



**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Rocket Agudelo

**SPECIES**

Canine

**BREED**

Chihuahua Mix

**SEX**

Neutered male

**AGE**

10 years

**WEIGHT**

19.2 lbs

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History: Presented for V+ Bloody diarrhea on 3/20/23. Tense abd. Grade IV-V/VI systolic murmur. RR/MM Ok. Today stools are still liquid/dark, depressed, inappetence. Hx Ht murmur on echo 10/21, grade III/VI no meds. R/O HGE vs pancreatitis vs other Current meds: IV fluids, metro, unasyn, cerenia, famotidine, carafate, buprenex.  
Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: 3/20 - Lip = 199, TP = 8.2, alb = 3.8, ALT = 126, HCT = 70.8%, RBC = 9.48, CPL snap = anormal. To be rechecked today

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART**

The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated enlarged **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 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. 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.

CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	MR VMAX (m/s)	TR VMAX (m/s)	LA/AO (Boon method)	LA/AO (Heart Base;)	FS (%)	EF (%)	EPSS (cm)
NORMAL PARAMETER	4.5-5.5	<2.7	1.3	<1.6	28-40	40-100	<0.6
PATIENT	6.0		2.66	2.5	44	76	0.2
CANINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	HR (BPM)	AV VMAX (m/s)	PV MAX (m/s)	BODY WEIGHT	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	116	1.02	1.1	19.2 lbs	4.93	3.91	



**PATIENT** **ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE ABDOMEN**

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**Urinary System**

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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 was noted. Ureteral papillae were normal.

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The residual prostate was uniform and measured 1.18 cm.

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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 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 4.97 cm. The left kidney measured 4.54 cm.

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**Adrenal Glands**

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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 1.62 x 0.39 cm at the cranial pole and 0.53 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 was noted.

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**Liver**

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The **liver** images from right and left intercostal as well as subcostal views revealed subjectively normal liver size, contour, and structure. Some 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.

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**Gastrointestinal**

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Variable **gastrointestinal** thickening was noted. The region of the descending colon was particularly thickened with reactive mesentery. The colic lymph node was enlarged and rounded measuring 2.0 x 1.5 cm with reactive surrounding mesentery.



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**Pancreas**

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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**

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Stage B2+ valvular disease.

Colitis, lymphadenitis versus emerging lymphoma. Carcinoma is possible.

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

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I recommend Pimobendan at 0.3 mg/kg b.i.d. Ace inhibitor therapy is indicated at 0.5 mg/kg s.i.d. progressing to b.i.d. and Spironolactone at 1-2 mg/kg b.i.d. Recheck echocardiogram is recommended in a month. This patient is technically a B2 valvular disease patient; however, I am concerned for emerging left-sided failure.

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The heart has some volume overload and 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.

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Ultrasound-guided FNA of the colic lymph node is indicated. The prognosis is guarded.

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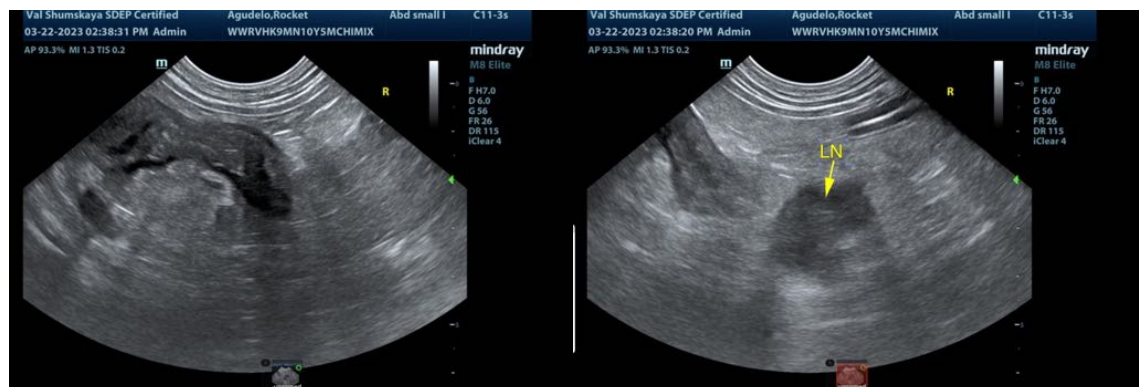
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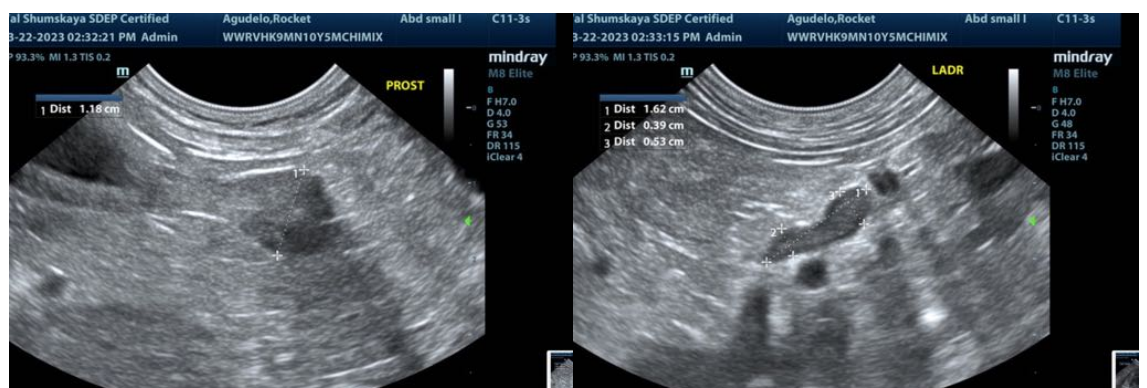
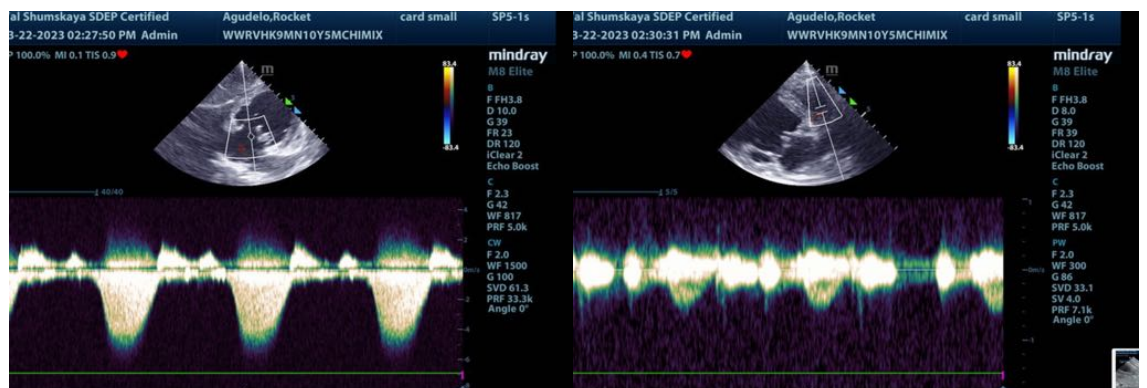
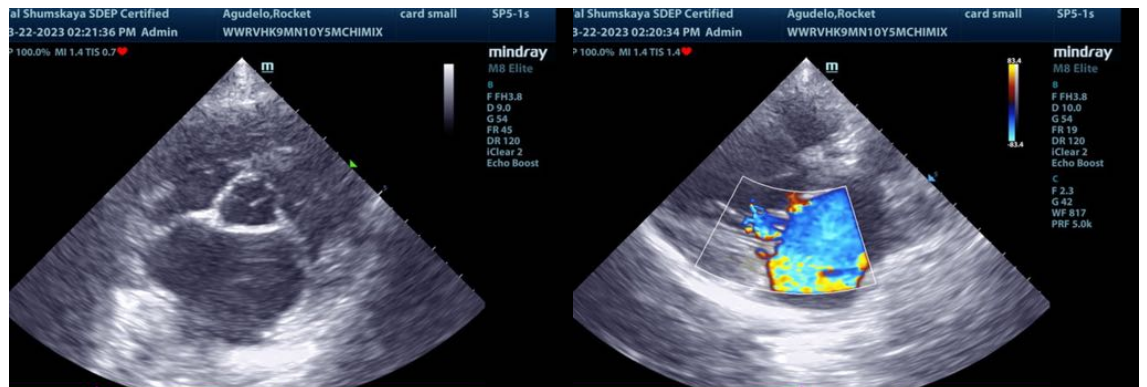
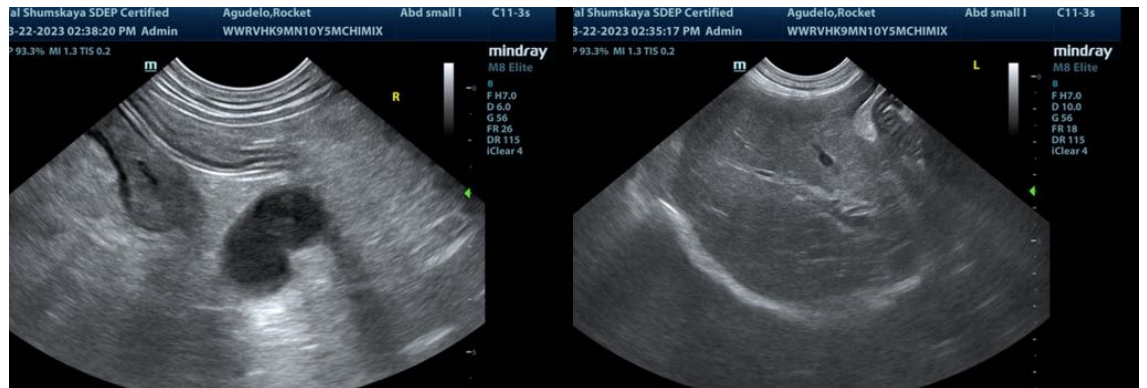
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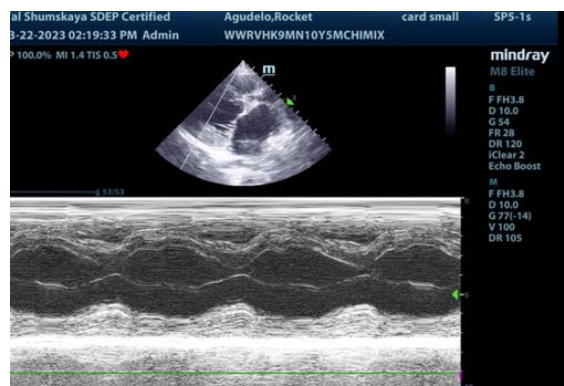
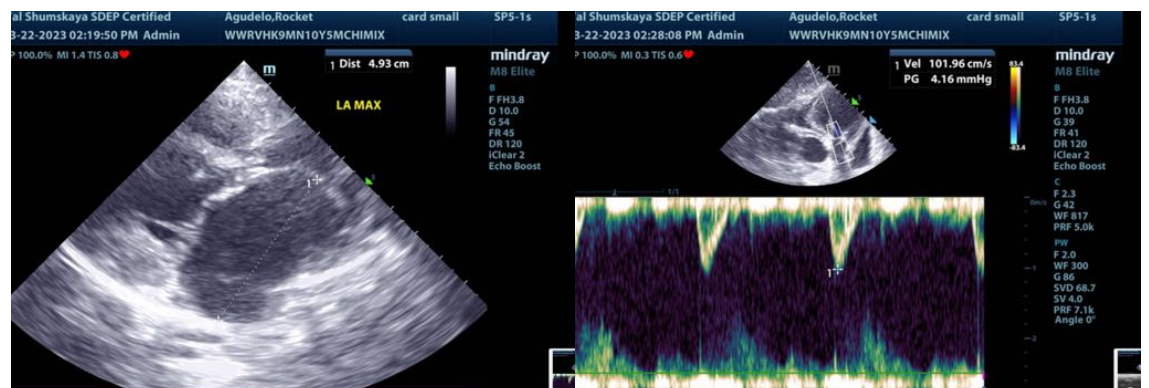
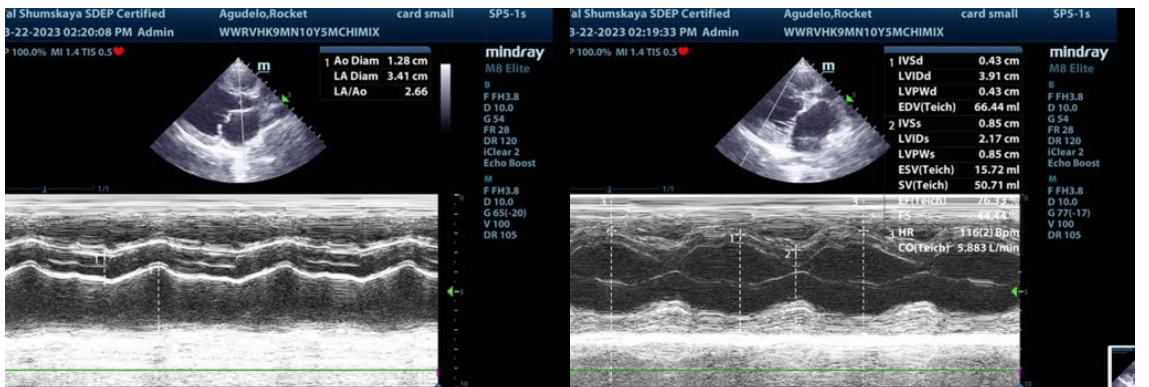
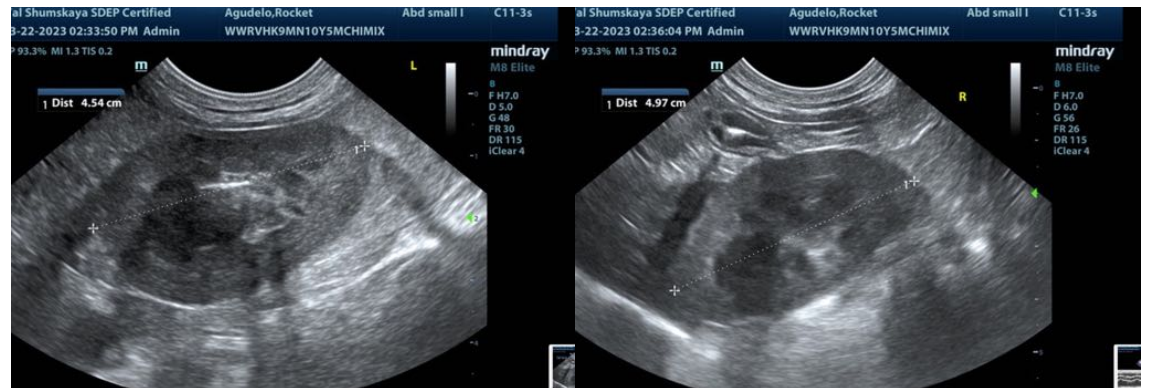
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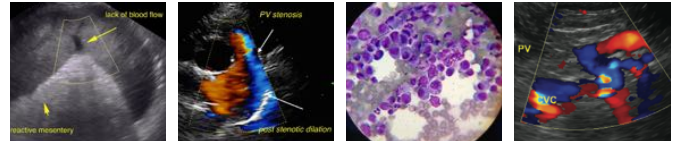
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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