



PATIENT

Chloe Varga

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Doberman Pincher

SEX

Spayed Female

AGE

23 months

WEIGHT

65 lbs.

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Patient is doing well. No clinical signs. No murmur. Owner (a technician at rDVM hospital) pursued an embark test recently which showed potential genetic predisposition for DCM. Owner elected echo as a baseline.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: none reported

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART

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			NM	1.45	33	65	0.4
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	NM	1.0	1.0		4.3	4.4	

Cardiac Presentation

The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated normal **left atrial** size based on 3 separate methods of LA evaluation. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented normal linear structure, extension in systole, and union in diastole with normal kinesis. 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 for this patient and breed with potential for mild LV hypocontractility. 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. **Tricuspid** valvular assessment demonstrated adequate linear morphology and kinesis. The **right ventricle** was of normal size (1/3 diameter of LV), chordae structure, myocardial echogenicity and thickness. **Pulmonary outflow** 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. The cranial **mediastinum and pericardial and extra-cardiac regions** were free of masses in the visible window.

ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings

- Overtly normal cardiac structure and function with subjective borderline LV hypocontractility



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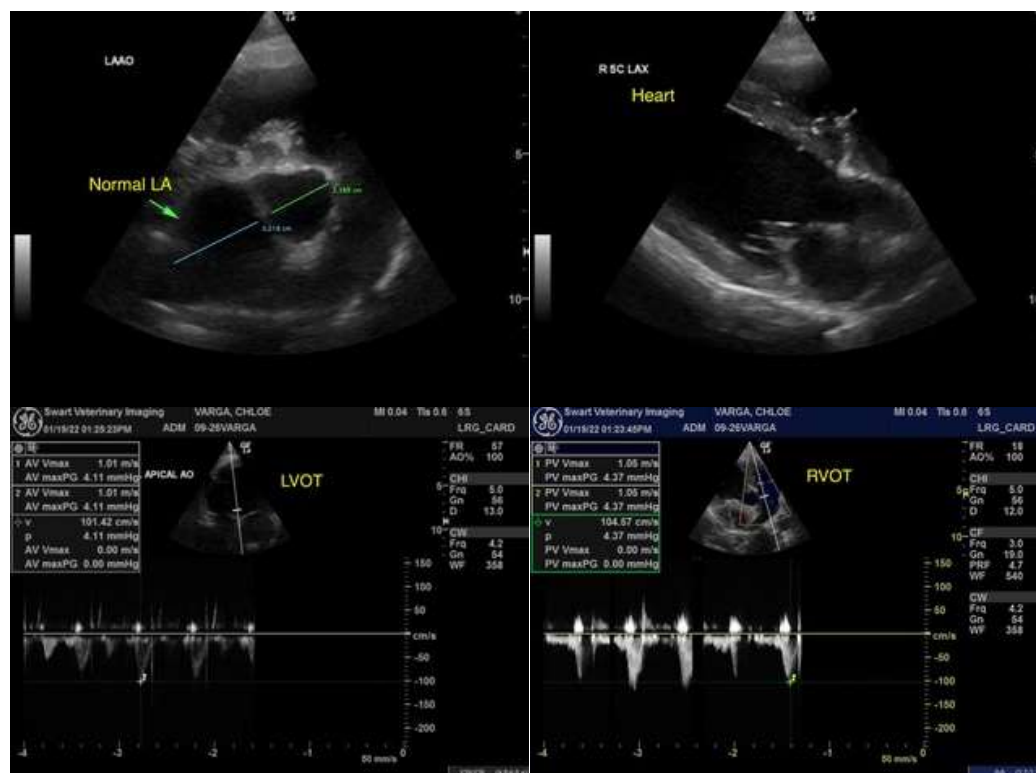
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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

No evidence of DCM criteria was present in this study. The potential for borderline LV hypocontractility is nonspecific and may be a patient / breed variant or possibly secondary to athletic state, which can present in this fashion. However, given the potential for genetic predisposition for DCM, serial sonographic monitoring is advised to assess for evidence of progression, especially if clinical signs suggestive of heart disease arise. No indication for cardiac medications was noted. Recheck echocardiogram is advised in 6 months.



The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. 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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