



PATIENT

Pennie Kittilson

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Mini Gold Retriever

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

7 Years 1 Month

WEIGHT

15.6 Pounds

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Recheck US- last scan August 4. HX of severe pancreatitis, DM. Inappetance, whimpering/uncomfortable on/off since- had been responsive to Fentanyl patch placement. Had been on Sucralfate, Ondanestron, Cerenia, Vetsulin, Omeprazole currently hospitalized on IV fluids, ampicillin, Ondanestron IV, Cerenia PO this AM, Vetsulin. Has Libre monitor on and yesterday noted cellulitis and ulcerative dermatitis near the Libre/dorsal shoulder- Os keep under vetwrap and appears as secondary dermatitis. Topical lanolin based product applied and had given single dose of Pred 5mg. Less swollen but larger area.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: ALP 556, Glc 320 WBC 34.17, Lymp 13.2, Neutro 20.34, HCT 56.34, HGB 19

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 normal size and structure, corticomedullary definition and ratio for this age. The cortices presented largely uniform texture with normal echogenic relationship to liver and spleen. Medullary structure differed distinctly from the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The capsules were acceptably uniform without significant irregularities. The left kidney measured 4.0 cm. The right kidney measured 4.0 cm.

Adrenal Glands

The **left adrenal gland** was 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 0.50 cm.

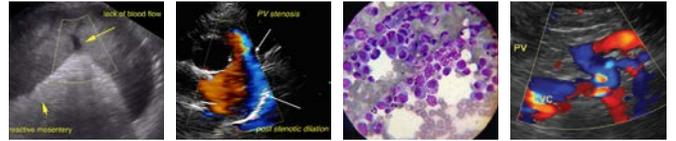
The region of the **right adrenal gland** was unremarkable.

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

Exam of the cranial abdomen demonstrated excessive **liver** size, swollen contour, with conserved uniform architecture. Parenchymal echogenicity was diffusely isoechoic to the spleen and falciform fat. Minor excessive GB debris was noted with the presence gall bladder dilation and precipitate without the overt formation of mucocele but this may be an issue in the future. This type of liver presentation typically is associated with slow and gradual SAP elevations with low-grade ALT rise. USG-FNA sampling is encouraged if more aggressive LE profiles are present such as ALT > 200 or rapid rise in SAP. These presentations are usually reactive hepatopathies owing to other disease processes either



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endocrine (Diabetes, Hypothyroidism, Cushing's disease), "antigen surveillance" from the gut/pancreas, or idiopathic breed predisposed progressions.

Gastrointestinal

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A minor amount of non-shadowing, non-obstructive ingesta was noted in the **stomach**. 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.

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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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- Diabetic hepatopathy
- Full stomach
- Unremarkable abdomen otherwise

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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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

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Owner compliance

Insulin quality issues

Antibodies to insulin

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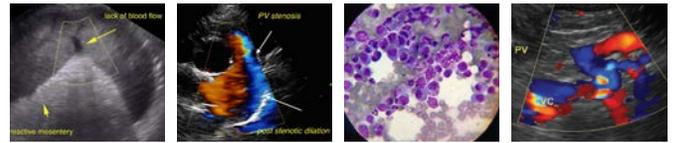
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Underlying Neoplasia

Diffuse liver disease

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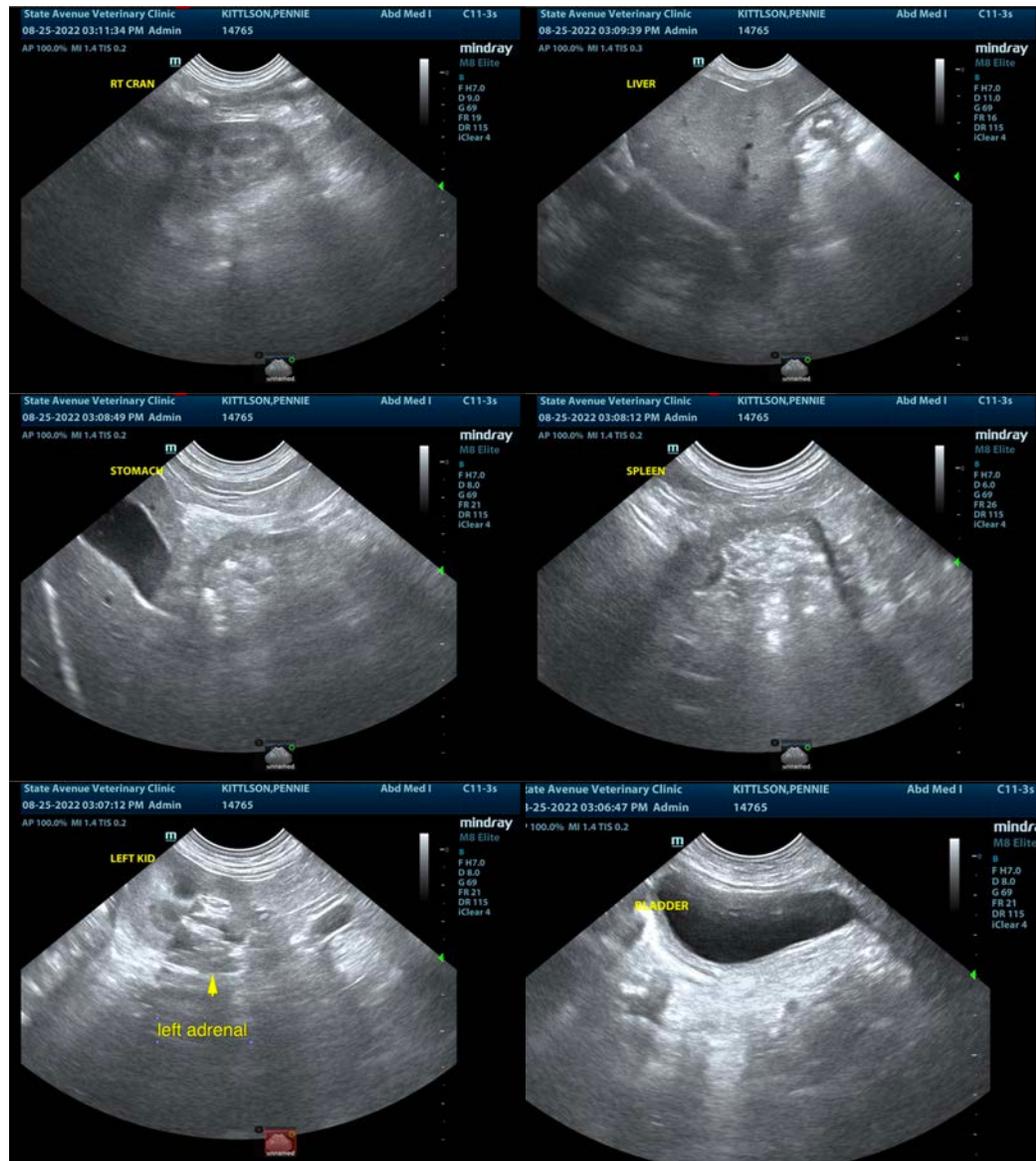
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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