



## PATIENT

Siggy Glantz

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

French Bulldog

## SEX

Spayed Female

## AGE

9 Years

## WEIGHT

24 lbs

## INTERPRETED BY

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

First murmur notes 1/2024 2/6, 1/2025 grade 3/6 noted. Vetmedin started 7/2025, 2.5mg BID  
6 month recheck today, coughing, abnormal heartbeat ausculted every 8 beats. ECG looked ok  
Pulmonary edema and enlarged heart on rads, will be starting furosemide  
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Chest rads attached

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART

CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	MR VMAX (m/s)	TR VMAX (m/s)	LA/AO (M-Mode)	LA/AO (Heart Base; Swe)	FS (%)	EF (%)	EPSS (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	4.5-5.5	<2.7	1.3	Up to 1.6	28-40	40-100	<0.6
PATIENT	--	--	>2.0	>2.0	50	80	0.1
CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	HR (BPM)	AV VMAX (m/s)	PV MAX (m/s)	BODY WEIGHT (lbs)	LAD LA MAX 4 Chamber	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				
PATIENT	~150	1.3	0.5	24	4.9	4.2	--

## Cardiac Presentation

The echocardiogram for this patient presented excessive **left atrial size** expressed both in the LA/AO and LA max measurements Chamber volumes and echogenicity were normal. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented vegetative thickening consistent with endocardiosis. Doppler indicated measurable insufficiency. The **left ventricle** presented thicknesses with linear contour and was not dilated nor restricted. The **myocardium** presented normal echogenicity without subjective evidence of significant fibrotic or ischemic disease. **Contractility** of the ventricular walls was adequate and in normal range for this patient evidenced by the fractional shortening measurement and subjective evaluation of the different regions of the myocardium. The **left ventricular outflow** tract demonstrated normal laminar flow and subjective structural integrity. The **right atrium** and auricle revealed normal size, structure and content. No evidence of masses was noted or chamber overload. **Tricuspid** valvular assessment demonstrated adequate linear morphology. The **right ventricle** was of normal size (1/3 diameter of LV), chordae structure, myocardial echogenicity and thickness. **Pulmonic** tract assessment revealed normal valve structure, laminar flow, and diameter (approx. 1:1 pa/ao ratio). Arrhythmogenic activity noted. No visible **pericardial** or free pleura fluid was noted. No echographically detectable evidence of infiltrative disease was visible. The cranial **mediastinum and pericardial regions** were free of masses in the visible window.



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## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

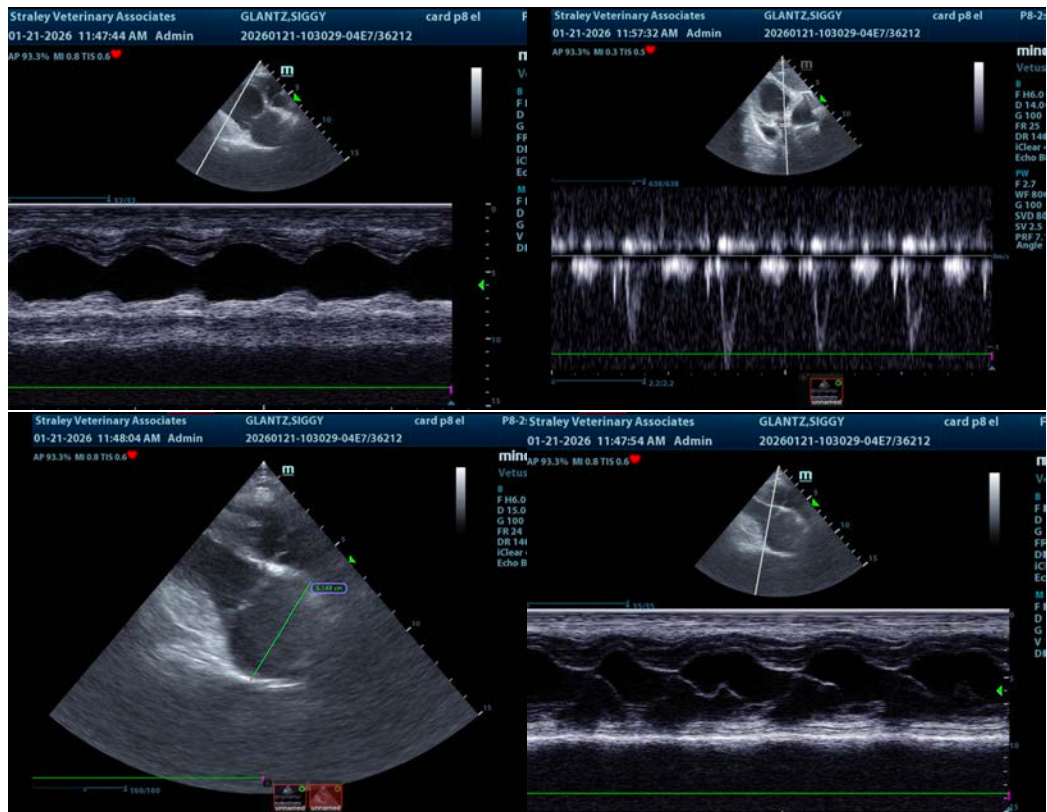
- Decompensating mitral insufficiency. Given the coughing, the volume overload is consistent with Stage C1 valvular disease.

## INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommend initiating Furosemide at 2-3 mg/kg BID, ACE inhibitor 0.5 mg/kg SID progressing to BID, and Spironolactone at 1-2 mg/kg SID.

The heart is in a somewhat precarious state with volume overload and a heart that is working to compensate for the valvular insufficiency. Target respiratory rate is < 20 resp/minute after therapy. After initiating therapy, I recommend recheck on the clinical exam, BUN, Creatinine, USG, Chest radiographs & Blood pressure in 5-7 days. Recheck echo in 1 month. Earlier if clinical decompensation is occurring. I do not recommend anesthesia at this time until stabilization has occurred on the recommended medications. Repeat preanesthetic echo is ideal if anesthesia is eventually necessary. There is severe anesthetic risk for this patient. Light dose opioids may be used to calm but I do not recommend anesthesia.

EKG indicated, given the arrhythmogenic activity.





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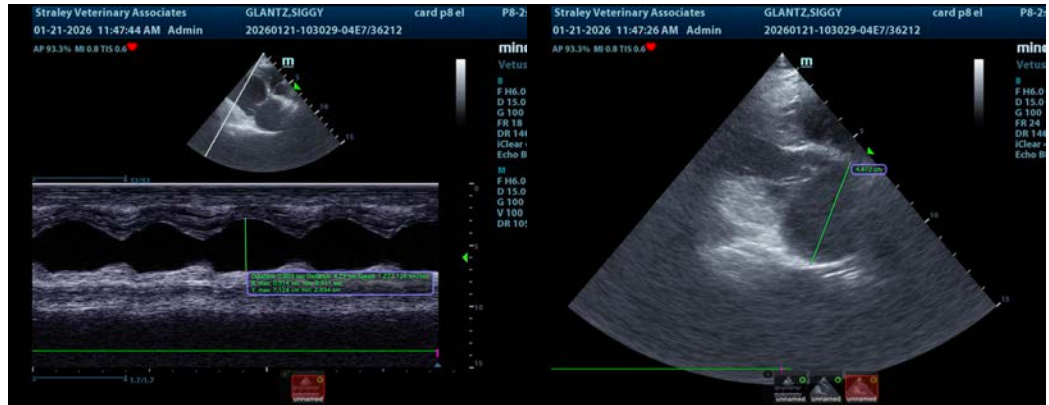
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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