Possible Diagnosis

The patient has one of six diseases, listed below.

1. Nephrolithiasis
   a. Characterized by abnormally high occurrence of stones in the kidneys
   b. May disrupt any or all of kidney functions

2. Pancreatic carcinoma
   a. A malignant cancer in the pancreas
   b. May disrupt any and all of pancreatic functions

3. Hypocortisolism (Addison’s disease)
   a. Low production of cortisol or lack of effect of cortisol
   b. Caused by trauma or damage to adrenal cortex
   c. May cause significant overcompensation by hormones which regulate cortisol
      because of a lack of feedback inhibition

4. Hypercortisolism (Cushing’s disease)
   a. High production of cortisol
   b. Caused by tumors or over-activity of any glands involved in cortisol biosynthesis

5. Type 1 Diabetes
   a. Insulin deficiency
   b. Usually inherited but may present at any age

6. Acromegaly
   a. Over-exposure to human growth hormone
   b. Characterized in adults by thickening of skull and pelvis