



## PATIENT PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Rambo Nelson 12/20 he was noted with a 2/6 heart murmur. Went to ER last week for pain and PE noted 3-4/6 heart murmur. He was put on gabapentin for pain. Rambo has no clinical signs of heart issues with no breathing or coughing issues.

## SPECIES ULTRASONOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION OF THE HEART

Canine

### BREED

Cavalier King Charles Spaniel

### SEX

Neutered Male

### AGE

12 Years

### WEIGHT

21 Pounds

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	--	2.5	NM	1.45	43.7	78.3	0.31
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				
PATIENT	170	1.0	0.8		3.2	2.93	

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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 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.

### ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Chronic mitral valve disease (ACVIM B1)
- Minor tricuspid valve insufficiency – estimated pulmonary pressure gradient not consistent with clinical pulmonary hypertension

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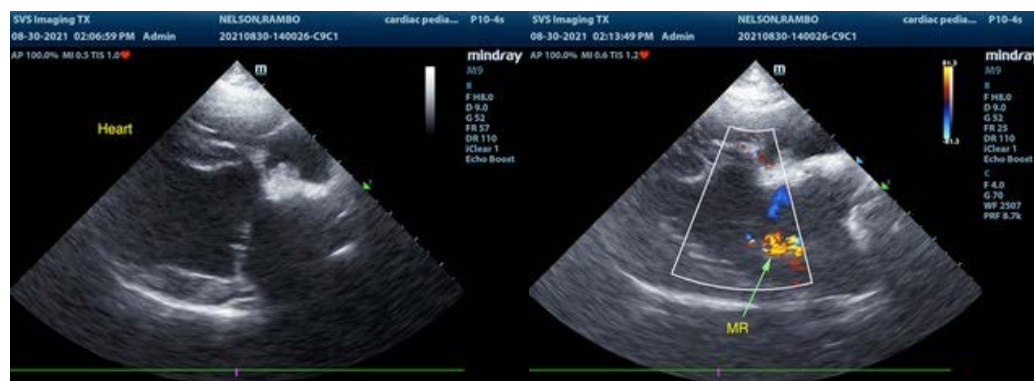
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**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The cause of the murmur is chronic degenerative (myxomatous) valvular changes with secondary eccentric mitral valve insufficiency. The lack of left atrial enlargement indicates that the risk of future complication at this time is low, although prognosis at this stage is highly variable. Concurrent mild tricuspid valve insufficiency also present, yet not considered clinically significant. No indication for cardiac medications at this stage. Serial sonographic monitoring is required for evidence of progression and further prognosis. Recheck echocardiogram suggested in 6 months, sooner if clinical signs consistent with heart disease develop. No anesthetic contraindication if needed. The following anesthetic protocol is recommended if anesthesia is required.

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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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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