

PATIENT
Frank Pepe CT HS

SPECIES
Feline

BREED
DSH

SEX
Male Intact

AGE
17 weeks

WEIGHT
6.25lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Frank Pepe was noted to have a heart murmur at his initial kitten exam. He is also cryptorchid and needs to be neutered. Eating well with no noted C/S/V/D/PU/PD. He continues to be active and playful. CV/RESP: NSR, grade III/VI murmur noted best on sternum, PSS, lung fields clear, compressible thorax. BP: 160mmHg x 3.

ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

2D, m-mode, color flow and Doppler imaging is available.

Left ventricle: The LV diameter is normal with adequate myocardial function. The LV wall thicknesses are moderately increased symmetrically. There is a mildly hyperechoic endocardium consistent with mild fibrosis. The endocardium appears mildly remodeled. The papillary muscles are mildly hypertrophied.

Left atrium: The left atrium is normal in dimension. No obvious spontaneous contrast or thrombi seen.

Mitral valve: The mitral valve is normal in structure and mobility. No obvious systolic anterior motion is seen. Trace MR.

Aortic valve/Aorta: The aortic valve is normal in morphology and mobility. Normal aortic outflow velocity; laminar flow. No aortic insufficiency.

Right ventricle: Normal right ventricular diameter and morphology indicating no overt evidence of pulmonary arterial hypertension.

Right atrium: The right atrium is normal in dimension.

Tricuspid valve: The tricuspid valve appears normal with no tricuspid regurgitation.

Pulmonic valve/Pulmonary artery: The pulmonic valve is normal in morphology and mobility. No pulmonic insufficiency. Normal RVOT velocity; laminar flow.

Pericardium/other: No pericardial or pleural effusion noted. No obvious cardiac masses.

Heart rhythm: ECG reveals a sinus rhythm with an average HR of 150bpm.

2-Dimensional Measurements

Ao diam (cm)	0.8
LA diam (cm)	0.8
LA:Ao (Swe)	1.0
IVS thickness (cm)	0.56
LVID diastole (cm)	1.2
PW thickness (cm)	0.69
LVID systole (cm)	0.43
FS (%)	66

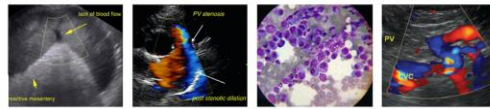
Doppler Measurements

PV Vmax (m/s)	0.76
AoV Vmax (m/s)	1.1
MR Vmax (m/s)	NA
TR Vmax (m/s)	NA
TR PG (mmHg)	NA

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS

HCM is a rule out diagnosis, once hypertension and hyperthyroid disease are ruled out. In a kitten, primary disease is suspected. Regardless, the degree of disease is moderate, with significant LVH yet no LA dilation. No obstructive disease is identified making this likely a primary HCM. No cause of a murmur is identified, making a physiologic origin most likely. An intermittent LVOTO remains a possibility, and screening for this development is recommended in the future.

Prognosis is guarded, due to the highly variable rates of progression with subclinical feline cardiomyopathy.



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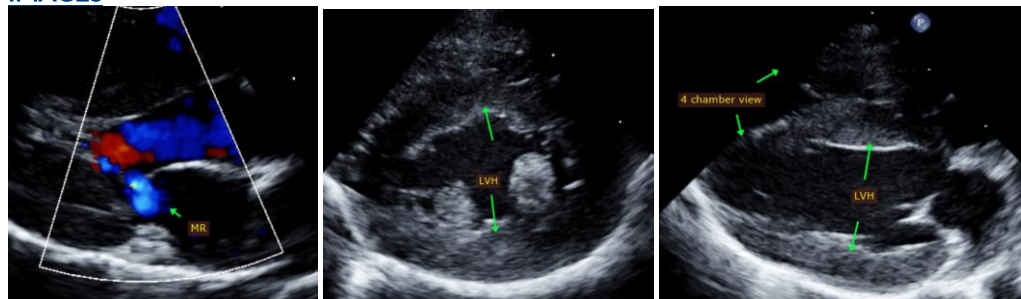
RECOMMENDATIONS

- Given these findings, no medications are indicated.
- Anesthetic risk is considered mild, however judicious IV fluid rates are advised to avoid fluid overload. Additionally, drugs that stimulate heart rate should be avoided unless clinically necessary (glycopyrrolate, atropine). A reasonable protocol includes opioid/benzodiazepine premedication, propofol induction, isoflurane maintenance.
- Risk for complication with steroid use typically follows LA dilation, which in this case is low. That being said, any cat can experience unexpected signs of intolerance and monitoring of RR/RE is advised particularly in the initiation phase.
- Monitor for any clinical evidence of cardiac compromise, including respiratory changes and/or signs of a blood clot event (paralysis, neurologic changes, etc.).

PLAN

- Recommend recheck echocardiogram in 6-12 months to screen for progression and need for medications, sooner if any clinical signs arise in the interim.

IMAGES



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. This report was generated using transcription software, and minor dictation errors may be present. 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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