



PATIENT

Buster Zeglin

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Boston Terrier

SEX

MN

AGE

11 years

WEIGHT

35.8 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Patient presented with weight loss, PU/PD, and increased appetite. Physical exam revealed grade 2/6 systolic murmur, weight loss of 3lbs since January, severe dental disease, and otitis externa AD.

Brief Patient History: Left eye enucleated. Right eye has glaucoma and is under treatment with an ophthalmologist (Dr. Kim Stans, Veterinary Eye Care of Western New York).

History from Owner: Owner reports the patient has gained 2 lbs recently. He was previously losing weight, peeing a lot, and eating like a pig. The increased appetite has resolved in the last couple of days. Patient is fed a homemade diet of chicken breast, salmon, liver, sweet potatoes, carrots, pumpkin, and broccoli. Energy level is pretty good, though he was lethargic for a few days. No vomiting, other than occasional bile vomiting when hungry. No coughing but has been panting more.

CLINICAL SIGNS: Weightloss, PU/PD, Increased appetite. Patient was sedated with 0.3 mL of butorphanol IM for the ultrasound.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: WBC: 4.8 K/uL (low) - Lymphocytes: 0.763 K/uL (low) - Eosinophils: 0.082 K/uL (low) - Platelets: 445 K/uL (high) - Cholesterol: 402 mg/dL (high) - Urine Cystatin B: 110 ng/mL (high) - USG: 1.044 - Urine pH: 7.0 - Urine Protein 1+ - Total T4 1.6 µg/dL (wnl)

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 (0.98 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 (5.44 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 (5.96 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 plump in size measuring 0.85 cm at the cranial pole and 0.87 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 plump in size measuring 0.93 cm at the cranial pole and 0.7 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 (1.51 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 normal 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 contains minimal luminal contents. 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.

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 (0.47 cm in wall thickness) and the jejunum measured as normal (0.38 cm.) Visualized peristalsis appears appropriate. There were no focal lesions consistent with obstruction or a mass effect observed.

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 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

- Borderline plump adrenals. Findings are most consistent with anatomic variation or bilateral hyperplasia.
- Mildly 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.



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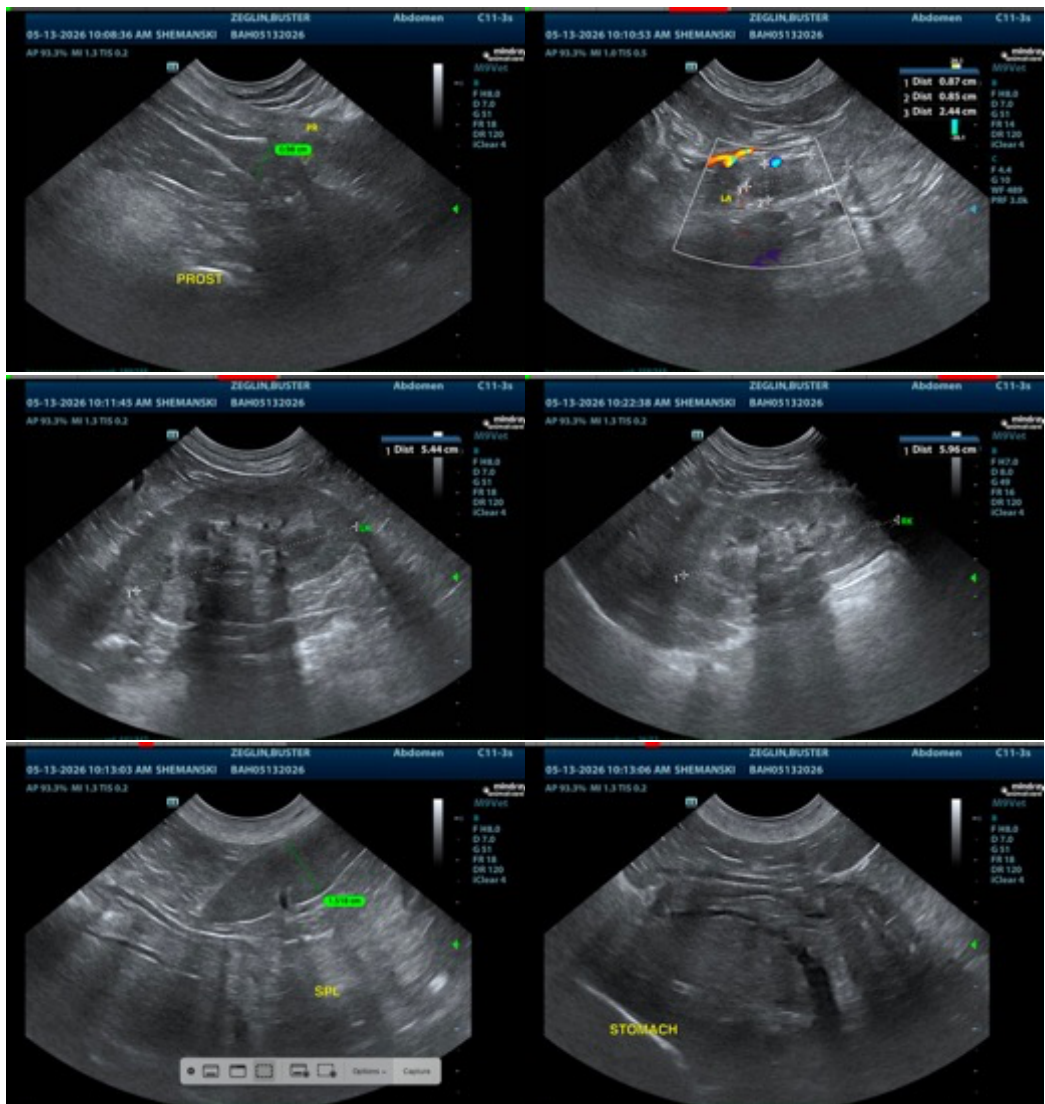
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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Both adrenals appear somewhat plump and the liver is mildly heterogenous, possibly consistent with an early vacuolar hepatopathy. Consider adrenal function testing to further evaluate for hyperadrenocorticism.





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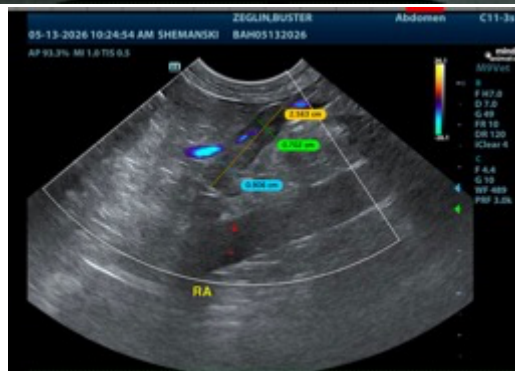
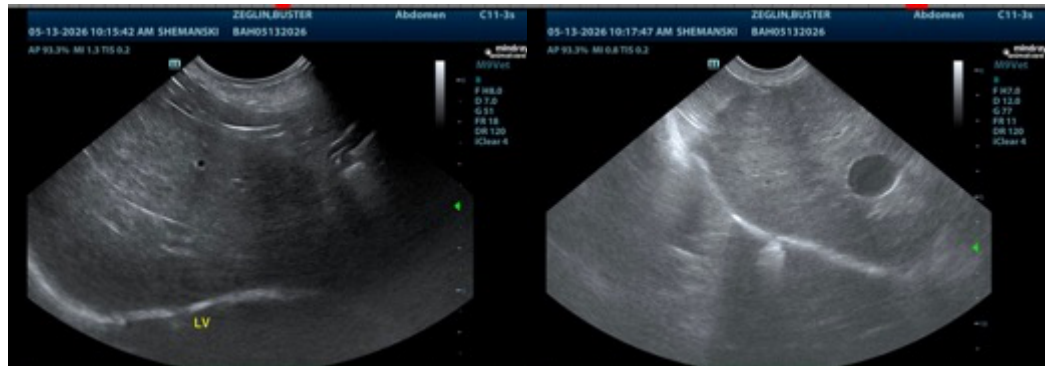
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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