ARVC 1 & ARVC 2

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Below is an explanation for each possible test result so you can better understand all the possible Results and make informed Breeding decisions

Negative Result: for both ARVC1 and ARVC 2	The absence of both mutations in a Boxer indicates that the risk of developing ARVC is low. It is still possible for a dog to develop heart disease. However a negative result for both ARVC1 and ARVC2 indicates that a dog does not have either mutation known to cause ARVC
Positive result : for NCSU ARVC 1 only	Dogs that are positive for ARVC1 have an increased likelihood of developing ARVC, but are not necessarily guaranteed to experience symptoms of serious disease
Breeding Recommendations:	Dogs that are positive for ARVC 1 should NEVER be bred to a dog that is NCSU positive for ARVC 2 since this will lead to dogs that are of the highest risk of developing ARVC. Dogs that are positive Homozygous for ARVC 1 should ideally not be bred
Positive result : For NCSU ARVC 2 only	Dogs that are positive for ARVC 2 have an increased likelihood of developing ARVC, but are not necessarily guaranteed to experience symptoms of serious disease
Breeding recommendations:	Dogs that are positive for ARVC 2 should NEVER be bred to a dog that is NCSU positive for ARVC 1 since this will lead to dogs that are of the highest risk of developing ARVC. Dogs that are positive Homozygous for ARVC 2 should ideally not be bred
Positive result for: NCSU ARVC1 and NCSU ARVC 2:	Dogs that are positive for both ARVC1 and ARVC2 are at very high risk of developing ARVC, and should be carefully monitored by your veterinarian for signs of disease. Annual evaluation by a Cardiologist with an Echocardiogram and Holter Monitor, after 3 years of age is recommended
Breeding recommendations:	Dogs that are positive for both ARVC1 and ARVC 2 are at the highest risk of developing ARVC and ideally should not be bred, since they can pass both traits on. They should NEVER be bred to a dog that is positive for either test