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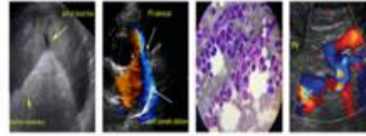

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PATIENT
Charlie Jones

SPECIES
Feline

BREED
DSH

SEX
Female Spayed

AGE
9 years

WEIGHT
11.2lbs

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PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS

History: Recheck echo. History HCM. Presently, Charlie is doing well with a good appetite and normal energy. Has been vomiting hairballs. On exam: grade II/VI heart murmur; lung fields clear, PSS. BP: 120mmHg x 4. *Sedated with propofol for study.
-Pertinent previous echo findings (11/1/22 MML): LA 1.2 cm; LA:Ao1.3; IVS 0.70cm;PW 0.40 cm; normal chamber sizes, mild-moderate septal hypertrophy; endocardial fibrosis.

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 asymmetric with mild to moderate septal hypertrophy. There is a diffusely hyperechoic endocardium consistent with fibrosis. The papillary muscles are mildly remodeled and hyperechoic.
Left atrium: The left atrium is normal. No obvious spontaneous contrast or thrombi seen.
Mitral valve: The mitral valve is normal in structure and mobility. No obvious systolic anterior motion is seen. No MR.
Aortic valve/Aorta: The aortic valve is normal in morphology and mobility. Normal aortic outflow velocity; laminar flow. 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 150bpm.

2-Dimensional Measurements

Ao diam (cm)	1.0
LA diam (cm)	1.1
LA:Ao (Swe)	1.1
IVS thickness (cm)	0.69
LVID diastole (cm)	1.1
PW thickness (cm)	0.43
LVID systole (cm)	0.45
FS (%)	58

Doppler Measurements

PV Vmax (m/s)	0.5
AoV Vmax (m/s)	1.1
MR Vmax (m/s)	NA
TR Vmax (m/s)	NA
TR PG (mmHg)	NA

INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS

Compared to the prior study, findings are similar. The LV remains asymmetrically hypertrophied with a significant septal thickening. The remainder of the study is unremarkable with a normal LA and no progression identified.

Given these findings, no medications are indicated. Continue monitoring is recommended to screen for progression. Prognosis is open, due to the highly variable rates of progression with subclinical feline cardiomyopathy.

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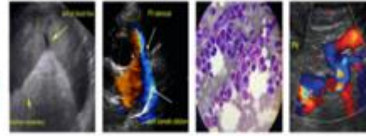

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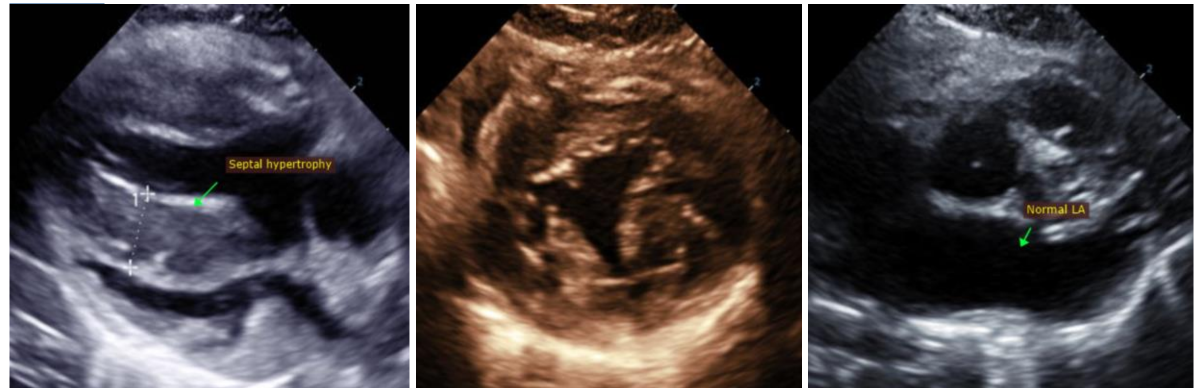
RECOMMENDATIONS

- Given these findings, no medications are indicated.
- Monitor BP and T4 every 6 months.
- 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, and 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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