



PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Maggie Edelman Heart murmur grade 3/6. Trembling at home, arrhythmia, bradycardia. No reported meds.

SPECIES ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART

Canine

BREED

Bichon Frise X

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

13 Years

WEIGHT

22.88 Pounds

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			1.1	1.3	30	59	NM
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	101	1.44	1.1		2.95	3.17	

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. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented vegetative thickening consistent with endocardiosis. Doppler indicated moderate mitral insufficiency with centralized jet. 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). 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 was present. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes were noted. Ureteral papillae were normal. The pelvic urethra was imaged 1.0 cm beyond the cystourethral junction.

The **kidneys** revealed largely normal size and structure, corticomedullary definition and ratio (cortex 1/3 of medulla) were essentially maintained with some age-related loss of curvilinear patterns regarding

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the capsule and C/M junction. The cortices presented largely uniform texture with some increased echogenicity expected for his age patient. Medullary structure differed distinctly from that of the cortex and no evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The right kidney measured 5.43 cm. The left kidney measured 5.3 cm.

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Adrenal Glands

Both **adrenal glands** were visualized and recognized as having normal shape, size, position and echogenicity for this breed. The phrenic vasculature, glandular echogenicity and detail were unremarkable. Capsule, cortex, and medullary definition were normal for this age patient. The left adrenal gland measured 1.68 cm x 0.47 cm at the caudal pole and 0.48 cm at the cranial pole. The right adrenal gland measured 2.44 cm x 1.12 cm at the cranial pole and 0.58 cm at the caudal pole.

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Spleen

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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.

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Liver

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The **liver** was uniformly swollen with minor, excessive gallbladder debris and over distension with dependent and suspended bile without evidence of overt mucocele formation. However, excessive sludge was present. The liver presented coarse architecture with mildly increased portal markings and subtle, mixed echogenic changes. This is consistent with vacuolar hepatopathy and some level of remodeling and history of inflammatory component. There was no overt suspicion of neoplasia.

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Gastrointestinal

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The **stomach** was overdistended with progressively shadowing material. Transit of chyme in the small intestine appeared to be occurring normal. This is most consistent with post-prandial presentation.

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Pancreas

The base and limbs of the **pancreas** were observed to be largely isoechoic to surrounding omental fat. Some parenchymal remodeling, however, with mild deviation from curvilinear normalcy was observed. Pancreatic duct and capsular irregularities were present consistent with age related changes. If pain upon imaging (+ Murphy sign) was present or if the patient is focally painful in subxyphoid palpation then low-grade smoldering chronic pancreatitis should be suspected.

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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

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- Stage B1 valvular disease, compensated, no volume overload
- Age related abdominal changes, no evidence of significant disease
- Post-prandial GI presentatoin

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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No arrhythmogenic activity noted during the echocardiogram. However, if an arrhythmia is perceived or suspected, holter monitor would be ideal. This may be obtained from our office with cardiologist review.

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B1: The heart is stable without clinical disease. No overt contraindication for anesthesia of brief to moderate duration. I suggest Torbutrol premed, Propofol induction, Isoflo maintenance or similar protocol if anesthesia is desired. Blood pressure recommended if not already performed and target



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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 months, earlier if murmur grade increases or clinical signs initiate.

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If the patient did not eat recently prior to the exam, soft foreign matter should be considered.

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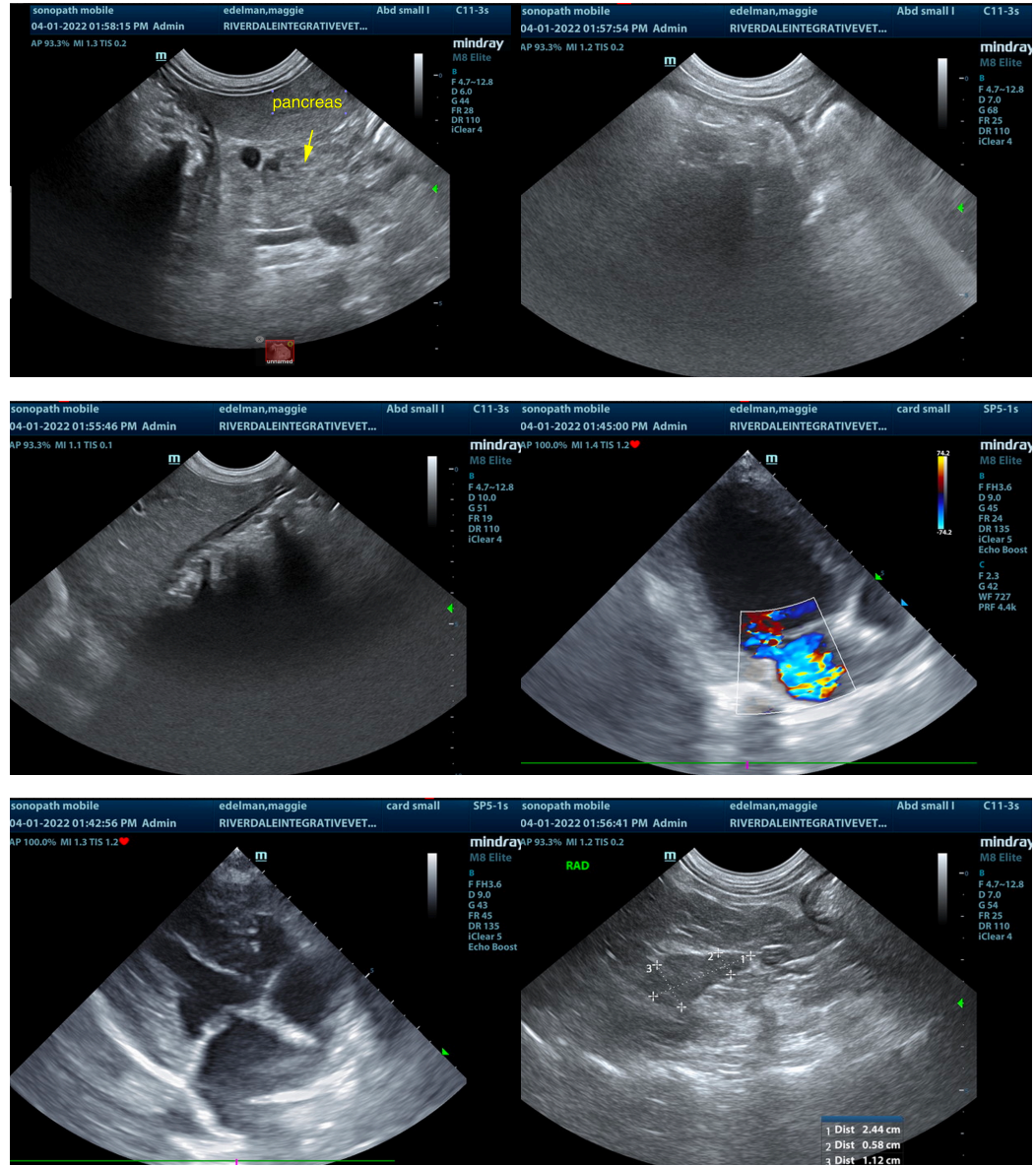
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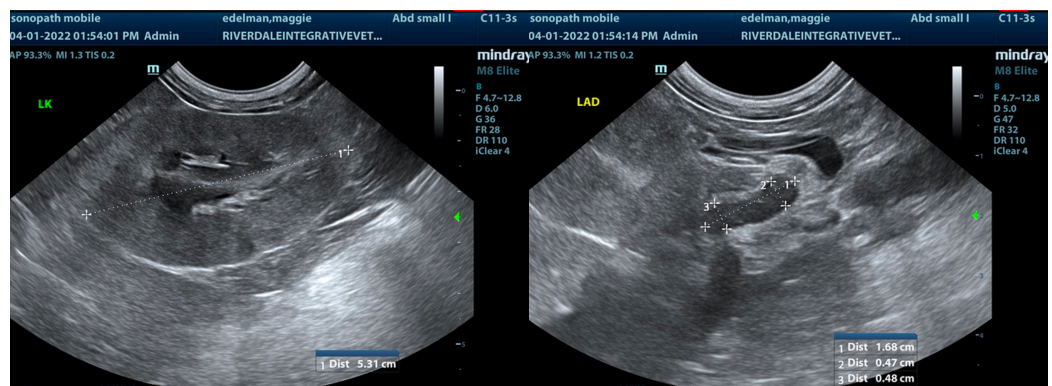
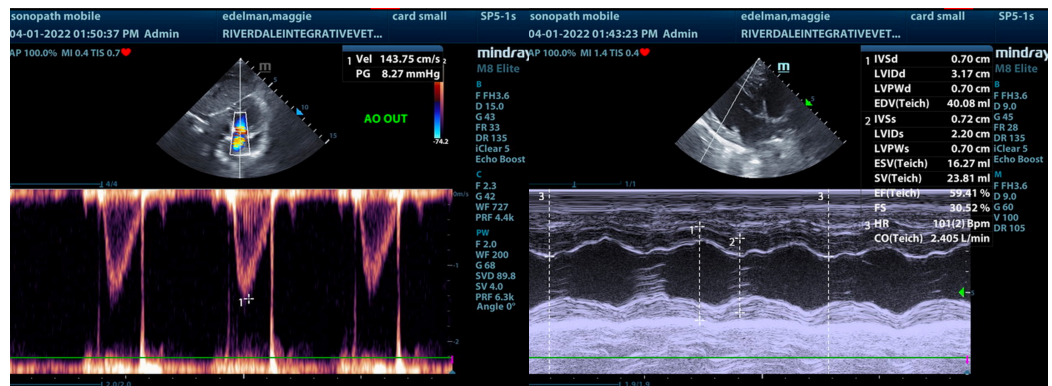
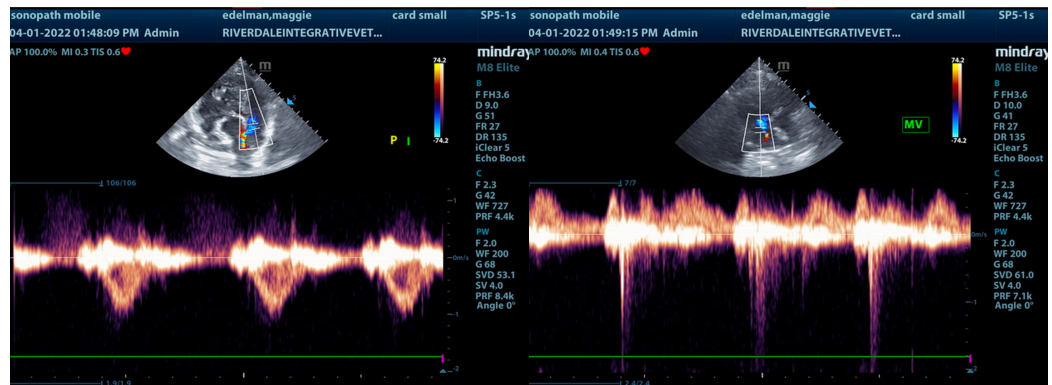
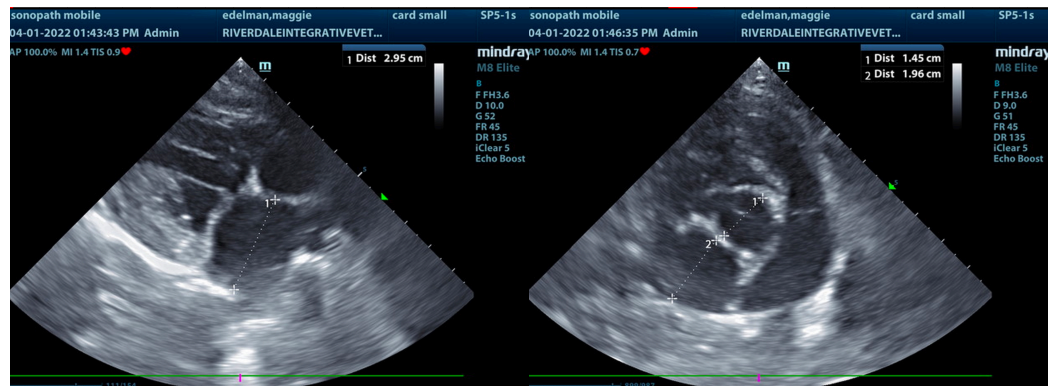
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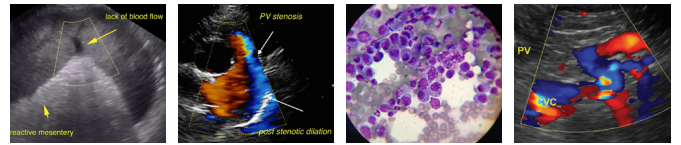
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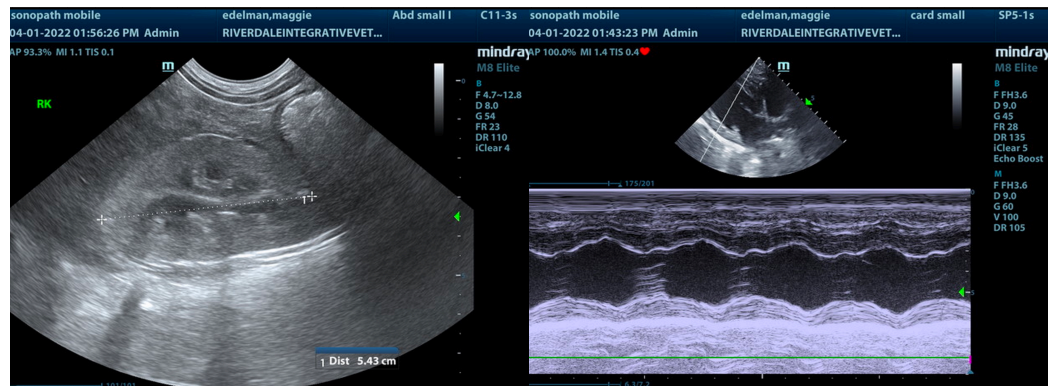
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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