



PATIENT

Ellie Brooks

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Brittany Spaniel

SEX

Female Spayed

AGE

11.11 years

WEIGHT

44lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Recheck echo. Asymptomatic. Grade 4/6 heart murmur. BP: 160mmHg.

-Current medications: Vetmedin 2.5mg 1t BID, Vetoryl 5mg 1c SID, Carprofen 75mg 1/2t BID.

-Pertinent previous echo findings (3/2025 MML): CVD B2; mod MR, mod LAE, mild LVE. LA:AO 1.75, LV 4.8

ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. Diffuse thickening of mitral valve leaflets (anterior>posterior) with mild prolapse into the left atrial lumen. Marked eccentric mitral regurgitation with severe left atrial dilation. Moderately increased LV diameter with hyperdynamic myocardial function. The tricuspid valve appears subjectively normal, with no tricuspid regurgitation. Normal right atrial and ventricular diameter. The pulmonic and aortic valves are normal in morphology and mobility. Normal pulmonic and aortic outflow velocities. No aortic or pulmonic insufficiency. No pericardial or pleural effusion noted. No cardiac tumors observed.

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	4.8	NA	2.4	2.5	51	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	1.2	1.1	20.0	4.5	5.0	2.3
*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)
*Note: All measurements based upon multi-modal images and methods. An average value is reported.				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

Chronic degenerative valve disease persists with evidence of progression. Marked mitral regurgitation has increased quantitatively, and the left heart is progressively dilated. This would suggest the risk for spontaneous congestive heart failure is elevated going forward. No additional issues are identified.



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Even without significant respiratory changes, it is reasonable to initiate Spironolactone and an ACE-I at this time as below given apparent progression. Prognosis is guarded long-term (stage late B2), and patient will always be at risk for recurrent CHF, development of arrhythmias/LA tear, syncope and/or sudden death in the future.

Omega fatty acid supplementation and mild salt restriction remain recommended. Monitor for development of a cough, labored breathing, exercise intolerance or collapse episodes. Serial monitoring of SRRs is recommended as the best way to screen for progression towards CHF at home.

Elective anesthesia is not advised, as there is high risk for complication.

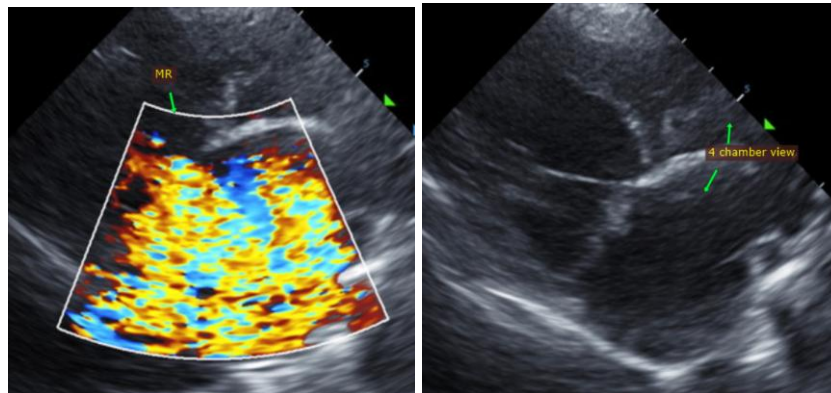
PLAN

Continue Pimobendan as prescribed. Institute Spironolactone 1-2mg/kg PO q12h. Institute ACE-I 0.5mg/kg PO q12h. Consider Hydrocodone if needed for QOL.

Recheck renal vales and BP in 1-2 weeks then every 4-6 months lifelong.

Recommend conservative monitoring with a recheck echocardiogram in 6 months to screen for progression, sooner if clinical signs arise.

IMAGES



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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