

PATIENT

Asta Picone

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Miniature Pincher

SEX

Neutered Male

AGE

10 Years

WEIGHT

10.3 pounds

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

- Recheck echo
- increased kidney values

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART & ABDOMEN

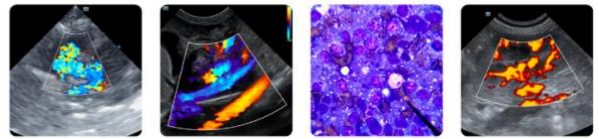
CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	MR VMAX (m/s)	TR VMAX (m/s)	LA/AO (M-Mode)	LA/AO (Heart Base; Swe)	FS (%)	EF (%)	EPSS (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	4.5-5.5	<2.7	1.3	Up to 1.6	28-40	40-100	<0.6
PATIENT	5.34	2.0	1.1	1.4	45	80	0.1
CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	HR (BPM)	AV VMAX (m/s)	PV MAX (m/s)	BODY WEIGHT (lbs)	LAD LA 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	NM	1.5	1.4	10.3	--	2.58	--

Cardiac Presentation

The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated normal **left atrial** size based on 3 different LA measurement methods. Chamber volumes and echogenicity were normal. Prolapse of the anterior mitral valve leaflet is noted. Doppler indicated measurable insufficiency. The **left ventricle** presented normal 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. Aortic insufficiency was present. 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). 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.

Urinary System

The **urinary bladder**, trigone, and pelvic urethra presented normal thicknesses and normal tone. The ureters were not visible which is normal. No uroliths or sediment were visualized, and anechoic urine



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was present. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes were noted. Ureteral papillae were normal.

The **right kidney** presented with severe polycystic changes and echogenic debris within the cyst with the largest cyst measuring 3.73 cm. The right kidney measured 6.5 cm in length. The majority of the parenchyma was occupied by cystic changes.

The **left kidney** presented with moderate to near end stage degenerative changes with cortical cysts and remodeling. The largest cyst measured 1.0 cm. The left kidney measured 4.69 cm in length.

Adrenal Glands

The **adrenal glands** appeared slightly enlarged and swollen. No evidence of focal capsular expansion or invasion into the phrenic veins was noted. No overt suspicion of neoplasia was noted. This is considered likely a hyperplastic change associated with stress or adrenal endocrinopathy (PDH). If isosthenuria is persistently present and the patient morphologically suggests Cushing's disease, then ACTH testing would be indicated. The left adrenal gland measured 1.85 cm x 0.86 cm width at the caudal pole and 0.81 cm width at the cranial pole. The right adrenal gland measured 1.8 cm x 0.84 cm width at the caudal pole and 1.17 cm width at the cranial pole.

Spleen

The **spleen** presented a smooth homogeneous parenchyma hyperechoic to liver and renal cortical parenchyma. The capsule was smooth without noticeable expansion or deviation from within the spleen or adjacent pathology. The splenic vasculature demonstrated normal volume without signs of congestion or thrombosis. No sonographic evidence of acute or chronic inflammatory, neoplastic, or infarctual changes were noted.

Liver

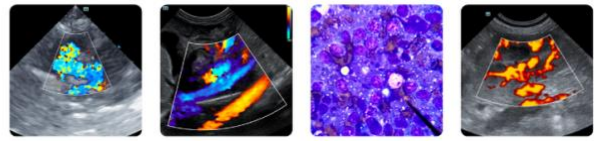
The **liver** images from right and left intercostal as well as subcostal views revealed subjectively normal liver size, contour, and structure. Some mild age-related parenchymal remodeling was noted but likely not clinically significant at this time. Vascular and biliary tracts were of normal volume and no evidence of congestion was noted. The gallbladder presented some dependent debris with essentially normal contour. The cystic and common bile ducts were normal. No overt evidence of active inflammatory, infiltrative or regenerative pathology was noted but should be paired with current or past LE elevations regarding any clinical significance to this presentation. The hepatic lymph nodes were unremarkable.

Gastrointestinal

Examination of the **gastrointestinal tract** revealed a stomach and intestine free of stasis, of normal wall thickness, acceptable curvilinear mural detail, and peristaltic activity. Small and large intestine demonstrated normal luminal chyme and stool consistency respectively. No obstructive or overt infiltrative disease was noted. No associated abnormal lymphatic activity was noted.

Pancreas

The base and limbs of the **pancreas** were observed to be largely isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Pancreatic duct and capsular contour were acceptably normal and parenchyma respected normal curvilinear patterns. No overt evidence of active inflammatory or neoplastic disease was noted.



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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Subjectively near end stage polycystic kidneys with degenerative changes- potential harboring of infection within the cysts.
- Bilateral adrenal hypertrophy- possibly stress or emerging PDH depending on if patient appears Cushingoid.
- Age-related abdominal changes.
- Compensated stage B1 valvular disease.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The heart is stable without clinical disease. No overt contraindication for anesthesia of brief to moderate duration. I suggest Torbutrol premed, Propofol induction, Isoflor maintenance or similar protocol if anesthesia is desired. Blood pressure, EKG and chest radiographs are recommended if not already performed. Target white coat negative systolic pressure of < 160 mmHg. If higher than this ACE-inhibitor is suggested to reach this level. Recheck echocardiogram is recommended in 6-12 months, earlier if murmur grade increases or clinical signs initiate.

I am most concerned about the kidneys long term in this patient. Ultrasound guided drainage of the larger cyst particularly in the right kidney with culture and sensitivity could be considered. Management for renal failure is indicated. If IV fluid therapy is utilized, then recommend not more than 1.4 of maintenance given the valvular disease, yet no volume overload is noted at this time. Serial blood pressure is warranted if not already performed.

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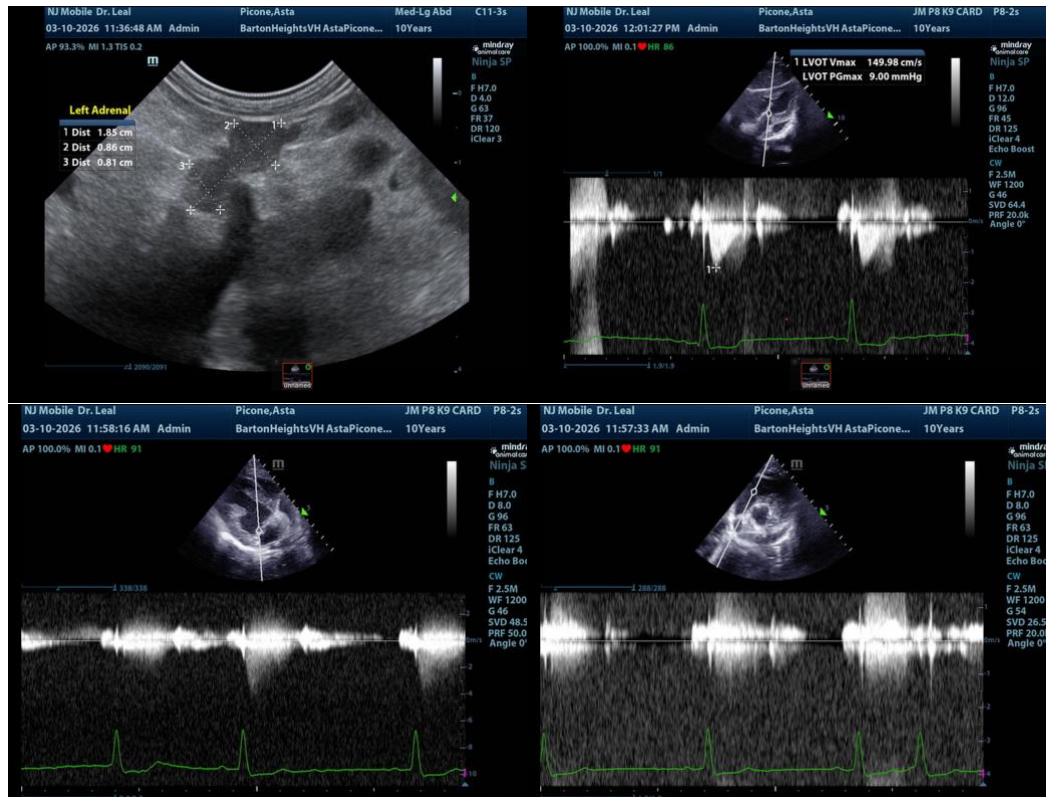
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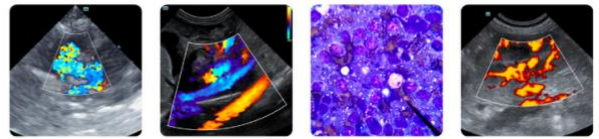
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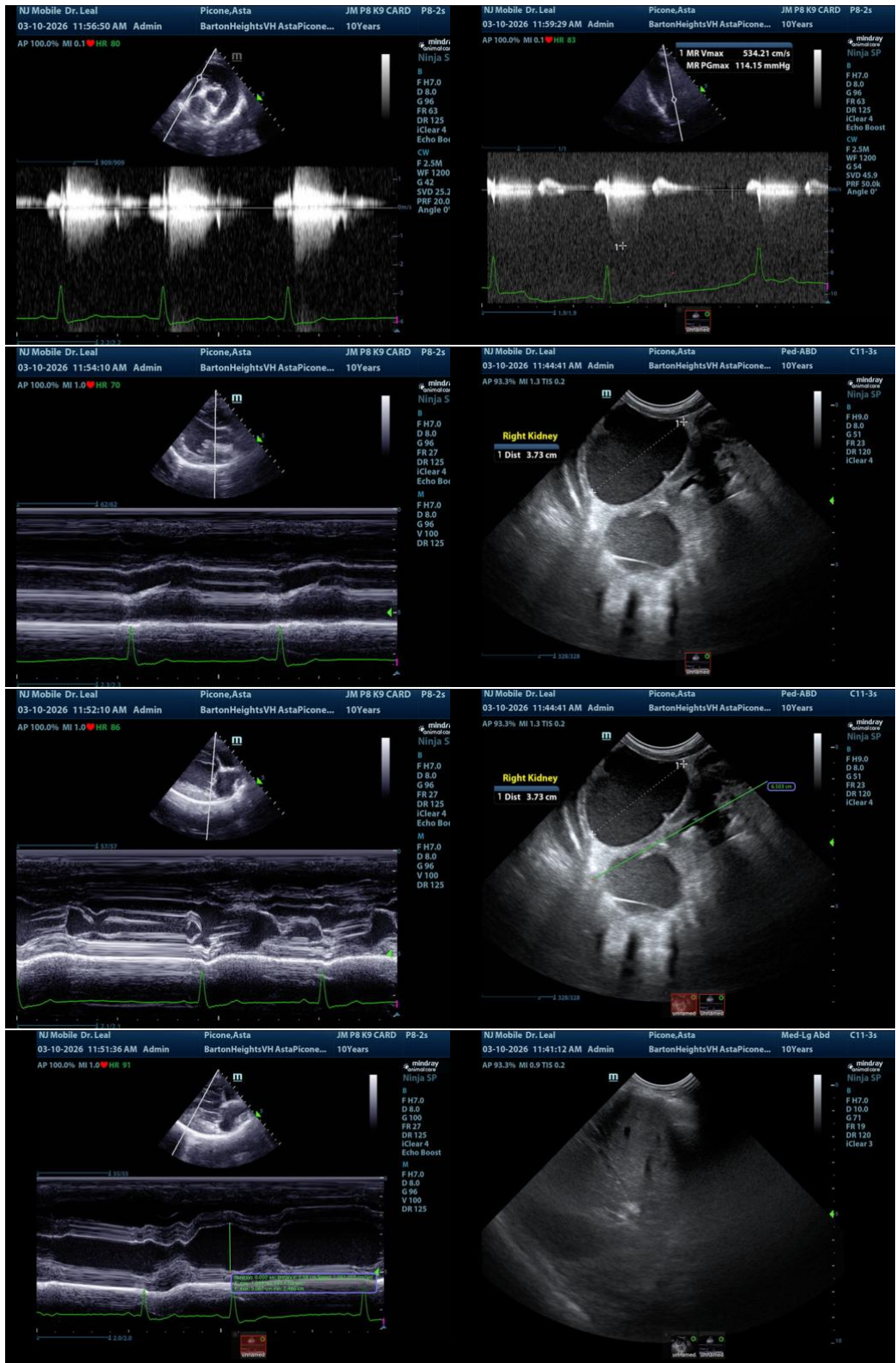
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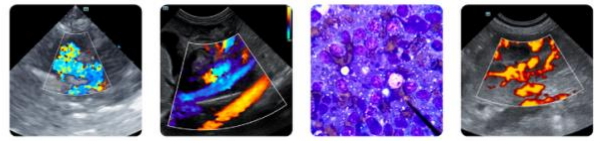
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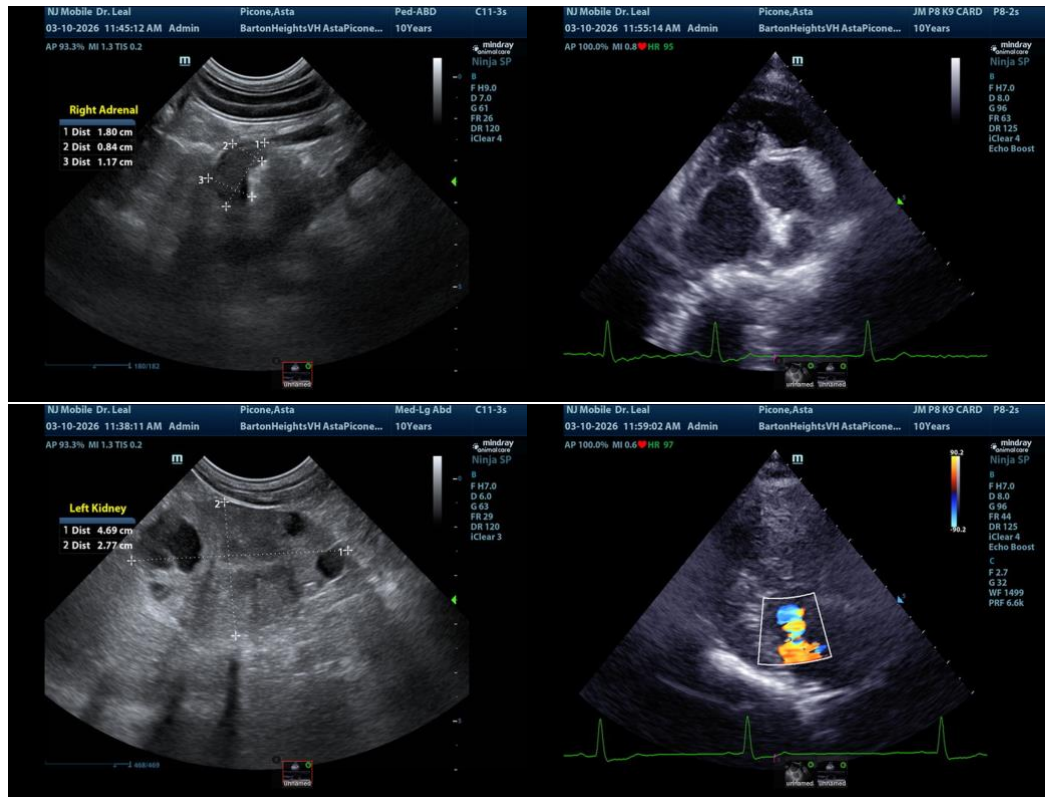
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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