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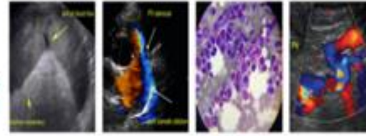

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PATIENT
Otter Blaser

SPECIES
Feline

BREED
DSH

SEX
Male Neutered

AGE
1.7 years

WEIGHT
14.25lbs

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2/16/22

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Recheck echo. History HCM, non-obstructive. Current presentation: Otter is presently doing well no clinical issues. Good appetite and normal activity level . He is an indoor/outdoor feline. On auscultation: NSR, grade II/VI murmur with PMI on sternum, PSS, lung fields clear, compressible thorax . BP: 110-120mmHg. No medications. *No sedation for study.
-Pertinent previous echo findings (6/2021 MML): Moderate LVH, borderline LV, trace TR, no SAM.

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 (IVS >PW). There is a mildly hyperechoic endocardium consistent with fibrosis. The papillary muscles are mildly remodeled and hyperechoic. False tendon.
Left atrium: The left atrium is mildly enlarged. No obvious spontaneous contrast or thrombi seen.
Mitral valve: The mitral valve is normal in structure and mobility; however, there is significant systolic anterior motion seen. Moderate eccentric MR, secondary to SAM.
Aortic valve/Aorta: The aortic valve is normal in morphology and mobility. Severely elevated aortic outflow velocity. 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 210bpm.

2-Dimensional Measurements

Ao diam (cm)	1.3
LA diam (cm)	1.6
LA:Ao (Swe)	1.2
IVS thickness (cm)	0.67
LVID diastole (cm)	1.6
PW thickness (cm)	0.72
LVID systole (cm)	0.7
FS (%)	56

Doppler Measurements

PV Vmax (m/s)	1.66
AoV Vmax (m/s)	4.6
MR Vmax (m/s)	NA
TR Vmax (m/s)	NA
TR PG (mmHg)	NA

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS

Compared to the prior study, there is evidence of a significant obstruction that was not previously appreciated. The LV has a similar appearance to the prior study; however, mild LA enlargement has developed. Given these findings, this certainly reflects the obstructive form of disease and Atenolol should be instituted as below. Prognosis is guarded long-term, given the highly variable rates of progression with subclinical feline cardiomyopathy.

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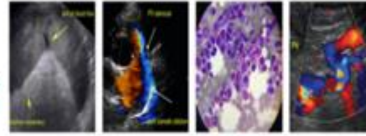

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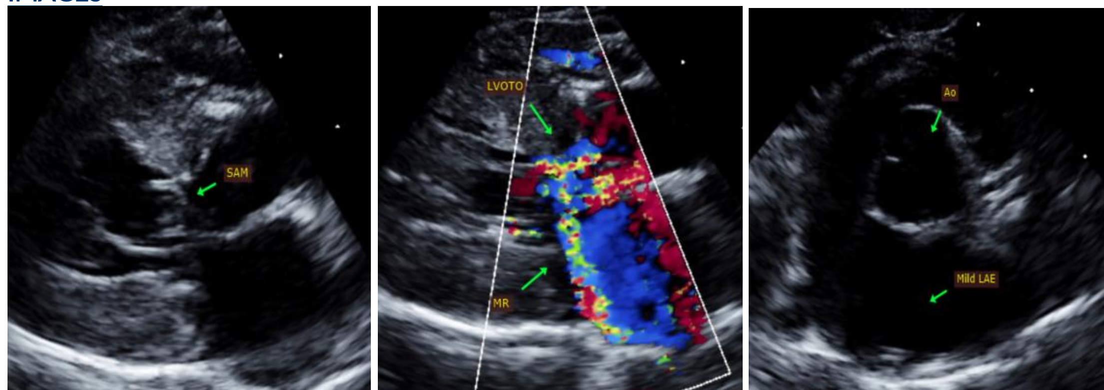
RECOMMENDATIONS

- Administer titrating dose of atenolol: 25mg tablets; Give ¼ tab once daily. Recheck heart rate in 1-2 weeks with target stressed rate of 140-160bpm 12-24 hours post-administration. Increase as needed until target reached.
- 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, sooner if any clinical signs arise in the interim.

IMAGES



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