



## PATIENT

Missy Walker

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Golden Retriever

## SEX

Spayed female

## AGE

10 years

## WEIGHT

65 lbs

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Second opinion. Pulmonary cancer metastasis dx on rads, no primary found. Heart murmur grade 4/6, placed on vetmed and furos.

## 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. A minor amount of bladder debris was noted. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes was noted. Ureteral papillae were normal.

The **right kidney** 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. The right kidney measured 7.5 cm with slight pyelectasia that measured 1.9 x 0.9 cm.

A mineralized structure was noted in the **left renal fossa**. The structure measured 3.3 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 was clearly visualized and separate from the mass. The left adrenal measured 0.58 cm at the caudal pole and 0.48 cm at the cranial pole. The right adrenal gland measured 0.97 cm at the cranial pole and 0.6 cm 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 was 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.



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**Gastrointestinal**

There was some residual chyme and gas was noted in the **stomach**, yet not pathological. This is consistent with post prandial presentation. Transit of chyme into the small intestine was normal. Curvilinear patterns were maintained throughout the GI tract. No evidence of pathology. 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.

**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.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART**

The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated a volume contracted heart. **left atrial** size based on 3 separate methods of LA evaluation. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented normal linear structure, extension in systole, and union in diastole with normal kinesis. The **left ventricle** presented thicknesses with linear contour and was not dilated nor restricted. The **myocardium** presented normal echogenicity without subjective evidence of significant fibrotic or ischemic disease. Trivial **aortic insufficiency** was noted in this patient. The **right atrium** and auricle revealed normal size, structure and content. No evidence of masses was noted. **Tricuspid** valvular assessment demonstrated adequate linear morphology and kinesis. The **right ventricle** was of normal size (1/3 diameter of LV), chordae structure, myocardial echogenicity and thickness. **Pulmonary outflow** tract assessment revealed normal valve structure, laminar flow, and diameter (approx. 1:1 pa/ao ratio). No visible **pericardial** or free pleura fluid was noted. The cranial **mediastinum and pericardial and extra-cardiac regions** were free of masses in the visible window.

CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	MR VMAX (m/s)	TR VMAX (m/s)	LA/AO	LA/AO (Heart Base)	FS (%)	EF (%)	EPSS (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	4.5-5.5	<2.7	1.3	<1.6	28-40	40-100	<0.6
PATIENT	NM	NM	1.1	NM	40	NM	NM
CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	HR (BPM)	AV VMAX (m/s)	PV MAX (m/s)	BODY WEIGHT	LA 2D short axis Base view (cm)	LVIDd Avg; 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)	LVIDs Avg; 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	50-100	0.7-1.7	0.7-1.6	BELOW	BELOW	BELOW	BELOW
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## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Compensatory hypertrophy of the right kidney with pyelectasia. Potential underlying UTI.

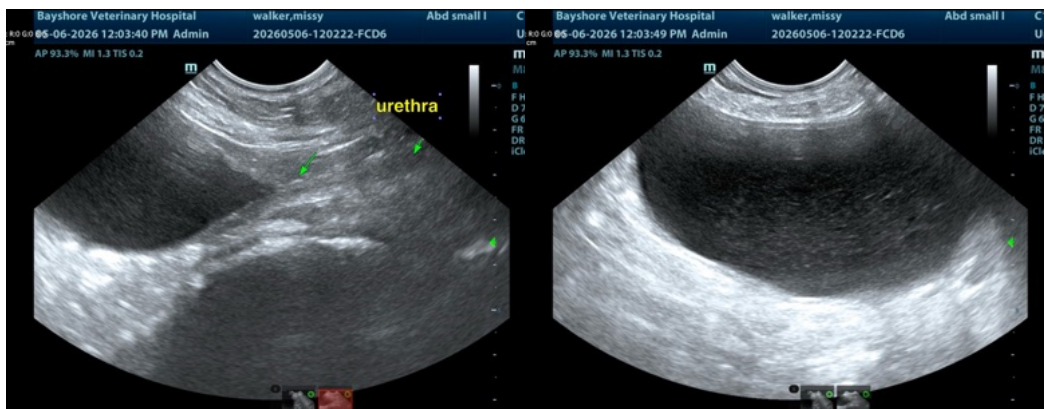
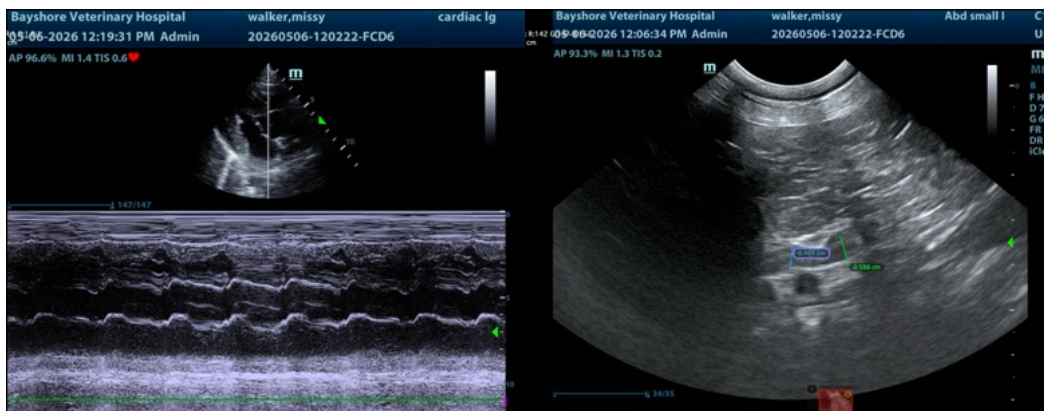
Mineralized, structure in the region of the left renal fossa, presumed to be dystrophic and mineralized left kidney. However, a neoplastic process cannot be ruled out.

Volume contracted heart.

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

No normal left kidney was noted. There is a potential of a neoplastic process such as carcinoma, yet this would be an odd representation for that potential. Full urinary work-up would be warranted.

Volume restitution of the heart is indicated. Given the pulmonary pathology history, if intercostal approach allows for accessibility of the lung lesions, then FNA would be indicated. I do not believe that FNA of the mineralized structure in the left renal fossa would be diagnostic as these types of presentations do not typically exfoliate.





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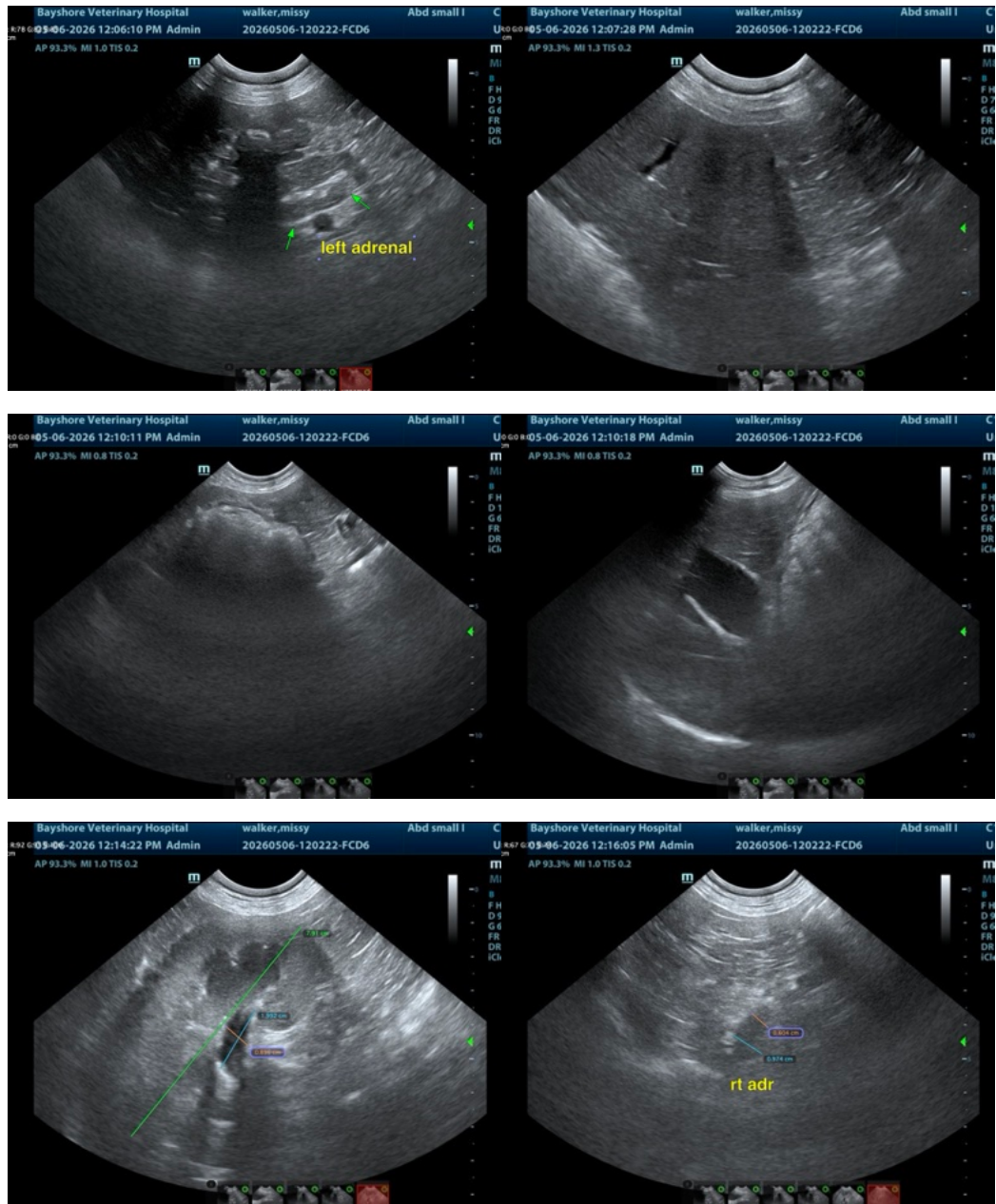
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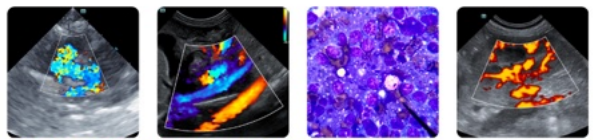
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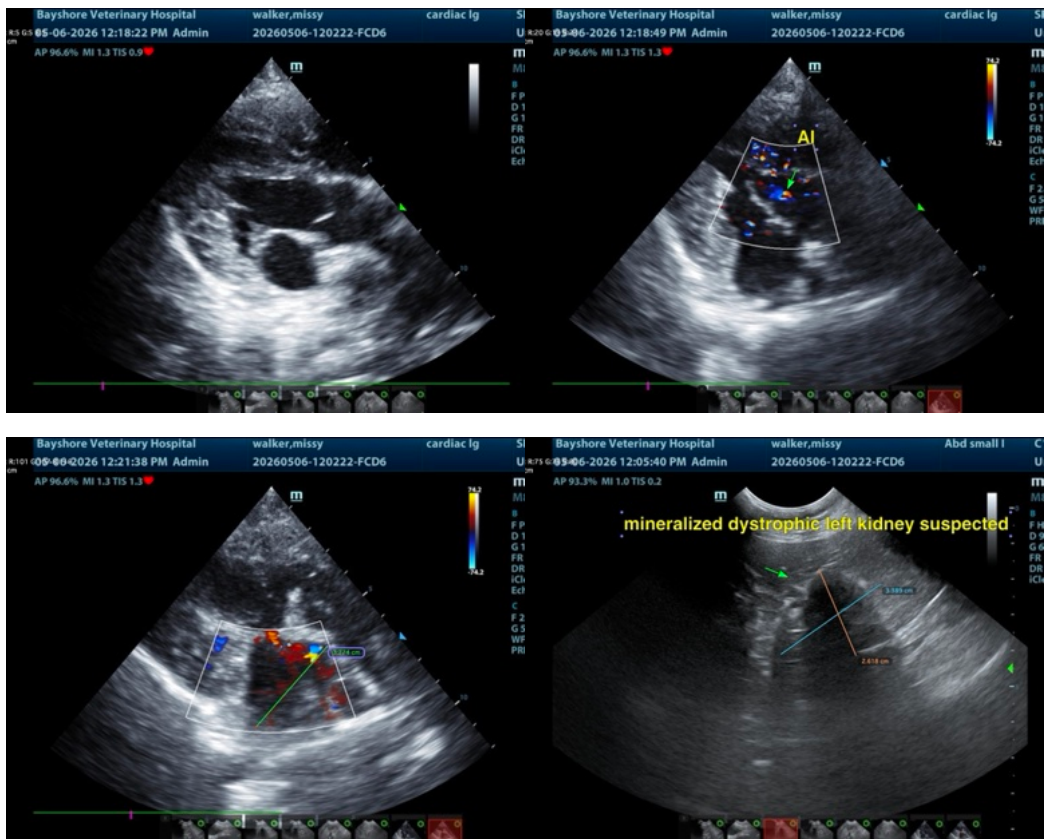
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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