



PATIENT

Billy Green

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Boston Terrier

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

14 Years

WEIGHT

31.75 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Started coughing July 25, pants all night with a clicking sound, becoming more frequent and is now waking owner up panting. Coughs all night. Has had a known heart murmur for a while now. Grade 4/6 but hard to hear due to stress panting. Suggest rads. Heart looks enlarged VHS 13.32 with moderate lung congestion. As of April 14, 26 has started having episodes of passing out and that has become more and more often. Energy low, not playing as much. Vetmedin, Furosemide, Gabapentin.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder is moderately distended with anechoic urine. The Bladder wall appears diffusely thickened and irregular, measuring 0.43 cm in the apical region. The region of the trigone and ureteral papillae appears free of any mass lesions. A small pinpoint mineralization is visualized in the dependent region measuring 0.26 cm.

The prostate is normal in size (1.11 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 (4.86 cm). Overall echogenicity is slightly hyperechoic with poor 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 (5.76 cm). Overall echogenicity is slightly hyperechoic with mildly reduced 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 0.70 cm at the cranial pole and 0.78 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 large, measuring 1.4 cm at the cranial pole and 0.86 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 large and rounded. The parenchyma is heterogenous in echotexture with subtle, indistinct focal mottling. The visible portions of the vasculature and biliary tract appear normal. There is an anechoic cystic structure visualized in the mid region of the liver measuring 1.11 cm in diameter.



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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 minimal luminal contents. The gastric wall appears prominent/mildly thickened with intact wall layering, measuring at 0.73 cm. 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 0.43 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 left limb of the pancreas is prominent and mottled 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, 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.

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PRIMARY FINDINGS

- Mildly thickened, irregular urinary bladder wall with a small dependent mineralization – Findings are most consistent with diffuse cystitis and a small stone. Correlate with urinalysis, culture, +/- radiographs.
- 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.
- Large, heterogeneous, rounded 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 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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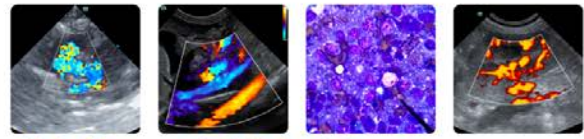
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SECONDARY FINDINGS

- Age related changes visualized associated with both kidneys.
- Pancreatic changes most consistent with chronic pancreatic remodeling +/- chronic pancreatitis.
- Prominent/thickened gastric wall with intact wall layering – The stomach wall thickening could be consistent with inflammation, edema, infiltrative neoplasia, imaging artifact due to rugal folds, other.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Both adrenals are large and the liver appears large and heterogeneous. The appearance could be consistent with a vacuolar hepatopathy. This combination could be concerning for pituitary dependent hyperadrenocorticism. Correlate with current lab work. This can cause panting, which could be exacerbating the symptoms described. If Cushing's is strongly suspected and the patient does not have other concurrent illness (heart disease is ruled out), consider adrenal function testing to further evaluate, as well as a blood pressure and urinalysis.

The urinary bladder is slightly irregular and thickened, with a very small stone present. Recommend the aforementioned urinalysis +/- urine culture for further evaluation. A neoplastic process is thought less likely.

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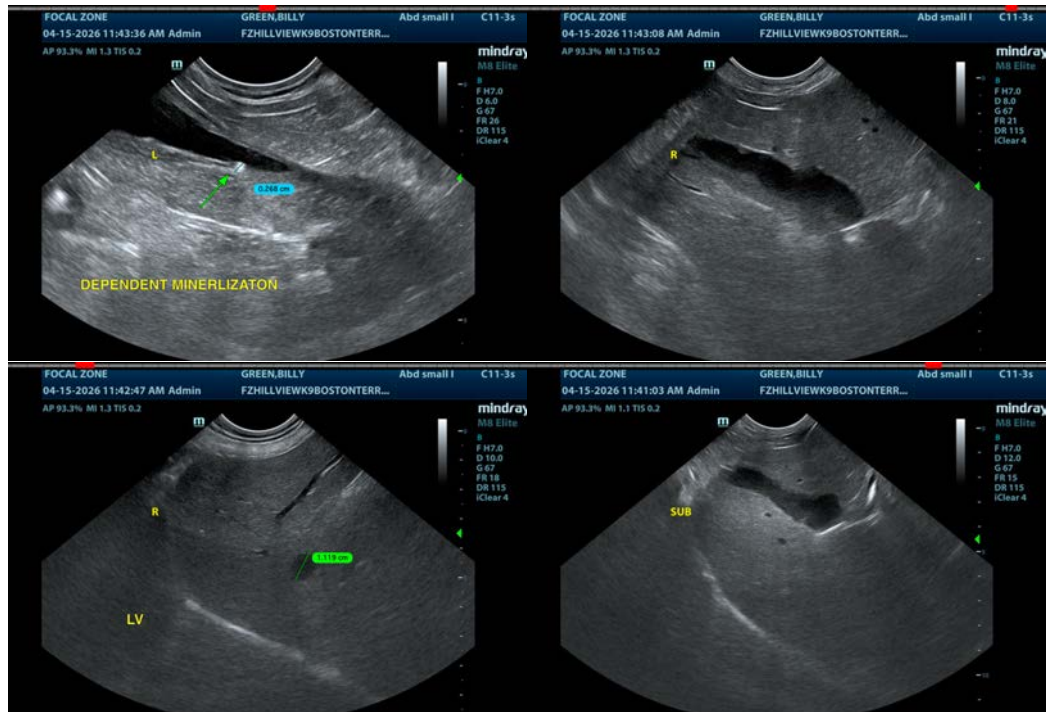
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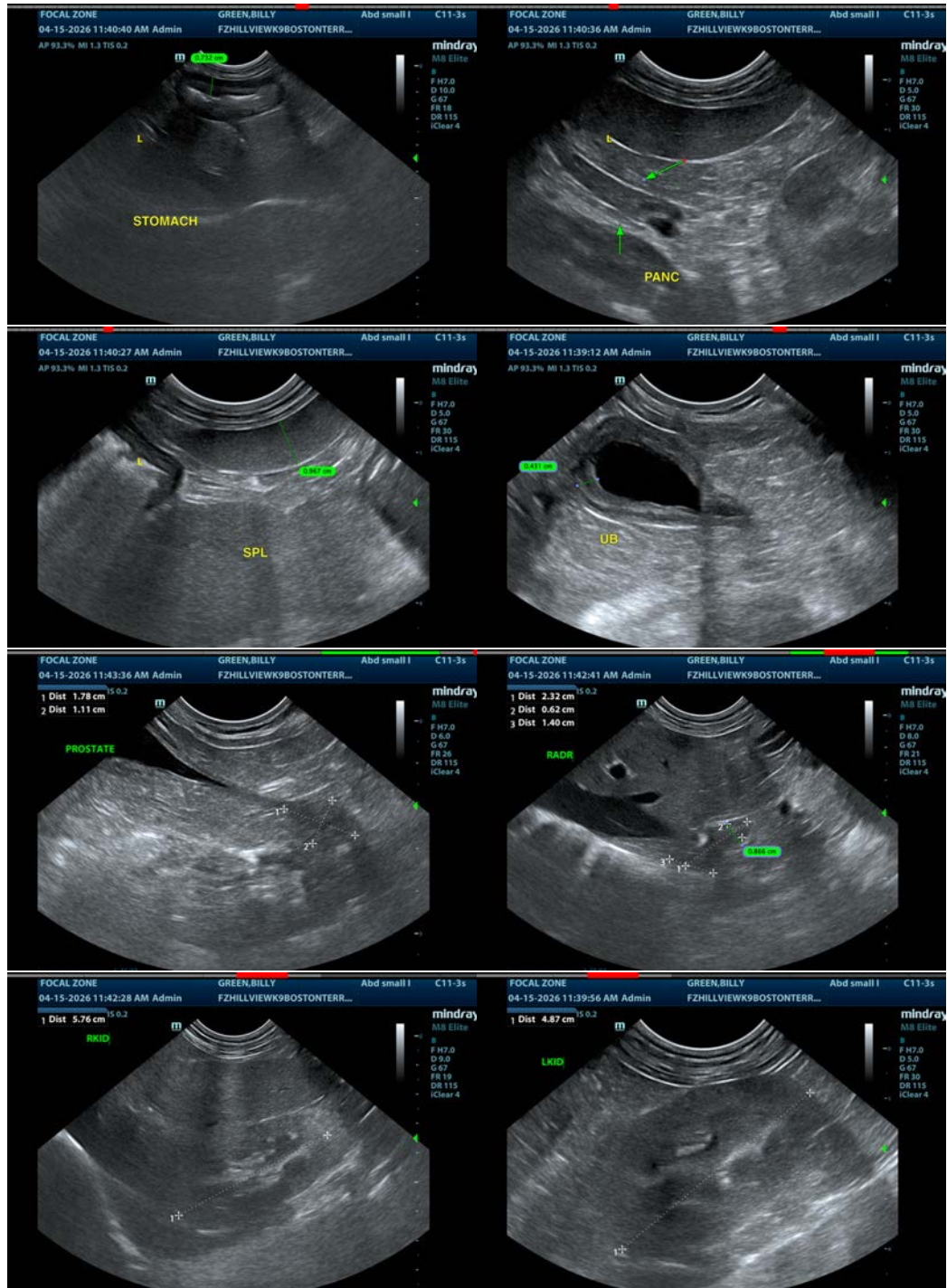
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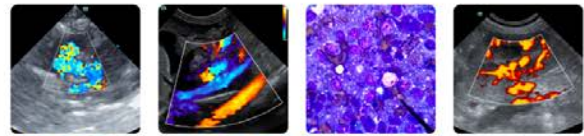
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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