



## PATIENT

Bentley Davies

## SPECIES

Canine

## BREED

Yorkie

## SEX

Neutered Male

## AGE

12 years

## WEIGHT

12.71 lbs.

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## PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

-Chronic cough. Chest rad at previous vet showed generalized heart enlargement, suggest fat over the heart vs cardiomegaly. No murmur auscultated

## ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART & ABDOMEN

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
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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
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### Cardiac Presentation

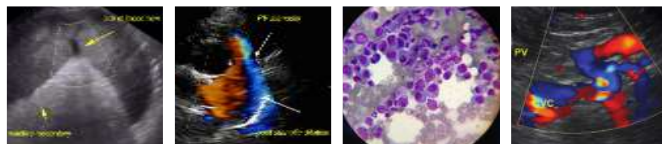
The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated normal **left atrial** size based on 3 different LA measurement methods. Chamber volumes and echogenicity were normal. The cranial and caudal **mitral** valve leaflets presented vegetative thickening consistent with endocardiosis. Doppler indicated measurable eccentric to centralized 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.

### Urinary System

The urinary bladder, trigone, cystourethral junction, and visible pelvic urethra to a depth of 2.0 cm exhibited normal thickness and tone. Anechoic urine was present in the lumen with no uroliths or



<b>PATIENT</b>	sediment. The ureteral papillae were normal. The ureters were not visible which is normal. No evidence of inflammatory or neoplastic changes was noted.
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<b>SPECIES</b>	The residual prostate was sonographically unremarkable.
Canine	The area of the aortic trifurcation was free of pathology.
<b>BREED</b>	Normal size and margination were present in the kidneys. A normal 1:3 cortex / medulla ratio was maintained. The medulla and cortices were uniform in texture with some increased echogenicity and mild loss of corticomedullary symmetry and definition expected for the age of the patient. No evidence of pelvic dilation was present. The left kidney measured 4.1 cm in length. The right kidney measured 4.3 cm in length.
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Neutered Male	<b>Adrenal Glands</b>
<b>AGE</b>	The bilateral adrenal glands exhibited subjective mild prominent size. Mild parenchyma heterogeneity and mild capsule asymmetry was present without suspicion for overt neoplasia. The left adrenal gland measured 0.44 cm width in the cranial pole and 0.61 cm width in the caudal pole. The right adrenal gland measured 0.76 cm width in the cranial pole and 0.62 cm width in the caudal pole.
12 years	
<b>WEIGHT</b>	<b>Spleen</b>
12.71 lbs.	The spleen exhibited primarily finely textured and homogenous parenchyma which was hyperechoic to the liver and renal cortical parenchyma. Subtle, multifocal, symmetrical, echogenic nodules were present throughout the cranial to caudal parenchyma. An example measured 0.82 cm in diameter. The capsule was smooth and regular without apparent expansion. The splenic vasculature at the hilus was normal in volume with no evidence of congestion or thrombosis. Acute to chronic inflammatory or neoplastic changes were not noted. The echogenic nodules tend to trend benign and are most consistent with benign hyperplasia or myelolipomas.
<b>INTERPRETED BY</b>	<b>Liver/ Gallbladder</b>
R. McKenzie Daniel, DVM, DABVP (Canine and Feline)	The liver was subjectively normal in size, structure, and contour. The liver parenchyma was mildly nonuniform and hypoechoic to the spleen with a moderate coarse echotexture and subjective mild to benign parenchymal remodeling. The hepatic and portal vasculature were normal in appearance without signs of congestion. Intermittent, variably sized, echogenic parenchymal nodules were present. An example measured 2.4 cm x 1.7 cm.
<b>IMAGING PERFORMED BY</b>	<b>Gastrointestinal</b>
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10/4/21	The small intestine presented intact wall layering with 1:3 muscularis/mucosa ratio. The lumen of the small intestine was empty with no signs of ileus, obstruction, or foreign material.
	Normal visible colon wall layers were present with apparent formed feces in lumen.



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**Pancreas**

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The parenchyma of the pancreas was mildly echogenic to nonuniform with diffuse parenchyma remodeling. The capsule of the pancreas was mildly asymmetrical in contour without evidence of peripancreatic inflammation. These changes may suggest chronic inflammation, fibrosis, or saponification if previous history of pancreatitis. No overt signs of pancreatic neoplasia.

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**Free Abdomen**

No overt lymphadenopathy or peritoneal effusion was present.

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

**Primary Findings**

- Chronic mitral valve disease (ACVIM B1)
- Benign splenic nodules - likely consistent with benign myelolipomas
- Nonspecific hyperechoic liver nodules - likely benign, lipogranulomas, nodular hyperplasia, or similar, potential for low-grade neoplasia is considered a less likely differential diagnosis
- Mild chronic renal changes
- Mild pancreatic fibrosis, potential for mild chronic pancreatitis

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The echocardiogram is consistent with mild chronic degenerative valvular changes and secondary eccentric to centralized mitral valve insufficiency. The lack of left atrium enlargement indicates that the risk of complication is low. No other clinical issues such as systolic dysfunction or clinical pulmonary hypertension were noted. Given these findings, the chronic cough in this patient is certainly noncardiogenic in origin. No indication for cardiac medications. Conservative monitoring with recheck echocardiogram is suggested in 6-12 months.

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Sonographic monitoring of both the hepatic and splenic nodules for evidence of progression would be appropriate. Correlation with full labs including Spec cPL may be considered.

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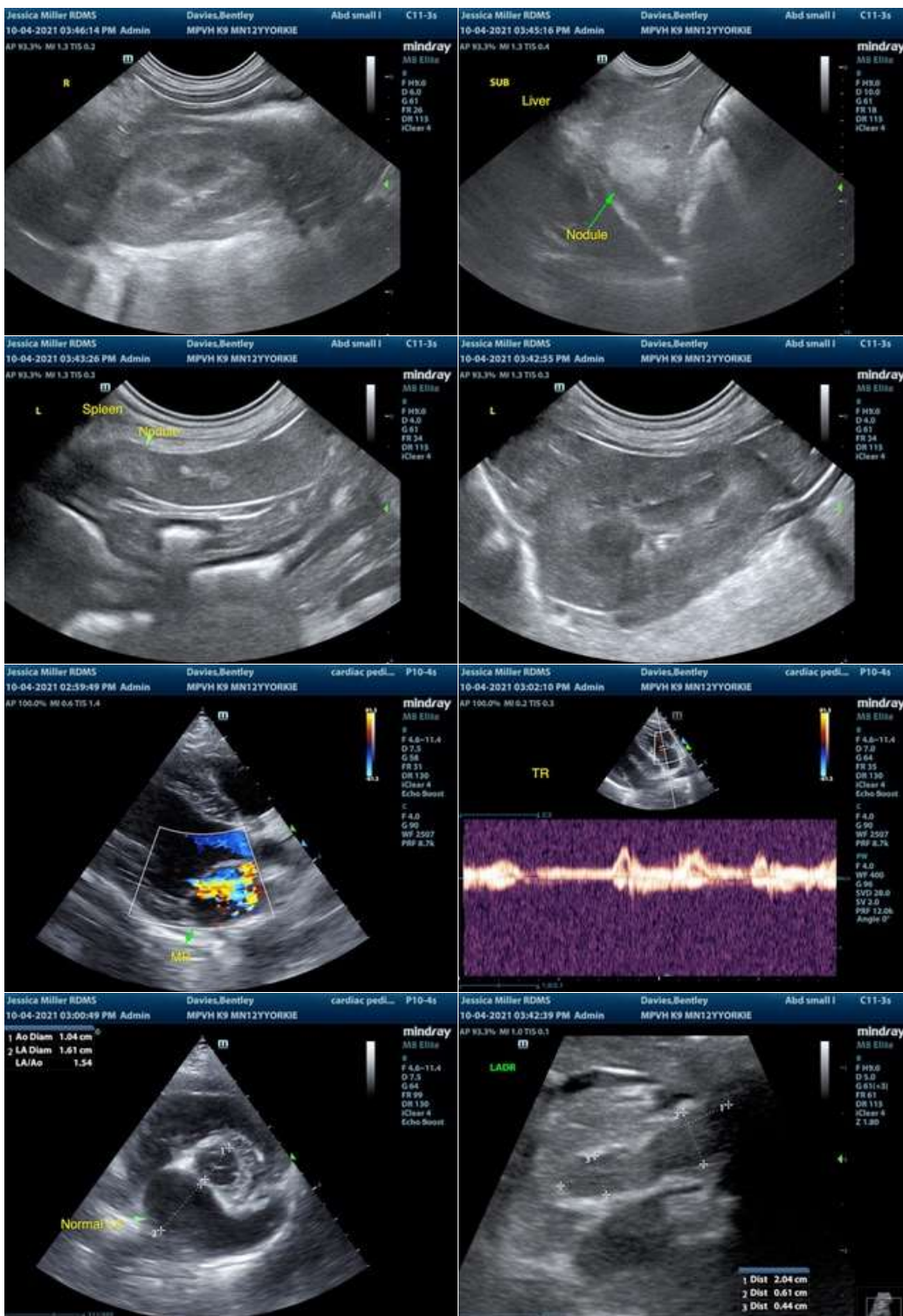
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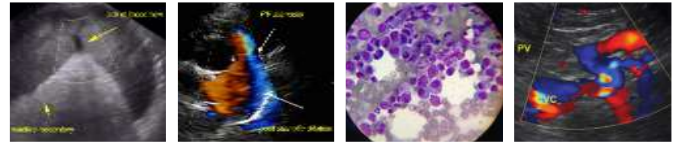
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**The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.**

Thank you for this referral. If the clinical or image interpretation does not parallel your findings or if it can be of any further assistance please contact me.

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