



DATE PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

3.12.26 History: Progressive weight loss over past 6-8 weeks (~3-4 lbs) and decreased appetite. Grade: 1/6 parasternal systolic murmur. No arrhythmias auscultated.

PATIENT

Stormie Groves

-Pertinent abnormal PE/Chem/CBC/UA Results: Diagnosed hyperthyroid Feb 2026; started methimazole 2.5mg q12h. T4 low at recheck 3/9/26, decreased methimazole to 2.5mg q24h.

-Current medications: MIRATAZ (MIRTAZIPINE), FELIMAZOLE 2.5MG.

-Sedation used: Not required to complete full diagnostic ultrasound.

-Pertinent previous ultrasound results: No previous.

SPECIES

Feline

-STAT: Not requested.

-Imaging performed by: Stephanie Warga RDCS, RVT.

BREED ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

DSH

SEX

FS

AGE

11.11.12

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. The left ventricular wall is normal in dimension. There is a mildly hyperechoic endocardium consistent with mild fibrosis. The endocardium also appears mildly remodeled. The papillary muscles are normal in size and hyperechoic. The left atrium is normal in size. The right atrium is normal in size. The right ventricle appears normal. The mitral valve is normal in structure and mobility. No MR. Mild to moderate TR. Normal velocity. Blood flow through both the LVOT and RVOT is normal in velocity. No pleural or pericardial effusion seen. No cardiac tumors are observed; however, a large hypoechoic pulmonary mass is seen in the left thorax.

CARDIAC CHART

WEIGHT

8.65lbs

INTERPRETED BY

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FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	BODY WEIGHT (kg)	HR (BPM)	IVSd (cm) <small>(Moise, Pipers)</small>	LVIDd (cm) <small>(Moise, Pipers)</small>	LVWd (cm) <small>(Moise, Pipers)</small>	FS (%)	EF (%)
NORMAL PARAMETER	-----	150-240	3.5-0.55	<2 (mean 1.5)	3.5-0.55	35-67	80-100
PATIENT	3.9	NM	0.50	1.1	0.50	48	84
FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	LA/AO (Boon)	LA/AO HEART BASE (Swe) (Abbott)	LA 2D short axis Base view (cm) (Abbott)		LVOT VEL (m/s)	RVOT VEL (m/s)	E max (m/s)
NORMAL	<1.5	<1.3	<1.2		<1.6	<1.3	<0.9
PATIENT	NM	1.1	1.0		1.0	0.8	NM

Adapted from June Boon, Veterinary Echocardiography, 1998
Abbott J & MacLean H JVIM 2006;20: 111-119, Moise et al. Am J Vet Res 47:1476, 1986. Pipers et al. Am J Vet Res 40:882, 1979.

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

Overtly normal cardiac structure and function. The LV wall thickness is normal, and there is no evidence of elevated left atrial pressure or underlying pathology at this time. There is mild remodeling and fibrosis of the left ventricular wall, which is considered likely a normal age-related finding. Mild to

moderate TR is of unknown significance, although is likely causing the auscultated heart murmur. Simple monitoring is advised.

Of greater concern, a large pulmonary mass is identified that does not appear associated with the heart. Further workup is certainly advised, as this is likely the cause of reported clinical signs. 3-view CXR, focused thoracic ultrasound with sampling and/or a thoracic CT scan are recommended.

Given these findings, no medications are indicated.

Anesthetic risk is considered mild. 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.

Recommend recheck echocardiogram in 1 year to assess for any progressive issues.

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.

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