



**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Bailey Jordon

Bailey had initially presented 2 weeks ago for an exam during which a grade IV/VI novel cardiac murmur was auscultated. She was in again yesterday, May 10, 2022 for cardiac diagnostic work-up and to address a forelimb orthopedic issue and allergic skin concerns. On chest radiographs, she had a VHS of 12.7, and her blood pressure was normal, ranging from 142/80 (111) to 146/103 (120) mmHg systolic/diastolic (MAP). She was given 1.3 mg butorphanol IV to lightly sedate for the cardiac ultrasound exam.

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Shih Tzu

**SEX**

Spayed Female

**AGE**

12 years

**WEIGHT**

14 lbs

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART**

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. Prolapse of the posterior mitral leaflet was noted. 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). 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. The hepatic veins were not dilated.

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CANINE	MR	TR	LA/AO	LA/AO	FS	EF	EPSS
<b>CARDIAC PARAMETERS</b>	<b>VMAX</b> (m/s)	<b>VMAX</b> (m/s)	(Boon method)	(Heart Base; Swe)	(%)	(%)	(cm)
<b>NORMAL PARAMETER</b>	4.5-5.5	<2.7	1.3	<1.3	28-40	40-100	<0.6
<b>PATIENT</b>			1.2	1.4	50		0.1
CANINE	HR	AV	PV	BODY WEIGHT	LA	LVIDd	LVIDs
<b>CARDIAC PARAMETERS</b>	(BPM)	<b>VMAX</b> (m/s)	<b>MAX</b> (m/s)	(kg)	2D short axis Base view (cm)	Avg; 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)	Avg; 2D and m-mode short axis (cm)
<b>NORMAL PARAMETER</b>	50-100	0.7-1.7	0.7-1.6				
<b>PATIENT</b>		NM	1.5	14	1.3	2.56	



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**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

Stage B1 valvular disease with mitral valve prolapse.

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

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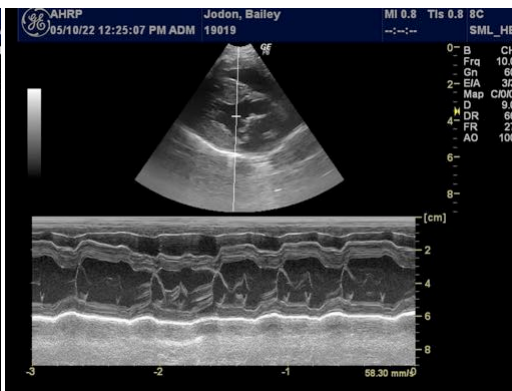
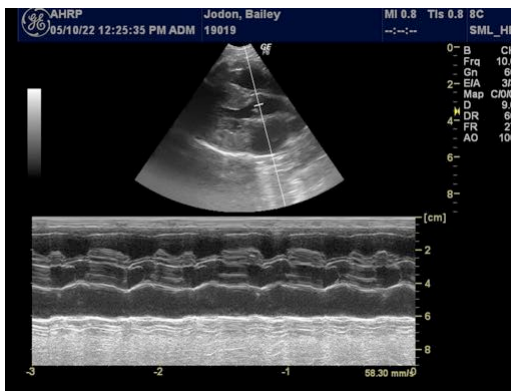
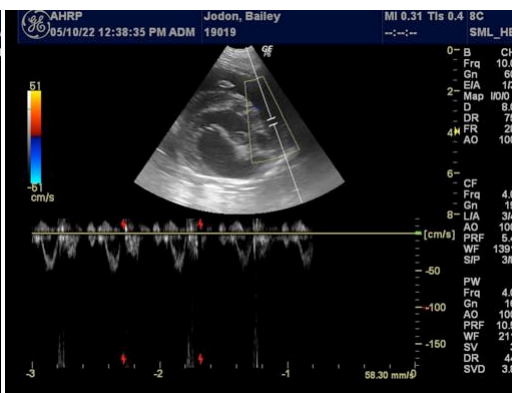
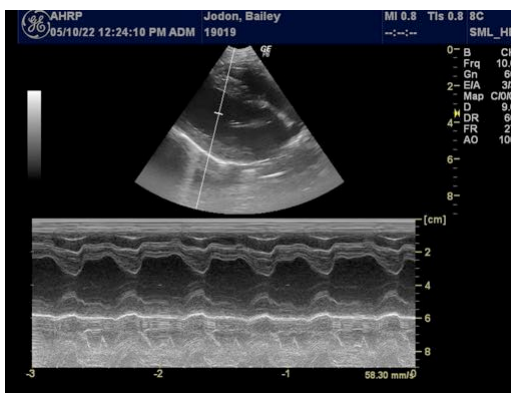
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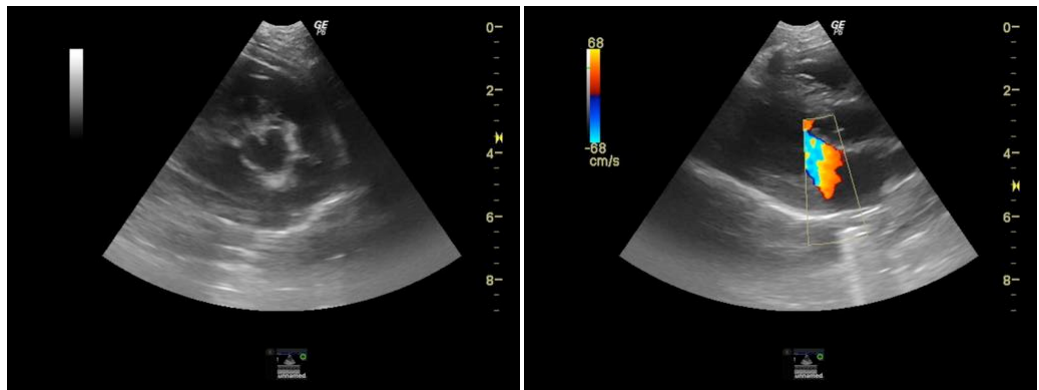
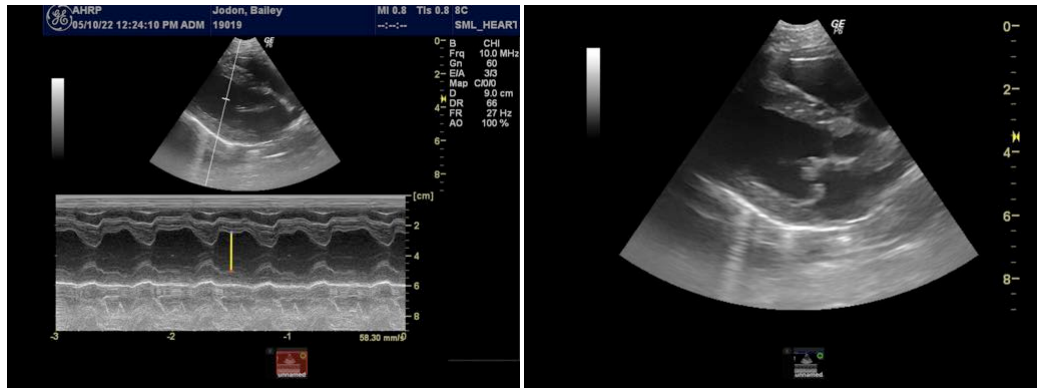
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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