



PATIENT

Happi Dean

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Dachshund

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

9 Years 7 Months

WEIGHT

15.9 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

P presented for recheck US. P had splenic mass and irregular LA. P had splenectomy and diagnosed with HSA as well as another cutaneous HSA.

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 (1.09 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 (4.16 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 (4.37 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 large and irregular in shape, measuring 0.99 cm at the cranial pole and 0.51 cm at the caudal pole. It is observed in its normal position cranial to the left renal artery. It is somewhat abnormal in appearance in that there is a hyperechoic nodule at the cranial pole measuring 0.94 cm x 1.28 cm. No evidence of vascular invasion is visualized. Previous measurement in 9/2025 was 1.21 cm x 0.89 cm.

The right adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 0.65 cm at the cranial pole and 0.36 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 surgically absent. The splenic fossa is evaluated. There is a mixed echogenicity poorly defined hyperechoic structure visualized measuring approximately 0.94 cm x 0.67 cm with a small hypoechoic center.

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. 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 mild fluid/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 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 0.30 cm. Jejunum wall measures 0.27 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.

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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.

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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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Other

The right auricle and pericardium were visualized and were unremarkable. No obvious pathology is visualized. If cardiac function evaluation is desired a full echocardiogram is warranted.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Hyperechoic nodule at the cranial pole of the left adrenal gland – Today’s measurements are slightly larger than the previous measurements. This still has somewhat of a benign appearance.
- Mixed echogenicity structure visualized in the region of the splenic fossa – Findings could represent a reactive lymph node or a metastatic omental nodule.

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The hyperechoic nodule at the cranial pole of the left adrenal gland measures as slightly larger than on the previous evaluation but still has benign characteristics. If this lesion is growing, it is growing slowly, potentially consistent with a less aggressive lesion.

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There is a mixed echogenicity structure visualized in the splenic fossa. The nature of this structure is uncertain. This could represent a reactive lymph node or potentially a metastatic omental nodule. If a safe window for sampling is available, you could consider a fine needle aspirate. Otherwise, continued monitoring and potential consultation with a veterinary oncologist to consider chemotherapeutic

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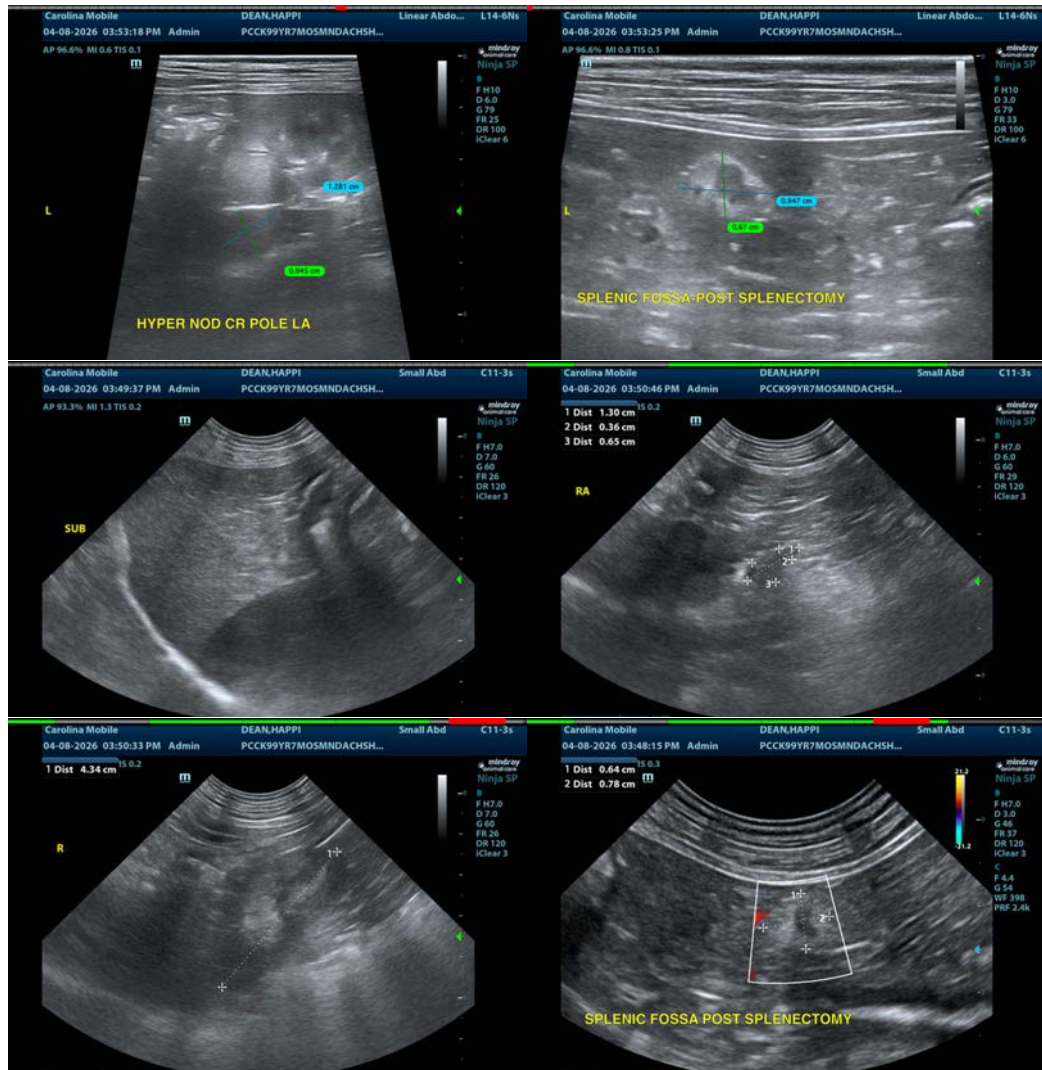
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options could be considered.

Recommend three view thoracic radiographs to evaluate for possible concurrent thoracic disease/involvement (disregard if this has already been done).





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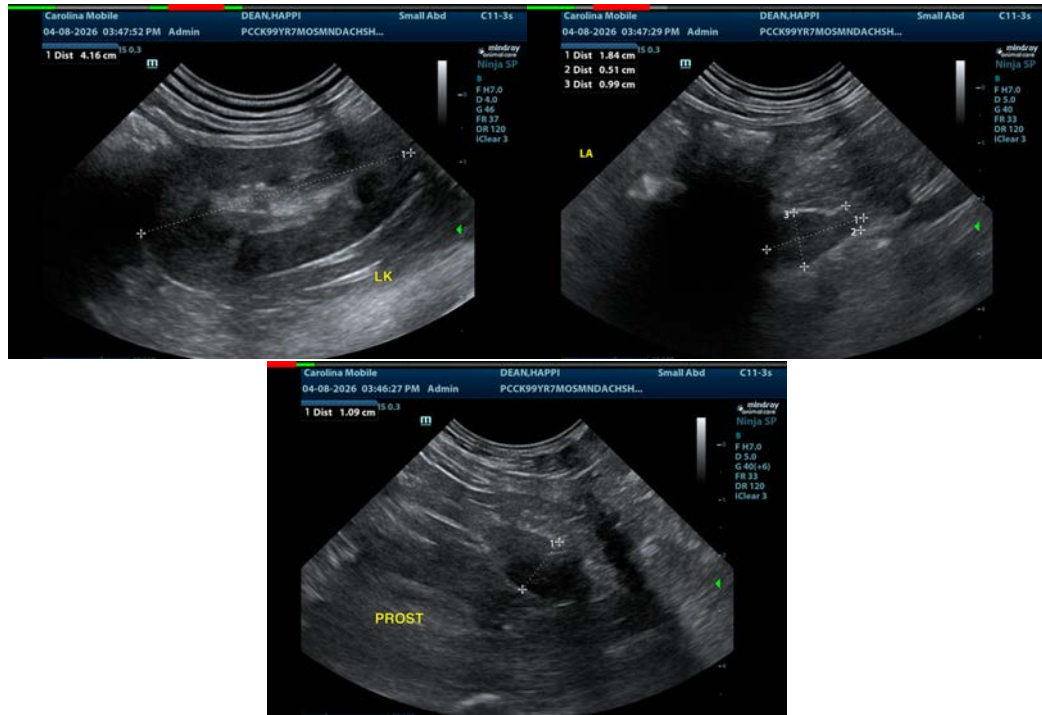
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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