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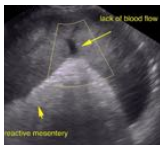

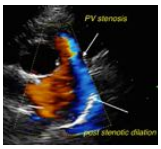

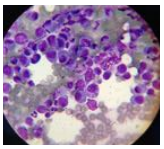
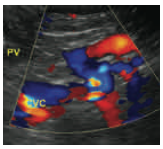

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Chronic vomiting and diarrhea, decreased appetite/drinking. Current meds: metronidazole suspension, cerenia 16mg, miratax transdermal ointment
PLT 127 10^3, Amyl 1882, Chol 71, TP 4.7, Glob 2.0

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 was noted. Ureteral papillae were normal.

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 this age patient. Medullary structure differed distinctly from that of the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The left kidney measured 4.08 cm. The right kidney measured 4.38 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 0.54 cm. The left adrenal gland measured 0.33 cm.

Spleen

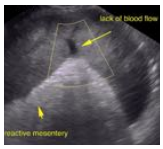
The **spleen** presented a smooth homogeneous parenchyma hyperechoic to liver and renal cortical parenchyma. The capsule was smooth without noticeable expansion or deviation from within the spleen or adjacent pathology. The splenic vasculature demonstrated normal volume without signs of congestion or thrombosis. No sonographic evidence of acute or chronic inflammatory, neoplastic, or infarctual changes was noted.

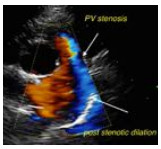
Liver

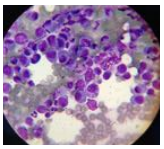
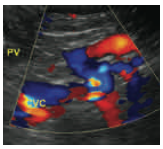
The **liver** was diffusely hyperechoic to the falciform fat. The gallbladder and common bile duct were unremarkable. This is most consistent with hepatic lipidosis.

Gastrointestinal

The **gastrointestinal** presentation revealed mild uniform prominence of the gastric mucosa as well as areas of "ropey" small intestinal wall. The muscularis layer was hypertrophied inverting the normal ratio





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(1:3). The intestinal submucosa was slightly irregular, thickened and hyperechoic suggestive of low grade, chronic inflammation. No evidence of obstruction was present. Chronic inflammatory bowel disease is probable with a low possibility of an early neoplastic event such as lymphoma or, less likely, dry form FIP can at times be found on biopsy of these presentations. Full thickness tissue biopsies via open laparotomy, ideally guided by intraoperative ultrasound in order to obtain the most representative mural sample, would be necessary to rule more significant disease than IBD.

Pancreas

The **pancreas** revealed a dilated duct and undulating contour.

Free Abdomen

Reactive mesentery was noted associated with the small intestine.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Diffuse intestinal thickening with reactive mesentery and hypertrophied muscularis.

Likely inflammatory bowel with concurrent pancreatitis presentation.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

There is a potential for round cell neoplasia. Full thickness intestinal biopsies are strongly recommended in this patient as this may be a precancerous state or early lymphoma. Dry form FIP and mast cell disease are remote potentials. If sampling is not an option then a clinical trial of the following may prove effective.

Triaditis/Pancreatitis protocol

Part or all of this protocol may be considered based on your clinical impression of the patient:

Recommend pain management when anorexic with **Buprenorphine** (0.01-0.02 mg/kg IM or SC), clinical trial of **Zithromax** (50 mg sid/cat x 10 days, 3 weeks if bartonella +), **Prednisolone** (0.5-2 mg/kg tapering over 1 week to minimal effective dose), and **B12 injections** if weight loss (Cyanobalamine 250 mcg sub-q once-weekly x six weeks, then every other week for six weeks and then once-monthly, long-term if necessary), **novel-protein or hydrolyzed diet (***Hydrolyzed diets have been shown to be more effective in dietary intolerance case management compared to hypoallergenic diets***)** or the **magical Purina DM** (changing protein source is crucial and may need rotation every 6 months if clinical signs recur) Diet trials is a whatever works phenomenon. If vomiting becomes a persistent issue then endoscopy would be warranted and/or recheck sonogram to assess more emerging disease. One diet does not work for all patients so different trials may be necessary or protein source rotation every 6 months as new sensitivities develop.

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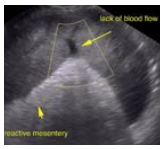
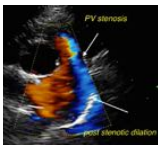
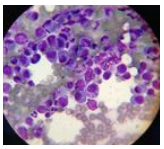
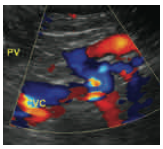

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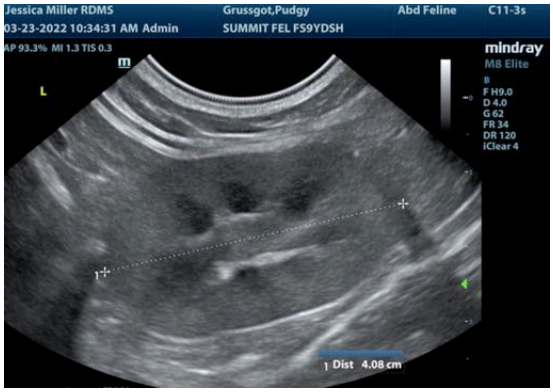

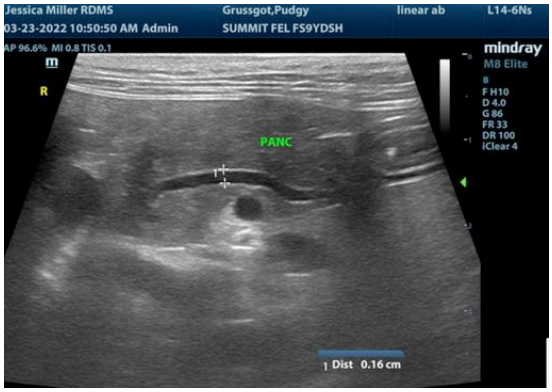

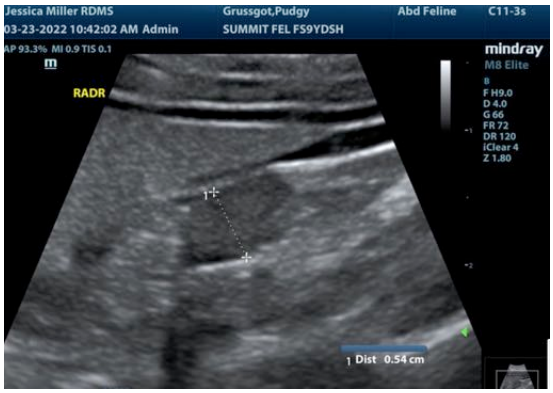

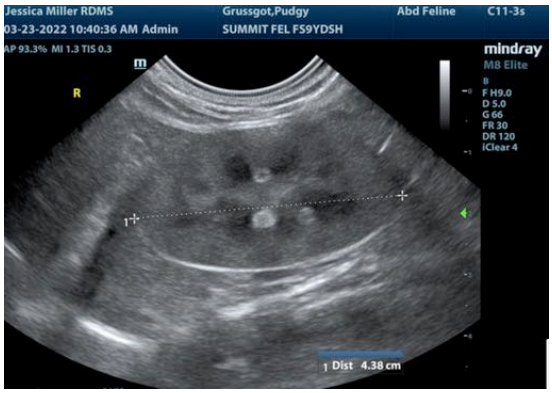

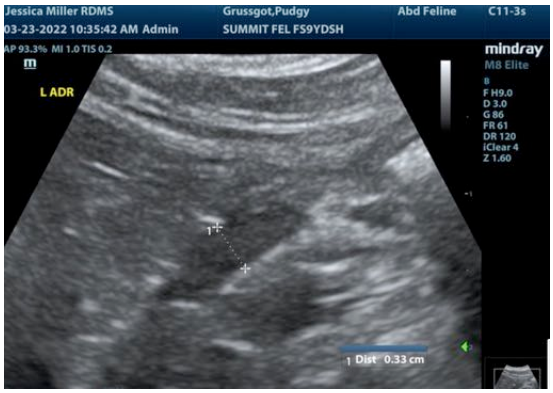

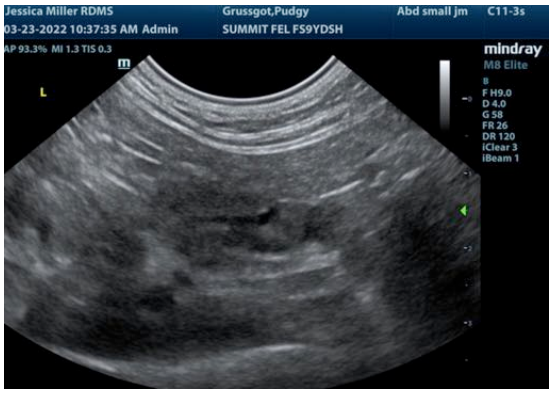

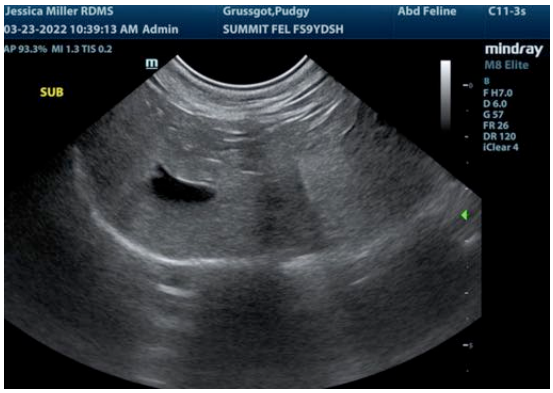

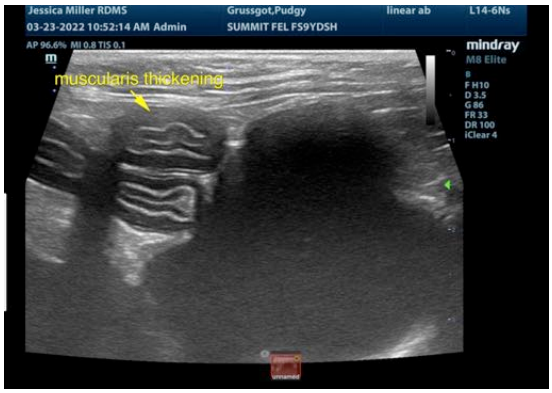

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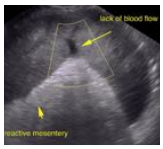
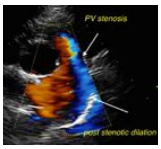
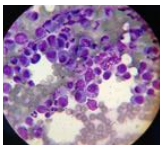
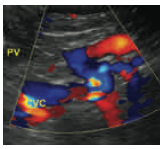

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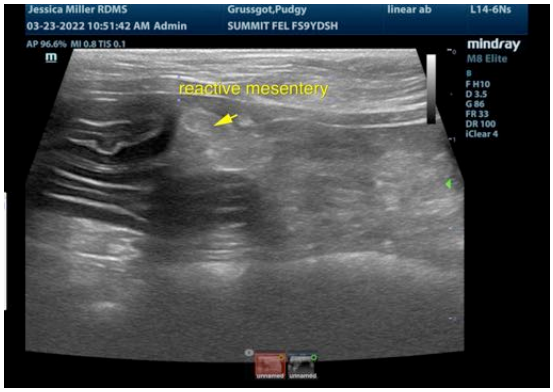

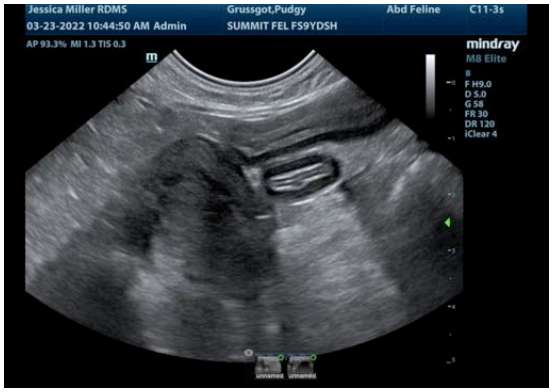

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