



## PATIENT

Winston Hundley

## SPECIES

Feline

## BREED

DSH

## SEX

Neutered Male

## AGE

12

## WEIGHT

7.1 lbs

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

12yo MN DSH with historical Dx of IBD in 2024--Dx based on ultrasound at the time, not intestinal biopsy. Initially managed with short course of prednisolone and since has been well controlled on a hydrolyzed protein diet. Has regressed to having regular diarrhea over the last 6 weeks. No vomiting reported by owner.

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

### *Urinary System*

The urinary bladder is moderately distended with anechoic urine. The Bladder wall, trigone, ureteral papillae and visible urethra (to a depth of 2cm) appear normal with no evidence of wall thickening, mucosal irregularities, masses or cystic calculi.

The left kidney has a normal shape and size (3.67 cm). Overall echogenicity is normal with adequate corticomedullary distinction and a typical 1:3 cortex:medulla ratio. There is no evidence of focal perinephric inflammation or effusion. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

The right kidney has a normal shape and size (3.85 cm). Overall echogenicity is normal with adequate corticomedullary distinction and a typical 1:3 cortex:medulla ratio. There is no evidence of focal perinephric inflammation or effusion. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal.

### *Adrenal Glands*

The left adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 0.28 cm at the caudal pole. It is observed in its normal position cranial to the left renal artery. It is normal in appearance (uniformly hypoechoic) and shape with no evidence of a mass effect.

The right adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 0.27 cm at the caudal pole. It is observed in its normal position between the cranial aspect of the right kidney and the caudal vena cava. It is normal in appearance (uniformly hypoechoic) and shape with no evidence of a mass effect.

### *Spleen*

The spleen is subjectively normal in size (0.75 cm), echotexture is homogenous, and the splenic capsule is smooth with no irregularities. The blood flow through the hilus and splenic parenchyma appears normal. No focal parenchymal abnormalities are visualized.

### *Liver*

The liver is subjectively normal in size, and echogenicity with smooth peripheral margins. The parenchyma is homogenous echotexture. The visible portions of the vasculature and biliary tract appear normal. No focal nodules or cystic lesions are observed.

The gall bladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall of the gall bladder is not thickened and has a smooth mucosal surface. Luminal contents are mild and likely incidental at this time. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not visible.



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## *Gastrointestinal*

The stomach contains minimal luminal contents. It measures at a normal thickness of <0.36cm with some variability due to the presence of rugal folds. The distinction of the gastric wall layers is adequate and there is no impression of reduced peristaltic activity. No masses or focal lesions were observed.

The visualized areas of duodenum, jejunum and ileum have a uniform diameter with minimal fluid distension. Wall thickness is normal to slightly increased. Bowel loops follow a typical curvilinear path with distinct wall layering, but some areas display a prominent muscularis layer which does not display the typical 1:3 muscularis:mucosa layer ratio. Duodenum wall measures 0.25 cm. Jejunum wall measures 0.26 cm. Visualized peristalsis appears appropriate. There were no focal lesions consistent with obstruction or a mass effect observed.

The ileocecal junction was visualized and exhibited normal intact wall layering and is subjectively of normal thickness. Sections of colon are visualized with non-formed fecal material. The descending colon appears somewhat prominent and distended with non-formed fecal material. The wall measures at 0.25 cm with intact wall layering.

## *Pancreas*

The pancreas is prominent and hypoechoic as compared to the surrounding isoechoic mesentery. There is no evidence of nodules or cystic lesions. There is no evidence of regional mesenteric inflammation or fluid. Prominent pancreatic duct noted.

## *Free Abdomen*

There is scant free fluid noted. No evidence of a significant lymphadenopathy. A pair of prominent jejunal lymph nodes is visualized measuring 0.33 cm x 0.69 cm and 0.33 cm x 0.90 cm. The omentum is mildly diffusely hyperechoic.

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Pancreatic changes consistent with chronic pancreatic remodeling and chronic pancreatitis.
- Diffusely “ropy” small intestine with a prominent muscularis layer – The small intestinal wall changes are most consistent with an inflammatory process (i.e., inflammatory bowel disease) with a low possibility of emerging lymphoma.
- Small cluster of prominent mesenteric lymph nodes – Findings are most consistent with reactive lymph nodes. Early neoplastic change cannot be definitively ruled out.
- Fluid distended, mildly thickened distal colon with intact wall layering – Findings are most consistent with mild colitis.

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The small intestine appears mildly diffusely thickened with a prominent muscularis layer in some areas. Wall layering remains intact, and changes are most consistent with inflammatory type change, although very early neoplastic change can have a similar appearance.

Additionally, the pancreas is prominent and hypoechoic. These changes are likely consistent with chronic pancreatic remodeling, possibly with a mild flare up of chronic pancreatitis. Correlate with PLI



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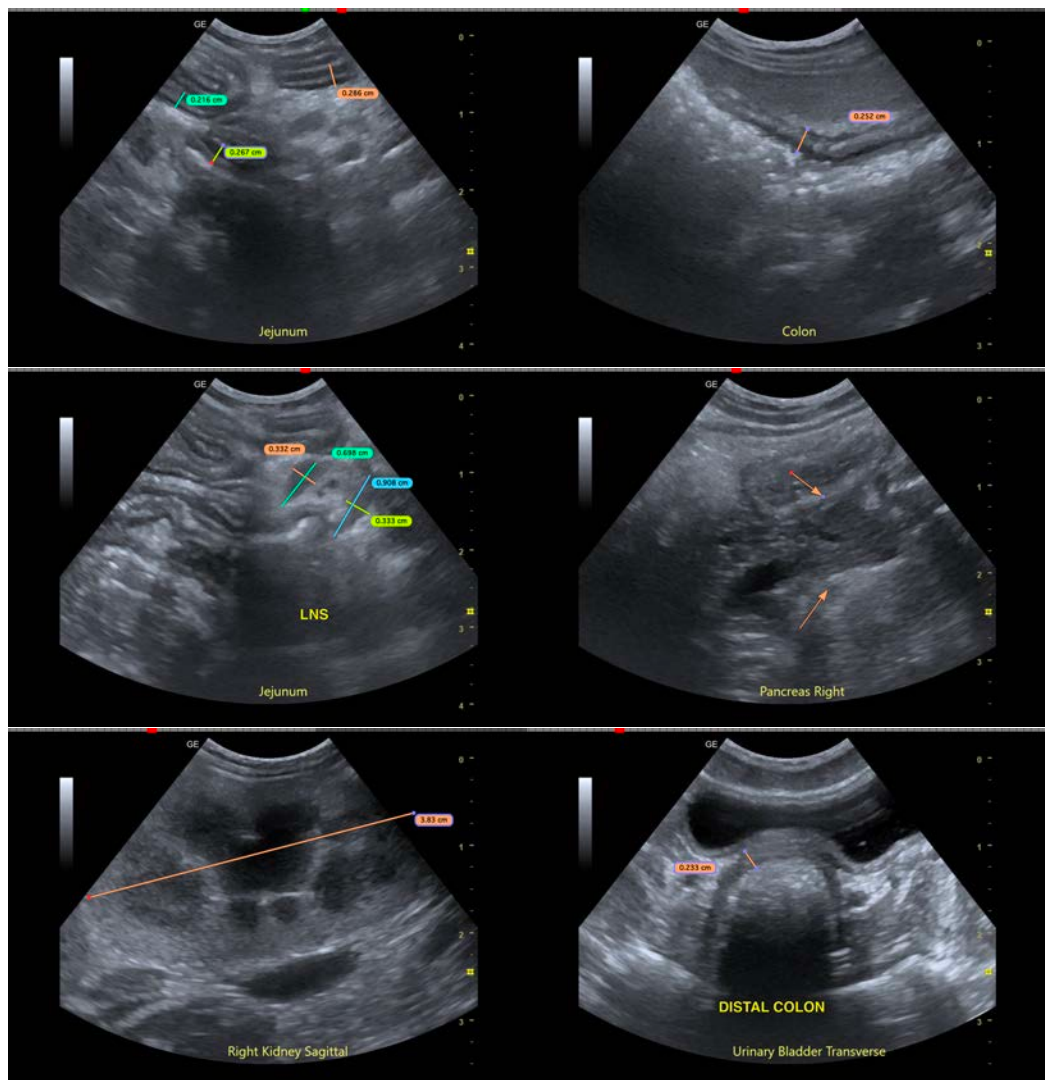
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level to determine if treatment for pancreatitis is warranted. Consider the following:

- Recommend continued management with a hydrolyzed protein prescription diet.
- Consider a GI panel to Texas A&M for evaluation of B12 levels, folate, PLI/TLI etc.. to further evaluate for pancreatic/small intestinal disease.
- Recommend chronic probiotic therapy.

If symptoms are persistent despite non-specific therapy for gastroenteritis/diarrhea, then biopsies of the GI tract may eventually be warranted.





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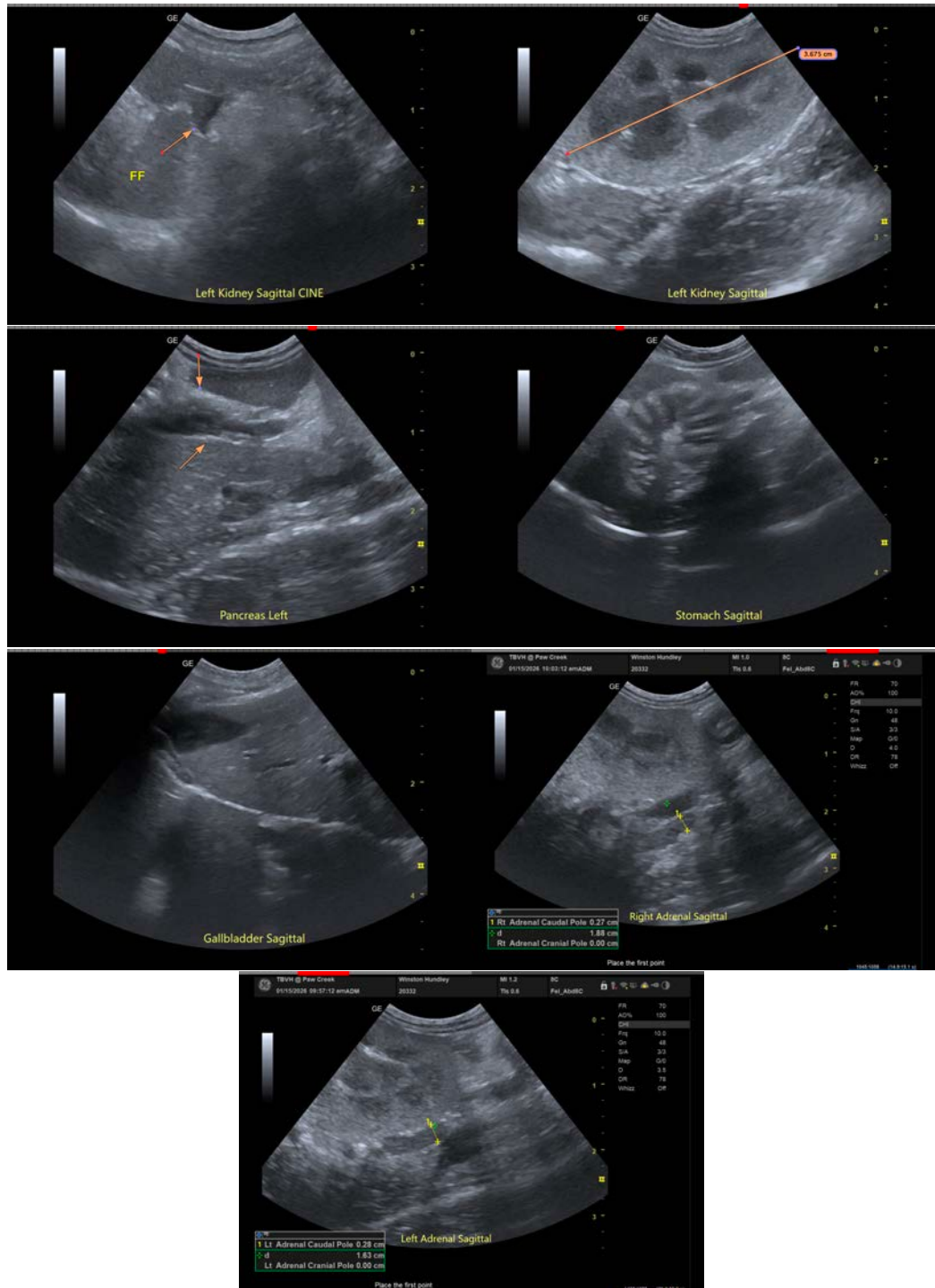
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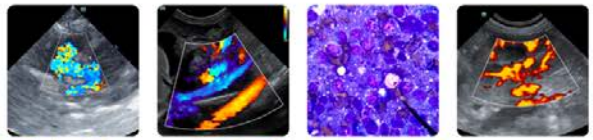
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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