



**PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Shiloh Barrera History: History of seizures. Heart murmur grade 4-5/6.

**SPECIES ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART**

Canine

BREED

Maltese

SEX

Intact male

AGE

16 years

WEIGHT

8 lbs

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. Complete filling of the of the left atrium was noted on color flow assessment of the mitral valve. Prolapse of the anterior mitral valve 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.

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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	6.0	3.5	2.0	>2.0	38	71	0.1
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	93	1.02	0.69	8 lbs	3.8	2.47	

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**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

Advanced Stage B2 valvular disease.



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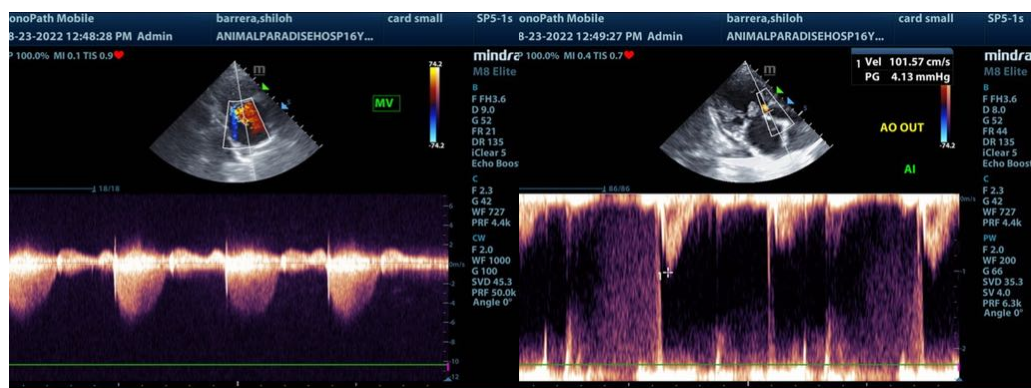
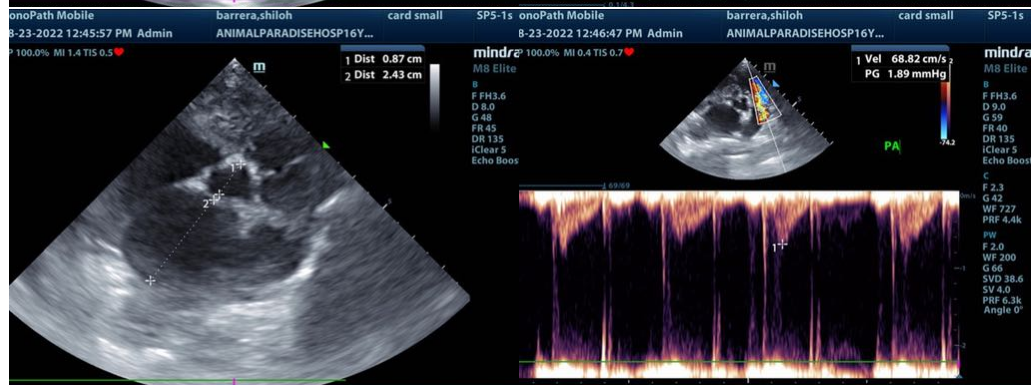
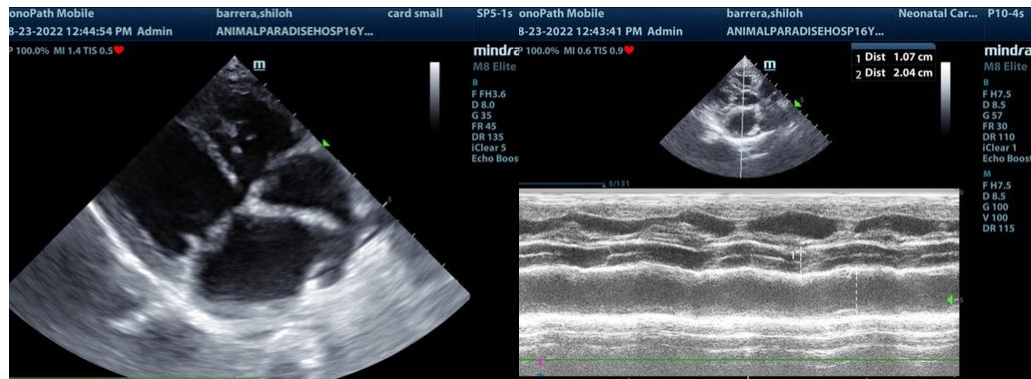
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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

I recommend initiating Pimobendan at 0.3 mg/kg b.i.d. If systolic pressure is > 160 then ace inhibitor therapy +/- Spironolactone at 1-2 mg/kg b.i.d. can be considered. Seizure activity is unlikely to be directly related to the cardiac presentation. However, underlying systolic hypertension as well as periodic hypoxia may be lowering the seizure threshold. If seizures continue then brain CT would be indicated.





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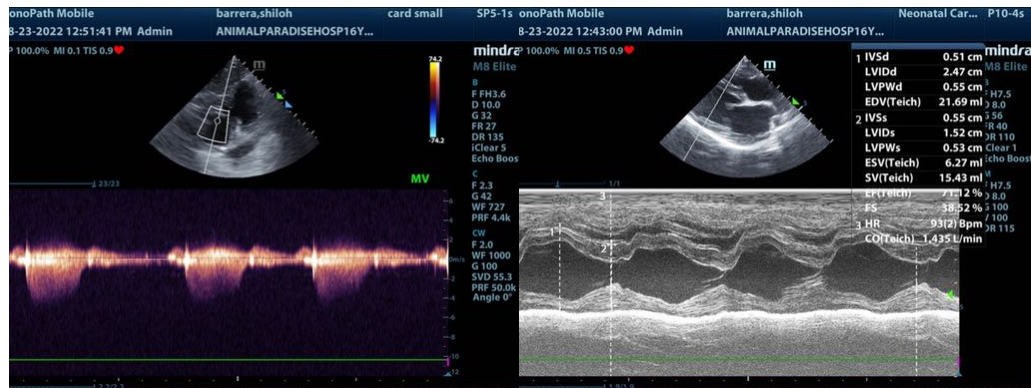
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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