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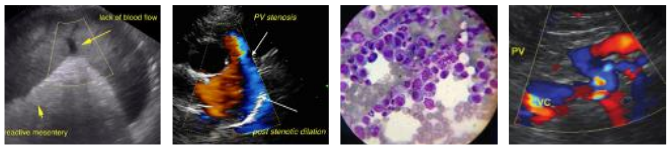

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**PATIENT**

Ruby Malcolm

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Feline

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: chronic diarrhea

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: increased BUN/Creat 50/3

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART & ABDOMEN

| **FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS** | **BODY WEIGHT** (kg) | **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** | -- | 240 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.6 | 45 | 90 |
| **FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS** | **LA/AO** (Boon) | **LA/AO HEART BASE** (Sisson) | **LA** 2D 4-chamber long axis AS to FW (Sisson) (cm) | | **LVOT VEL.** (m/s) | **RVOT VEL.** (m/s) | **IVRT** (m/) |
| **NORMAL PARAMETER** | <1.5 | 0.88-1.79 | 0.7-1.7 | | <1.6 | <1.3 | 40-60 |
| **PATIENT** | 1.0 | 0.8 | -- | | -- | 1.20 | NM |
| Adapted from June Boon,Veterinary Echocardiography,1998<br>Sisson D et al. JVIM 1991; 5: 232, Jacobs et al. Am J Vet Res 1985; 46:1705 | | | | | | | |

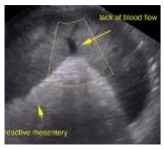
### *Cardiac Presentation*

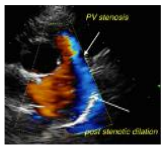
The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated normal **left atrial** size based on 3 separate LA measurements. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented normal linear structure and kinetics. The **left ventricle** presented normal thicknesses with linear contour and was not dilated 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 **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. Mild tachycardia was present.

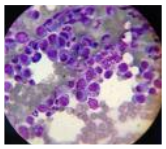
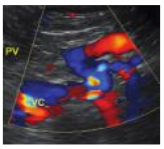
### *Urinary System*

The **urinary bladder** was empty and non-visualized.

The **kidneys** presented a relatively uniform cortical hyperechogenicity when compared to the renal medulla, spleen and liver. No overt masses were noted. Corticomedullary definition was nebulous and



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the ratio favored the cortex slightly. The ureters were not visible and assumed to be normal. These changes are most consistent with chronic interstitial nephritis yet infiltrative disease could not be entirely ruled out without biopsy though neoplasia is not suspected. The cranial pole of the right kidney presented collapse and blunting, likely owing to infarct. The right kidney measured 2.9 cm. The left kidney measured 3.95 cm.

### *Adrenal Glands*

The regions of the **adrenal glands** revealed no evidence of 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 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*

The **gastrointestinal tract** revealed minor variable thickening and echogenic submucosal changes most consistent with low grade end result of chronic GI disease such as IBD and may be related to malassimilation of nutrients if any weight loss is present.  No obvious neoplastic patterns were noted and luminal content as unremarkable.

### *Pancreas*

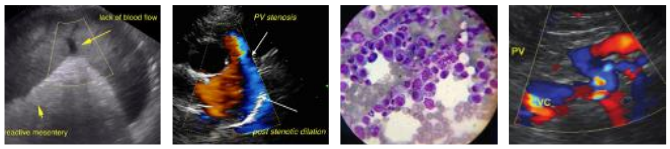
The **pancreas** was hypoechoic and irregular with enhanced surrounding mesentery, suggestive for inflammation.

### *Free Abdomen*

The mesenteric **lymph nodes** presented normal length to width ratio with slight, swollen contour. There was no loss of parenchymal detail. This is most consistent with reactive lymphadenitis or lymphatic hyperplasia. The longest lymph node measured 2.0 cm x 0.6 cm.

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Normal echocardiogram
- Mild tachycardia
- Chronic moderate degenerative renal changes with interstitial nephrosis pattern and cortical infarct
- Diffuse intestinal thickening
- Hypoechoic irregular pancreas with enhanced surrounding mesentery



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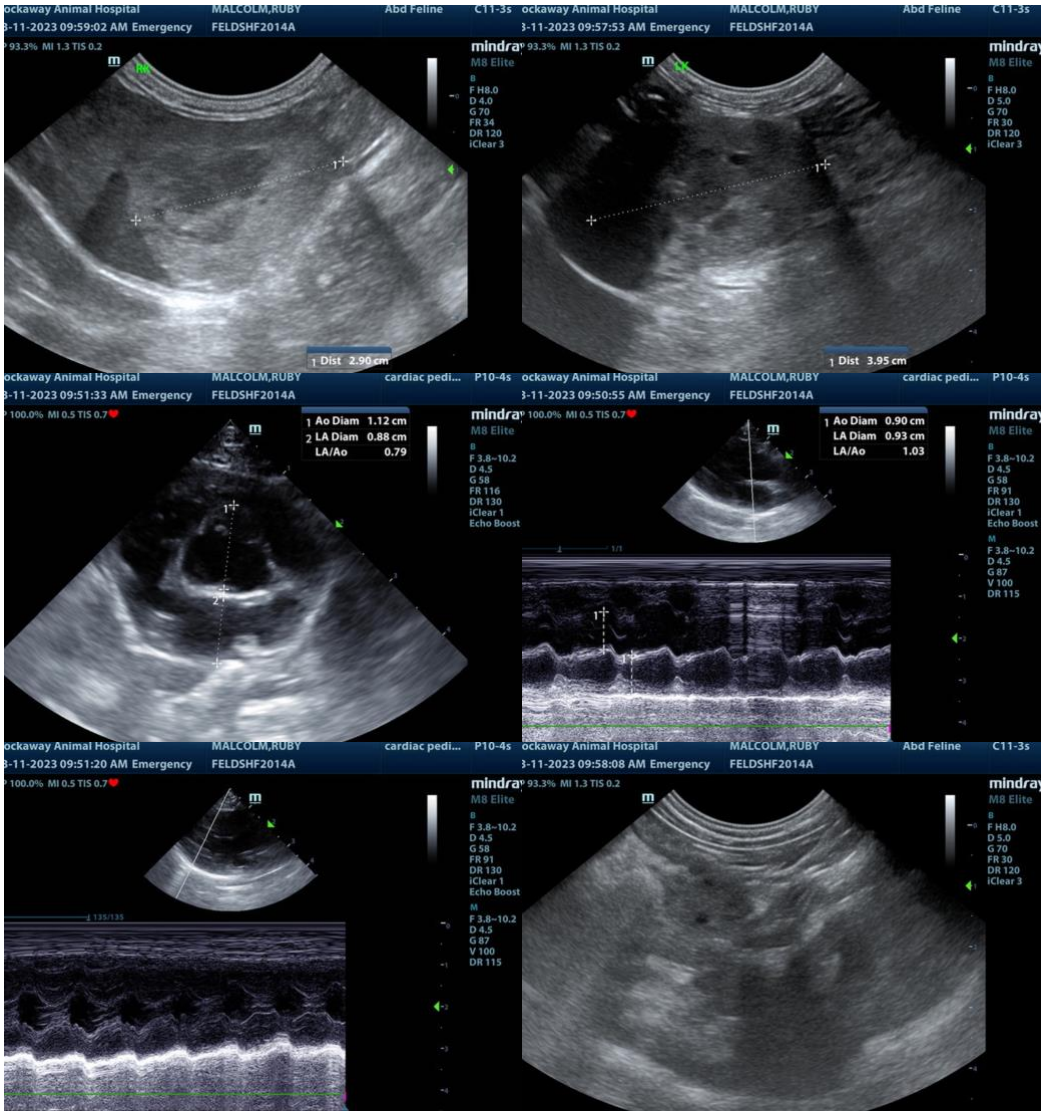
- Age related GI changes

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

I recommend 72-hour IV fluid protocol in this patient and treatment for the azotemia. Concurrent pancreatitis/inflammatory bowel disease is likely. No evidence of cardiac disease, other than tachycardia.



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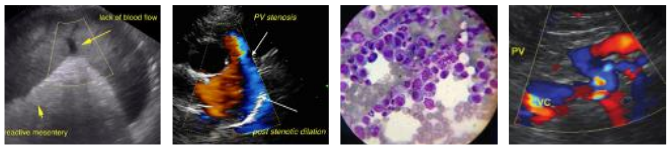

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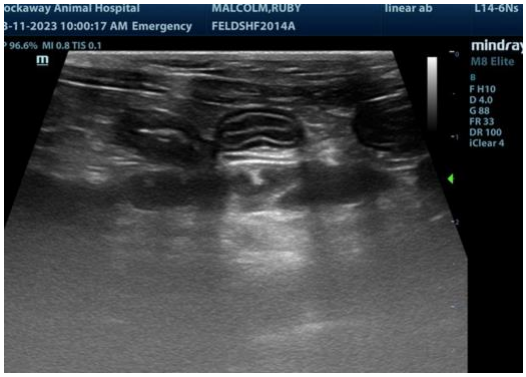


**The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.**

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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