



PATIENT	PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS
Buddy Tom	History: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient presented for 1 week history of poor appetite, soft stool and increased flatulence. He vomited once over that time period. May have eaten cat feces and Breeze litter pellets. Normal energy level. • On exam, it was noted that Buddy had lost 4.5lbs since last recorded weight. Exam was otherwise unremarkable. No splinting on abdominal palpation. • ABNORMAL Labwork Values: Neutrophils 10,884, Monocytes 1293, Glucose 55, SDMA 16, Potassium 3.9, Total protein 5.1, Albumin 2.1, Cholesterol 127 • UA : 1.027, trace protein, trace ketones, negative glucose, 15-20 WBC/hpf, 0-2 RBC/hpf, no bacteria, 1-2 epithelial cells/hpf. • T4 normal at 1.2, Fecal pending • Current Medications: Entyce • Radiographic Findings, None taken
SPECIES	
Canine	
BREED	
Golden Retriever	
SEX	
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AGE	
12 yrs	
WEIGHT	ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN
41.3 lbs.	Urinary System
INTERPRETED BY	The urinary bladder, trigone, cystourethral junction, and visible pelvic urethra to a depth of 4.0 cm exhibited normal thickness and tone. Primarily anechoic urine was present in the lumen. Mild nondependent particulate sediment was present without evidence of calculus formation. The ureteral papillae were normal. The ureters were not visible which is normal. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic mural changes were noted.
R. McKenzie Daniel, DVM, DABVP (Canine and Feline)	The residual prostate was symmetrically normal in size with uniform parenchyma and slight coarse echotexture.
IMAGING PERFORMED BY	No evidence of pathology in the area of the aortic trifurcation.
Sara Hansen	Normal size and margination was 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 5.9 cm in length. The right kidney measured 6.4 cm in length.
HOSPITAL NAME	
Q Street AH	
REFERRING VET	Adrenal Glands
Dr. Hoerauf	The left adrenal gland was borderline to mildly enlarged in size with a uniformly hypoechoic parenchyma and normal contour. The left adrenal gland measured 2.4 cm length x 0.83 cm width at the caudal pole.
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PATIENT	<i>Spleen</i>
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BREED	<i>Liver/ Gallbladder</i>
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AGE	<i>Gastrointestinal</i>
12 yrs	The stomach presented intact wall layering with a normal wall layer ratio. The lumen of the stomach was empty without evidence of retained ingesta, fluid, or foreign material.
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R. McKenzie Daniel, DVM, DABVP (Canine and Feline)	Normal visible colon wall layers were present with soft fecal matter in lumen.
IMAGING PERFORMED BY	<i>Pancreas</i>
Sara Hansen	The area of the pancreas was sonographically normal.
HOSPITAL NAME	<i>Free Abdomen</i>
Q Street AH	No overt lymphadenopathy or peritoneal effusion was present.
REFERRING VET	ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS
Dr. Hoerauf	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mild urine sediment • Mild chronic renal changes • Sonographically normal liver / spleen • Mild gallbladder debris (non mucocele) • Empty gastrointestinal tract with mildly thickened duodenum and segmental jejunum • Bilateral mild adrenomegaly
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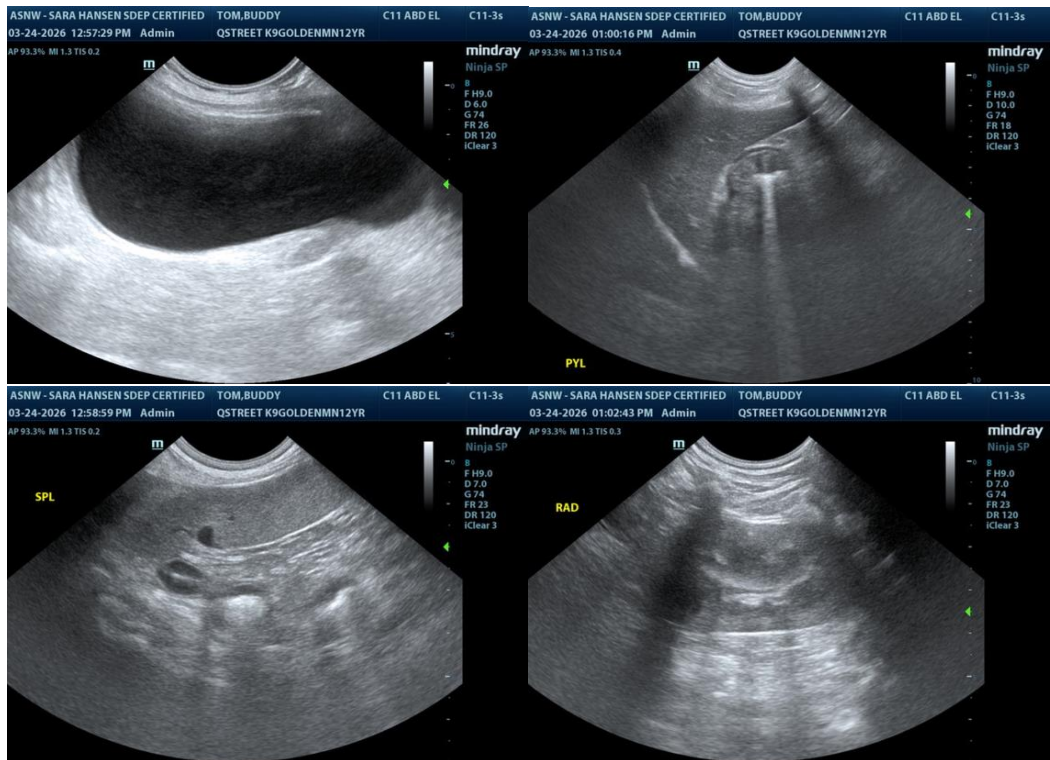
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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

There is no evidence of mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction or foreign material. The mildly thickened duodenum and segmental jejunum may indicate inflammatory, infectious, or emerging neoplastic etiologies. A GI panel to include PLI/TLI/Cobalamin/Folate is recommended. Definitive diagnosis would likely require endoscopic or surgical biopsies for histopathology.

Empirically, a limited antigen or hydrolyzed diet trial with potential long term dietary therapy, prophylactic deworming (Panacur 50 mg/kg SID x 5 consecutive days with repeat protocol in 3 weeks even if fecal testing is negative), high colony count probiotic (Provable or Visbiome), and as needed gastroprotectants with clinical and as-needed sonographic monitoring would be a more conservative approach. Note that recent research has shown that indiscriminate use of antibiotics may actually cause harm.





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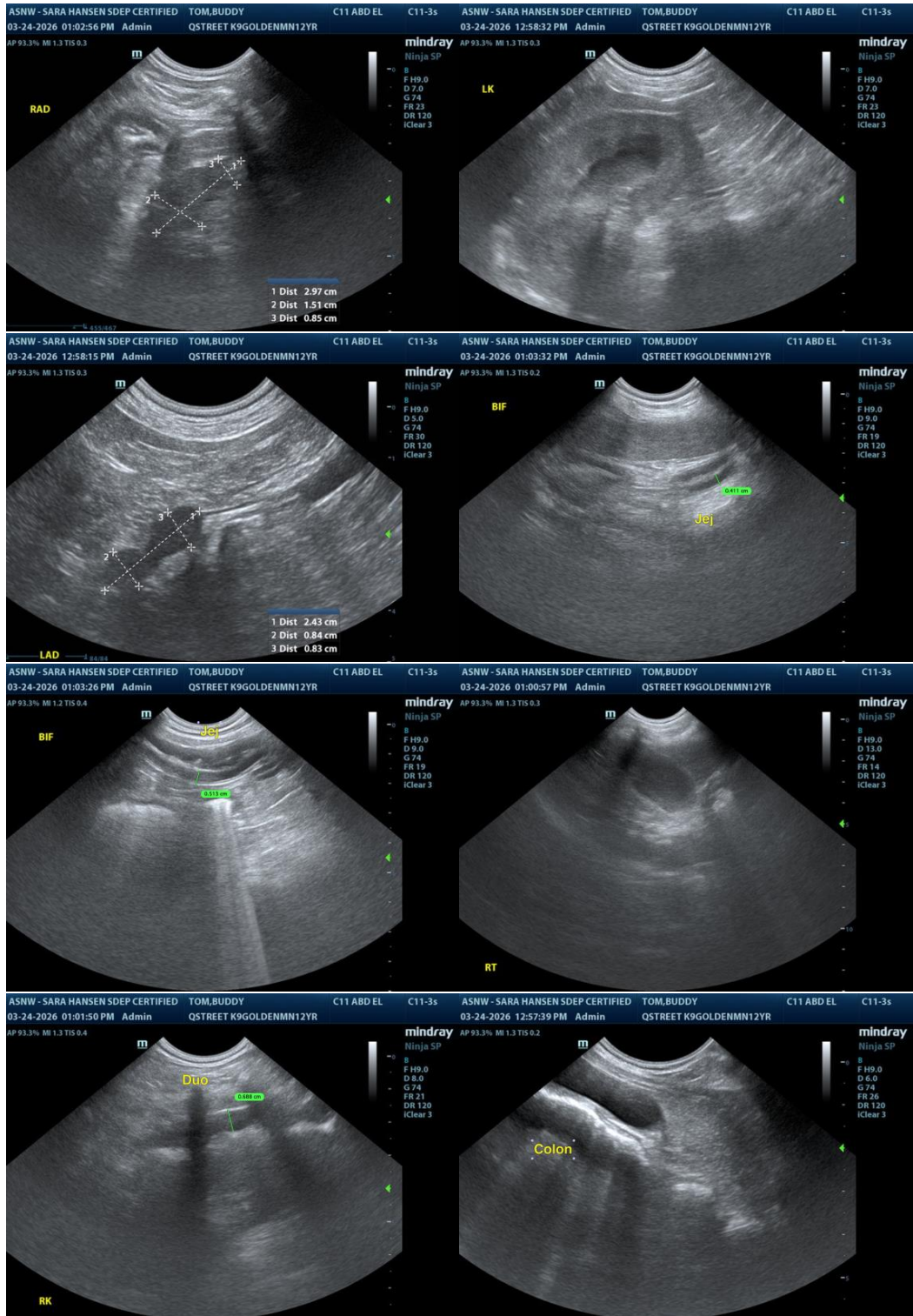
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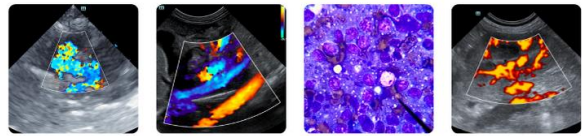
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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