



PATIENT

Denali Moriarty

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Chihuahua

SEX

MN

AGE

10 years

WEIGHT

3.0 kg

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Mild ALT elevation on pre-anesthetic labs. Possible mild polydipsia.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Mild ALT elevation at 285 on pre-anesthetic labs. Bile acids pending.

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, sediment, or calculi. 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 residual prostate was free of overt pathology.

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 pelvic dilation was present. The left kidney measured 3.2 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 0.35 cm width at the caudal pole and 0.27 cm width at the cranial pole. The right adrenal gland was uniform in size and contour with a uniformly hypoechoic parenchyma. The right adrenal gland measured 0.42 cm width at the caudal pole.

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.

Liver/ Gallbladder

The liver was subjectively normal in size, structure, and contour. The liver parenchyma was uniform and hypoechoic to the spleen with a mild coarse echotexture. Subjective normal hepatic vascular volume was present. The hepatic and portal vasculature were normal in appearance without signs of congestion. The gallbladder was non-distended in size containing primarily anechoic content with mild dependent to mildly nondependent echogenic gallbladder debris exhibiting mild linear pattern, yet nonorganized. No evidence of gallbladder or peripheral gallbladder inflammatory criteria was noted. The cystic and common bile ducts were normal.



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Gastrointestinal

The stomach presented intact wall layering with a normal wall layer ratio. The lumen of the stomach was empty with no signs of ileus, obstruction, or foreign material.

The small intestine presented intact wall layering with 1:3 muscularis/mucosa ratio. The lumen of the small intestine was empty with no signs of ileus, obstruction, or foreign material.

Normal visible colon wall layers were present with apparent formed feces in lumen.

Pancreas

The parenchyma of the left limb, body, and right limb of the pancreas presented isoechoic to the adjacent omental fat. A normal curvilinear capsule contour of the pancreas was present. The visible pancreatic duct was normal. No signs of active inflammation or neoplastic disease were evident.

Free Abdomen

No overt lymphadenopathy or peritoneal effusion was present.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Low-grade inflammatory hepatopathy pattern, potential for microvascular dysplasia / portal hypoplasia possible
- Mild nondependent to linear-appearing gallbladder debris (non-mucocele)
- Mild chronic renal changes
- Sonographically normal bilateral adrenal glands

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

No overt evidence of a macroscopic portosystemic shunt, given subjective normal hepatic vascular volume, as well as lack of secondary abnormalities such as renal or cystic calculi. Correlation with pending bile acids is recommended.

Screening hepatic FNA cytology is warranted with potential identification of inflammatory cell type. Hepatic core surgical biopsy is likely required for a definitive diagnosis. Hepatosupportive medications including Denamarin and Ursodiol may prove beneficial. Recheck sonogram is recommended if progressive hepatic enzyme elevations or if evidence of progressive cholestasis. Baseline renal staging to include screening C/S and UPC level could be considered if evidence of PU/PD.



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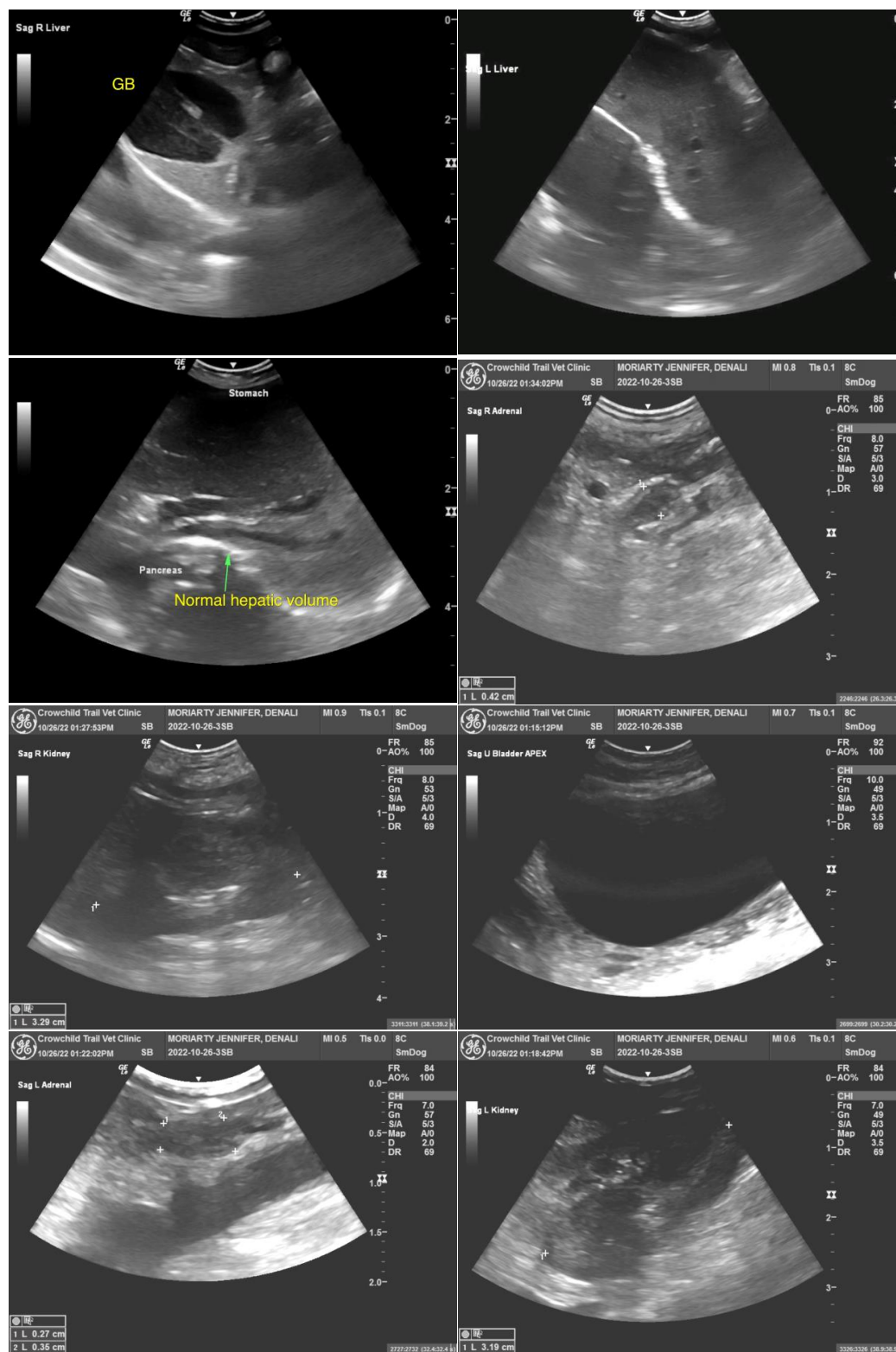
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.



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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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