



PATIENT

Dexter Beaver

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Shepherd Mix

SEX

Neutered male

AGE

12 years

WEIGHT

21 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: patient came in for dental work today. Blood work done 6 months ago revealed elevated ALP with other bw wnl. Today preop blood work revealed larger elevation of ALP.
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: 6 months ago AIP 1460 Today ALP - >2000

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 4.7 cm. The right kidney measured 4.64 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 left adrenal gland measured 0.48 cm. The right adrenal gland measured 0.8 cm at the cranial pole and 0.7 cm at the caudal pole.

Spleen

The **spleen** revealed a focal, hypoechoic nodule in the cranial body measuring 0.6 cm. Other nodular changes were noted with a target type nodule at the mid body measuring 1.44 cm.

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 was mildly over distended with suspended and dependent debris, yet not to the level of emerging mucocele, yet sludge appears to be mildly excessive. Minor gallbladder polyps were noted. No adjunctive inflammation was noted.



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Gastrointestinal

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Examination of the **gastrointestinal tract** revealed a stomach and intestine free of stasis, of normal wall thickness, acceptable curvilinear mural detail, and peristaltic activity. Mucosal speckling was noted in portions of the small intestine. 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.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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Splenic nodules.

Otherwise, geriatric abdomen.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Proactive splenectomy or ultrasound guided FNA of the nodules is indicated. Given the breed disposition proactive splenectomy and liver biopsy would be my personal choice in this patient. Chest radiographs and echocardiogram are warranted to rule out concurrent disease. Nodular hyperplasia is likely, emerging hemangiosarcoma or round cell neoplasia is possible.

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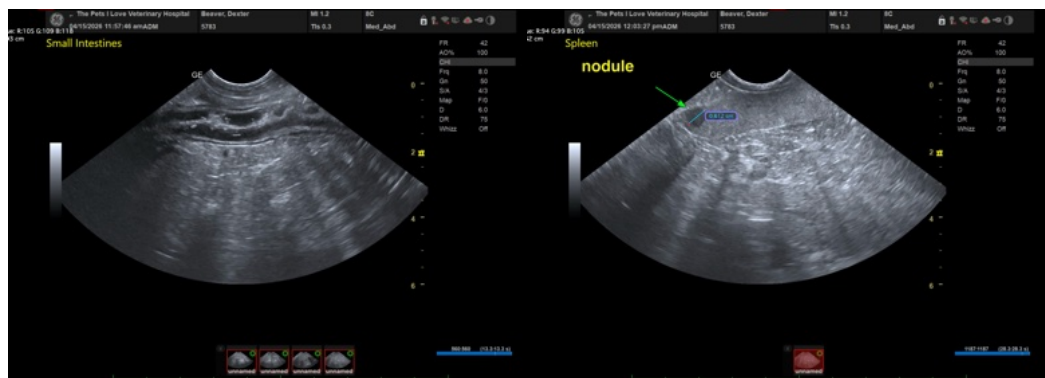
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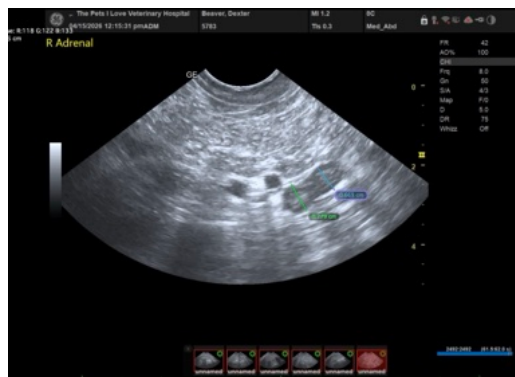
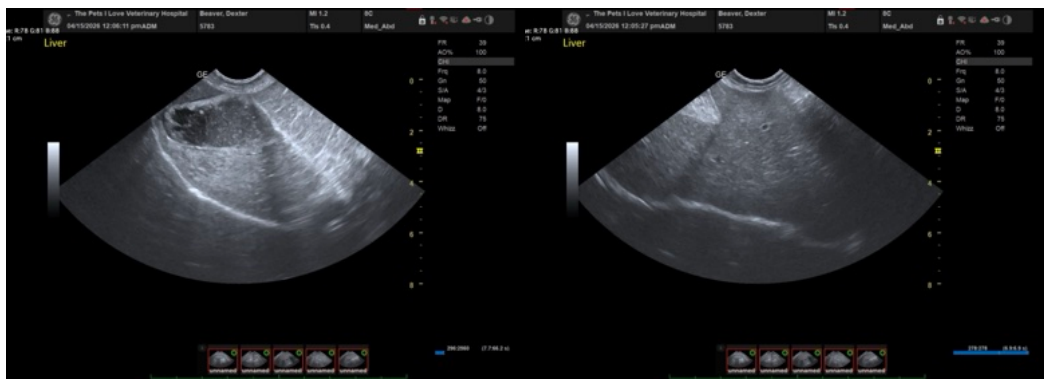
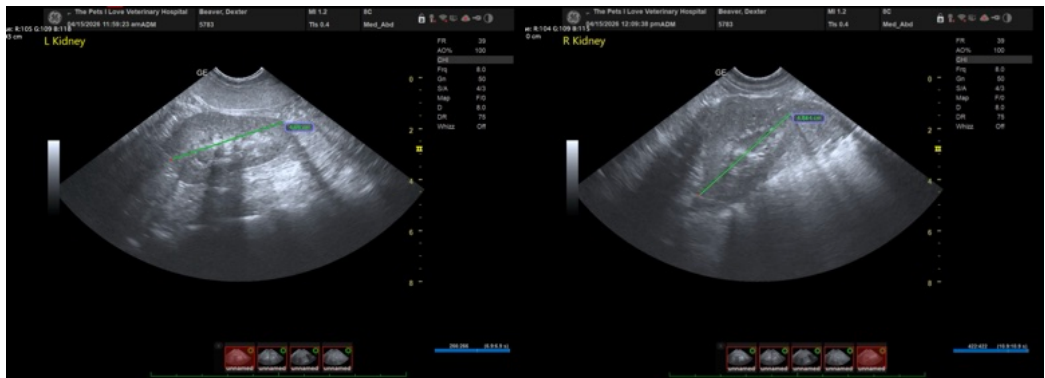
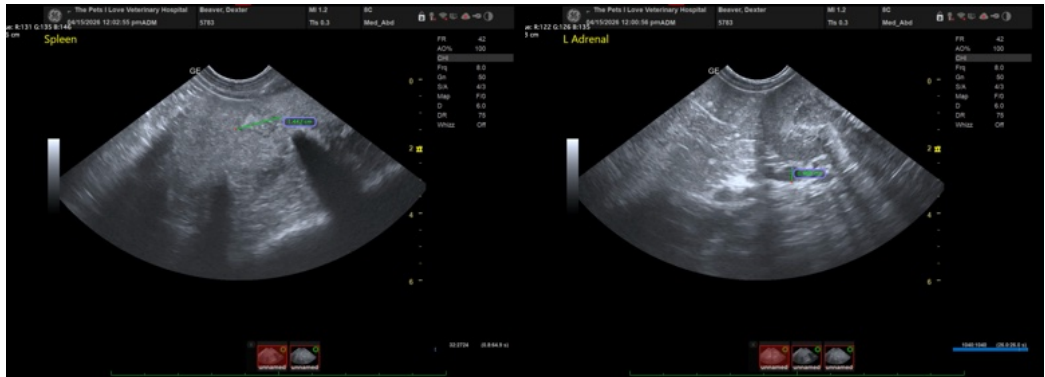
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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