

**PATIENT**

Buddy Fernandez

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Hound x

**SEX**

Neutered Male

**AGE**

6 Years

**WEIGHT**

63 lbs

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

P presented for ADR, vomiting diarrhea, not eating his kibble.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: WBC 20.3, Neu 14.8 NA 153, K+ 5.7, Tbili 0.4, Glob 4.3

**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 (0.88 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 (6.58 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 (6.62 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 0.59 cm at the cranial pole and 0.55 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.

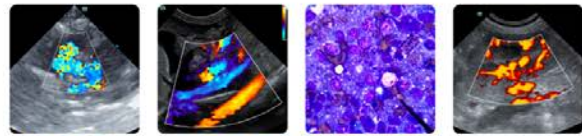
The right adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 1.13 cm at the cranial pole and 0.72 cm at the caudal pole. It is observed in its normal position between the cranial aspect of the right kidney and the caudal vena cava. It is normal in appearance (uniformly hypoechoic) and shape with no evidence of a mass effect.

**Spleen**

The spleen is subjectively normal in size (2.15 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.



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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. There is a moderate amount of non-organized echogenic debris. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not visible.

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**Gastrointestinal**

The stomach contains mild fluid and shadowing 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. There is hyperechoic, soft shadowing ingesta visualized at the pyloroduodenal junction. No evidence of an obstruction is noted. Non-obstructive foreign material is possible.

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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. Jejunum wall measures 0.36 cm. Duodenum wall measures 0.51 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 non-formed fecal material and gas shadowing distally. There is no observed focal or generalized colon wall thickening or loss of layering.

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**Pancreas**

The pancreas is visible/mildly mottled in the right limb. There is no evidence of nodules or cystic lesions. There is no evidence of regional mesenteric inflammation or fluid.

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**Free Abdomen**

Evaluation of the peritoneal cavity did not reveal any evidence of effusion. There is no significant lymphadenopathy. A prominent isoechoic lymph node in the iliac region measures 0.48 cm. The omentum is of normal echogenicity.

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**PRIMARY FINDINGS**

- Pancreatic changes most consistent with mild pancreatic remodeling in the right limb.
- Small amount of fluid and hyperechoic soft shadowing material visualized at the pyloroduodenal junction – Findings could represent some retained ingesta, a small amount of foreign material, etc. This does not appear obstructive at this time.

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**SECONDARY FINDINGS**

- Moderate gallbladder debris – The significance of the aggregated gallbladder debris is unclear. This could represent an early mucocele, cholestasis, or may be secondary to fasting but seems unlikely to be causing a current issue. Recommend continued monitoring.

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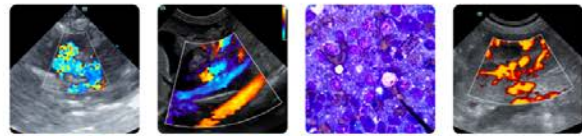
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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The gastric and small intestinal changes are relatively mild. There is a small amount of hyperechoic shadowing material visualized at the pyloroduodenal junction. This could be some retained ingesta, ingested foreign material, etc. An obstruction is not evident at this time. Recommend continued monitoring. If symptoms are persistent, consider repeat evaluation, looking for the persistence of this material.



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The colon is somewhat fluid distended, as would be expected with the diarrhea reported.

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Recommend continued non-specific treatment for gastroenterocolitis. Further evaluation could include:

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- A baseline cortisol to screen for Addison's.
- Parasite screening and empirical deworming if not already done.
- Infectious panel for canine diarrhea.

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If symptoms become chronic, consider a diet trial with a hydrolyzed protein prescription diet, probiotic therapy, etc. If symptoms are persistent, recommend repeat imaging to further assess the possible need for upper GI endoscopy.

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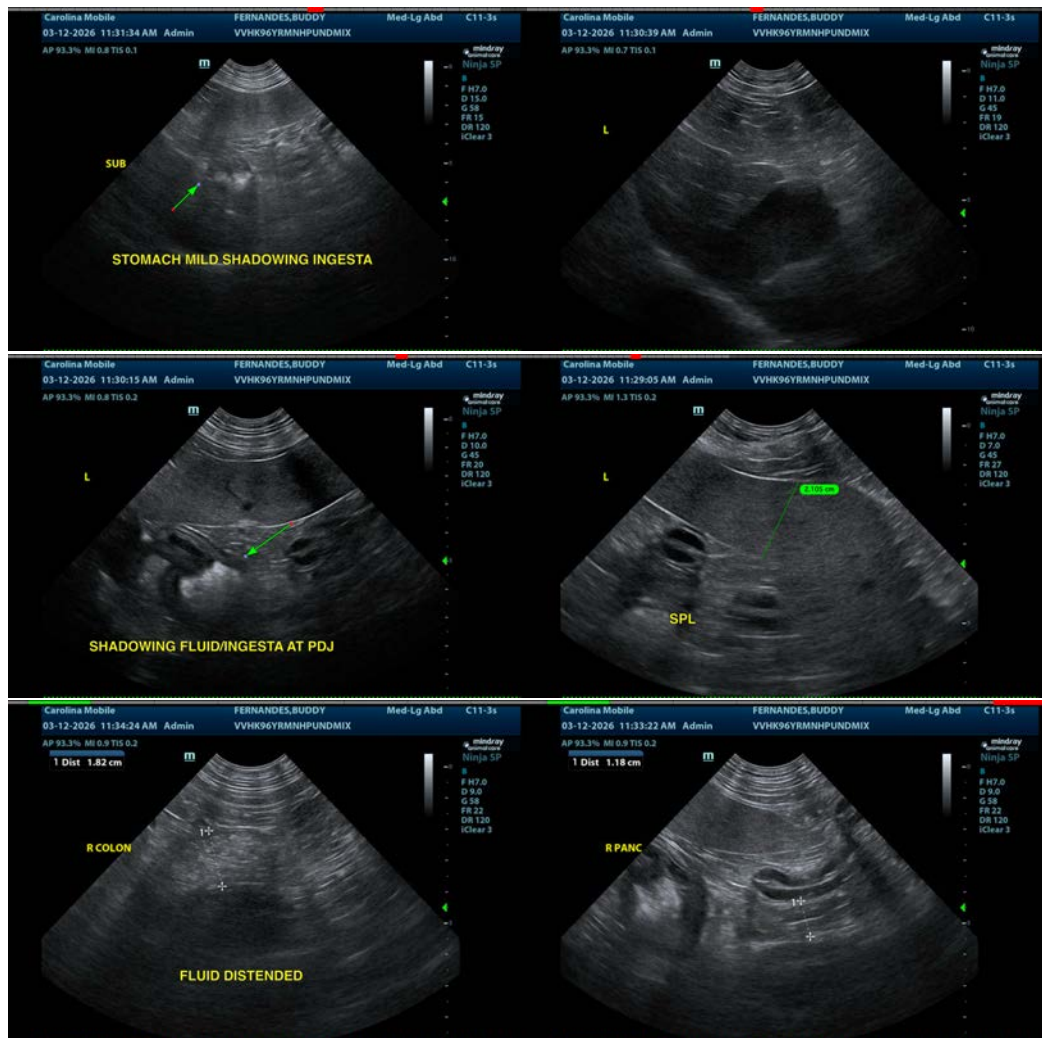
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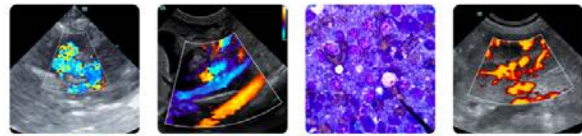
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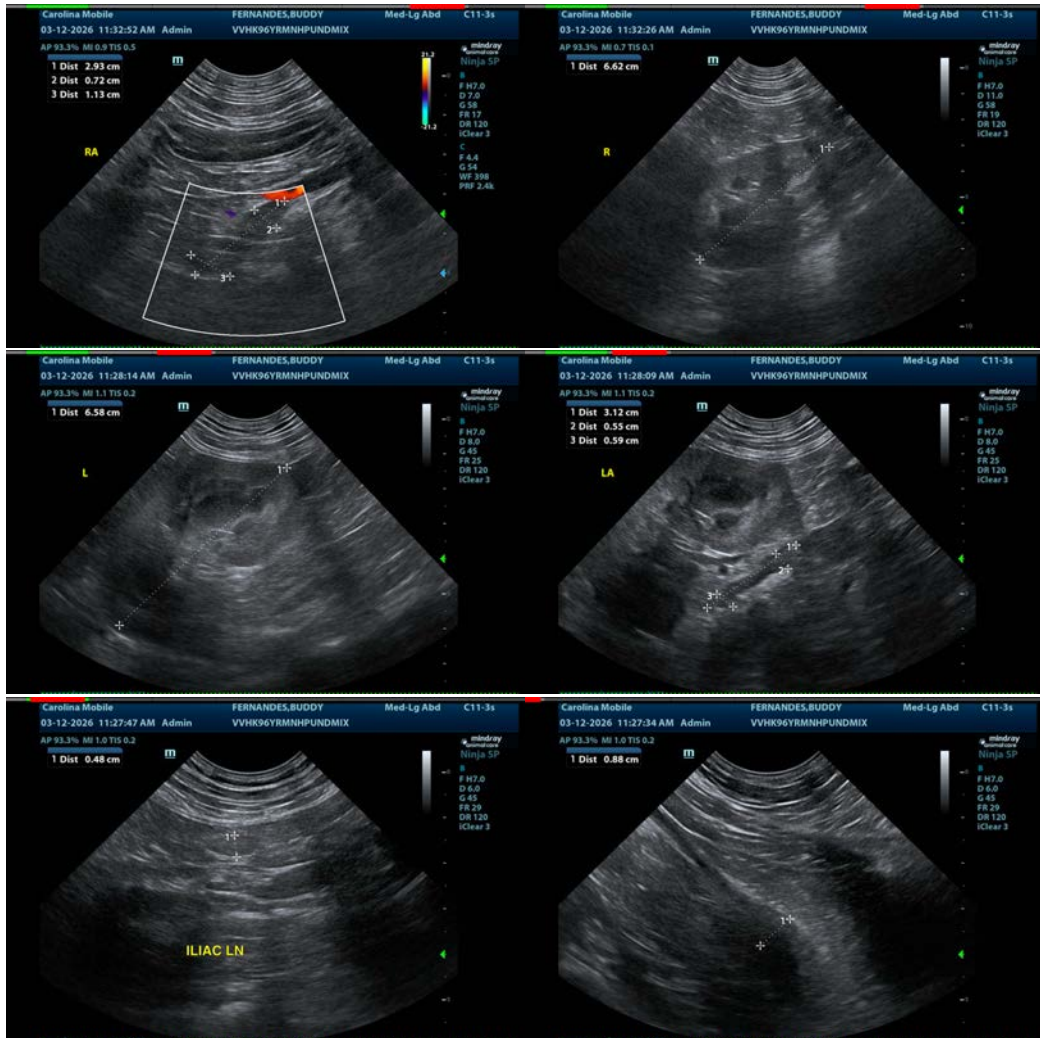
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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