

**DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

8/27/21 History: p is a 10y FS DSH that presented on 8/19/2021 for hematuria. Prior to this visit, patient presented in 5/21 for similar issues. Additionally, patient is underweight and is slowly and progressively losing weight. Owner obtained patient from a neighbor in 5/19, so patient previous hx is unknown. Current Medications: 8/16/2021 Convenia injection given at hospital.

**PATIENT**

Pockets Montalvo

**SPECIES**

Feline

**BREED**

DSH

**SEX**

Spayed Female

**AGE**

5/24/11

**WEIGHT**

5.64 Pounds

**INTERPRETED BY**

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**HOSPITAL NAME**

Northwind AH

**REFERRING VET**

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**INVOICE**

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Lab Results: 8/19/21: UA/Sedimentation, WBC 2/HPF, RBC 3/HPS, suspected of rods/cocci. 11/8/20: CBC, Chem 17+lytes, T4: WNL.

Radiographs: Not provided by the veterinarian.

Date of Previous IntraPet Ultrasound: No previous IntraPet scans.

Sedation: Not needed.

Stat Report: Not requested.

**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 left kidney has a normal shape and size (3.24 cm). Overall echogenicity is normal with adequate corticomedullary distinction and a typical 1:3 cortex:medulla ratio. There is no evidence of perinephric inflammation or effusion. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal. Corticomedullary rim sign is present.

The right kidney has a normal shape and size (3.86 cm). Overall echogenicity is normal with adequate corticomedullary distinction and a typical 1:3 cortex:medulla ratio. There is no evidence of perinephric inflammation or effusion. There is no evidence of pyelectasia, nephroliths, infarcts or hydroureter. Renal vasculature is normal. Corticomedullary rim sign is present.

**Adrenal Glands**

The region of left adrenal (Cranial to left renal artery) is unremarkable but the adrenal is not distinctly visualized. No evidence of a mass effect.

The right adrenal gland is normal in size measuring 0.35 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, 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 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 gallbladder lumen is moderately distended. The wall of the gall bladder is not thickened and has a smooth mucosal surface. Luminal contents are primarily anechoic. The cystic and common bile ducts are normal/not visible.

### ***Gastrointestinal***

The stomach contains minimal luminal contents. It measures at a normal thickness of <0.36cm 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 uniform diameter with minimal fluid distension. Wall thickness is normal to slightly increased. Bowel loops follow a typical curvilinear path with distinct wall layering, but some areas display a prominent muscularis layer which does not display the typical 1:3 muscularis:mucosa layer ratio. Jejunum wall measures 0.32 cm. Visualized peristalsis appears appropriate. There is a focal section of small bowel with complete loss of layering and thickened intestinal wall. This section extends for over 3.0 cm, and the wall thickness is at 0.4 cm.

The ileocecal junction was visualized and exhibited normal intact wall layering and is subjectively of normal thickness. 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.

## **PRIMARY FINDINGS**

- Focal area of thickened bowel with complete loss of layering – The bowel wall thickening could be consistent with inflammation, edema, or infiltrative neoplasia. A reduction in the detail of wall layering favors either severe intestinal disease or neoplastic infiltration. Biopsy is recommended.
- Heterogeneous liver – Hepatic changes are non-specific and could be consistent with inflammation/infection (cholangiohepatitis), infiltrative neoplasia, lipidosis or other hepatopathy.

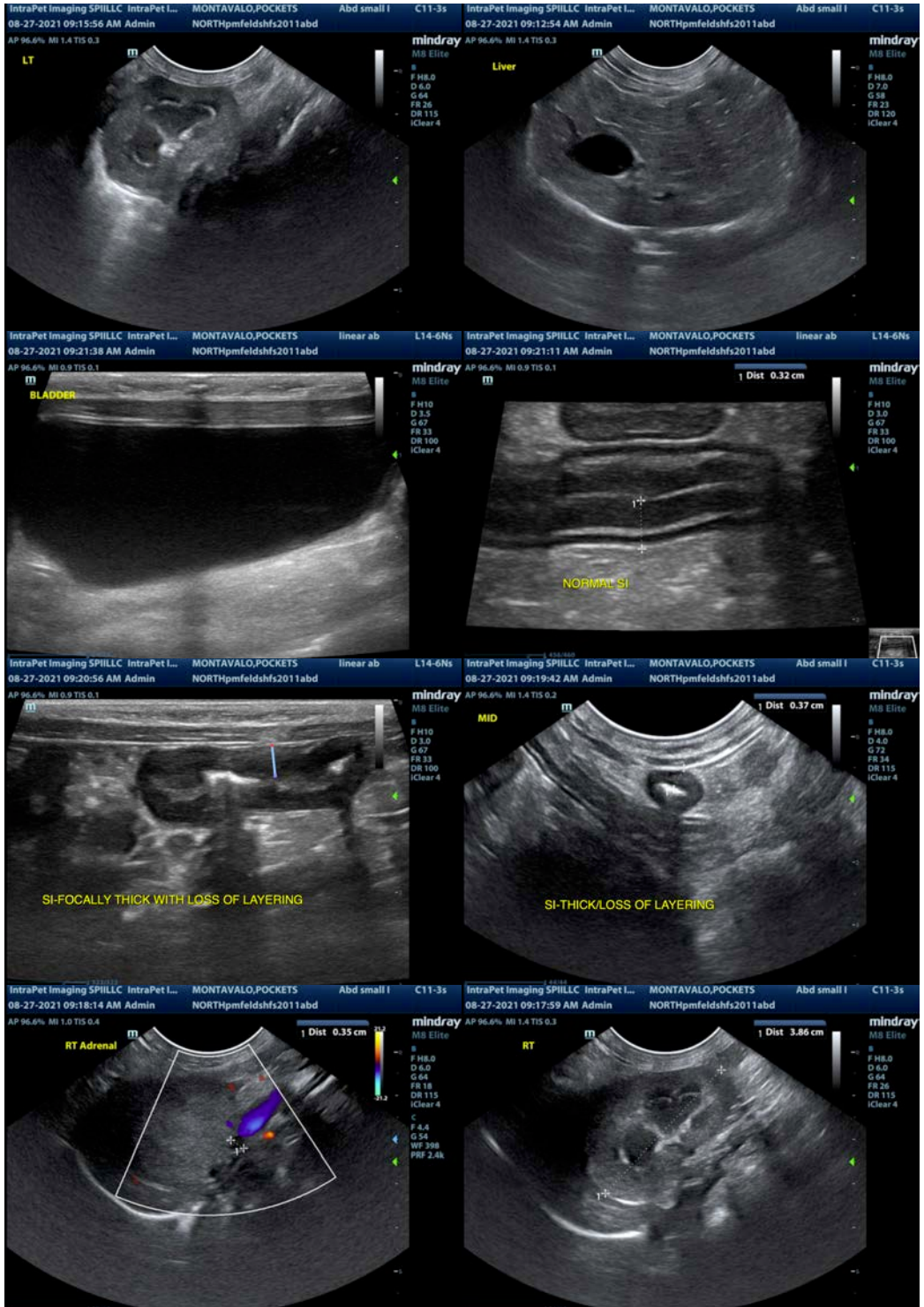
## **SECONDARY FINDINGS**

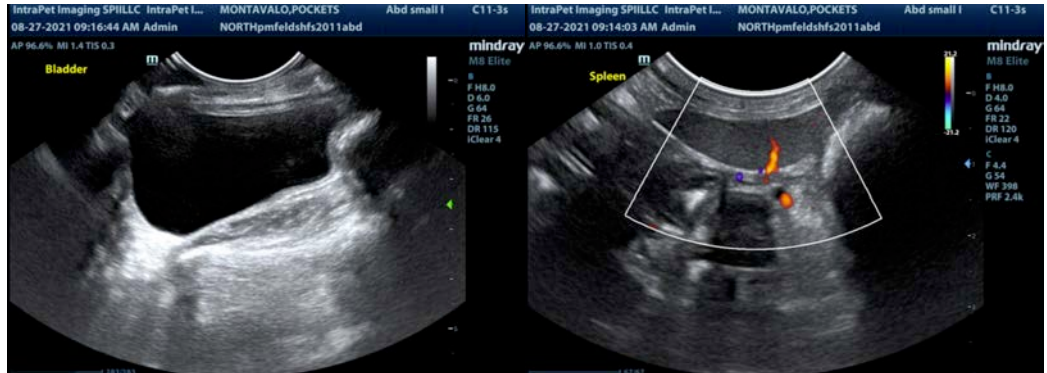
- Corticomedullary rim sign present in both kidneys – Clinical significance uncertain, can be seen in normal patients and in cases of FIP, chronic interstitial nephritis, and leptospirosis.

## **INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

There is a focal section of small intestine with complete loss of layering, which appears very thickened. This is concerning for a focal mass effect. Consider fine needle aspirate of this bowel loop. If unable to obtain a diagnosis based on cytology, recommend surgical resection with biopsy, as concern for a neoplastic process is high, but other possibilities exist. Correlate liver findings with lab work. If labs are normal, this may be an incidental finding. Additionally, the renal changes can be a normal finding in some individuals.

A cause for the hematuria reported was not identified. I did not observe a focal lesion or stones. Recommend urinalysis and culture and continued monitoring. If all other processes are ruled out, this could be interstitial cystitis.





The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. 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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