

PATIENT

Floyd Staple

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

14 Years

WEIGHT

12.87 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Presented as a new client/new patient last week for dental disease. New 3/6 HM noted at that time. Labwork revealed increased proBNP. Owner has concerns for possible OA in hind end

BAR. Round/pot-belly -- no obvious discomfort or masses. NEW grade 3/6 HM. Lungs auscultate clear bilaterally; trachea clear. Bob-tail. Concern for OA bilateral HL -- Owner reports that Patient trembles at home in HLs. Decreased ROM bilateral hips. NOTE: FRONT declawed. Mild debris AU, no hyperemia. Grade 3 dental disease -- recommend COHAT with extractions following heart work-up.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: 1/20/26: BP = 167mmHg -- concern for hypertension ECG - NSF 1/18/26: CBC: NSF CHEMISTRY: Creat = 1.9 --> concern for IRIS Stage 2 CKD; need urine to confirm. Lytes: NSF T4 = 3.7 normal Feline Triple SNAP = (-)x3 proBNP = 137 HIGH -- this confirms that the heart is experiencing at least some damage. STRONGLY recommend HWU as discussed in exam room cysto UA = pending fecal/giardia = pending Chest/Hips/Bilateral Hind Limb rads to IDX are pending

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART & ABDOMEN

FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	BODY WEIGHT (lbs)	HR (BPM)	IVSd (cm)	LVIDd (cm)	LVWd (cm)	FS (%)	EF (%)
NORMAL PARAMETER	-----	150-240	0.3-0.6	1.0-2.1	0.25-0.6	35-67	80-100
PATIENT	12.87	160	0.45	1.2	0.43	50	90
FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	LA/AO (M-mode)	LA/AO HEART BASE (Sisson)	LAD LA MAX 4 Chamber		LVOT VEL. (m/s)	RVOT VEL. (m/s)	IVRT (m/)
NORMAL PARAMETER	<1.5	1.6	0.7-1.7		<1.6	<1.3	40-60
PATIENT	1.0	0.9	1.0		--	--	NM
Adapted from June Boon, Veterinary Echocardiography, 1998 Sisson D et al. JVIM 1991; 5: 232, Jacobs et al. Am J Vet Res 1985; 46:1705							

EPSS = 0.1

Cardiac Presentation

The **left atrium** appeared subnormal in size and volume contracted. Evaluation for dehydration or cause of volume contraction warranted in this patient. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented normal linear structure and kinetics.. The **left ventricle** presented normal thicknesses with linear contour and was not dilated nor restricted. The **myocardium** presented normal echogenicity without subjective evidence of significant fibrotic or ischemic disease. **Contractility** of the ventricular walls was adequate and in normal range for this patient evidenced by the fractional shortening measurement and subjective evaluation of the different regions and angles of the myocardium. The **left ventricular outflow** tract demonstrated normal laminar flow and subjective structural integrity. The **right atrium** and auricle revealed normal size, structure and content. No evidence of masses was noted or chamber overload. **Tricuspid** valvular assessment demonstrated adequate linear morphology and kinetics. The



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right ventricle was of normal size (1/3 diameter of LV), chordae structure, myocardial echogenicity and thickness. **Pulmonic** tract assessment revealed normal valve structure, laminar flow, and diameter (approx. 1:1 pa/ao ratio). No visible **pericardial** or free pleura fluid was noted or extra cardiac pathology in the visible planes. The cranial **mediastinum and pericardial regions** were free of masses in the visible window.

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 pelvic urethra was imaged 2.0 cm beyond the cystourethral junction.

The **kidneys** revealed largely normal size and structure, corticomedullary definition and ratio (cortex 1/3 of medulla) were essentially maintained with some age-related loss of curvilinear patterns regarding the capsule and C/M junction. The cortices presented largely uniform texture with some increased echogenicity expected for his age patient. Medullary structure differed distinctly from that of the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The left kidney measured 3.88 cm. The right kidney measures 4.24 cm with slight mineralizations noted.

Adrenal Glands

The regions of the **adrenal glands** were unremarkable.

Spleen

The **spleen** was mildly enlarged (1.13 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. Hyperechoic lipid plaques noted on the spleen, not pathological.

Liver

The **liver** images from right and left intercostal as well as subcostal views revealed subjectively normal liver size, contour, and structure. Some age-related parenchymal remodeling was noted but likely not clinically significant at this time. Vascular and biliary tracts were of normal volume and no evidence of congestion was noted. The gallbladder presented some dependent debris with essentially normal contour. The cystic and common bile ducts were normal. No overt evidence of active inflammatory, infiltrative or regenerative pathology was noted but should be paired with current or past LE elevations regarding any clinical significance to this presentation. The hepatic lymph nodes were unremarkable.

Gastrointestinal

Examination of the **gastrointestinal tract** revealed a stomach and intestine free of stasis, of normal wall thickness, acceptable curvilinear mural detail, and peristaltic activity. Small and large intestine demonstrated normal luminal chyme and stool consistency respectively. No obstructive or overt infiltrative disease was noted. No associated abnormal lymphatic activity was noted.



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Pancreas

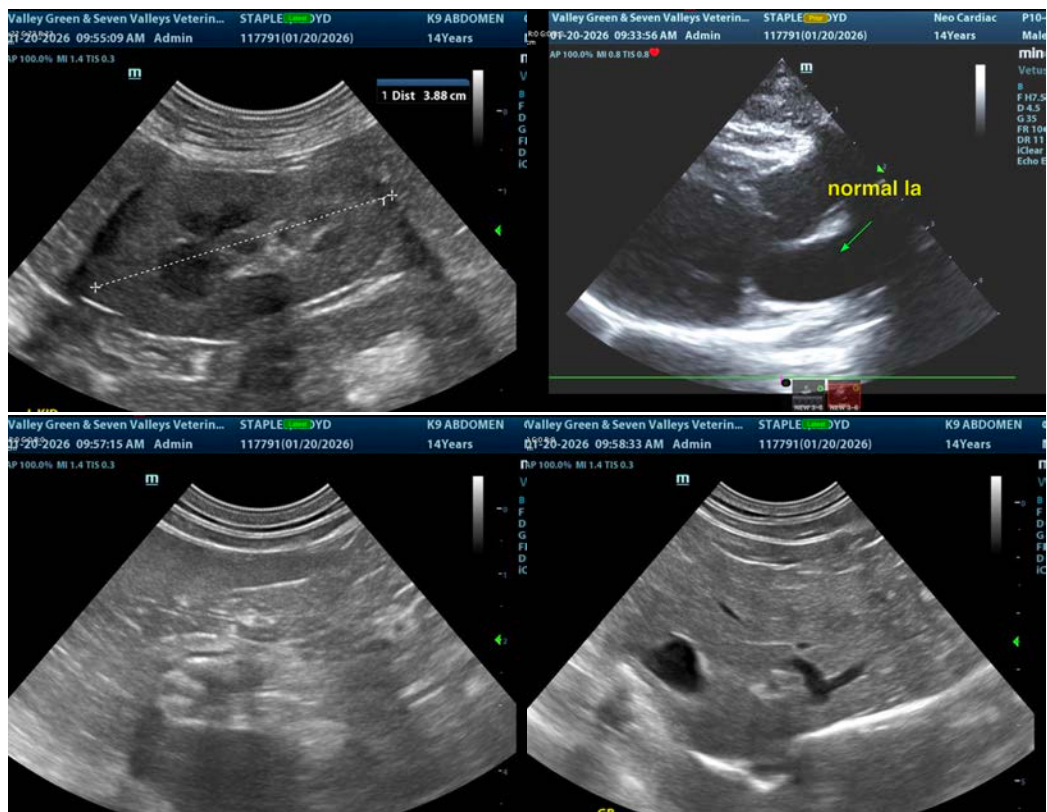
The base and limbs of the **pancreas** were observed to be largely isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Some parenchymal remodeling, however, with mild deviation from curvilinear normalcy was observed. Pancreatic duct and capsular irregularities were present consistent with age related changes. If pain upon imaging (+ Murphy sign) was present or if the patient is focally painful in subxyphoid palpation then low-grade smoldering chronic pancreatitis should be suspected.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Volume contracted, normal heart.
- Mild splenic enlargement.
- Age related renal and hepatic changes.
- Age related pancreatic remodeling.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

No evidence of cardiac disease. No evidence of specific abdominal disease. Expected age related abdominal changes for this age and species. FNA of the spleen would be ideal for further definition to ensure reactive state as opposed to emerging round cell neoplasia or splenitis less likely. No contraindication to anesthetic procedure. However, hydration status should be evaluated. Given the trembling issues, orthopedic or CNS disease should be considered.





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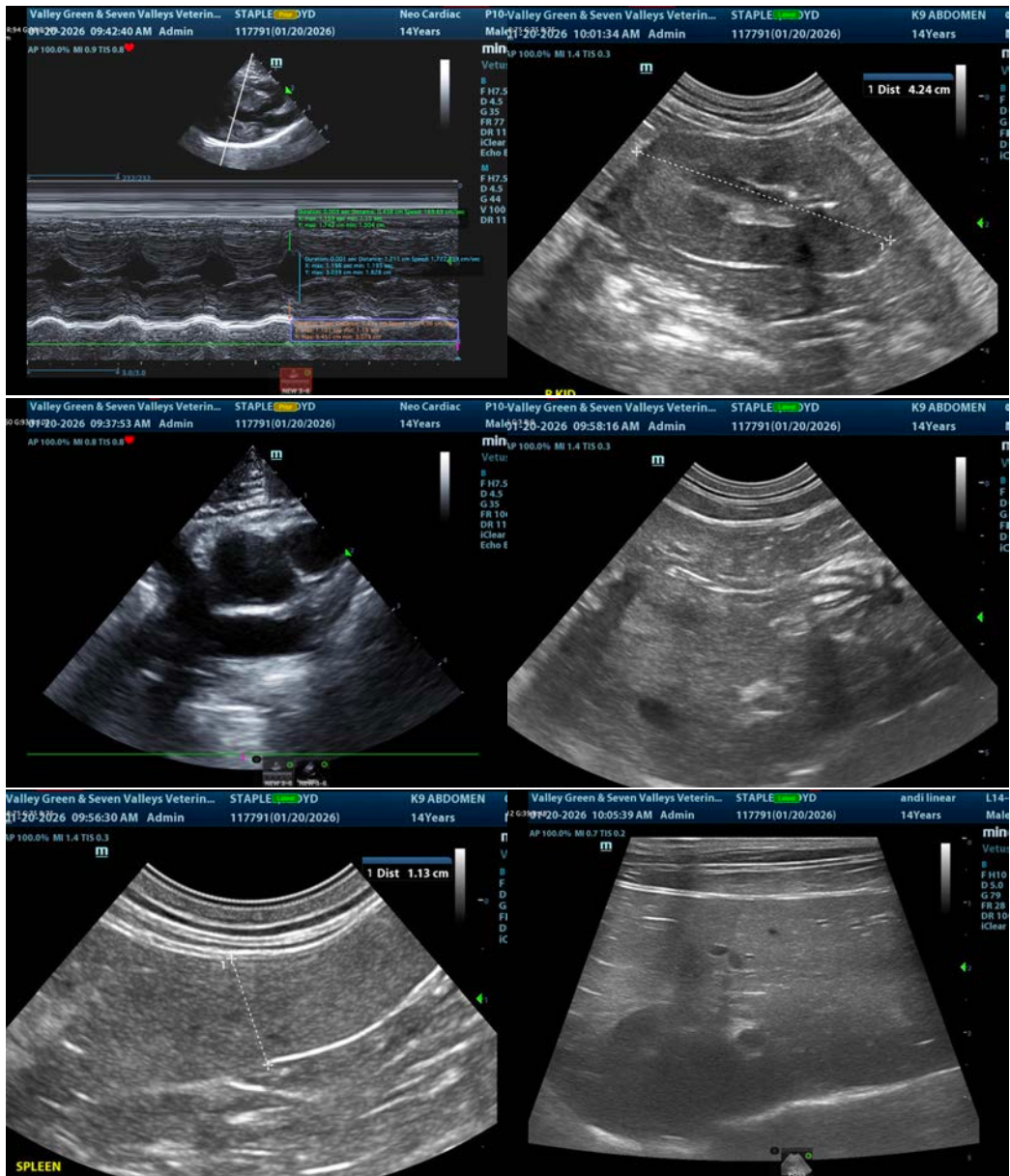
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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