

PATIENT

Daffodill Kyle

PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Pre-surgical exam revealed an arrhythmia and heart murmur grade 2/6. Assess prior to anesthesia.

SPECIES

Feline

ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS *Note: Single lead ECGs are evaluated as a rhythm strip. Morphology/MEA cannot be definitively commented on.

A single lead ECG is available; 50mm/s, 20mm/mV. The average heart rate is 190bpm with a largely regular rhythm. The rhythm is sinus in origin, with a p for every QRS complex and vice versa. The P and QRS morphologies are positive. No ectopic beats, pauses or dysrhythmias observed.

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ECG diagnosis: Normal sinus tachycardia.

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Male Neutered

ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. The left ventricular wall is normal in dimension. There is a diffusely hyperechoic endocardium consistent with fibrosis. The endocardium also appears mildly remodeled. The papillary muscles appear mildly remodeled. The left atrium is normal in size. The right atrium is normal in size. The right ventricle appears normal. The tricuspid valve appears normal in structure and mobility. Trace tricuspid regurgitation. The mitral valve is normal in structure and mobility. No mitral regurgitation. Blood flow through the RVOT is mildly elevated in velocity based upon Doppler and color flow, likely secondary to tachycardia creating a benign outflow tract obstruction. Blood flow through the LVOT appears normal with no evidence of obstruction. No evidence of cardiac tumors or metastatic lesions on this scan. Occasional premature beats are noted throughout the study.

AGE

11 years

WEIGHT

15.3lbs

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CARDIAC CHART

FELINE CARDIAC PARAMETERS	BODY WEIGHT (kg)	HR (BPM)	IVSd (cm) (Moise, Pipers)	LVIDd (cm) (Moise, Pipers)	LWVd (cm) (Moise, Pipers)	FS (%)	EF (%)
NORMAL PARAMETER	-----	150-240	0.35-0.55	<2 (mean 1.5)	3.5-0.55	35-67	80-100
PATIENT	6.9	186	0.5	1.5	0.51	58	90
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	1.1	1.1	1.1		1.3	2.3	NM
<p>*Note: All measurements based upon multi-modal images and methods. An average value is reported. 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.</p>							

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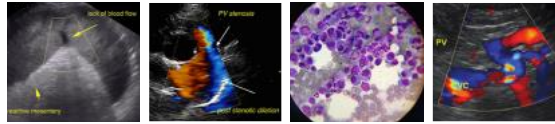
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INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

The only cause of a murmur identified is a heart rate dependent flow obstruction through the right ventricle (DRVOTO), which is a physiologic finding (i.e. benign and of little clinical significance). This type of flow murmur will wax and wane secondary to tachycardia and volume changes. There is however a significant amount of LV remodeling and fibrosis, which may be indicative of early pathology or simply represent a normal variant. Regardless the left atrial dimension is normal, and there is minimal risk for complication at this time. Serial echocardiography will be necessary to determine progression and clinical relevance in the future.



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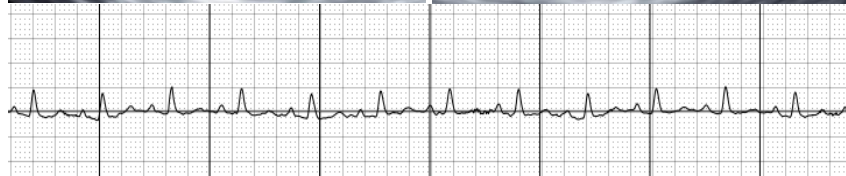
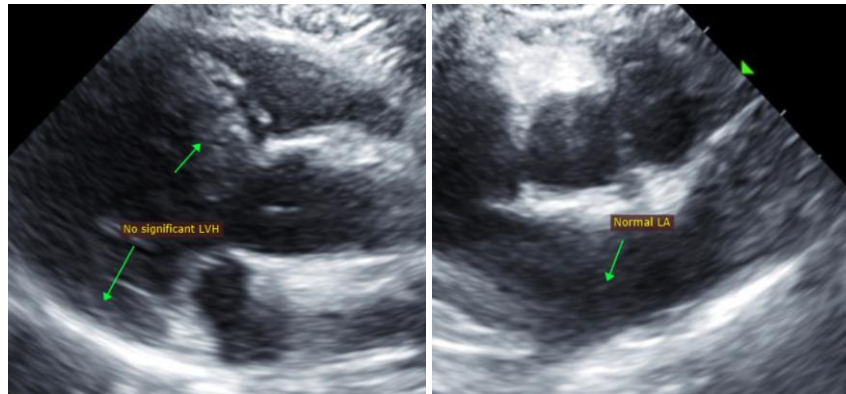
The ECG is unremarkable with a normal sinus rhythm. Occasional premature beats are noted throughout the study, which is suspected to be the cause of the ausculted abnormality. Without catching the abnormal beats on the ECG, VPCs versus APCs cannot be determined. Regardless, what is seen here appears relatively mild with infrequent beats overall. No structural cause for the arrhythmia is appreciated, making it either primary or secondary to systemic illness/inflammation. No treatment is warranted based upon these findings.

If needed, the risk for general anesthesia is low, however heart rate stimulating drugs such as atropine, glycopyrrolate or ketamine should be avoided unless medically necessary. Even without significant pathology, with this degree of remodeling and diastolic stiffening there is a mildly elevated risk for fluid overload in this patient. Judicious IV fluid use is recommended. Additionally, a screening blood pressure is recommended in any older cat prior to general anesthesia.

Given these findings, no medications are indicated at this time.

Recommend recheck echocardiogram in 1 year to assess for progression or development of disease the pre-existing murmur may mask.

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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