



PATIENT

Ellie Carroll

SPECIES

Canine

BREED

Dalmation

SEX

F/S

AGE

12 years

WEIGHT

58.7 lbs.

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

NEW heart murmur heard @ time of annual exam 4/22. Dental disease - assessing anesthetic risk for dental cleaning.

Abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: grade 2-3/6 heart murmur, PMI L apex. Dental disease. Thoracic rads taken today - NSF - heart WNL; lungs clear; vessels WNL.

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	<1.3	28-40	40-100	<0.6
PATIENT	6.0	2.5		1.23	37.8	71.3	0.22
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	NM	1.9	1.25		4.2	4.5	

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 minor vegetative thickening suggestive of minor endocardiosis. No evidence of valvular prolapse. Doppler indicated measurable mild primarily 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 mild thickening with mild TR. 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). Trace pulmonic insufficiency was noted on doppler. 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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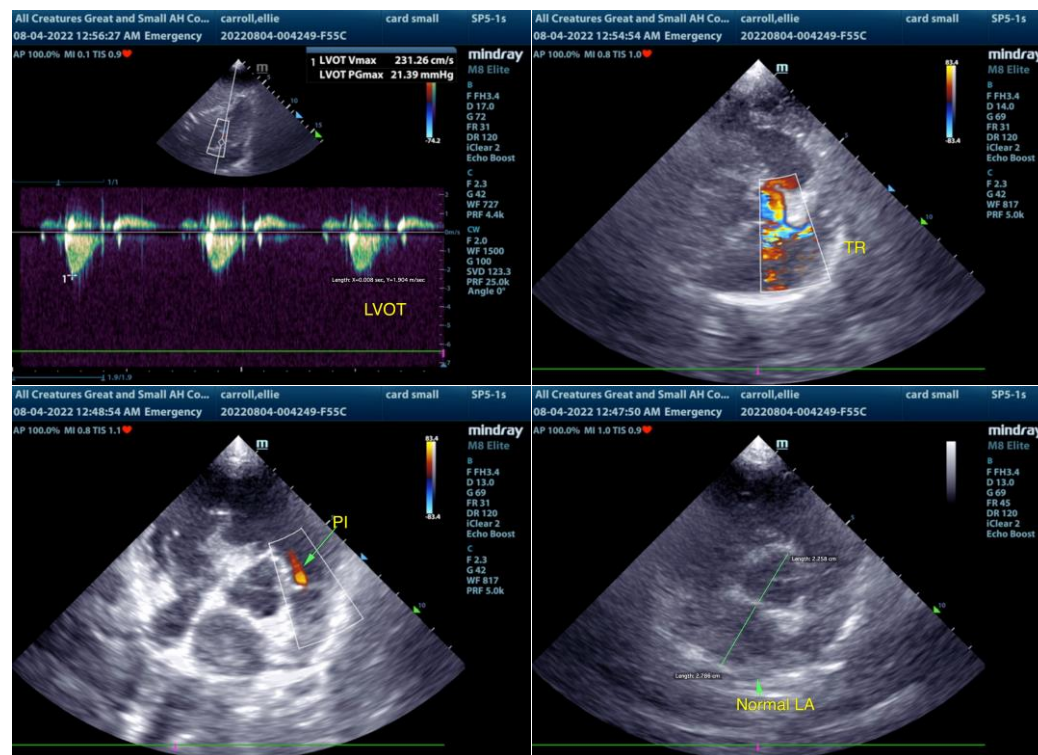
ULTRASONOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

- Compensated mitral valve insufficiency
- Tricuspid valve insufficiency - no evidence of clinical pulmonary hypertension
- Trace pulmonic Insufficiency
- Normal LA/LV

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The cause of the murmur is most consistent with minor chronic degenerative valvular changes with secondary mild eccentric mitral valve and mild tricuspid valve insufficiency. The lack of left atrium enlargement indicates that the risk of complication is low at this stage. No other clinical issues such as LV systolic dysfunction were present. No indication for cardiac medications, given the lack of chamber enlargement. Prognosis may be considered highly variable and sonographic monitoring is required for further assessment. Recheck echocardiogram is suggested in 6 months, sooner if clinical signs arise. No anesthetic contraindications. The following anesthetic protocol is suggested.

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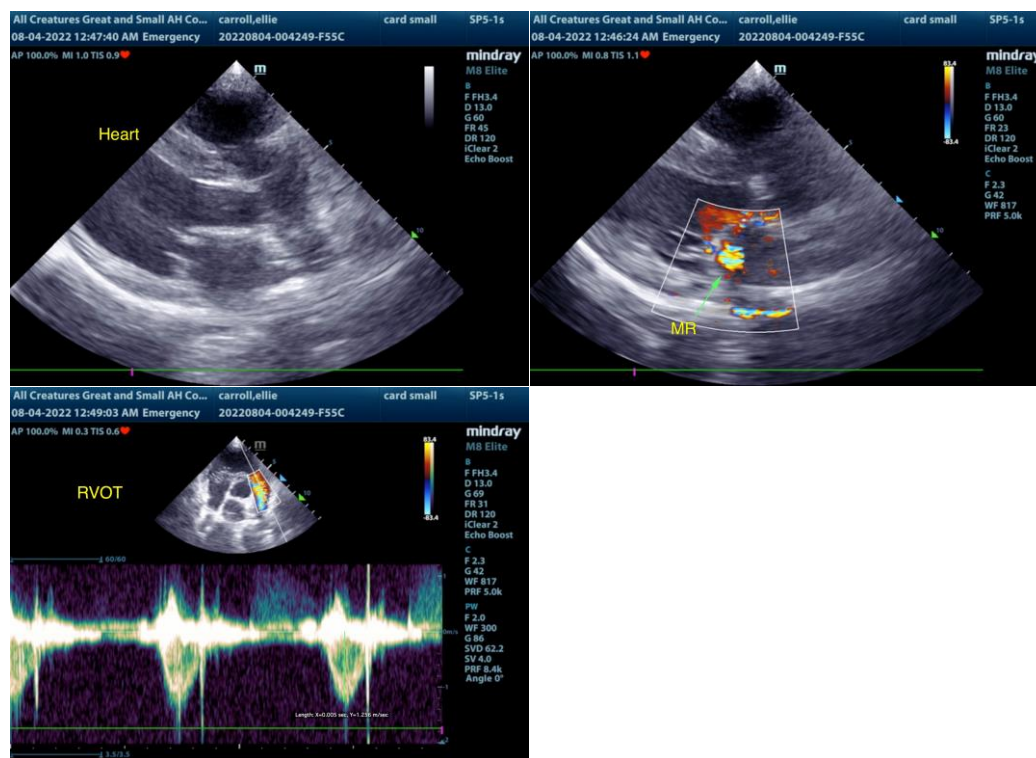
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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