



## PATIENT

Freckles Findlen

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Dachshund Mix

## SEX

Spayed female

## AGE

13 years

## WEIGHT

37 lbs

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History of irregularly irregular arrhythmia on most recent visit, hematuria noted as transient sign on recent visit, multiple soft tissue masses, swelling of muzzle and face (resolved). Hx of marked elevation of aLP (2743 on recent labwork) coupled with elevated UPC (on 3 different samples). no signs of PU/PD at home.

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN

### *Urinary System*

The urinary bladder is full with a normal thickness and smooth appearance of the wall. Normal anechoic urine with no sediment or uroliths evident.

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 6.2 cm, right measured 6.6 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. A small, incidental cortical cyst was present in the right kidney.

### *Adrenal Glands*

Normal shape, echogenic appearance, size, position, and appearance of the visible peri-adrenal vasculature. Left adrenal gland measured 2.08 cm in length x 0.7 cm and 0.63 cm in width. The right adrenal gland measured 2.29 cm in length x 0.53 cm and 0.57 cm in width.

### *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 2.2 cm in width.

### *Liver*

The liver is enlarged with rounded edges, with a diffuse, increased echogenic appearance, normal portal markings, and regular curvilinear capsule. No nodules or masses evident. Normal appearance of the hepatic and portal vasculature.



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## ***Gallbladder***

The gallbladder is full containing a moderate amount of hyperechogenic almost mineralized sediment and a few, small choleliths. 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 visible sections of the pancreas are of normal size and echogenic appearance with a regular capsule. Normal echogenic appearance of the mesentery and fat surrounding the pancreas.

## ***Free Abdomen***

Normal mesenteric lymph nodes.

No ascites evident.

## **ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- Hepatopathy.
- Gallbladder sediment.
- Choleliths.

## **INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

Etiologies for the hepatopathy would be reactive hyperplasia, early nodular hyperplasia, vacuolar and metabolic with hepatitis and infiltrative neoplasia a highly unlikely differential diagnosis.

Although the adrenal glands appear ultrasonographically normal, with the hepatopathy, severely elevated ALP activity and the proteinuria, pituitary dependent Cushing's disease should still be considered.

Further assessment would be urine cortisol to creatinine ratio and if abnormal then adrenal function testing (ACTH stimulation/LDDST) would then be indicated.

If Cushing's disease has been excluded then further assessment of the hepatopathy would be FNA cytology. However, a tru cut or wedge biopsy may be required for a final etiological diagnosis.

Specific therapy would be dependent on an etiological diagnosis.



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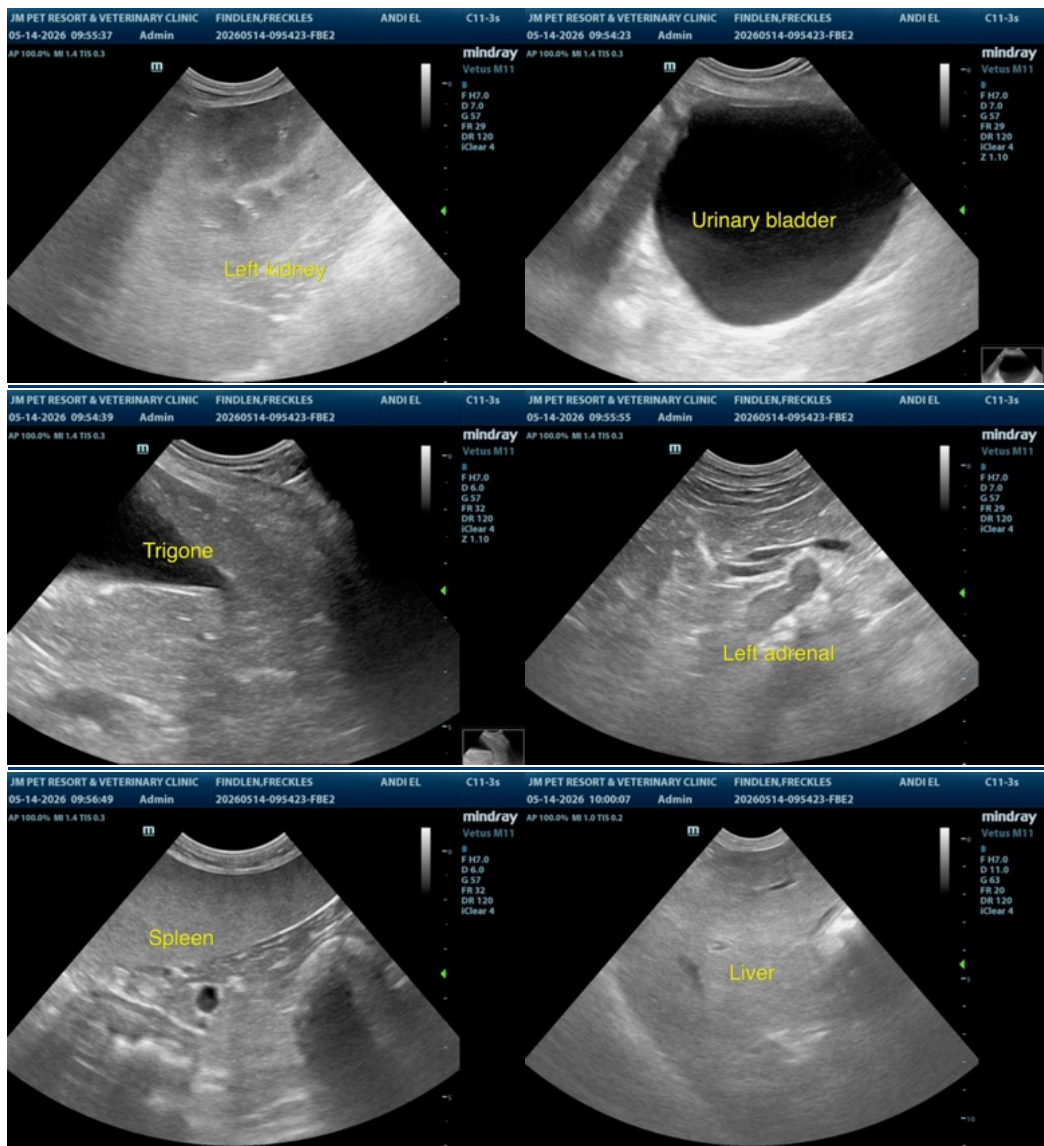
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Symptomatic management that could be considered for the hepatopathy, gallbladder sediment and the choleliths would be the use of Ursodiol with regular monitoring of liver enzyme activity as well as ultrasound monitoring of the gallbladder.





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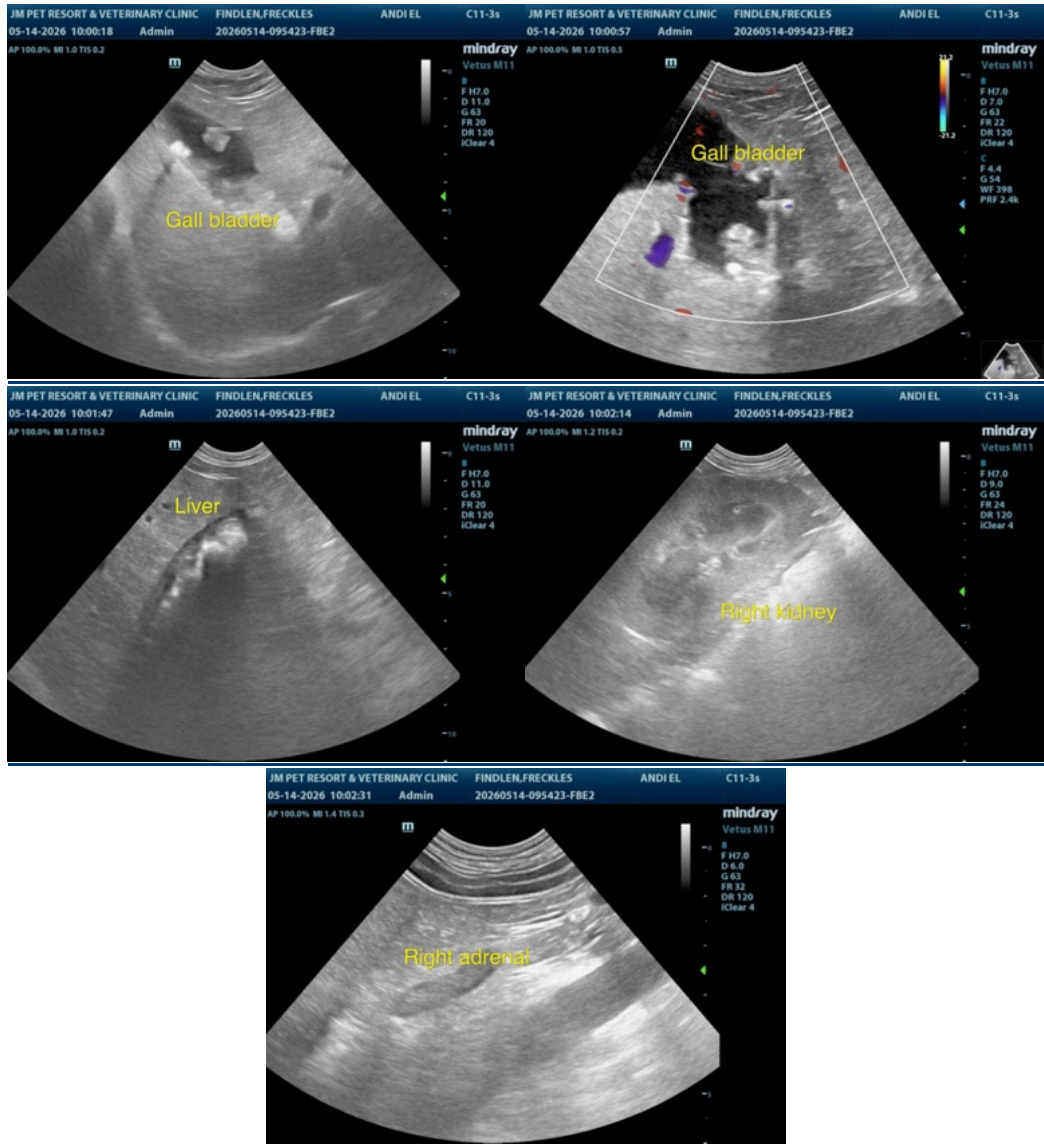
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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