



PATIENT

Puddin Joncas

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

DMH

SEX

FS

AGE

15 years

WEIGHT

6.72

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HOSPITAL NAME

Lanier AH

REFERRING VET

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10/13/22

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Dr. Pet Patient started on prednisolone by previous vet in fall 2021 after months of frequent vomiting thinking she may have IBD/GI lymphoma. The symptoms improved for awhile. Yearly bloodwork done in June 2022 showed she was hyperthyroid. Since starting methimazole, she has begun vomiting again, lost weight, seems lethargic. She grazes on hydrolyzed dry food and stopped eating her wet food, so it was recently switched to a different flavor. She did not defecate for over 48 hours this last weekend, had 2 enemas prior to the ultrasounds, and only produced a small amount of feces. Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Hyperthyroid (T4 7.7) since June 2022, controlled with methimazole now. Patient lost 1 pound in the span of one month. Liver values have gone up since starting methimazole (ALT 197, ALP 115).

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder, trigone, cystourethral junction, and visible pelvic urethra to a depth of 2.0 cm exhibited normal thickness and tone. Anechoic urine was present in the lumen with no uroliths or sediment. The ureteral papillae were normal. The ureters were not visible which is normal. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes was noted.

The area of the aortic trifurcation was free of pathology.

Normal size and margination were present in the kidneys. A normal 1:3 cortex / medulla ratio was maintained. The medulla and cortices were uniform in texture with some increased echogenicity and mild loss of corticomedullary symmetry and definition expected for the age of the patient. No evidence of pyelectasia was present. The left kidney measured 3.1 cm in length. The right kidney measured 3.3 cm in length.

Adrenal Glands

The left adrenal gland was uniform in size and contour with a uniformly hypoechoic parenchyma. The left adrenal gland measured 0.38 cm width. No overt pathology was noted in the area of the right adrenal gland.

Spleen

The spleen exhibited a finely textured and homogenous parenchyma which was hyperechoic to the liver and renal cortical parenchyma. The capsule was smooth and regular without apparent expansion. The splenic vasculature at the hilus was normal in volume with no evidence of congestion or thrombosis. Acute to chronic inflammatory, neoplastic, or benign parenchyma changes were not noted. The spleen measured 0.5 cm width at the level of the hilus.

Liver/ Gallbladder

The liver was subjectively normal in size, structure, and contour. The liver parenchyma was mildly nonuniform and hypoechoic to the spleen with a moderate coarse echotexture and subjective mild to benign parenchymal remodeling. The hepatic and portal vasculature were normal in appearance without signs of congestion. The gallbladder was non-distended in size with thin walls and primarily anechoic



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SPECIES	<i>Gastrointestinal</i>
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Mavis McCormick	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low-grade hepatopathy - subjectively benign • Nondistended gallbladder with mild nonobstructive proximal common bile duct dilation - age-related common bile duct changes, potential for mild cholangitis • Mild chronic renal changes • Overtly normal gastrointestinal tract / pancreas
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Lanier AH	Largely geriatric abdomen without evidence of significant visceral pathology.
REFERRING VET	Screening hepatic FNA cytology could be considered for further assessment and primarily to potentially identify inflammatory cell type if present, i.e., cholangiohepatitis or other.
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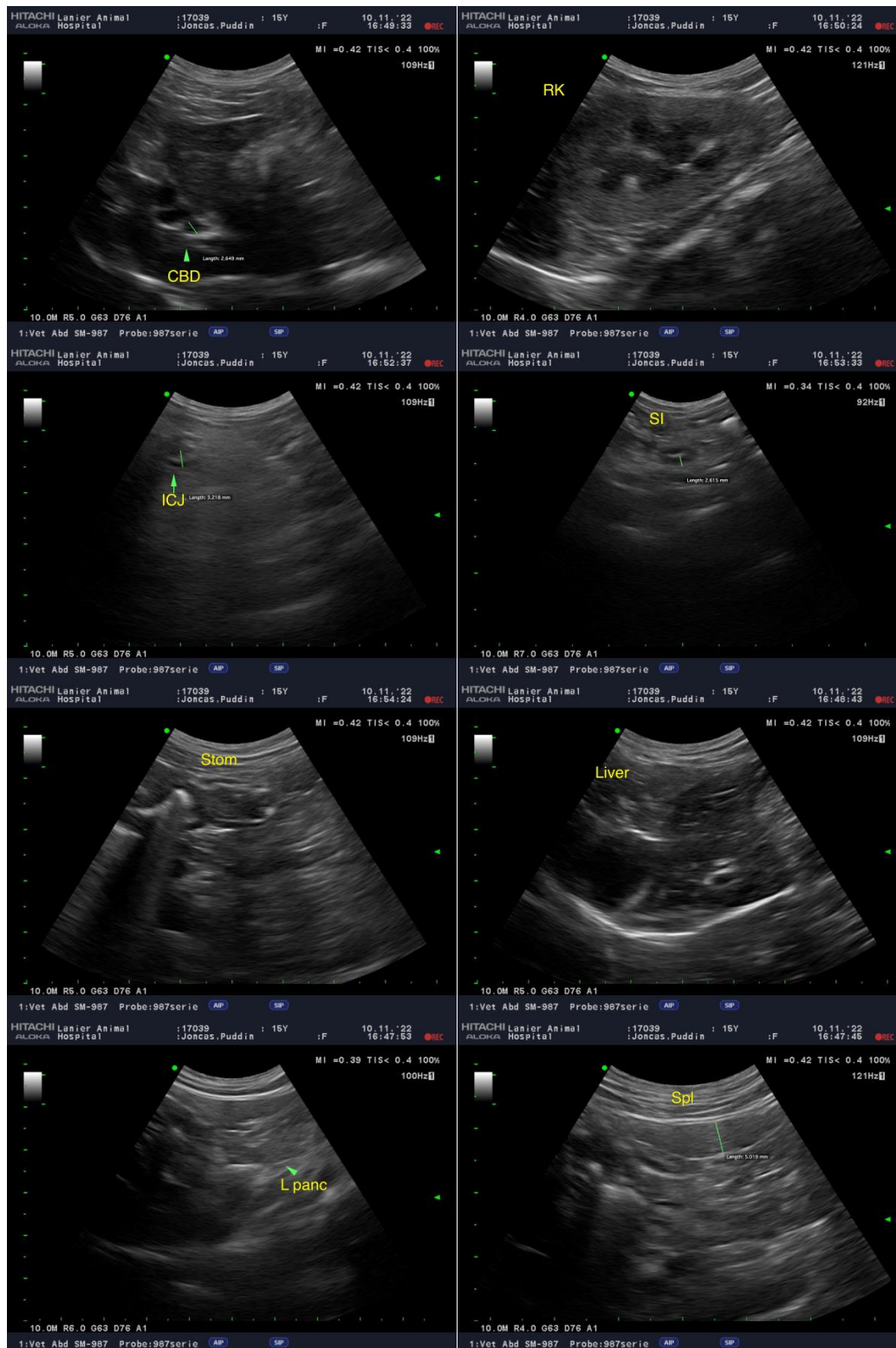
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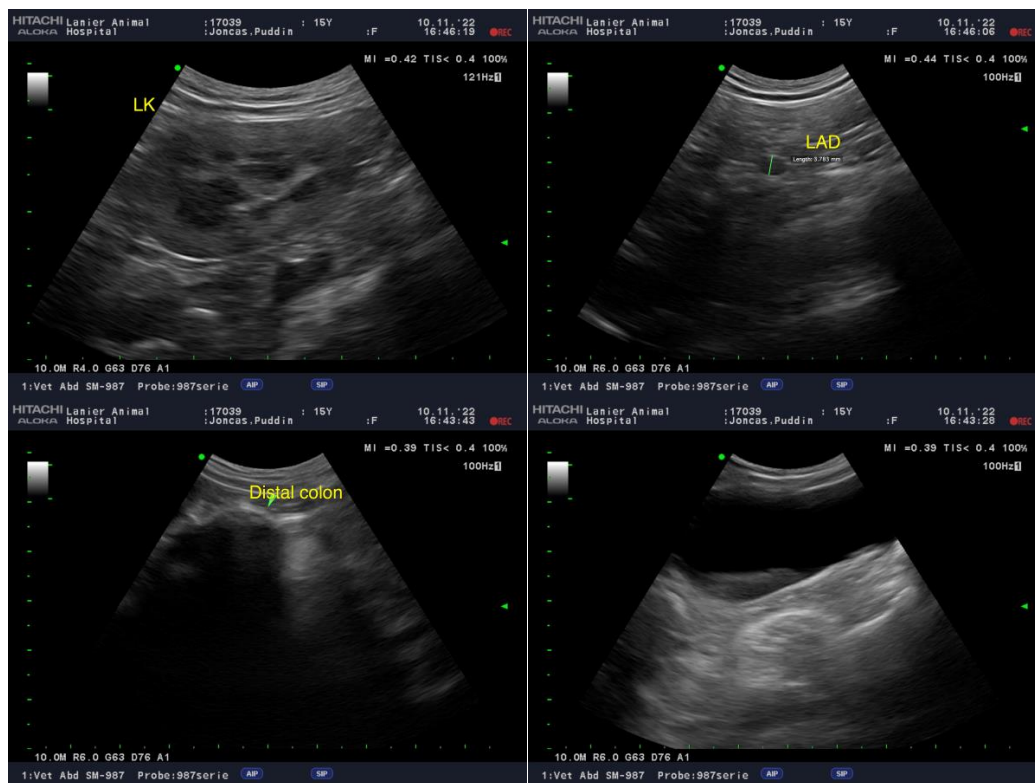
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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