

**PATIENT**

Elle Roberts

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

Pt presents with presents with non resolving sporadic cough over the past 3 weeks. Owner states that Pt has been coughing all night long for the past 3 nights and last night was coughing up white foam. Doctor suspects cardiomegaly. Please stage possibly starting pimobendan/Vetmedin

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RADIOGRAPHIC STUDY OF THE THORAX

Radiographs of the thorax in three imaging planes are provided for review.

BREEDAmerican
Staffordshire Terrier**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS**

The surrounding bony structures are within normal limits.

The extrathoracic soft tissues present homogeneous without abnormalities.

The caudal contour of the cardiac silhouette is steep, and the caudal cardiac waist is lost. The vertebral heart score is 12.6. The heart is occupying approximately 85% of the thoracic height and the trachea is paralleling the thoracic spine. The left principal bronchus is deviated dorsally. In the VID projection, splaying of the main-stem bronchi is seen. The pulmonary vasculature is within normal limits.

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Spayed Female

The cranial mediastinum presents the expected soft tissue opacity. The mediastinal width is less than twice the width of the vertebral column at the same level.

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The trachea is normal in diameter and presents the anticipated course. The luminal outline of the trachea is smooth.

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The bronchial tree presents with thin walls and tapers uniformly towards the periphery as expected.

The lung parenchyma presents the expected architecture and opacity; the intrapulmonary vascular branching is seen up to the third order lung vessels.

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The diaphragm is well delineated with even surface and the expected mild cranial bulging of the diaphragmatic cupola.

RADIOGRAPHIC DIAGNOSIS

- Left sided cardiomegaly without evidence of decompensation

REFERRING VETRebecca R. Housley,
D.V.M.**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

The most likely underlying cause for the left sided cardiomegaly is mitral valve insufficiency with secondary left atrial enlargement. Myxomatous mitral valve degeneration or dilated cardiomyopathy are potential underlying causes. In case of primary underlying mitral valve disease, the stage is B2.

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A cardiac echo can be used for further assessment of cardiac chamber size and function.

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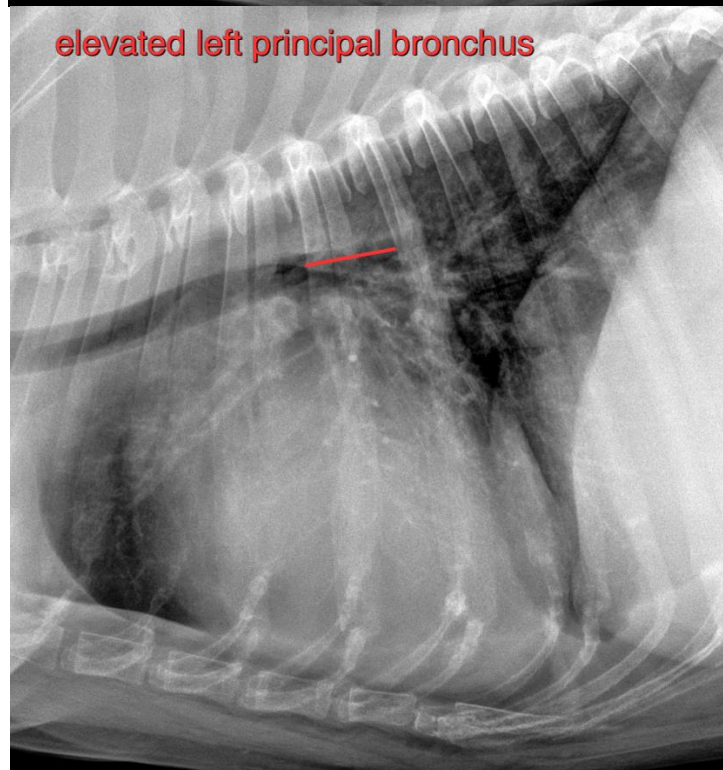
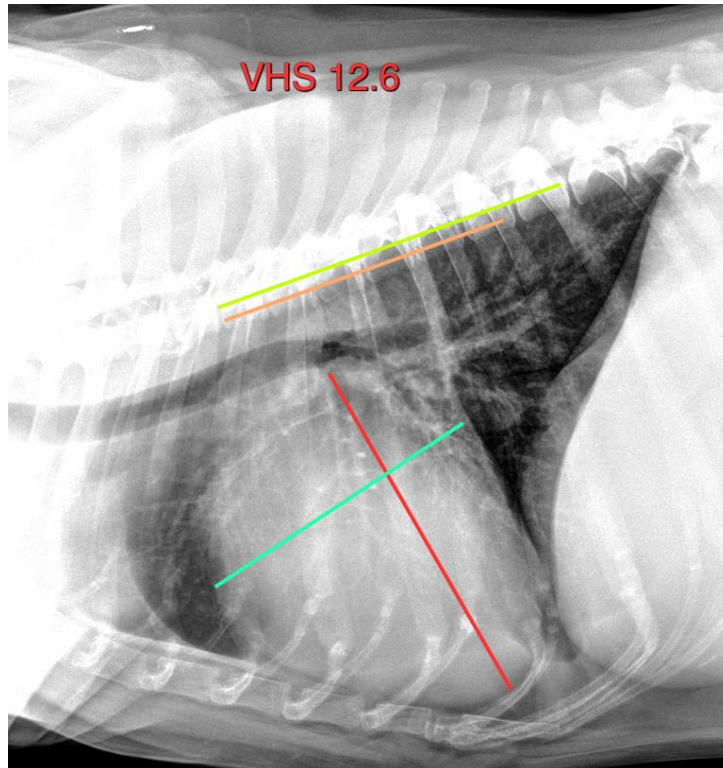
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The information and recommendations provided are based on the images presented by the referring veterinarian/sonographer. No evaluation can be communicated regarding pathology that was not visible in the image/video clips provided.

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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