



**PATIENT**

Gracie Kronberg

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Lab

**SEX**

Spayed Female

**AGE**

11 Years 4 Months

**WEIGHT**

78 lbs

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Hepatopathy and severely elev. liver enzymes at AERA Dehydration Meds- Denamarin, enroflox, amoxiclav

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: AST-132 ALT-1101 ALP-5577 GGT-32 BG-603 HX persistent non clinical UTI

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

**Urinary System**

The urinary bladder is moderately distended with mild primarily suspended echogenic debris present. 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 calculi. Echogenic debris of this type can be associated with small crystals, cellular debris and proteinaceous debris.

The left kidney has a normal shape and size (5.69 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 (6.03 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 large, measuring 1.51 cm at the cranial pole and 1.2 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 "plump" measuring 1.1 cm at the caudal pole (cranial pole is not clearly visualized). 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 (1.66 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 normal/borderline small. The parenchyma is hyperechoic and mildly heterogeneous. The visible portions of the vasculature and biliary tract appear normal. No focal nodules or cystic lesions are observed.



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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 moderate fluid/ingesta. It measures at a normal thickness of <0.7cm 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.

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The visualized areas of duodenum, jejunum and ileum have a relatively uniform diameter with minimal to moderate fluid/gas. Wall thickness is normal. Bowel loops follow a curvilinear path with distinct wall layering maintaining the typical 1:3 muscularis:mucosa layer ratio. Duodenum wall measures 0.51 cm. Jejunum wall measures 0.36 cm. Visualized peristalsis appears appropriate. There were no focal lesions consistent with obstruction or a mass effect observed.

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Sections of colon are visualized with formed fecal material and gas shadowing distally. There is no observed focal or generalized colon wall thickening or loss of layering.

***Pancreas***

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The area of the pancreas is normal and isoechoic to surrounding mesentery. There is no evidence of nodules or cystic lesions. There is no evidence of regional mesenteric inflammation or fluid.

***Free Abdomen***

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Evaluation of the peritoneal cavity did not reveal any evidence of effusion, or subjective lymphadenomegaly. The Medial iliac nodes appear normal and there was no evidence of a caudal aortic thrombus at the bifurcation. The omentum is of normal uniform echogenicity.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

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- Mild suspended echogenic debris in the urinary bladder – The echogenic debris in the bladder lumen could be consistent with cells, crystals, and/or mucus.
- Bilateral adrenomegaly – The bilateral adrenomegaly could be consistent with bilateral hyperplasia (e.g., secondary to pituitary-dependent hyperadrenocorticism), bilateral infiltrative neoplasia, inflammatory adrenal disease, other. Correlation with clinical findings is recommended.
- Normal/borderline small, hyperechoic, heterogeneous liver – The diffuse hepatic changes are non-specific and could be consistent with vacuolar hepatopathy, nodular hyperplasia, inflammatory/immune-mediated disease, fibrosis, extramedullary hematopoiesis, toxic hepatopathy (e.g., copper), infiltrative neoplasia (less likely) or other hepatopathy.
- Fluid/ingesta visualized within the stomach and some loops of small intestine – Findings are most consistent with a non-fasted patient.

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the bloodwork provided, this patient is likely diabetic. It is unclear if this is a new diagnosis or a chronic diabetic patient. Typically in this scenario you would expect a large, heterogeneous liver, but



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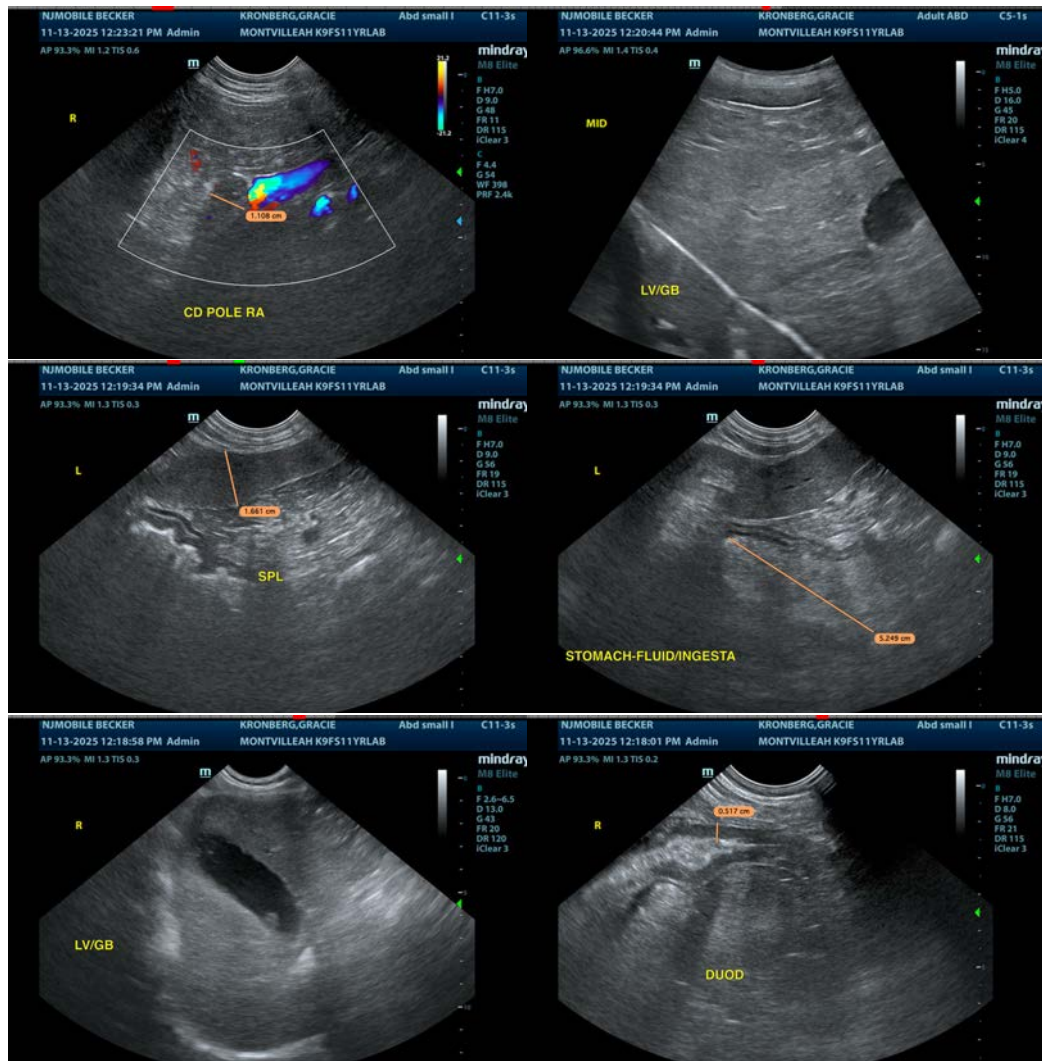
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this liver is normal to borderline small, which is concerning for possible concurrent hepatopathy (in addition to a diabetic hepatopathy). Alternately, this could just be a more severe diabetic hepatopathy. Additionally, the adrenals are “plump”, increasing the concern for possible Cushing’s disease. If diabetes is difficult to manage/there is insulin resistance, adrenal function testing may be warranted.

Recommend a liver function test and a fine needle aspirate of the liver for further evaluation (provided coagulation parameters are normal). If liver function is abnormal or values continue to rise, biopsies of the liver may eventually be warranted (histopathology, culture and copper levels). Recommend a urinalysis and culture to further evaluate the echogenic debris in the urinary bladder and to look for ketones in case this patient is having a diabetic crisis.





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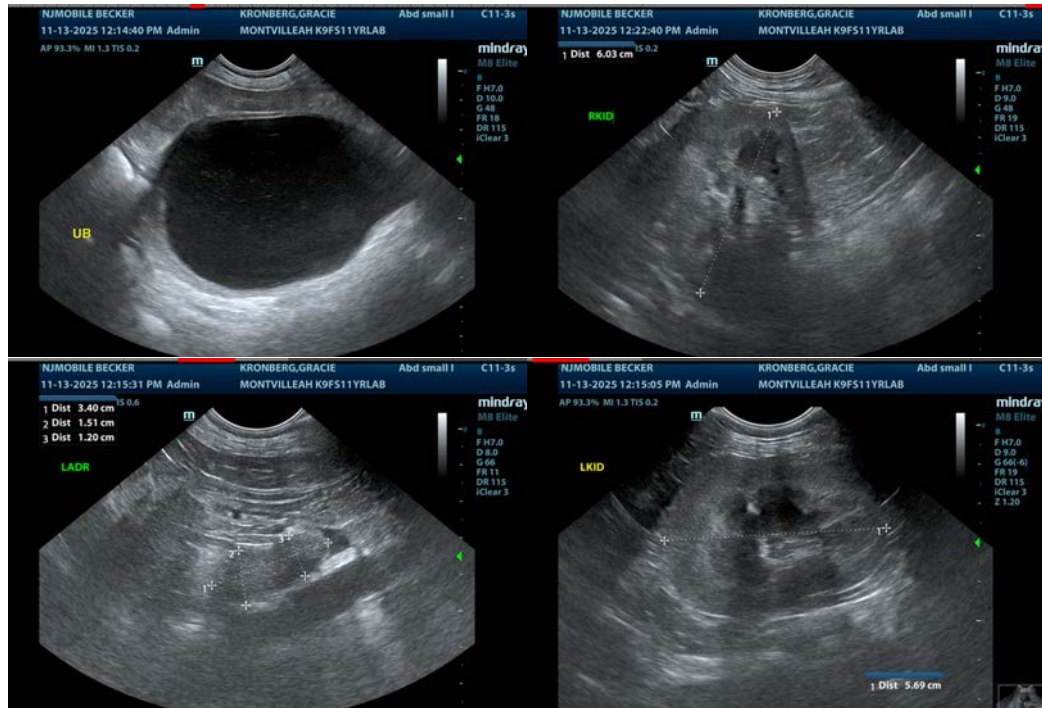
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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