



PATIENT

Ernie Dutch

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

Maine Coon

SEX

M/N

AGE

12 years

WEIGHT

14.8 lbs.

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Recent decrease in appetite, small amount diarrhea and acting nauseous. Mild weight loss over past 6 months. Ataxic event last year, unknown cause, resolved.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: proBNP 1,115, T-4: 3.0, rest WNL.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder, trigone, cystourethral junction, and visible pelvic urethra exhibited normal thickness and tone. Anechoic urine was present in the lumen with minor, non-dependent, particulate sediment, which may indicate cellular debris / protein, crystalline debris, lipid, or mucus, was present. The urinary bladder sediment is incidental unless evidence of inflammatory sediment on urinalysis. 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. Minor loss of corticomedullary border demarcation was evident. No evidence of pyelectasia was noted in either kidney. The left kidney measured 4.1 cm in length. The right kidney measured 4.1 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 0.43 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 1.0 cm width at the level of the hilus. No evidence of neoplastic criteria was 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. 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 luminal content. The cystic and common bile ducts were normal.

Gastrointestinal

The stomach was nondistended exhibiting intact, overtly normal wall layering. The stomach contained a mild amount of progressively shadowing ingesta in the gastric body, as well as nonshadowing ingesta



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WEIGHT	ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS
14.8 lbs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minor age-related kidneys • Structurally normal gastrointestinal tract with gastric ingesta • Sonographically normal pancreas
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R. McKenzie Daniel, DVM, DABVP (Canine and Feline)	No sonographic evidence of significant visceral specifically gastrointestinal or pancreatic pathology was evident.
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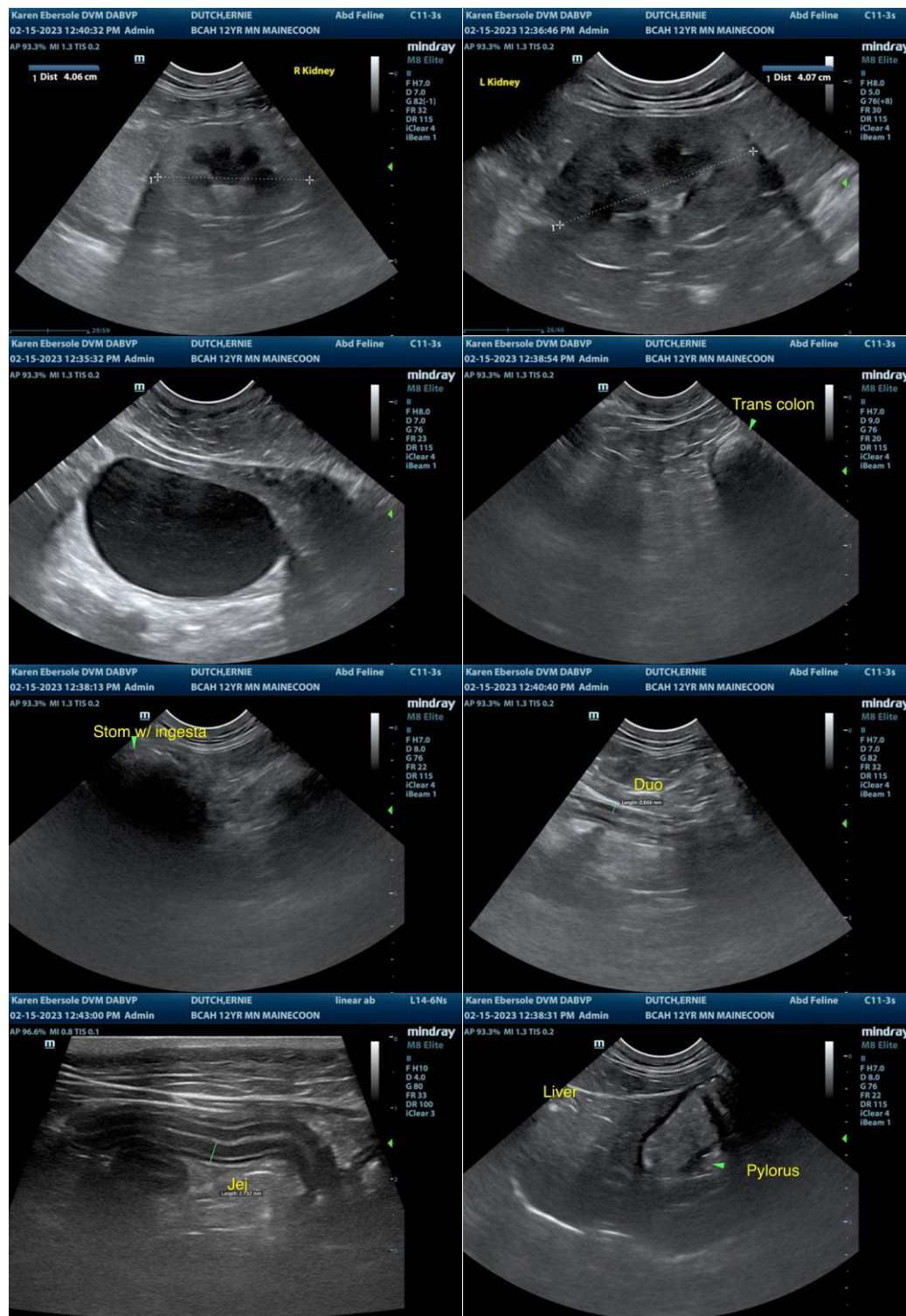
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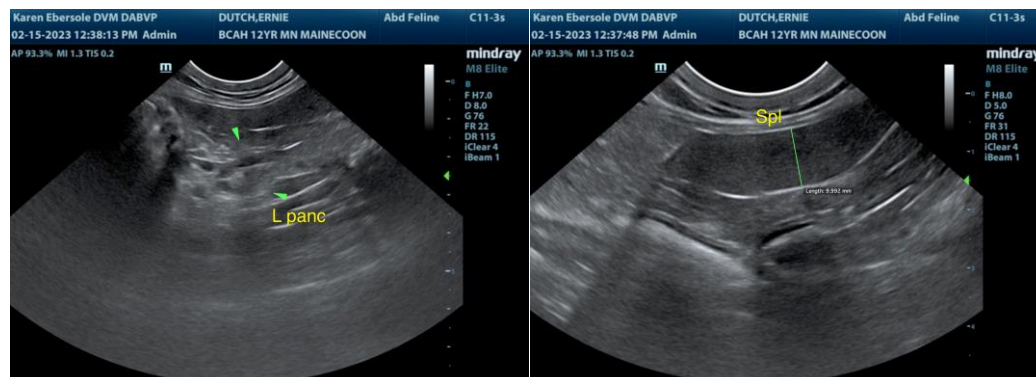
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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