



**PATIENT**

Davey McQuillen

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

King Charles Cavalier

**SEX**

Neutered male

**AGE**

8 years

**WEIGHT**

20 lbs

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

- Low albumin- suspect protein losing enteropathy. Hematuria
- Clopidogrel 18-75mg SID
- UA heavy blood , protein 30mg/dl USG 1.035 Alb 1.7, AST 13, ALT7, Ca 8.2, MCV 56, MCH 188, Plt 144

**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. The bladder revealed a grouping of calculi that measured 1.0 cm. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes was 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 this age patient. Medullary structure differed distinctly from that of the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. Slight pinpoint mineralization was noted in the kidneys. The left kidney measured 5.4 cm. The right kidney measured 5.5 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 right adrenal gland measured 1.66 x 1.49 cm at the cranial pole and 0.4 cm at the caudal pole. The left adrenal gland measured 1.1 x 0.6 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 was noted.

**Liver**

The **liver** was significantly subnormal in size. Capsular retraction was noted with hepatic remodeling. The gallbladder and common bile duct were unremarkable.

**Gastrointestinal**

The **gastrointestinal tract** revealed diffuse, hyperechoic fogging or overlay throughout the small intestine as well as areas of mucosal striations and speckling. This striation + fogging effect appeared to



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exclusively affect the mucosal layer with the submucosa, muscularis and serosa left in-tact. Reactive mesentery was present associated with the serosa indicative of active inflammation. This is most consistent with protein losing enteropathy/lymphangectasia. Full thickness biopsies or endoscopy guided biopsies would be ideal to confirm. No obstructive disease or obvious suspicion of neoplasia.

***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.

***Free Abdomen***

A moderate amount of ascites was noted in this patient.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

Severe microhepatica with bladder calculus, suspect cirrhosis or primary portal hypoplasia.

Protein losing enteropathy.

Ascites. Likely owing to a combination of poor oncotic pressure given the low albumin as well as likely portal hypertension.

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

I do not assess any primary portosystemic shunting in this patient. However, I cannot rule this out. The portal hilus was somewhat obscured by the enhanced omentum in the midabdomen. Bile acid profile is warranted. The low albumin could be affected by protein losing enteropathy and hepatic failure. The prognosis long term is poor.

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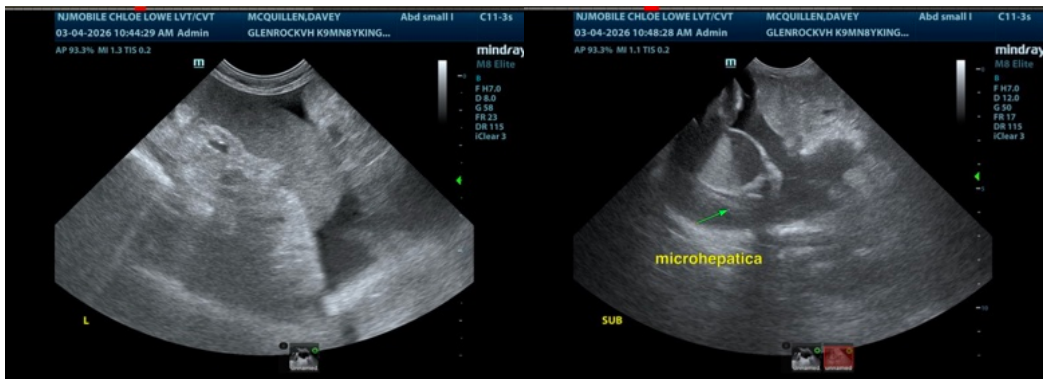
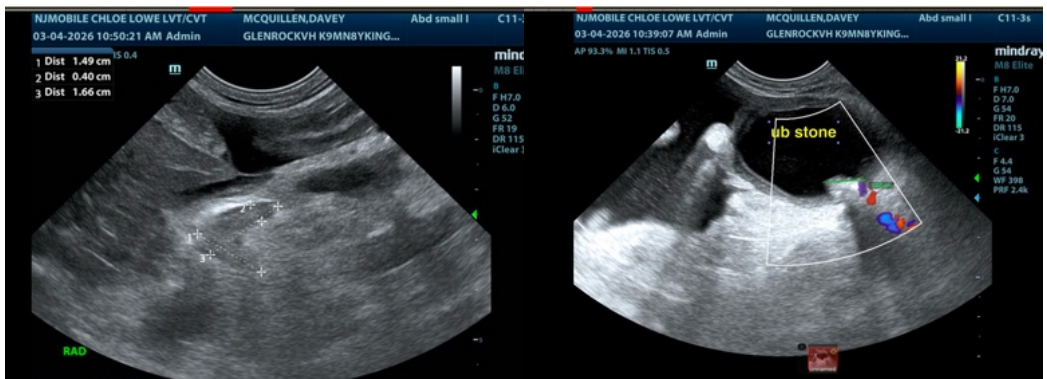
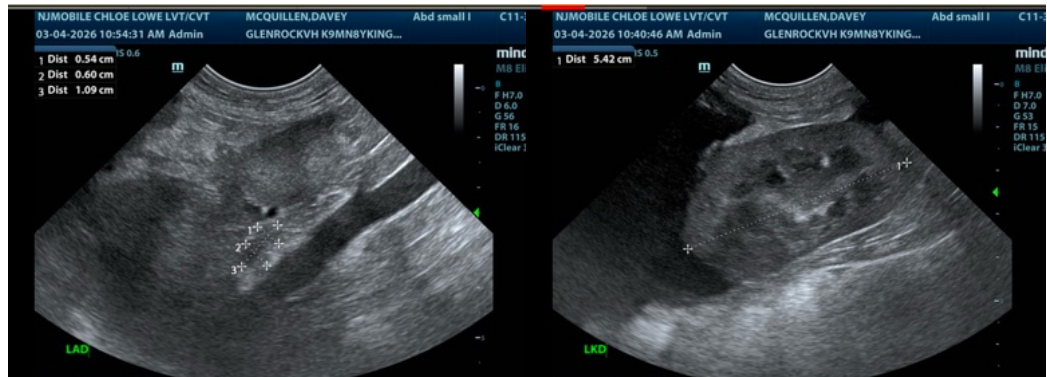
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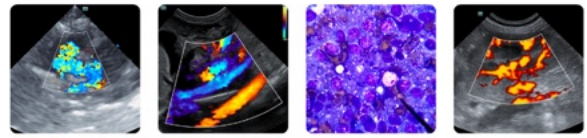
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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