



## PATIENT

Peyton Schell

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Labrador Retriever

## SEX

MN

## AGE

10 years

## WEIGHT

68.4 lbs

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

- Diabetic since 2023 - currently managed
- Presented on 2/18/26 for mass on neck, suspicious for cancer, want to make sure patient is clear for mass removal surgery on 2/23/26
- Fine Needle Aspirate of dorsal neck mass: Cytology revealed inflammation and atypical cells, concerning for neoplasia.
- FEVER, yesterday, Likely secondary to inflammation from the dorsal neck mass or paraneoplastic.
- Tachypnea/Panting - Likely multifactorial, secondary to fever and discomfort.
- Suspect Laryngeal Paralysis - Based on stertorous breathing sounds from the upper airway.
- Corneal Abrasion, OD - Diagnosed via positive fluorescein stain uptake.
- Alopecia, Dorsal Neck - Secondary to underlying inflammation from the mass.
- Patient did eat this morning due to being a diabetic
- Scheduled AUS last minute.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Chest rads cleared by a board-certified radiologist Elevated globulin, mild hypoalbuminemia UPC 1.7 See attached labs.

## 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 prostate is normal in size (1.31 cm) and shape for this neutered male dog. The parenchyma is homogenous and the external margins are smooth. The prostatic urethra appears normal with no evidence of irregularity, invasion, mass effect or calculi.

The left kidney has a normal shape and size (7.99 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 (7.28 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 0.48 cm at the cranial pole and 0.61 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 0.59 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.



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## Spleen

The spleen is subjectively normal in size (1.63 cm) and the echotexture is homogenous. The splenic capsule is smooth with no visible irregularities. The blood flow through the hilus and splenic parenchyma appears normal. No focal parenchymal abnormalities are visualized.

## Liver

The liver is large in size, and normal in echogenicity with smooth peripheral margins. The parenchyma is heterogenous in echotexture with subtle, indistinct focal mottling. 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.

## Gastrointestinal

The stomach is moderately dilated with fluid and irregular shadowing material most consistent with large ingesta and gas. 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 layering is adequate and there is no impression of reduced peristaltic activity. Shadowing ingesta interferes with full evaluation of the stomach and some areas of the cranial abdomen.

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. The duodenum measured as normal (0.4 cm in wall thickness) and the jejunum measured as normal (0.29 cm.) Visualized peristalsis appears appropriate. Much of the small intestine appears mildly to moderately gas distended, possibly consistent with a panting patient/aerophagia? The gas artifact interferes with full evaluation of the abdomen.

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 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

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

- Large, heterogenous liver. The diffuse hepatic changes are non-specific and could be consistent with vacuolar hepatopathy, nodular hyperplasia, inflammatory/immune-mediated disease, infiltrative neoplasia (less likely) or other hepatopathy. Findings could be consistent with diabetic hepatopathy.



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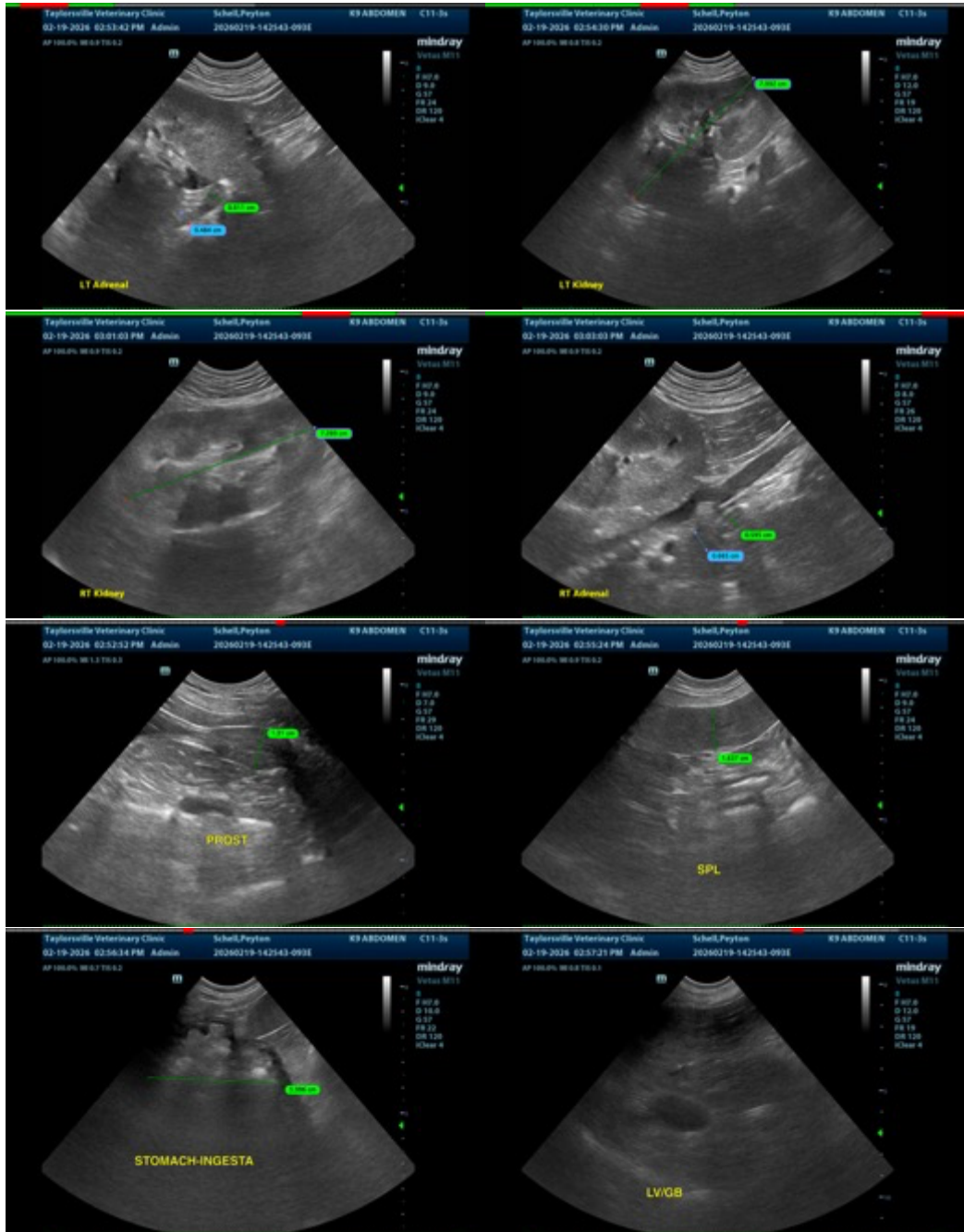
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## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The changes observed on today's scan are likely to be expected in a diabetic patient. No suspected metastatic lesions are observed, although this still cannot be ruled out.

Based on the reaction to aspiration, mast cell tumor with degranulation would be a concern. Consider treatment with H2 antagonists, baytril +/- low dose steroids.





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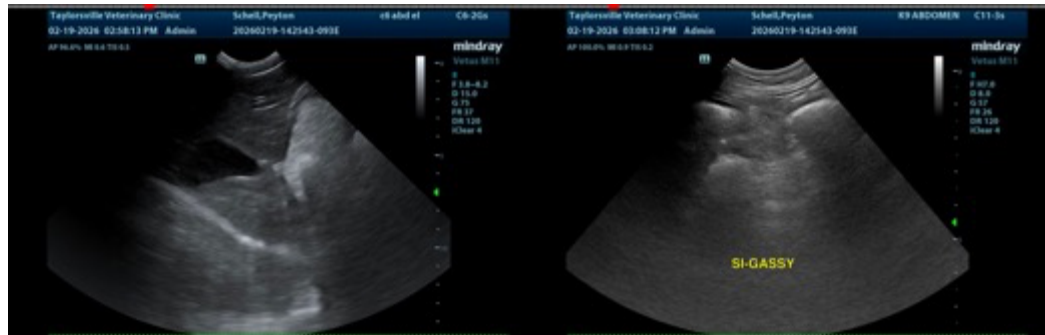
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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