



PATIENT

Cowgirl McMaster

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Recently adopted. Grade 3/6 both side systolic heart murmur was noted during a pre dental exam. Assess prior to anesthesia.

SPECIES

Canine

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ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. Normal mitral valve leaflets with no obvious prolapse into the left atrial lumen. No mitral regurgitation. Normal left atrial dimension. Normal LV diameter with normal myocardial function. The LV wall is normal. The tricuspid valve appears normal with trivial tricuspid regurgitation present. Mild right atrial dilation. Mild right ventricular hypertrophy and remodeling indicative of pressure overload. Mild right ventricular dilation. Elevation of pulmonic outflow velocities at the level of the valve. Max is not assessed. The PV leaflets appear thickened, although not well visualized. Mild post-stenotic dilation of the main pulmonary artery. Mild pulmonic insufficiency. The aortic valve appears to have normal morphology and mobility. No AI. No obvious cardiac shunts are visualized. No pericardial or pleural effusion noted.

CARDIAC CHART

AGE

~3 years

WEIGHT

18lbs

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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	1.2	1.3	37	70	0.2
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	170	1.4	NM	8.2	1.8	1.9	1.2
*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 cause of the murmur is elevated flow velocity through the pulmonary artery consistent with pulmonic stenosis. No obvious sub or supravalvular components were identified; however, the pulmonic valve is not well visualized. A valvular issue is suspected, given the level of stenosis. The degree of obstruction is suspected to be moderate, although the max pressure gradient is not well visualized. This is based upon post stenotic dilation and the appearance of the right heart. Trivial tricuspid regurgitation is also noted, likely secondary to pressure overload of the right

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heart (valve appears normal). No other congenital abnormalities were visualized, however small abnormalities are easily missed in congenital cases.

Moderate PS cases fall within a grey zone. There are many patients that will not experience clinical signs (syncope, right-sided congestive heart failure) throughout their lifetime, however risk for progression to clinical signs will always remain. A diagnostic angiogram and potentially balloon valvuloplasty can be considered (particularly in the event of development of clinical signs) as the gold standard therapeutic option for this condition and may improve long term outcome. If the client is interested, referral for evaluation and discussion with a local Cardiologist should be considered. Whether or not referral/surgery is elected, medical management may be warranted. That being said, based upon what is seen here, I would not institute Atenolol at this time.

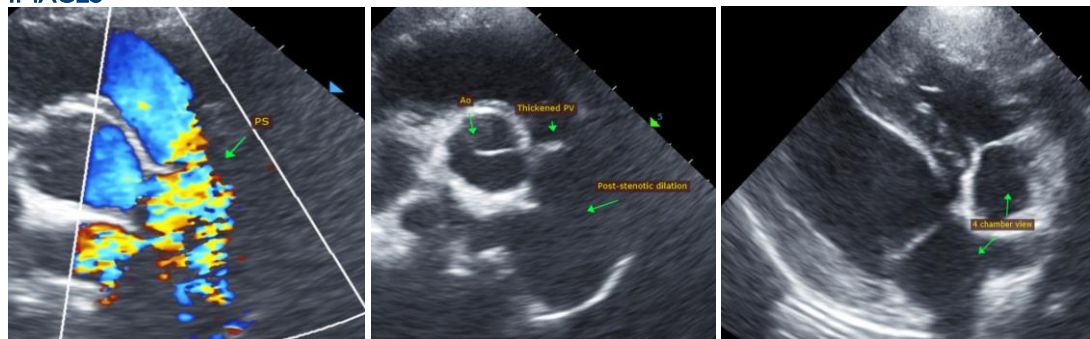
Monitor for development of associated clinical signs (collapse, abdominal distention, cough, labored breathing). Mild exercise restriction is advised. Omega fatty acid supplementation may have some long-term benefit, given these cases are predisposed to development of arrhythmias going forward.

Anesthetic risk is mild to moderate at this time. Avoid heart rate stimulating drugs such as atropine or glycopyrrolate unless absolutely necessary. Avoid vasodilators such as acepromazine. Mild IV fluid restriction is advised. Cardiac protective drug choices (opioid/benzodiazepine premedication, propofol or alfaxalone induction, isoflurane gas) are recommended. Pre-oxygenate for 5-10 minutes prior to induction and recover in O2 if possible. Monitor for arrhythmias, hypotension, and hypoxia both intra and post-operatively and intervene as necessary.

PLAN

Recommend referral for evaluation/surgical consultation and assess need for medication.

If declined, recommend recheck echocardiogram in 6-12 months to assess for progression, response to medication.

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.

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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