



PATIENT

Elfie Smithoover

SPECIES

Feline

BREED

Domestic Shorthair

SEX

Neutered male

AGE

14 years

WEIGHT

8.1 lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

- RDVM REASON FOR REFERRAL: Patient presented 3/7/2026 with 5-6 days of anorexia and chronic, 2-year daily coughing. Significant weight loss occurred, dropping from 9.44 lbs (BCS 4/9) on 10/9/2025 to 8.11 lbs (BCS 2/9) on 3/7/2026. A Grade 2-3/6 systolic heart murmur was also noted.
- Patient seen at Green Acres on March 15th with anorexia, vomiting, and diarrhea. Treatment given was gabapentin, Ondansetron, Elura, and Cerenia. CBC/Chem/FeLV/FIV unremarkable.
- CLINICAL SIGNS: - Elfie Smithoover is referred for an abdominal ultrasound due to recent weight loss (8.11 lbs to 7.7 lbs) and inappetence.
- - Six months ago, chronic vomiting resolved with a switch from dry to wet food. He has a history of suspected asthma (wheezing/coughing ~30 seconds every other day).
- - He had one episode of diarrhea a week ago. Stool production is minimal due to decreased appetite, though he ate well and had a bowel movement last night. He remains interested in treats.
- - Since the switch to wet food, water intake appears low.
- MEDICATIONS: Prednisolone 5 mg daily NOTE: owner has not started this medication, Mirtazapine 15 mg ¼ tab q3days (begun 3/9/26 with only partial response), Others: Patient had been to an emergency clinic and received Cerenia, Ondansetron, Gabapentin, and Elura, but is believed to be no longer on these medications. Cerenia ½ tab SID, Ondansetron 2mg SID, Gabapentin 250 mg/5mL - 0.7 mL q12hrs, Elura 20 mg/mL - 0.35 mL SID
- CBC/Chem/UA/T4 (3/7/2026) - NORMAL Pancreatic lipase (3/11/2026) - NORMAL FeLV/FIV: Negative Right lateral thoracic radiograph (3/7/2026) - mild peribronchiolar infiltrates

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

Urinary System

The urinary bladder is full with a normal thickness and smooth appearance of the wall. A scant amount of floating, hyperechogenic sediment.

Normal appearance of the trigone area, proximal urethra, and iliac blood vessels.

Normal appearance and size of the iliac lymph nodes. Ureters not visualized, which can be considered a normal finding.

Normal renal size (left measured 3.5 cm, right measured 4.3 cm), architecture, echogenic appearance, cortico-medullary differentiation, which maintains a 1:3 cortex to medulla ratio, pelvis, and capsule. No infarcts, mineralization or renoliths evident. Normal color flow pattern is evident in both kidneys.

Adrenal Glands

Normal shape, echogenic appearance, size, position, and appearance of the visible peri-adrenal vasculature. Left adrenal gland measured 0.37 cm in width. The right adrenal gland measured 0.29 cm in width.



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Spleen

Normal size and echogenic appearance. Smooth homogenous parenchyma and regular curvilinear capsule. Normal volume of the splenic vasculature without any overt congestion or thrombosis evident. No inflammatory, neoplastic, infarction, or infiltrative changes evident. The spleen measured 0.7 cm in width.

Liver

Normal size, echogenic appearance, portal markings, and regular curvilinear capsule. No nodules or masses evident. Normal appearance of the hepatic and portal vasculature.

Gallbladder

The gallbladder is full containing normal anechoic bile. Normal thickness and echogenic appearance of the wall. Normal size and appearance of the cystic and common bile duct.

Gastrointestinal

Normal appearance of the stomach, duodenum, small intestine, ileo-cecal junction, and colon with no loss of layering, 1:3 muscularis to mucosa ratio, normal wall thickness and peristaltic activity, and no distension of the lumen.

Pancreas

The pancreas was enlarged (left measured 0.7 cm in width) with a hypoechoic appearance and an irregular capsule. There is a mild increased echogenic appearance of the mesentery and fat surrounding the pancreas. The visible pancreatic duct measured 0.1 cm in diameter.

Free Abdomen

Normal mesenteric lymph nodes measuring up to 0.3 x 0.6 cm in size.

No ascites evident.

Thorax

Normal appearance of the heart. No pericardial or pleural effusion evident.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Pancreatitis.



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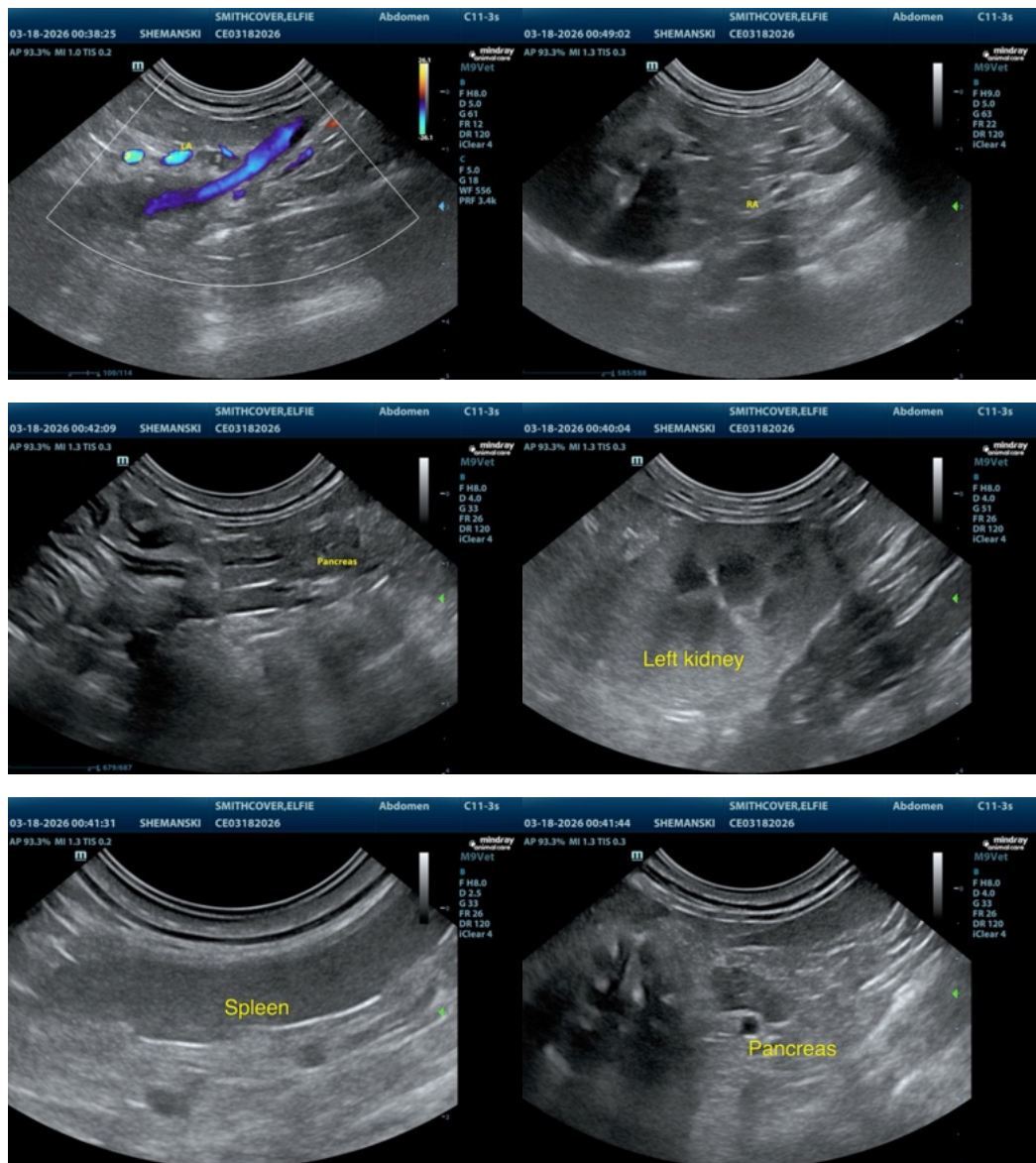
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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Management of the pancreatitis would be feeding small frequent meals of an intestinal type diet, fluid therapy if needed, antiemetics and analgesics.





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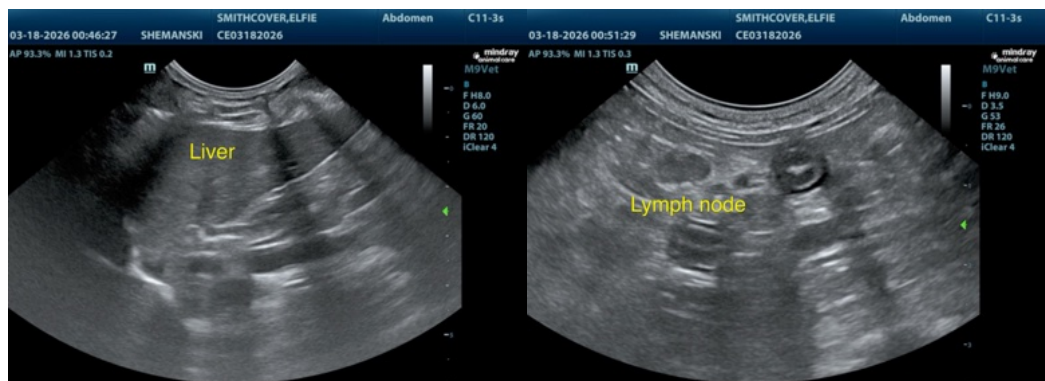
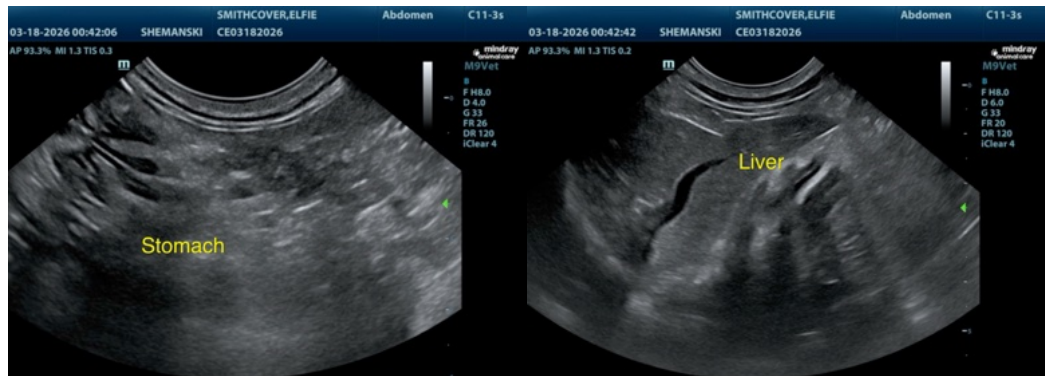
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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