



PATIENT

Shadow Puppet Castro

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Pitbull Mix

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

8 Years

WEIGHT

77 pounds

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

- Scanned last week in hospital; nothing noted, Anorexia, Emesis, Losing Weight, Mild Cranial Abdominal Pain
- Current Medications: Cerenia, Famotidine

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: GOT 154 increased GPT 295 increased Alk 187

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The **urinary bladder**, trigone, and pelvic urethra to a depth of 2.0 cm 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 iliac trifurcation was unremarkable.

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 6.65 cm in length. The right kidney measured 6.3 cm in length.

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 1.47 cm x 0.51 cm width at the caudal pole and 0.43 cm width at the cranial pole. The right adrenal gland measured 2.57 cm x 1.2 cm width at the cranial pole and 0.46 cm width at the caudal pole.

Spleen

The **spleen** presented heterogenous and nodular with capsular expansion. Vascularity appeared normal. The spleen was folded upon itself.

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. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy was evident. No overt structural evidence of inflammatory, infiltrative or regenerative pathology was evident.

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



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demonstrated normal luminal chyme and stool consistency respectively. The upper small intestine revealed a shadowing foreign body measuring approximately 2.3 cm. This appears to be jejunal. Regional mesenteric inflammation was noted. The structure measured approximately 3.0 cm.

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Pancreas

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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

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- Intestinal foreign body with reactive mesentery.
- Nodular spleen.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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Enterotomy, GI biopsies and potential splenectomy should be considered via judgement called at the time of the sonogram. 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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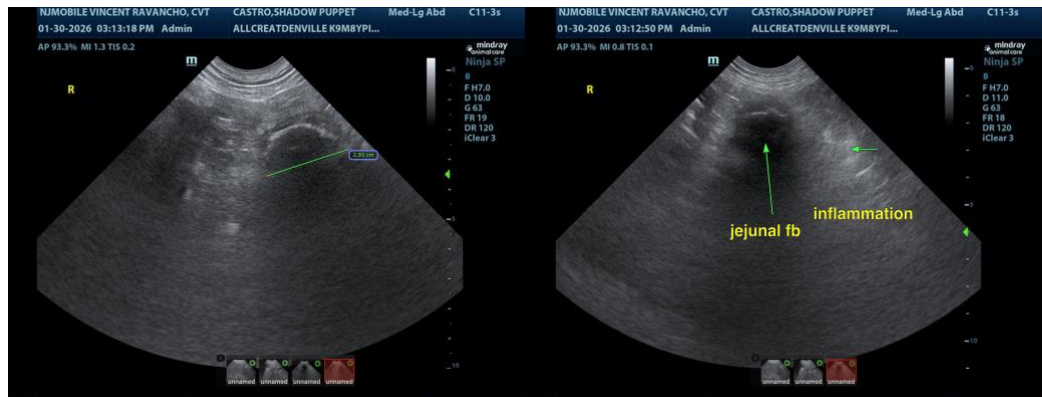
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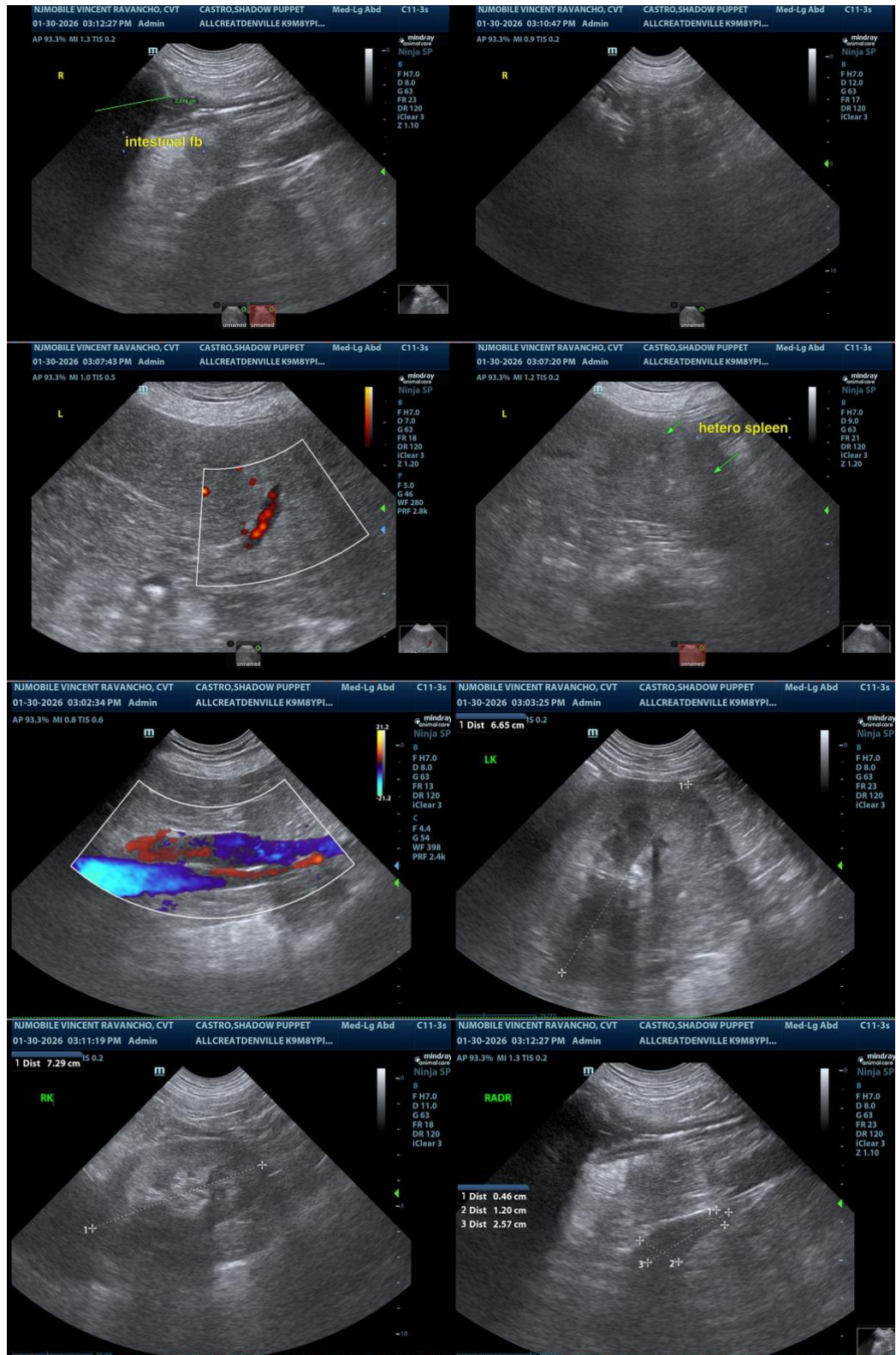
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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