

## PATIENT

Space Sausage Alicia

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Pug

## SEX

Neutered Male

## AGE

7 Years

## WEIGHT

31 lbs

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Acute onset hyporexia Monday. No vomiting or diarrhea. Lethargy. Afebrile

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: CBC - mild thrombocytosis CHEM - decreased BUN (mild) Hyperkalemia 5.7 Low normal Sodium Hypochloridemia Pancreatic Lipase - normal ACTH stim - NOT consistent with Addison's

## 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 **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. Right kidney measured 5.22 cm. Left kidney measured 4.7 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. Left measured 1.6 cm x 0.38 cm at the cranial pole and 0.39 cm at the caudal pole. Right adrenal gland measured 1.4 cm x 0.63 cm at the cranial pole and 0.50 cm at the caudal pole.

### Spleen

The **spleen** revealed a focal hypoechoic disruptive nodule measuring 1.75 cm at the cranial pole. The spleen was otherwise normal.

### 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

There was some residual chyme and gas was noted in the **stomach**, yet not pathological. This is consistent with end post prandial presentation. Transit of chyme into the small intestine was normal. Curvilinear patterns were maintained throughout the GI tract. No evidence of pathology. 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. 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.

## Heart

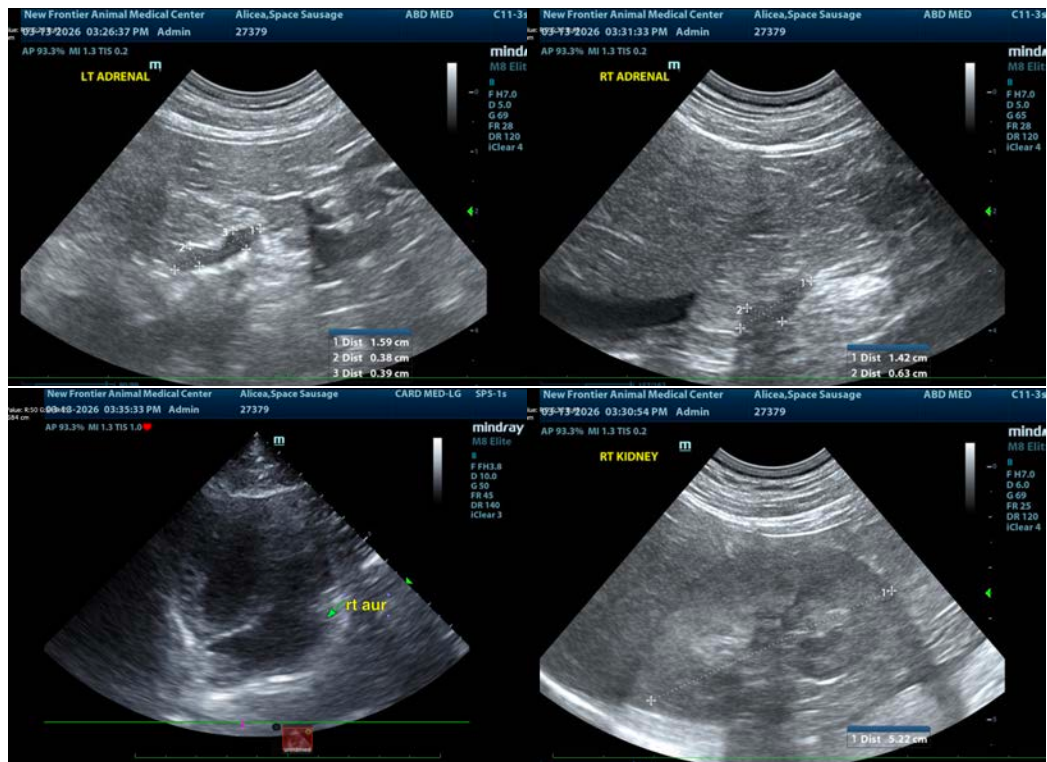
Rapid view of the heart revealed no evident pathology in the right auricle or pericardium.

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Splenic nodule – emerging round cell neoplasia, hyperplasia, less likely hemangiosarcoma.
- Age related hepatic changes.
- Partially full stomach.

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

FNA of the splenic nodule indicated or direct splenectomy. However, the nodule may be completely incidental and unrelated to the immediate clinical signs. Other causes of lethargy and hyporexia such as pain related disease, CNS or thoracic disease should all be considered.





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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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