



PATIENT

Chippy Roche

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Feline

BREED

DSH

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

12 Years 9 Months

WEIGHT

12 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

P presented for a weight loss of 4# since March. P is sleeping most of the day. No V/D. Still e/d. P wants human food and will search it out. Bloodwork and T4 normal.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder is moderately distended with urine. There is a moderate amount of suspended echogenic debris in the urine and dependent mineralized shadowing debris. The region of the trigone, ureteral papillae and proximal urethra appear free of any mass lesions or focal irregularities.

The left kidney has a normal shape and size (3.6 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 (4.24 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 0.36 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 0.26 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 (0.96 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 relatively uniform diameter with minimal fluid distension. 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 0.23 cm. Jejunum wall measures 0.19 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 formed fecal material and gas shadowing distally. There is no observed focal or generalized colon wall thickening or loss of layering.

Pancreas

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

Evaluation of the peritoneal cavity did not reveal any evidence of effusion. There is a mild lymphadenopathy, particularly in the region of the ileocecal junction with surrounding reactive mesentery. Examples of lymph nodes measure 0.63 cm x 1.19 cm and 0.35 cm.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Suspended echogenic debris and dependent mineralized debris in the urinary bladder – The echogenic debris in the bladder lumen could be consistent with cells, crystals, and/or mucus.
- Large lymph nodes and reactive mesentery in the region of the ileocecal junction – Findings are most consistent with reactive lymphadenopathy. An early neoplastic lesion cannot be ruled out.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The changes observed on today's scan are relatively mild. No focal mass lesions are observed. There is a mild lymphadenopathy in the region of the ileocecal junction with some reactive mesentery. This could be an indicator of underlying colonic or small intestinal disease, although other differentials are possible. Consider the following for further evaluation of a primary enteropathy:

- Consider a novel protein/hydrolyzed protein diet (exclusively at least 4-6 weeks)
- 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 an underlying enteropathy is strongly suspected and symptoms are persistent, biopsies of the GI tract may be warranted. Additionally, consider repeat imaging in the future (2-3 months, sooner if



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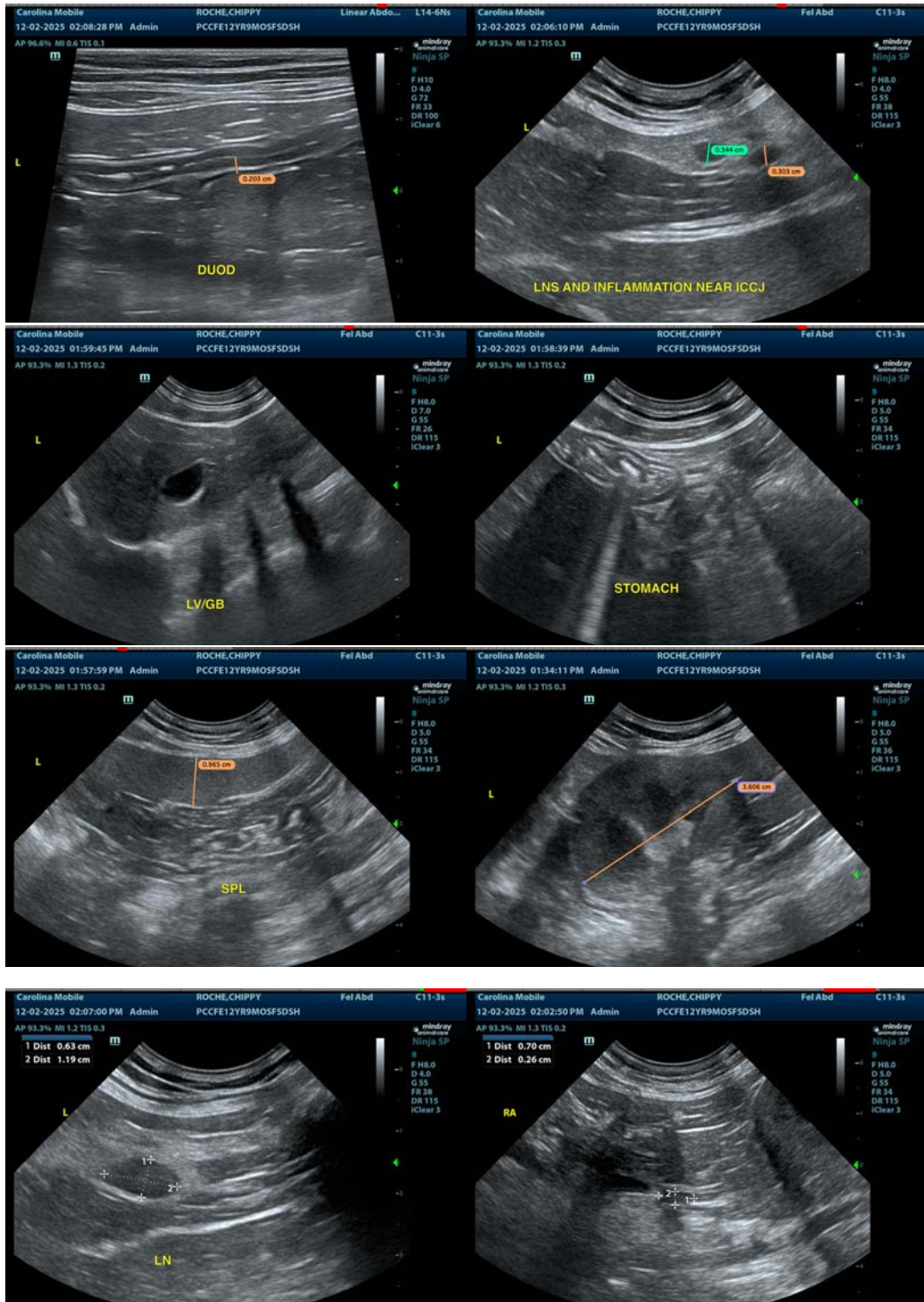
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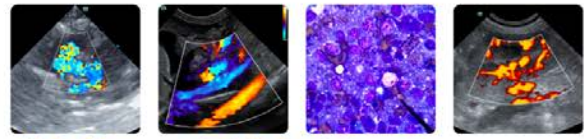
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concerned), looking for progression of today's lesions. If a safe window for sampling is available, you could consider a fine needle aspirate of an enlarged lymph node, although I suspect these would be challenging due to their relatively mild enlargement.





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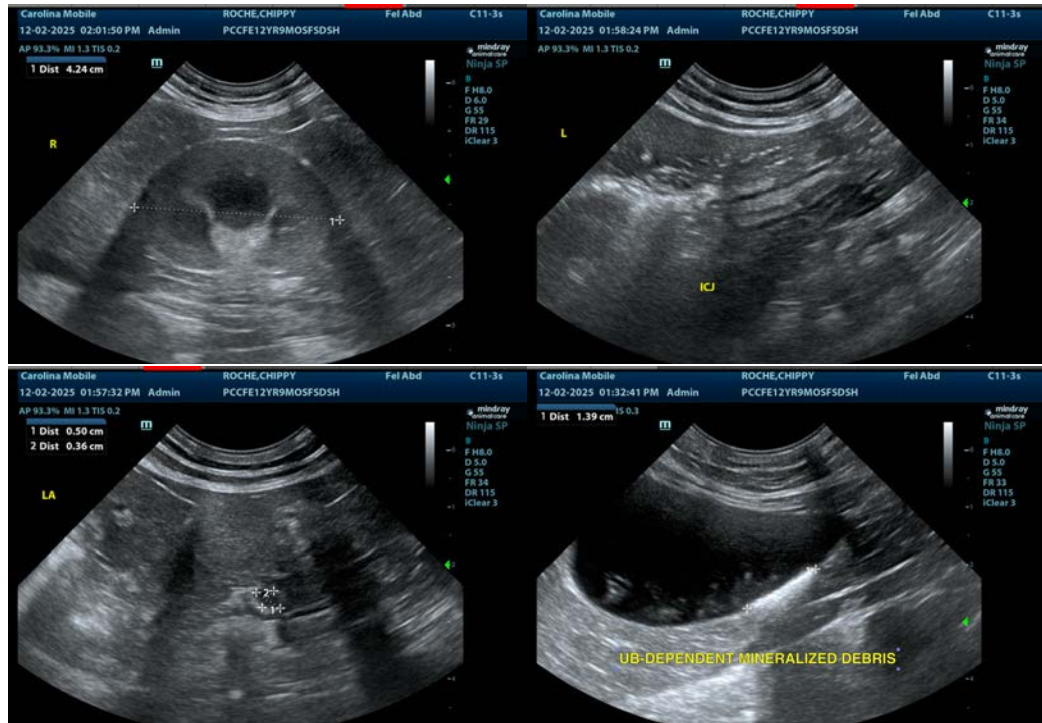
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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