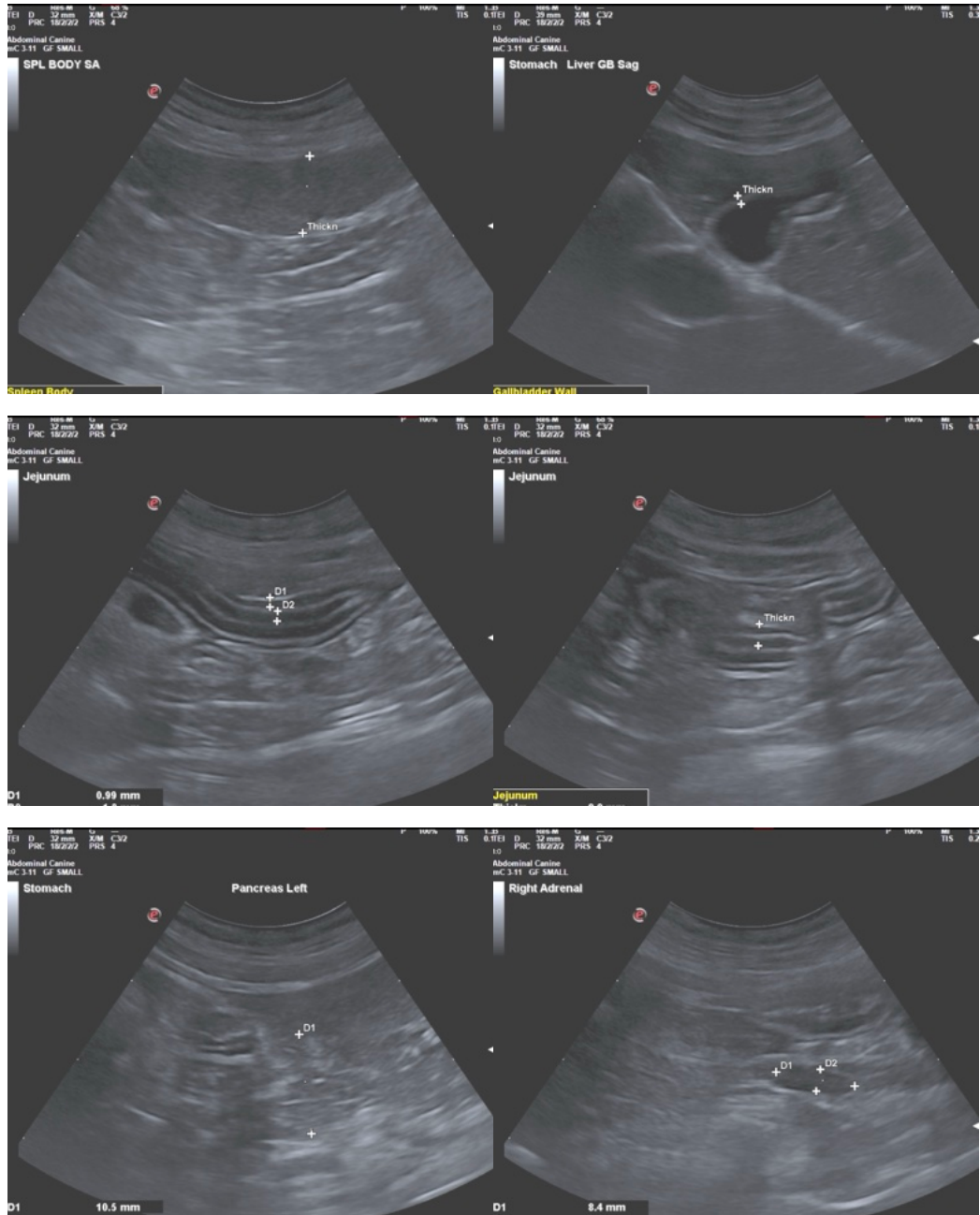
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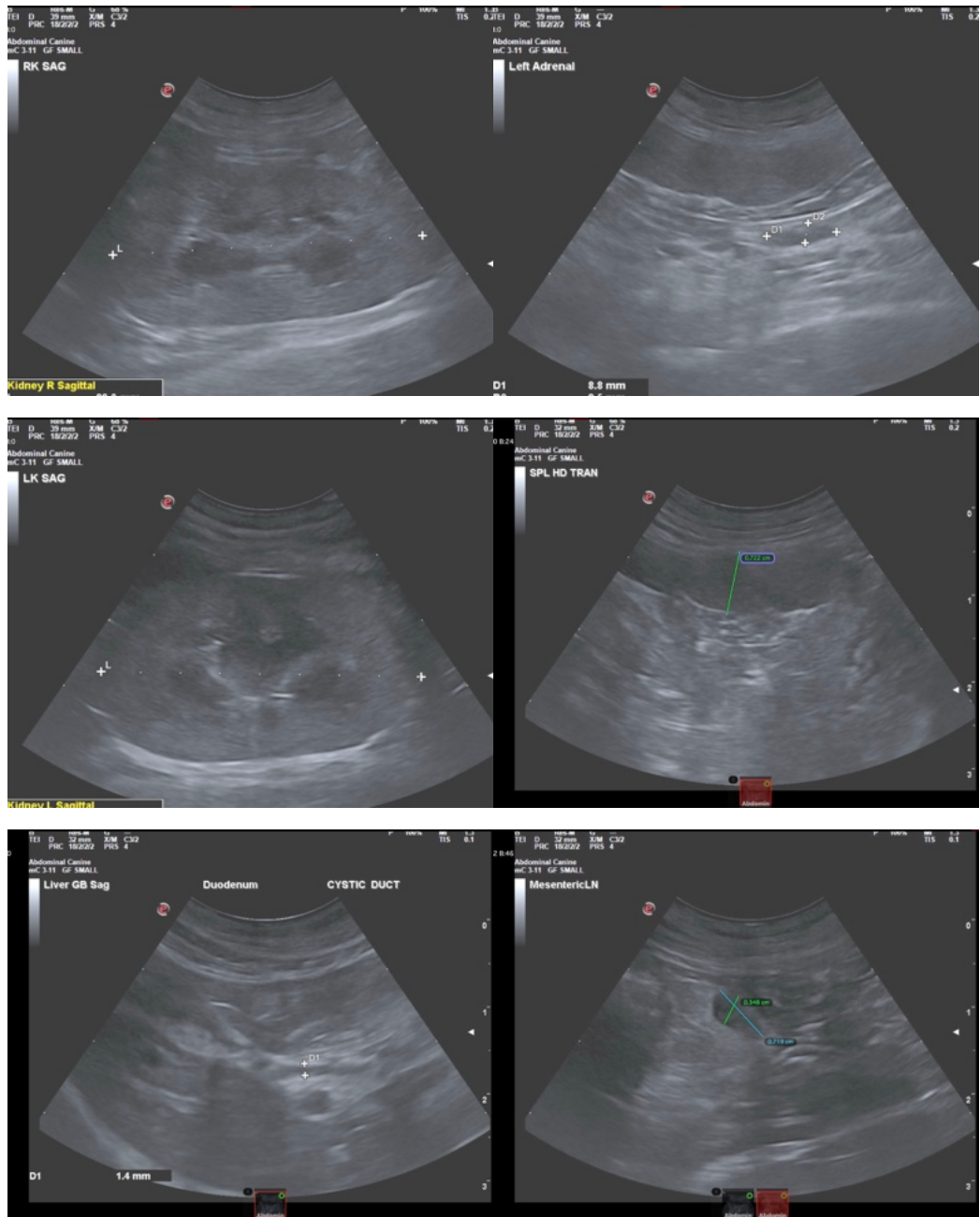
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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