



PATIENT

Natasha Wiggins

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

Domestic Shorthair

SEX

Spayed female

AGE

12 years

WEIGHT

6 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: severe wt loss, tooth root abscess left upper molar; chronic bronchitis; Bates body noted in abdomen on rads
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: pending

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 was 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 3.73 cm with a cortical infarct at the cranial pole with cortical collapse. The right kidney measured 3.17 cm with a cortical infarct. Mineralization was noted in both kidneys, yet was non-obstructive.

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 0.2 cm. The right adrenal gland measured 0.45 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** images from right and left intercostal as well as subcostal views revealed subjectively normal liver size, contour, and structure. Some age-related parenchymal remodeling was noted but likely not clinically significant at this time. Vascular and biliary tracts were of normal volume and no evidence of congestion was noted. The gallbladder wall was slightly thickened.



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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. Minor retention of ingesta was noted in the stomach. Distal small intestinal thickening was noted. The mesenteric lymph nodes are enlarged, rounded and peripherally inflamed with reactive mesentery. The mesenteric lymph nodes were not particularly enlarged, yet they were abnormal and rounded.

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Pancreas

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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 subxiphoid palpation then low-grade smoldering chronic pancreatitis should be suspected.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Mesenteric lymphadenopathy.

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Renal infarcts with intestinal thickening with mesenteric lymphadenopathy.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

FNA cytology and culture is indicated. Full thickness GI and lymph node biopsies would be ideal in this patient. I am not sure the FNA of the mesenteric lymph nodes would be definitively diagnostic. Subacute on chronic inflammatory bowel and lymphadenitis versus round cell neoplasia. Renal dystrophy, non-obstructive nephrolithiasis with infarcts is all possible.

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Maldigestion panel, three view chest radiographs and full CNS examination is recommended to examine for occult disease that could be responsible for the weight loss. Evaluation for competitive eating environments should also be considered.

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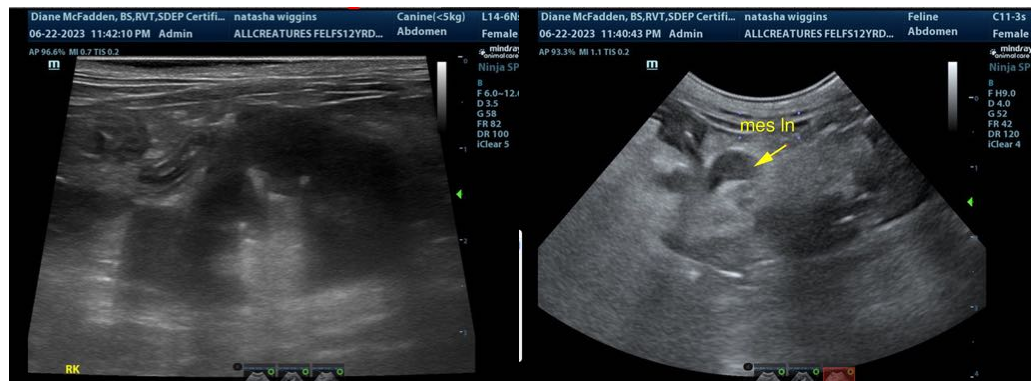
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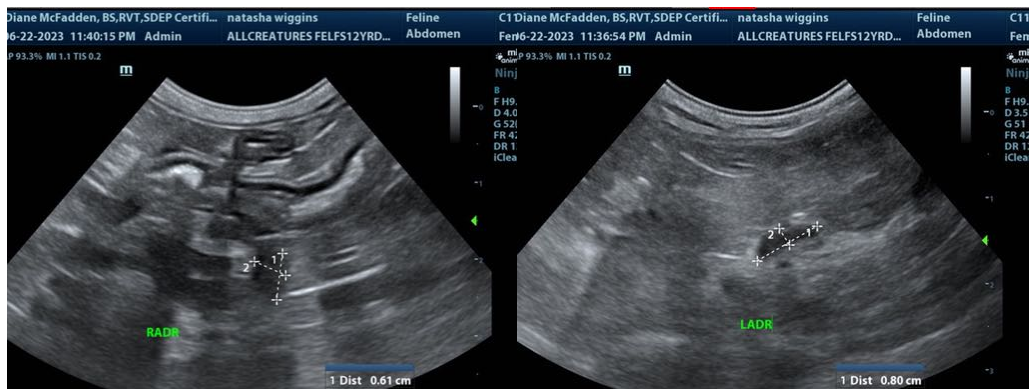
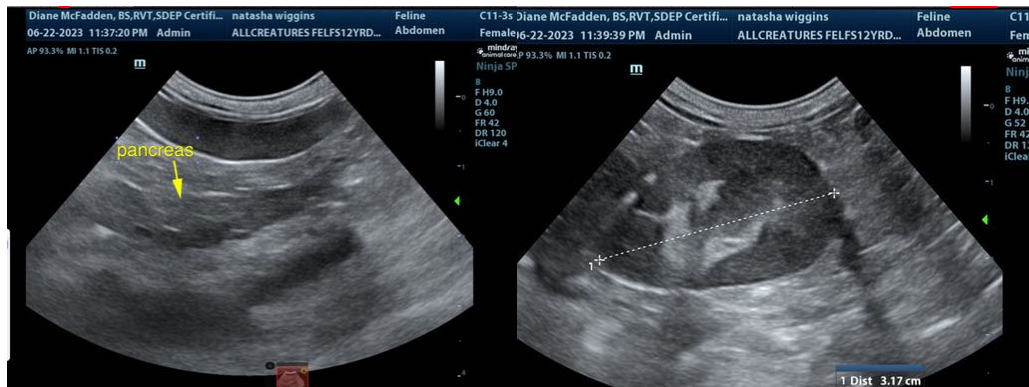
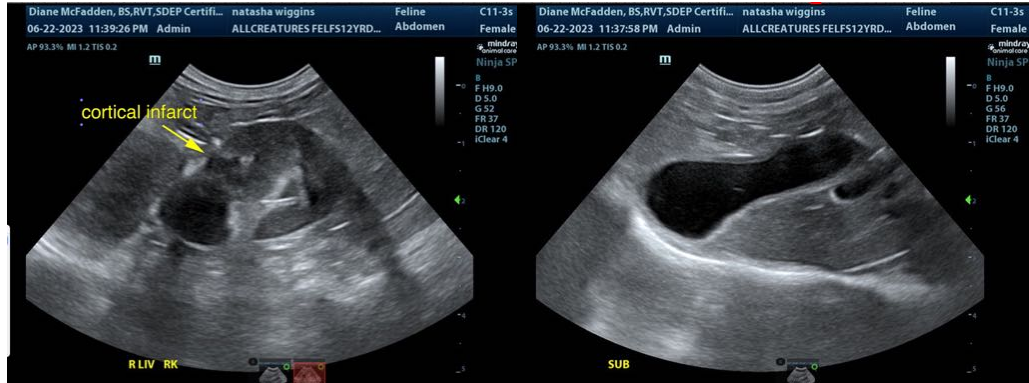
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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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