



PATIENT

David Jay Nyikes

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Great Dane

SEX

Male Neutered

AGE

2 years

WEIGHT

177lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Recheck echo. Doing well.

-Current medications: Pimobendan 20mg BID.

-Pertinent previous echo findings (8/2022 KB): FS: 23.8%. No LVE (4.96/3.78). LA: 4.8 (normal).

Recommend Pimobendan.

ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. Normal mitral valve leaflets with no prolapse into the left atrial lumen. No obvious mitral regurgitation with a normal left atrial dimension. Normal LV diameter with adequate myocardial function. The tricuspid valve appears normal with no tricuspid regurgitation. Normal right atrial and ventricular diameter and morphology indicating no overt evidence of pulmonary arterial hypertension. The pulmonic and aortic valves are normal in morphology and mobility. Normal pulmonic and aortic outflow velocities with laminar flow. No obvious aortic or pulmonic insufficiency. 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
PATIENT	NA	NA	NM	1.3	27	50	NM
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	NM	1.2	1.6	80.3	3.9	4.9	3.6
*Normal chamber parameters expressed as a mean value (SD)				3	1.27 (5.3)	2.46 (2.46)	1.36 (5.5)
BODY WEIGHT DEPENDENT PARAMETERS				5	1.40 (4.5)	2.74 (5.2)	1.60 (4.7)
<i>*Note: All measurements based upon multi-modal images and methods. An average value is reported.</i>				10	1.50 (3.8)	3.27 (3.5)	2.06 (3.1)
				15	1.83 (2.0)	3.71 (2.4)	2.43 (2.1)
				20	2.02 (1.9)	4.14 (2.2)	2.80 (2.0)
				25	2.18 (2.4)	4.48 (2.9)	3.10 (2.5)
				30	2.33 (3.3)	4.83 (3.9)	3.39 (3.4)
				35	2.48 (4.3)	5.17 (5.0)	3.69 (4.5)
				40	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)

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Overtly normal cardiac dimensions and function, with **no obvious dysfunction or dilation** of the left heart. No significant valvular leaks are visualized, and no evidence of pulmonary hypertension.

Compared to the prior study, findings are similar with a mild improvement in LV function. It is possible that the prior evaluation reflected a normal daily variation (noted to be borderline at that time) or potentially the improvement is secondary to Pimobendan therapy. It is unclear at this

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junction if this young dog requires lifelong Pimobendan therapy and there are two ways to proceed. First would be to continue the medication, given improvement to normal as is seen here. The second option would be to discontinue the medication, reassess in 6 months and if any decline is noted the medication can be reinstated. Discussion with the owner is advised.

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Monitor for development of a heart murmur, cough, labored breathing, exercise intolerance or collapse episodes.

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PLAN

Continue versus discontinue Pimobendan as discussed.

A recheck echocardiogram is recommended in 6-12 months.

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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.

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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