



PATIENT

Trouble Plunkett

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Patient presented 4/2/22 for rapid weight loss and inappetence (13.1 pounds, down from 17 pounds in 9/21). Occasional vomiting. CBC / Chem - ALT 319. ALP 109, else unremarkable. T4 1.6. U/A pending

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

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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.

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Neutered Male

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 kidneys measured 3.2 cm each.

AGE

12 Years

Adrenal Glands

WEIGHT

12.8 Pounds

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 0.39 cm. The right adrenal gland measured 0.38 cm.

Spleen

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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. Minor hyperechoic lipogranulomatous type changes noted in the splenic parenchyma. 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.

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Liver

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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.

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Gastrointestinal

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The **gastrointestinal** presentation revealed mild uniform prominence of the gastric mucosa as well as areas of "ropey" small intestinal wall with slight disruption of the normal 1:3 muscularis/mucosal ratio. The stomach revealed a hairball type density. The intestinal submucosa was slightly irregular, thickened and hyperechoic suggestive of low grade, chronic disease. Some retention of ingesta noted in the distal small intestine. Reactive mesenteric lymph nodes noted, measuring 3.72 cm x 1.12 cm. Epigastric lymph node mildly enlarged at 0.49 cm x 0.90 cm. No evidence of obstruction was present. Chronic inflammatory bowel disease is likely with a low possibility of an early neoplastic event such as

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lymphoma. 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 out this possibility.

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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

- Mesenteric lymphadenopathy with regional inflammation
- Unremarkable geriatric abdomen otherwise with minor intestinal thickening

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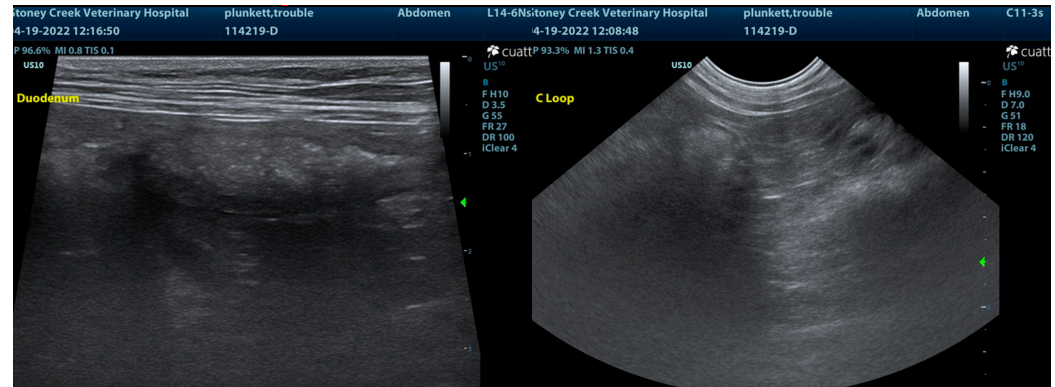
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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

FNA with cytology and culture of the mesenteric lymph nodes recommended.

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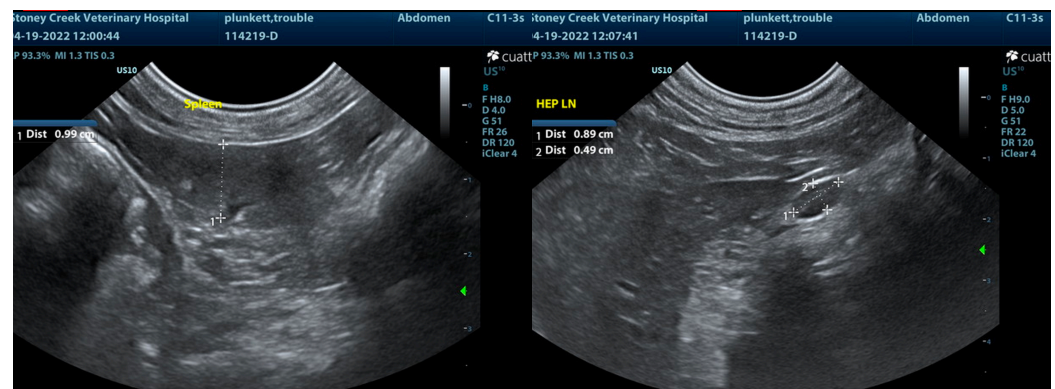
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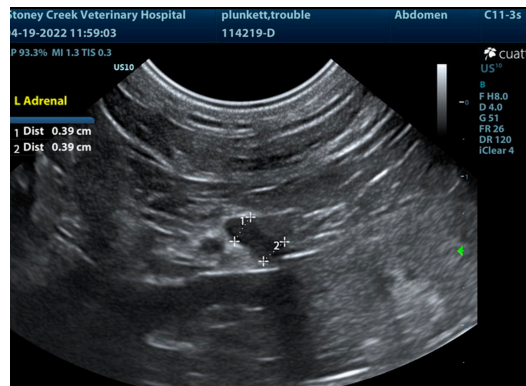
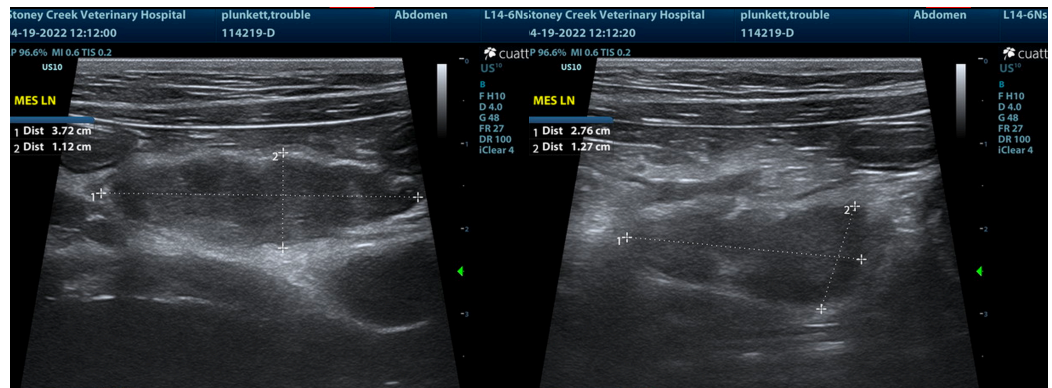
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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