



PATIENT

Bentley Winger

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Westie

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

5 Years 3 Months

WEIGHT

18.2 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Bentley is an uncontrolled diabetic with recent development of multi-focal skin pustules and lesions. Decreased appetite and diarrhea noted this morning and persistent PU/PD. Bloodwork showed elevated liver values - ALT 250, ALP >2000, GGT 19, pancreatic lipase 927, K 3 (L), glucose 331 (H). Blood ketones were 2.7 mmol/L. Urinalysis showed increased protein 30 mg/dL, glucosuria 1000 mg/dL, ketones 150 mg/dL, and concern for bacteria present.

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 (0.95 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 (4.73 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 (5.33 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 0.46 cm at the cranial pole and 0.48 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 0.37 cm at the cranial pole and 0.40 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 (1.02 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 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.



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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 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. 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 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 0.37 cm. Jejunum wall measures 0.28 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 right limb and body of 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.

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Free Abdomen

Evaluation of the peritoneal cavity did not reveal any evidence of effusion. There is no significant lymphadenopathy noted. A sublumbar lymph node is visualized measuring 0.54 cm.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Pancreatic changes most consistent with chronic pancreatic remodeling +/- mild pancreatitis.
- Large, 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.
- Moderate shadowing ingesta visualized within the gastric lumen – Findings are most consistent with a non-fasted patient. If the patient was adequately fasted, consider such differentials as delayed gastric emptying.
- Prominent sublumbar lymph node – Findings are most consistent with a reactive lymph node. Early neoplastic change cannot be ruled out.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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The pancreas is somewhat prominent, particularly in the right limb and the region of the body. No other focal gastrointestinal lesions are observed. The appearance is relatively mild, but mild pancreatitis is possible. Correlate with a PLI level and consider empirical treatment for gastroenteritis/pancreatitis.



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The liver is large and heterogeneous, most consistent with a diabetic hepatopathy.

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No obvious causes are identified for poor diabetic regulation. Initially recommend non-specific acute care for pancreatitis and gastroenteritis +/- colitis. If symptoms are persistent, additional evaluation/treatment should be considered. These could include the following:

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- Recommend parasite screening and empirical deworming.

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- Consider an infectious diarrhea panel.
- Consider a novel protein/hydrolyzed protein diet (exclusively at least 4-6 weeks)

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- 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.

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Recommend urinalysis and culture to screen for possible urinary tract infection, and consider consultation with a veterinary dermatologist regarding the dermatologic issues present.

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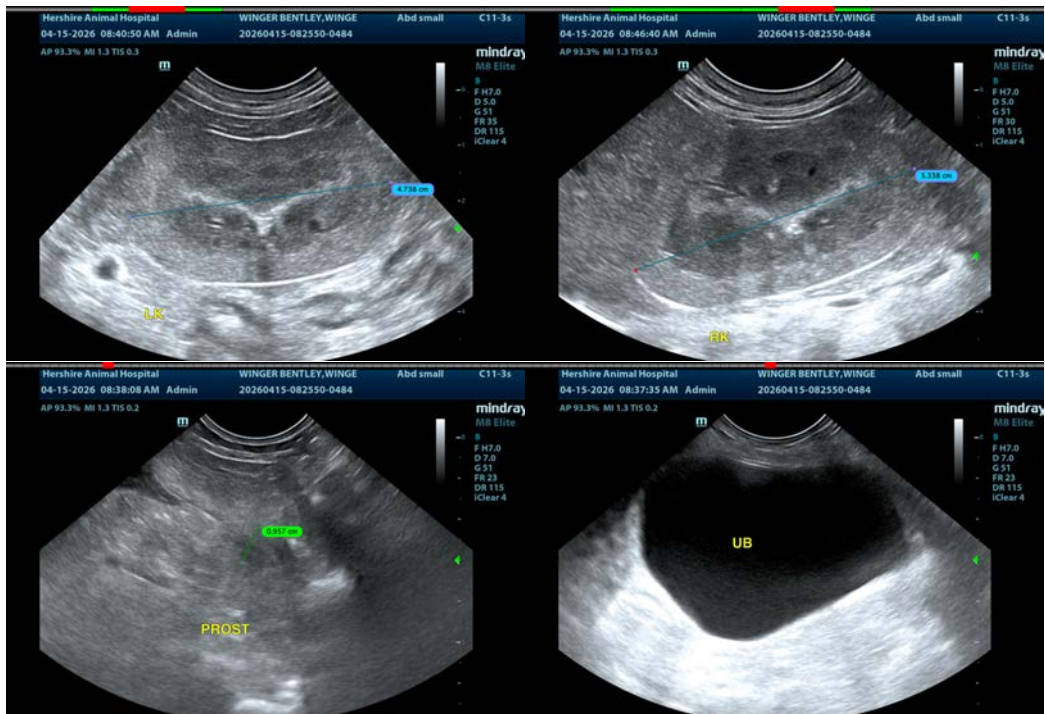
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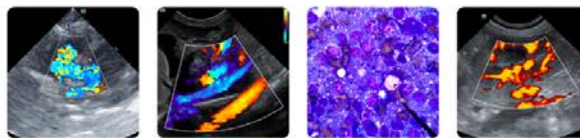
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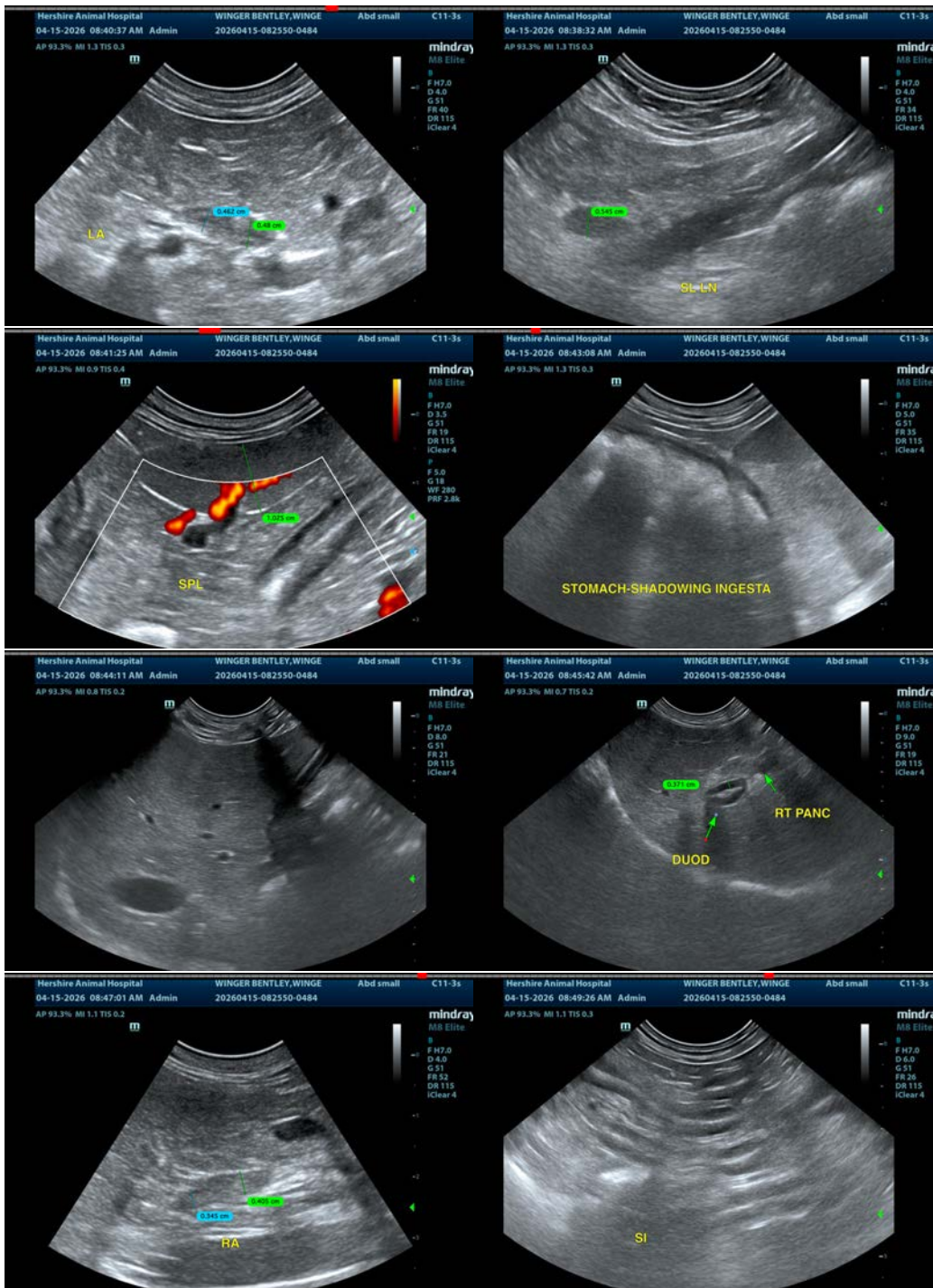
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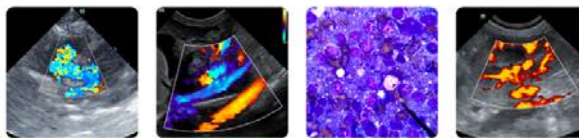
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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