



**PATIENT**

Brewster Lohman

**SPECIES**

Feline

**BREED**

Maine Coon

**SEX**

Neutered Male

**AGE**

16

**WEIGHT**

6.35 kg

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Transfer from rdvm for hypoglycemia. P has been diabetic for 7 years, P has never had a BG curve. P has consistently been on 2.5 units lantis twice a day since diagnosed and recently having issues getting BG to stay in normal range. Seems like P has adapted to hypoglycemia as a normal range.

**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 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. The right kidney measured 3.0 cm. Minor pericapsular fat enhancement noted around both kidneys. Potential underlying nephritis. Full urinary workup warranted.

**Adrenal Glands**

The **adrenal glands** were uniform, yet bilaterally swollen and hypoechoic. This is most consistent with stress-induced hyperplasia. The left adrenal gland measured 0.50 cm. The right adrenal gland measured 0.55 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** presented heterogenous parenchyma with increased portal markings and coarse architecture. Slight undulating capsular contour was noted. The gallbladder and common bile duct were unremarkable. This is consistent with chronic inflammatory hepatopathy.

**Gastrointestinal**

The **stomach** was filled with ingesta/chyme, consistent with metabolic stasis. The pylorus was free of evident pathology. The small intestine and colon were unremarkable.

**Pancreas**

The base and limbs of the **pancreas** were observed to be largely isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Some parenchymal remodeling, however, with mild deviation from curvilinear normalcy was observed. Pancreatic duct and capsular irregularities were present consistent with age related changes. If pain upon imaging (+ Murphy sign) was present or if the patient is focally painful in subxyphoid palpation then low-grade smoldering chronic pancreatitis should be suspected.



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**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- Hepatic remodeling
- Possible underlying nephritis
- Gastric ileus
- Stress induced adrenal hyperplasia
- Age related pancreatic changes

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

No overt evidence of pathology. However, bile acid profile warranted, and urinary workup indicated. No evidence of neoplasia.

**Potential Causes of Diabetic Dysregulation**

This is a suggestive checkoff list when faced with an unregulated diabetic patient:

- UTI
- Dietary indiscretion/intolerance
- Pancreatitis
- Hyperthyroidism/hypothyroidism
- Exogenous steroids (including topical eye meds)
- Cushing's
- Acromegaly
- Owner compliance
- Insulin quality issues
- Antibodies to insulin
- Underlying Neoplasia
- Diffuse liver disease

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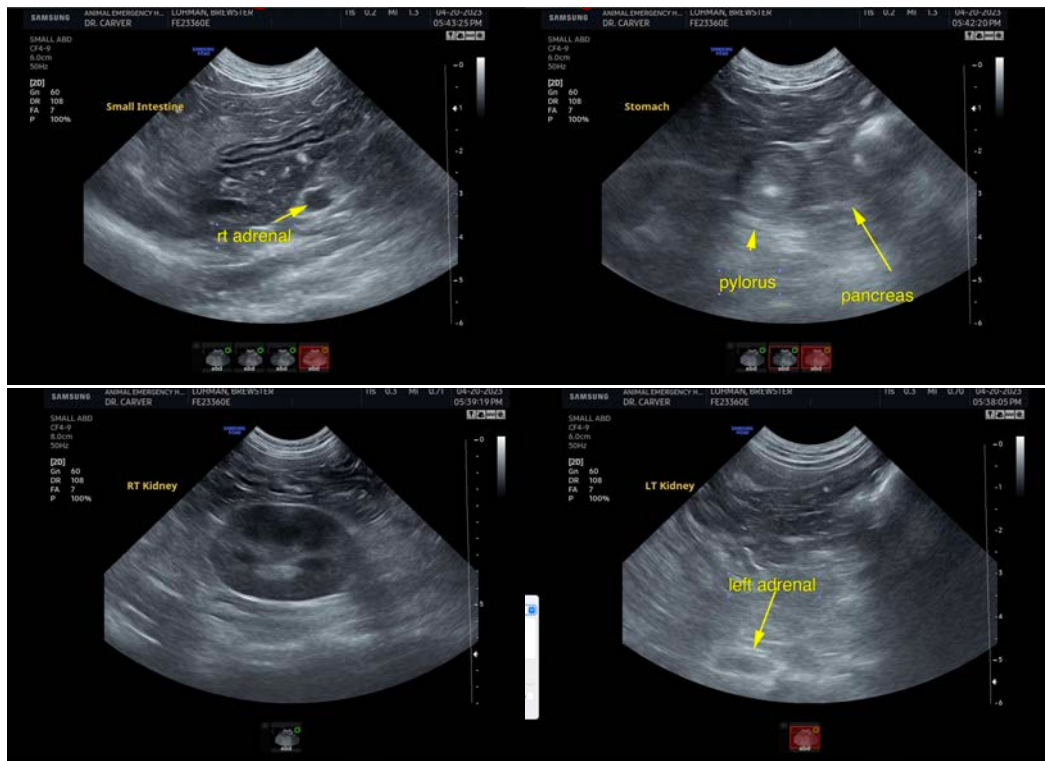
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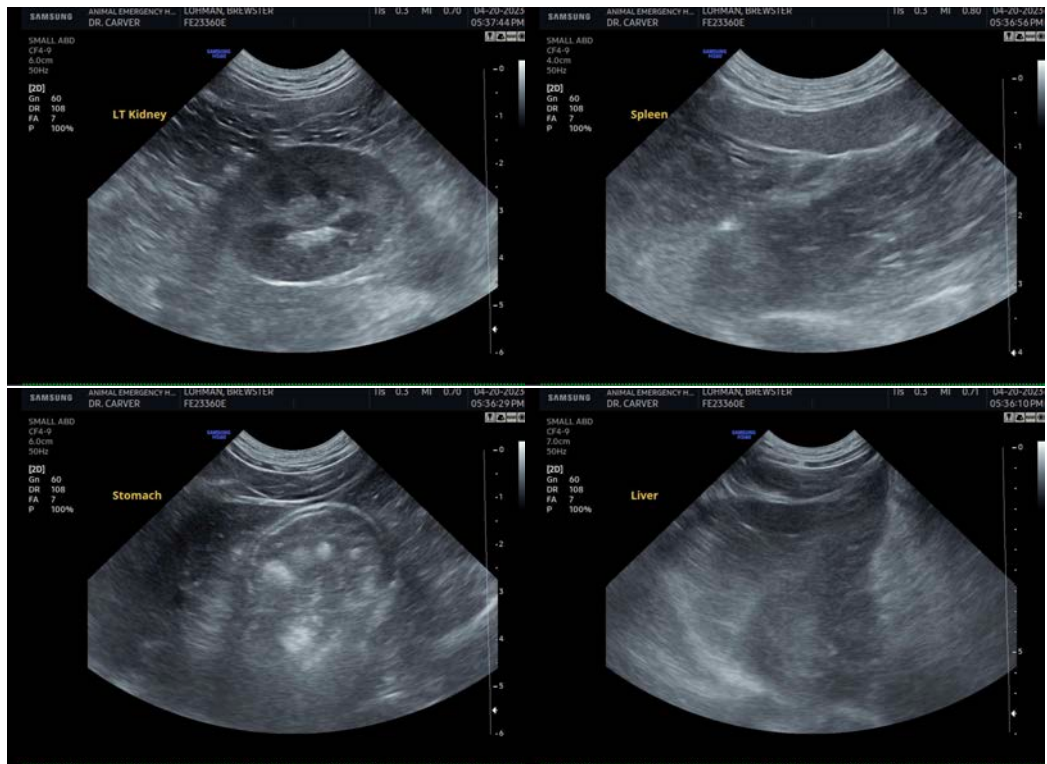
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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