



PATIENT

Benchley McNulty

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Schnauzer Mix

SEX

Male Neutered

AGE

9 years

WEIGHT

17.7lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Recheck echo. History of 3-4/6 heart murmur. Asymptomatic.

-Current medications: Vetmedin 2.5mgs BID.

-Pertinent previous echo findings (6/2022 MML): Moderate MR, moderate LAE, mild LVE, mild TR: 2.3m/s. Mild to moderate AI. LA: 2.5, LV: 3.5.

ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. Diffuse thickening of mitral valve leaflets with minimal prolapse into the left atrial lumen. Moderate eccentric mitral regurgitation with moderate left atrial dilation. Normal MR velocity. Mild LV dilation with adequate myocardial function. The tricuspid valve appears mildly thickened with mild tricuspid regurgitation. Normal velocity. Normal right atrial and ventricular diameter and morphology indicating no overt evidence of pulmonary arterial hypertension. The pulmonic valve is normal in morphology and mobility. The aortic valve is mildly thickened. Normal pulmonic and mildly elevated aortic outflow velocities with laminar flow. No pulmonic and mild to moderate aortic insufficiency; elevated velocity. No pericardial or pleural effusion noted. No obvious cardiac masses.

CARDIAC CHART

CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	MR VMAX (m/s)	TR VMAX (m/s)	LA/AO (Boon method)	LA/AO (Heart Base; Swe)	FS (%)	EF (%)	EPSS (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	4.5-5.5	<2.7	1.3	<1.6	28-40	40-100	<0.6
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CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	HR (BPM)	AV VMAX (m/s)	PV MAX (m/s)	BODY WEIGHT (kg)	LA 2D short axis Base view (cm)	LVIDd Avg: 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)	LVIDs Avg: 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	50-100	0.7-1.7	0.7-1.6	BELOW	BELOW	BELOW	BELOW
PATIENT	100	1.2	0.82	8.0	2.3	3.6	2.0
*Normal chamber parameters expressed as a mean value (SD)							
BODY WEIGHT DEPENDENT PARAMETERS							
<i>*Note: All measurements based upon multi-modal images and methods. An average value is reported.</i>							
Adapted from June Boon, Veterinary Echocardiography, 1998				5	1.27 (5.3)	2.46 (2.46)	1.36 (5.5)
Rishniw M and Hollis NE, J Vet Intern Med 2000; 14:429-435				10	1.40 (4.5)	2.74 (5.2)	1.60 (4.7)
Hansson et al, Vet Rad and Ultrasound 2002				15	1.50 (3.8)	3.27 (3.5)	2.06 (3.1)
Bonagura et al. Echocardiography: principles of interpretation, Vet Clin North Am 15:1177, 1995				20	1.83 (2.0)	3.71 (2.4)	2.43 (2.1)
				25	2.02 (1.9)	4.14 (2.2)	2.80 (2.0)
				30	2.18 (2.4)	4.48 (2.9)	3.10 (2.5)
				35	2.33 (3.3)	4.83 (3.9)	3.39 (3.4)
				40	2.48 (4.3)	5.17 (5.0)	3.69 (4.5)
				45	2.62 (5.2)	5.48 (6.1)	3.96 (5.4)
				50	2.88 (7.1)	6.07 (8.3)	4.46 (7.4)

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Chronic degenerative valve disease persists with continued stability. Moderate mitral and mild tricuspid regurgitation are unchanged with a stable aortic insufficiency. Persistently moderate left atrial enlargement suggests there may be risk for complication going forward. No additional issues are identified, such as pulmonary hypertension.



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Given these findings, continue Pimobendan as prescribed. Routine blood pressure monitoring remains the recommendation with institution of an ACE-I if persistently >150mmHg. Continued assessment of progression in the future will help predict long term outcome, however prognosis is guarded at this stage (B2).

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Omega fatty acid supplementation and mild salt restriction may also be of some long-term benefit. Monitor for development of a progressive cough, labored breathing, exercise intolerance or collapse episodes.

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Anesthetic risk is considered mildly elevated. Cardiac protective drug choices (opioid/benzodiazepine premedication, Propofol or alfaxalone induction, iso or sevo gas) are recommended. Monitor for arrhythmias, hypotension, and hypoxia both intra and post-operatively and intervene as necessary. Judicious IV fluid rates are recommended to avoid fluid overload. Avoid heart rate stimulating drugs such as atropine unless clinically indicated.

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PLAN

Continue Pimobendan as prescribed. Baseline BP is recommended every 6 months, if >150mmHg institute ACE-I 0.5mg/kg PO q12h.

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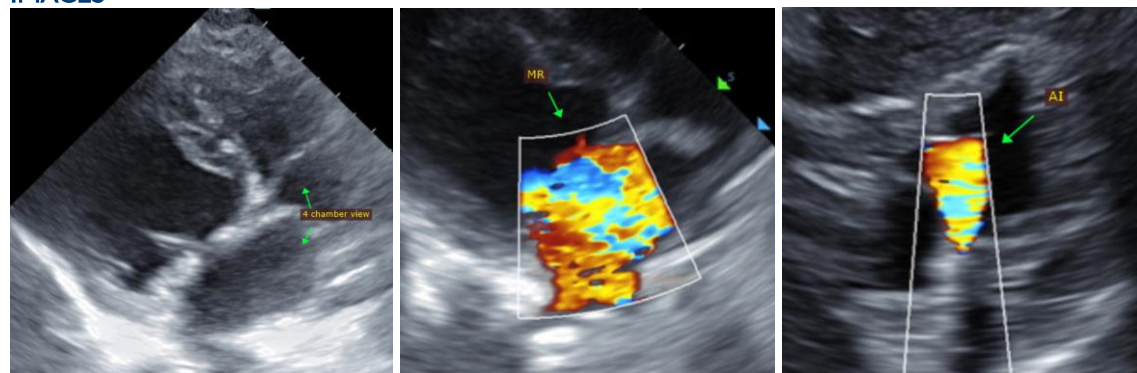
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Recommend monitor for progression with a recheck echocardiogram in 6 months, sooner if any development of clinical signs.

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

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Thank you for this referral. This report was generated using transcription software, and minor dictation errors may be present. 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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