



**PATIENT**

Daisie Bauman

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

Pre-anesthetic evaluation for FHO sx, murmur auscultated.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Pending

**SPECIES**

Feline

**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART**

**BREED**

DSH

**SEX**

FS

**AGE**

2yr

**WEIGHT**

16.7lb

FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	BODY WEIGHT (kg)	HR (BPM)	IVSd (cm)	LVIDd (cm)	LVWd (cm)	FS (%)	EF (%)
NORMAL PARAMETER	-----	150-240	0.3-0.6	1.0-2.1	0.25-0.6	35-67	80-100
PATIENT		218	0.43	1.78	0.49	38	72
FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	LA/AO (Boon)	LA/AO HEART BASE (Sisson)	LA 2D 4-chamber long axis AS to FW (Sisson) (cm)	LVOT VEL. (m/s)	RVOT VEL. (m/s)	IVRT (m/)	
NORMAL PARAMETER	<1.5	0.88-1.79	0.7-1.7	<1.6	<1.3	40-60	
PATIENT	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.0	0.75		

Adapted from June Boon, Veterinary Echocardiography, 1998  
Sisson D et al. JVIM 1991; 5: 232, Jacobs et al. Am J Vet Res 1985; 46:1705

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**Cardiac Presentation**

The echocardiogram in this patient demonstrated normal left atrial size based on 3 separate LA measurements. The cranial and caudal mitral valve leaflets presented normal linear structure and kinetics. 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. The 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 and angles 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 and kinetics. 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 or extra cardiac pathology in the visible planes. The cranial mediastinum and pericardial regions were free of masses in the visible window.

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**ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

- Normal echocardiogram.

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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

A definitive cause of the patient's murmur was not evident without evidence of structural or functional cardiomyopathy. No evidence of clinical issues such as HCM criteria, left or right heart chamber enlargement, LV systolic dysfunction, clinical pulmonary hypertension or overt valvular insufficiencies was present. If no volume changes such as dehydration or anemia are present, a benign

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physiologic flow murmur or small flow abnormality is suspected. Regardless, the lack of left or right heart chamber enlargement indicate that the hemodynamic effects of the murmur are minimal. No indication for cardiac medications. Continued conservative monitoring of the murmur is recommended. Recheck echocardiogram recommended in 8-12 months, sooner if murmur intensity increases or clinical signs suggestive of heart disease arise.

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No anesthetic contraindications. Suggested anesthetic protocol may include opioid or Benzodiazepine pre-med, induction with Propofol or Alfaxalone, and appropriate gas anesthesia with avoidance of alpha 2 agonists.

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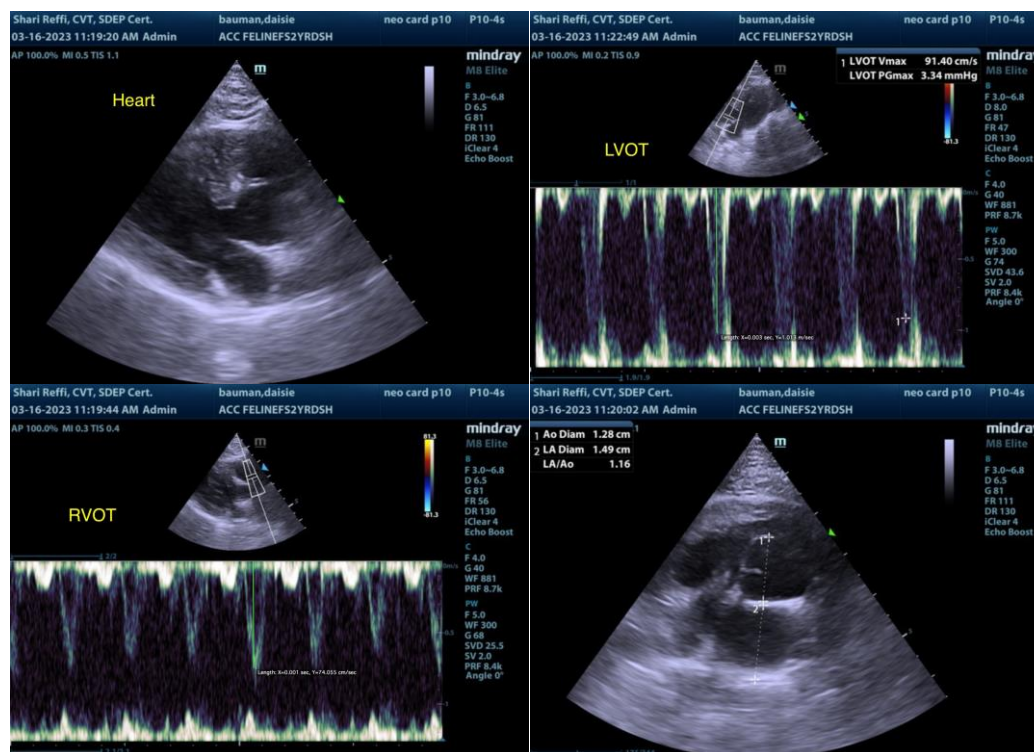
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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