



PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

DATE

12/14/21

History: Adopted three weeks ago. Previously an outdoor cat. Rear leg ataxia/abnormal gait has been present for several years, but acute onset suspect saddle thrombus. HR 190, no murmur, significant hind end ataxia. BNP 646, SDMA 15, T4 2.4.

ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

A single lead ECG is submitted for review.

PERFORMED BY:

Dr. Ebersole

HR: 180 bpm
Rhythm: Atrial fibrillation

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The average heart rate is normal, however, the rhythm is irregularly irregular. No P waves are visible, consistent with the presence of atrial fibrillation. All complex amplitudes and intervals are within normal limits. No ventricular ectopy is seen.

ASSESSMENT/RECOMMENDATIONS

PATIENT

Tigger Camilli

Tigger's ECG demonstrates the presence of atrial fibrillation, which likely indicates that he suffers from significant dilation of one or both of his atria. While atrial fibrillation is present, Tigger's average heart rate is normal, indicating that his atrial fibrillation is unlikely to be significantly increased his risk for the development of congestive heart failure (though that risk is likely already significantly elevated if relevant atrial dilation is present).

SPECIES

Feline

Given a normal ventricular response rate, therapy to treat Tigger's atrial fibrillation is not necessarily warranted at this time. Should Tigger's average heart rate increase to 200 bpm or above, therapy with diltiazem (7.5 mg BID-TID) would be warranted.

A recheck ECG is recommended in 1 month.

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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.

AGE

14 y

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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