



PATIENT

Kira Cintron

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Shih Tzu

SEX

Female Spayed

AGE

10 years

WEIGHT

12.4lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Presented for a dry cough, especially at night. Some exercise intolerance reported. No vomiting, diarrhea, lethargy or inappetence reported. Heart murmur. BP: 140mmHg.

ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. Mild diffuse thickening of mitral valve leaflets with no prolapse into the left atrial lumen. Trivial mitral regurgitation with mild left atrial dilation. Normal MR velocity. Normal LV diameter with adequate myocardial function. The tricuspid valve appears normal with trace 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. Normal pulmonic and aortic outflow velocities with laminar flow. Moderate aortic insufficiency with mild valve thickening. Trace 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	2.8	NM	<1.4	34	65	0.26
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	134	1.6	0.6	5.6	NM	3.01	1.9
*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

The only significant abnormality identified is moderate aortic valve insufficiency (AI). AI is typically silent upon exam given it's a diastolic phenomenon, and would not cause a systolic murmur. The relevance of AI is unknown, as no significant stenosis is seen through the region and systemic BP is reportedly normal. No significant valvular insufficiencies were noted and no structural issues identified. In the absence of significant volume changes (dehydration or anemia), other possibilities include a physiologic flow murmur only present with elevated heart



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rates, or a small flow abnormality not seen here. Should the murmur persist/progress in the future, it is reasonable to monitor periodically via recheck echocardiography in the future.

Given these findings, the cough is certainly non-cardiac in origin. Continued work up for infectious/inflammatory respiratory causes is recommended. Options include Baytril or similar antibiotic, anti-inflammatory prednisone, aggressive hydrocodone, etc. If refractory, may consider TTW/BAL for further information.

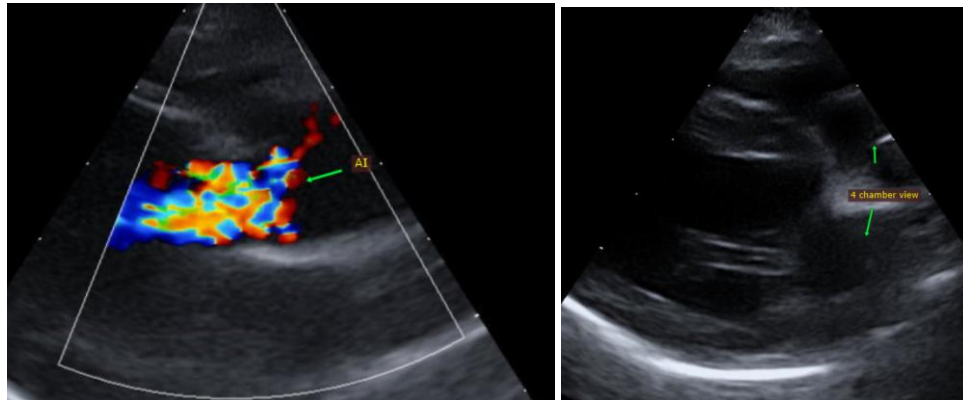
Monitor for development of an acutely progressive cough, labored breathing, exercise intolerance or collapse episodes.

Anesthetic risk is considered mild if needed. Mild IV fluid restriction is recommended to avoid fluid overload. Avoid heart rate stimulating drugs such as atropine unless clinically indicated.

PLAN: No medications are clearly indicated. Routine BP monitoring is advised every 3-4 months, with vasodilator therapy if >150mmHg.

Recommend conservative monitoring with a recheck echocardiogram in 6-12 months, sooner if any development of clinical signs.

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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