



PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Wheezing. No murmur, BCS 8/9. Rest of PE unremarkable.

DATE

2/14/23

RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS

Three-view thoracic radiographs are submitted for review.

PERFORMED BY

Dr. A. Waffle

There is mild generalized enlargement of the cardiac silhouette. The pulmonary vessels are within normal limits. The pulmonary parenchyma and pleural space are within normal limits. The trachea is unremarkable. The remainder of the thorax is unremarkable.

ASSESSMENT/RECOMMENDATIONS

INTERPRETED BY

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This examination demonstrates no obvious reason for Jango's cough. He does have mild generalized enlargement of his cardiac silhouette, however, it's unclear whether this is due to the presence of cardiac disease or whether it is an artifact created by the presence of pericardial fat. In either case, the absence of pulmonary edema or pleural effusion in the images suggests that Jango's wheezing is unlikely to be cardiogenic in origin. Wheezing in cats is most commonly secondary to lower airway disease/asthma, and while no definitive changes consistent with this are appreciated in the images, its presence cannot be ruled out.

PATIENT

Jango Phizacklea

An NT-proBNP level and/or echocardiogram is recommended to evaluate for the presence of cardiac disease.

SPECIES

Feline

If no evidence of cardiac disease is appreciated via the recommended diagnostics, empirical therapy for bronchoconstrictive airway disease with a bronchodilator and/or anti-inflammatory medication may be warranted.

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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.

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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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