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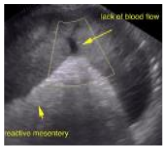
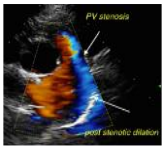
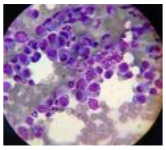
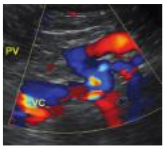

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Grade 3/6 heart murmur with arrhythmia. Currently on pimobendan. Assess prior to dental. -Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: CHEM: CL 133. CBC: Eosinophil 0.1 and Basophil 26.3.

ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS *Note: Single lead ECGs are evaluated as a rhythm strip. Morphology/MEA cannot be definitively commented on.

A single lead ECG is available; 25mm/s, 20mm/mV. The average heart rate is 100bpm (range 75-125bpm). The rhythm is sinus in origin, with a p for every QRS complex and vice versa. The P and QRS morphologies are positive. Three isolated VPCs are identified in a 60 second tracing. Polymorphism is noted; singles only. No supraventricular premature beats, pauses or other dysrhythmias observed.
ECG diagnosis: Isolated VPCs.

ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. Mild diffuse thickening of mitral valve leaflets with mild prolapse into the left atrial lumen. Moderate eccentric mitral regurgitation with mild to moderate left atrial dilation. Elevated MR velocity. Mild LV dilation with adequate myocardial function. The tricuspid valve appears normal with trivial tricuspid regurgitation. Normal velocity. 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. Trace aortic and 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	6.3	2.0	1.3	1.5	44	80	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	NM	1.1	21.7	3.0	4.8	2.7
*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 *Note: All measurements based upon multi-modal images and methods. An average value is reported.*				5	1.40 (4.5)	2.74 (5.2)	1.60 (4.7)
				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)

Adapted from June Boon, Veterinary Echocardiography, 1998
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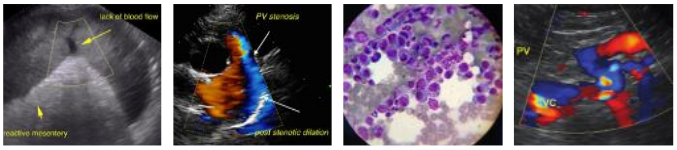

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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Chronic degenerative valve disease is identified causing moderate mitral and trace tricuspid regurgitation. The cardiac dimensions are mildly increased, indicating relatively low risk for imminent complication. The patient does have makers of systemic hypertension (aortic insufficiency and elevated MR velocity), and a baseline blood pressure is strongly recommended. No additional issues are identified.

Ventricular premature contractions (VPCs) are noted on the ECG. VPCs are generated from abnormal conductive or fibrotic tissue in the ventricles of the heart muscle, and even frequent single VPCs will often cause no clinical signs in dogs. When sustained however, ventricular tachycardia can lead to symptoms such as lethargy, collapse and sudden death. VPCs are a very non-specific finding. They can be due to significant cardiac disease (mild noted in this study) or be extra-cardiac in origin; i.e., due to pain, stress, inflammation, cancer, GI disease, DIC/sepsis, etc. In a senior dog, all differentials should be ruled out. An abdominal ultrasound to monitor for any underlying abnormalities, in addition to tick titers and cardiac troponin level can be considered. Unfortunately, there is always an elevated risk for collapse and sudden death in any arrhythmic patient, and even on medications this risk unfortunately still persists.

Based strictly upon the amount of arrhythmia present on the available ECG, anti-arrhythmic therapy is not clearly indicated. Pending results of systemic work up, can consider a holter monitor especially if any significant lethargy or collapse is noted.

Given the totality of the findings (mild LA/LVE, mod MR, arrhythmias), it is reasonable to continue PImobendan at this time, albeit this is a conservative recommendation. No obvious indication for additional medications.

Fish oil supplementation is recommended for dogs with arrhythmias (500-1000mg of omega 3 and 6 once to twice daily).

Monitor at home for collapse, exercise intolerance, and/or lethargy. If a holter monitor is elected, this will dictate whether therapy is needed and follow up protocol.

If further evaluation is not performed, anesthetic risk is considered moderately elevated. Avoid ketamine, telazol, Dexdomitor (or other alpha-2 agonists) and acepromazine. Recommend having lidocaine CRI available for use in the event of worsening ventricular arrhythmias under anesthesia (CRI 50—75mcg/kg/min). Cardiac protective drug choices (opioid/benzodiazepine premedication, propofol or alfaxalone induction, isoflurane gas) are recommended. Pre-oxygenate for 5-10 minutes prior to induction. Monitor for arrhythmias, hypotension, and hypoxia both intra and post-operatively and intervene as necessary. Mild IV fluid restriction is recommended to avoid fluid overload. Avoid heart rate stimulating drugs such as atropine unless clinically indicated.

PLAN

Consider further work up through labs, abdominal ultrasound, etc. Baseline BP is recommended. Continue Pimobendan 0.25-0.3mg/kg PO q12h.

A recheck echocardiogram/ECG is recommended in 6 months, sooner if symptoms of cardiac disease arise (cough, labored breathing, etc.).

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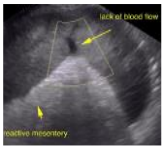
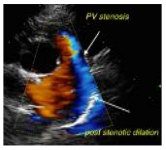
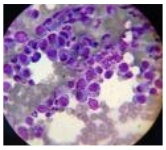
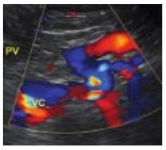

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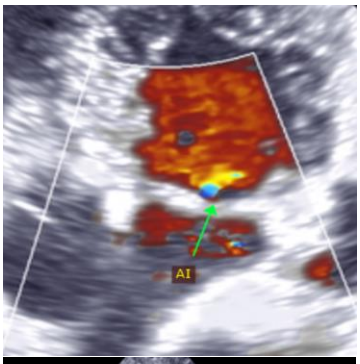

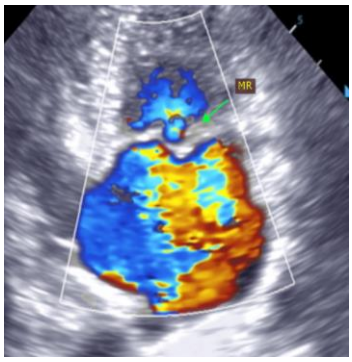

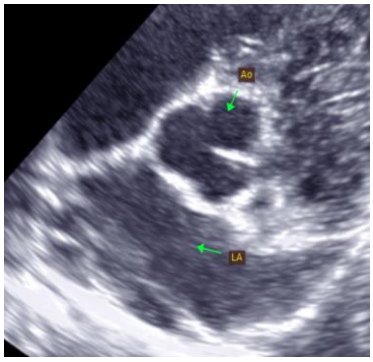

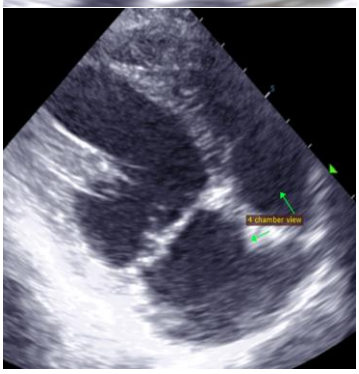

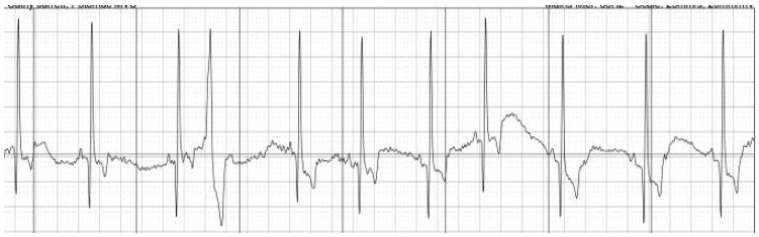

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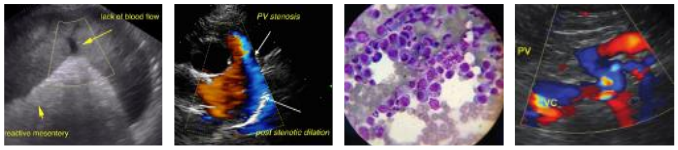

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