



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Nova Landstrom
Chronic vomiting Weight loss Increased appetite No diarrhea
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Labs are normal except creatinine of 3.1 after became iatrogenic hypothyroid (treated for hyperthyroidism when was not hyperthyroid) Vomiting was present prior to the methimazole cat was given

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

15 Years

WEIGHT

8.9 Pounds

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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 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 3.0 cm. Cortical infarct noted in the cranial pole of the right kidney, stable The right kidney measured 3.5 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 right adrenal gland measured 0.70 cm. The left adrenal gland measured 0.43 cm.

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 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

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



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malassimilation of nutrients if any weight loss is present. No obvious neoplastic patterns were noted and luminal content as unremarkable. Intestinal wall thickness measured up to 0.20 cm.

Mesenteric lymph nodes were mildly enlarged up to 7.0 mm with reactive surrounding mesentery.

Pancreas

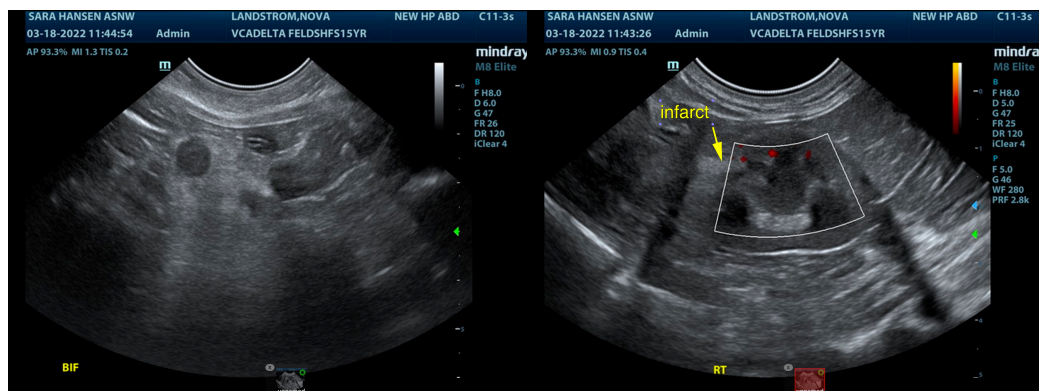
The base and limbs of the **pancreas** were observed to be largely isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Pancreatic duct and capsular contour were acceptably normal and parenchyma respected normal curvilinear patterns. No overt evidence of active inflammatory or neoplastic disease was noted.

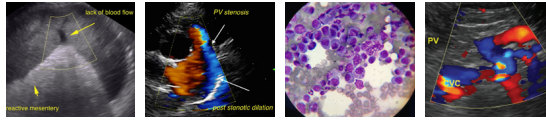
ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Moderate degenerative renal changes with right renal infarct
- Minor intestinal thickening
- Mildly enlarged mesenteric lymph nodes – likely lymphadenitis, minor potential for emerging round cell neoplasia.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The mesenteric lymph nodes are not likely large enough to obtain adequate cytology samples. However, should be monitored if the patient is not responding to supportive care. 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. Surgical approach to full thickness intestinal and lymph node biopsies would be ideal in this patient.





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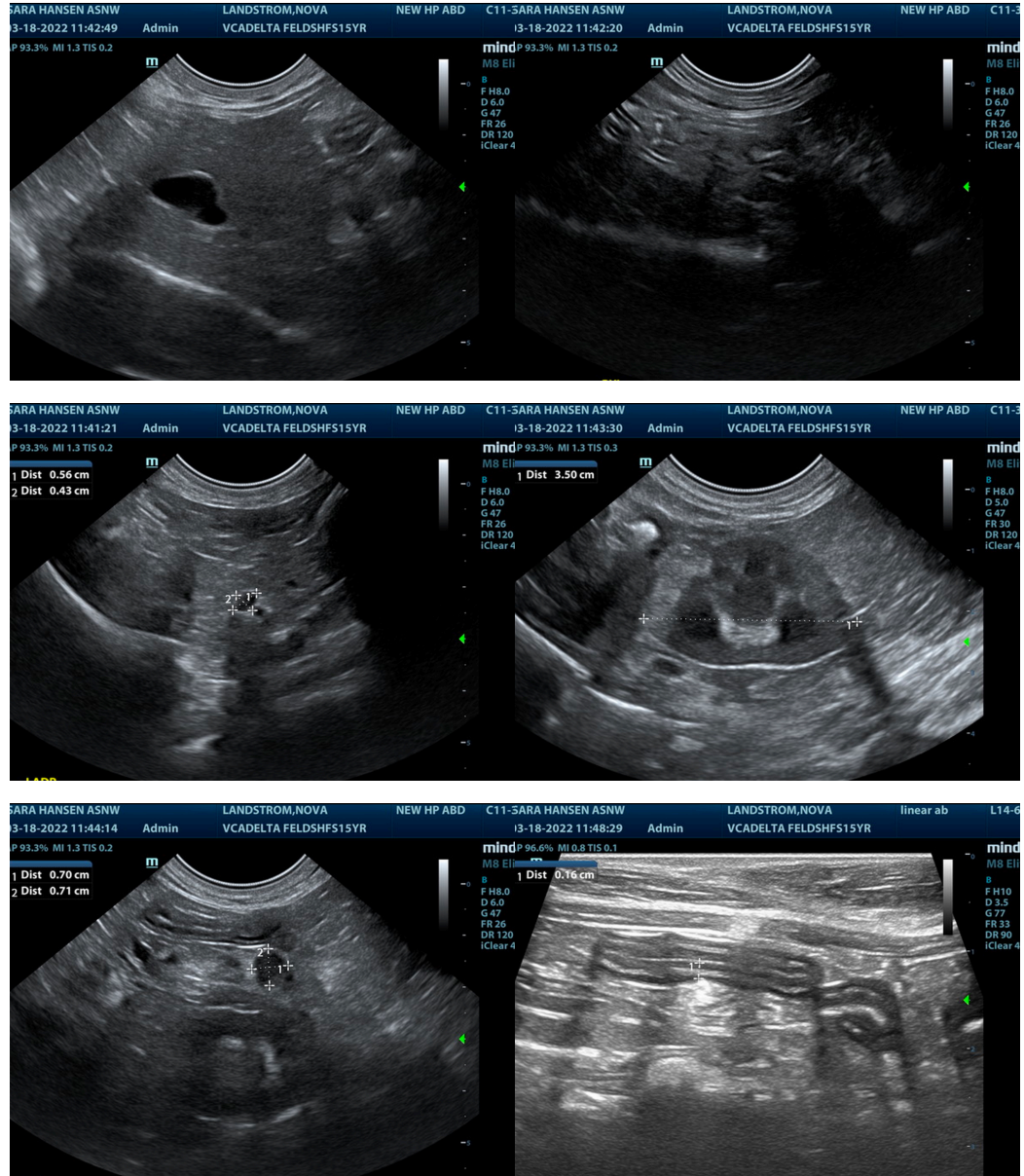
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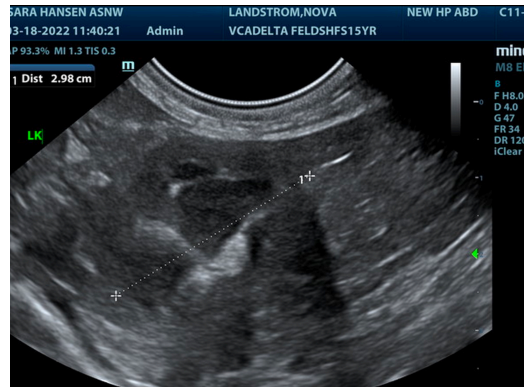
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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