



PATIENT

Taylor Zichelli

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Mixed Breed

SEX

MN

AGE

10 years

WEIGHT

72 lbs.

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Patient with slightly elevated kidney values presents for echo due to grade 3/6 heart murmur. Current meds: Doxycycline tablets 100mgs. Patient will be starting K/D diet.

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		<1.0	1.1	1.2	34.3	66.8	0.27
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	104	1.1	0.94		3.8	3.5	

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 mild subjective vegetative thickening suggestive of mild endocardiosis. Doppler indicated mild eccentric 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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ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Primary Findings

- Mild eccentric mitral valve Insufficiency
- Normal left atrium

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The cause of the murmur is most consistent with mild eccentric mitral valve insufficiency, likely owing to early to mild chronic degenerative mitral valve changes. The hemodynamic effects of the mitral valve insufficiency appear to be mild while the normal left atrium size indicates that the risk of complication at this stage is low. No indication for cardiac medications was evident. Conservative monitoring at this stage is recommended. No anesthetic contraindications if anesthesia is required. Recheck echocardiogram is suggested in 6-12 months, sooner if clinical signs suggestive of heart disease arise or if murmur intensity increased. No other clinical issues such as systolic dysfunction or evidence of clinical pulmonary hypotension were present.

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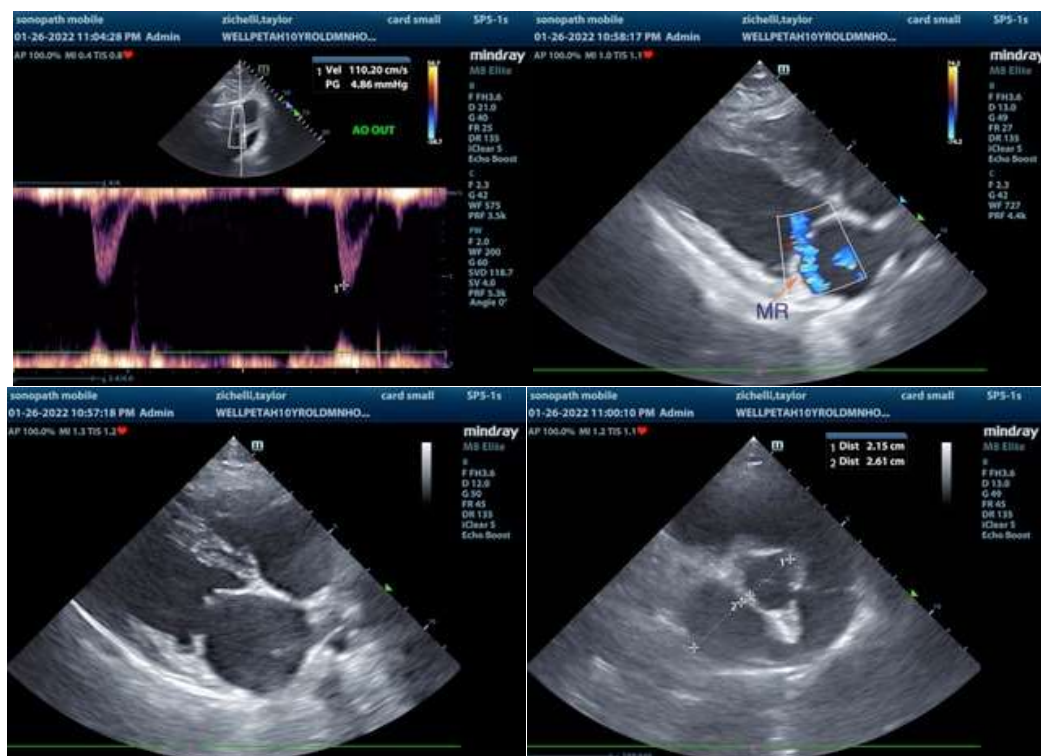
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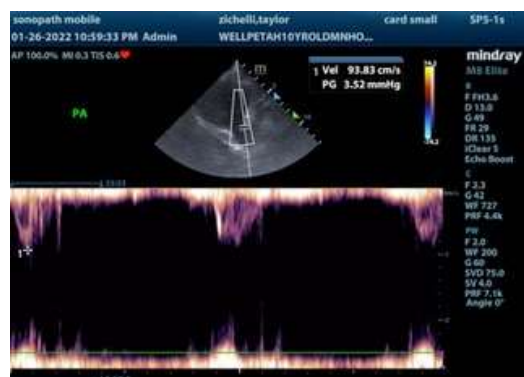
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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