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Drago Handy

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Canine

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Boston Terrier

**SEX**

Male Neutered

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5 years

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20.6lbs

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**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

History: Arrythmia (click) and has started with a cough am and pm. Only medications are Benadryl 20mg/day which owner reports helps with cough.  
-Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results (April 2022): Urea elevated 12.3(3.2-11.0) and Eosinophils elevated 1.7(0-1.5).

**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 120bpm (range 60-150bpm). The rhythm is sinus in origin, with a p for every QRS complex and vice versa. The P and QRS morphologies are positive. No ectopic beats, pauses or other dysrhythmias observed.

ECG diagnosis: Normal sinus rhythm with respiratory variation.

**ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS**

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. The anterior leaflet of the mitral valve appears mildly thickened with no significant 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 mild 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. 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            | 2.0           | 1.0                 | 1.2                     | 41                              | 74                                       | 0.5                                      |
| 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   | 150           | 1.7           | 1.4                 | 9.3                     | 1.5                             | 2.7                                      | 1.6                                      |
| *Normal chamber parameters expressed as a mean value (SD)   |               |               |                     | 3                       | 1.27 (5.3)                      | 2.46 (2.46)                              | 1.36 (5.5)                               |
| <b>BODY WEIGHT DEPENDENT PARAMETERS</b>   |               |               |                     | 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)                               |

Adapted from June Boon, Veterinary Echocardiography, 1998  
Rishniw M and Hollis NE, J Vet Intern Med 2000; 14:429-435  
Hansson et al, Vet Rad and Ultrasound 2002  
Bonagura et al. Echocardiography: principles of interpretation, Vet Clin North Am 15:1177, 1995



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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

Overtly normal cardiac dimensions and function, with no obvious dysfunction or dilation of the left heart. Mild TR is of unknown significance and follow up is advised. No other significant valvular leaks are visualized, and no evidence of pulmonary hypertension. The ECG is unremarkable with a respiratory sinus arrhythmia.

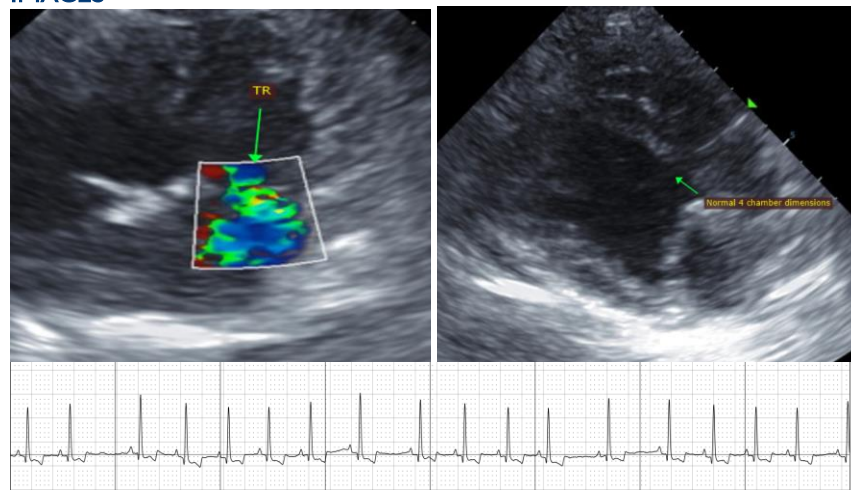
No cause for a “click” is identified in this study. The most common explanation for this finding on exam is early mitral valve prolapse (i.e., due to a mid-systolic click), which may be present in this case. Pulmonary hypertension can also cause an extra heart sound but does not appear in this exam. A true arrhythmia would reflect premature beats, which are not appreciated on the ECG. If these findings do not reflect what was ausculted on exam (i.e., premature beats), a longer recording or potentially a holter monitor may be necessary.

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

No cardiac contraindication for general anesthesia at this time.

A recheck echocardiogram is recommended should a significant murmur develop, or signs of cardiac compromise be noted in the future.

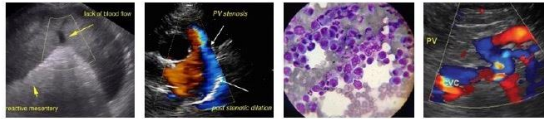
**IMAGES**



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