



**PATIENT**

Snoopy Umhoefer

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Terrier Mix

**SEX**

Neutered Male

**AGE**

9 Years

**WEIGHT**

15 pounds

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Chronic UTI's dribbles urine

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: USG 1.014

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

*Urinary System*

The **urinary bladder** and trigone 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 **residual prostate** measured 0.80 cm. The pre- and post-prostatic urethra were unremarkable. The urethra is visualized 3.0 cm beyond the cystourethral junction.

The **iliac trifurcation** was unremarkable.

The **kidneys** revealed largely normal size and structure, corticomedullary definition and ratio (cortex 1/3 of medulla) were essentially maintained with some minor 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 4.1 cm in length. The right kidney measured 4.62 cm in length.

*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 1.71 cm x 0.45 cm width at the cranial pole and 0.47 cm width at the caudal pole. The right adrenal gland measured 1.9 cm x 0.82 cm width at the cranial pole and 0.53 cm width at the caudal pole.

*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 submitted revealed subjectively normal liver size, contour, and structure. Parenchymal echogenicity was naturally coarse and hypoechoic to the spleen. Vascular and biliary tracts were of normal volume with no evidence of congestion. The gallbladder presented acceptably thin walls with primarily anechoic content. The cystic and common bile ducts were normal. No pathological hepatic lymphadenopathy was evident. No overt structural evidence of inflammatory, infiltrative or regenerative pathology was evident.

*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. 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. A minor amount of fluid was present in the gastric lumen.

***Pancreas***

The base and limbs of the **pancreas** were observed to be largely isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Some mild 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 subxiphoid palpation then low-grade smoldering chronic pancreatitis should be suspected.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- Structurally normal urinary tract- no evidence of structural disease.
- Pancreatic remodeling.
- Age-related renal changes.
- Benign geriatric abdomen.

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Canine Chronic UTI Protocol**

To be utilized for UTI with chronic urinary tract changes found sonographically that may serve as **nidus of infection and history of chronic or recurrent UTI is an issue.**

I recommend Clavamox as a first level approach to chronic UTI at 12.5-25 mg/kg bid owing to optimal urinary concentrations. If bacterial resistance is an issue then **Enrofloxacin** (5-10 mg/kg SID PO) (In patients > 1 year of age) in late pm after urination to maximize urinary concentrations overnight. This assumes that culture supports this use. Repeat **culture** at 3-4 weeks and continue treatment at least 7-10 days post negative urinary sediment and negative culture. *Note: Negative culture does not necessarily mean lack of UTI.* Other favorite antibiotics for chronic UTI include third generation Cefa (Ceftiafur or similar s.i.d. injectable) or Clavamox. If suspicion of occult urinary incontinence is present then **phenylpropanolamine (PPA)** (1-2 mg/kg BID) can be employed long term to enhance urethral tone.



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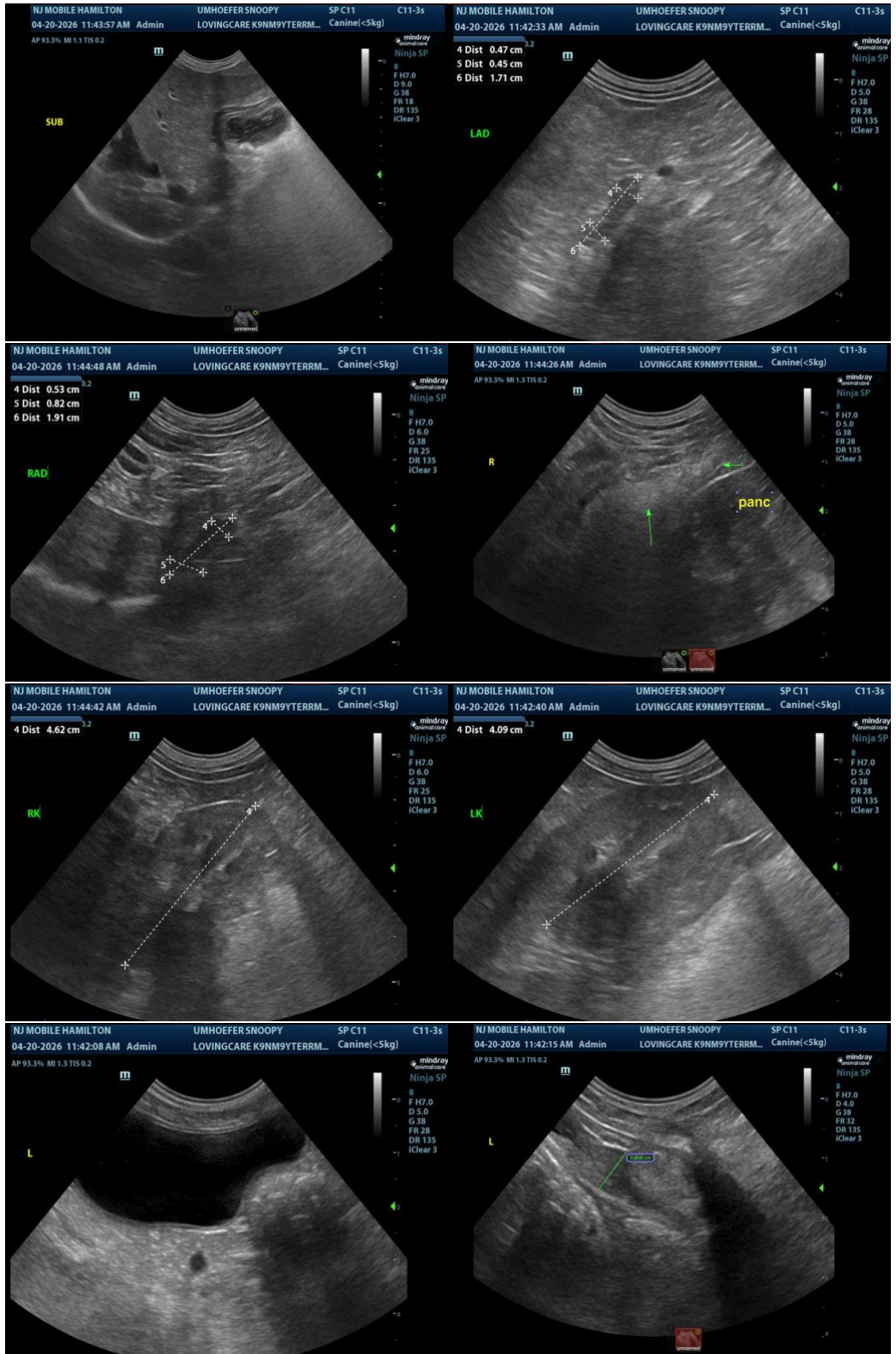
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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