



**PATIENT**

Buddha Matthews

**SPECIES**

Feline

**BREED**

DSH

**SEX**

Female Spayed

**AGE**

13 years

**WEIGHT**

10.8lbs

**INTERPRETED BY**

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**DATE**

7/5/22

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

History: Recheck echo. Persistent grade 3/6 heart murmur.  
-Pertinent previous echo findings (12/2020 MML): Remodeled LV, no LVH, suspect DRVOTO.

**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 significantly remodeled. The papillary muscles appear mildly remodeled. The left atrium is normal in size. Blood flow through the LVOT appears normal with no evidence of obstruction. 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 normal in velocity on Spectral doppler; however, turbulence is noted on color flow imaging. No evidence of cardiac tumors or metastatic lesions on this scan.

**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	4.9	120	0.49	1.2	0.47	50	92
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	1.2	1.2	0.95		1.1	0.95	NM
<p><i>*Note: All measurements based upon multi-modal images and methods. An average value is reported.</i>                      Adapted from June Boon, Veterinary Echocardiography, 1998                      Abbott J &amp; 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>							

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

No changed from the prior study. Persistently normal LV wall dimensions with mild remodeling and fibrosis. The LA is normal, and the murmur remains benign. No additional issues are identified.

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

If needed, the risk for general anesthesia is low. 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.

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.



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

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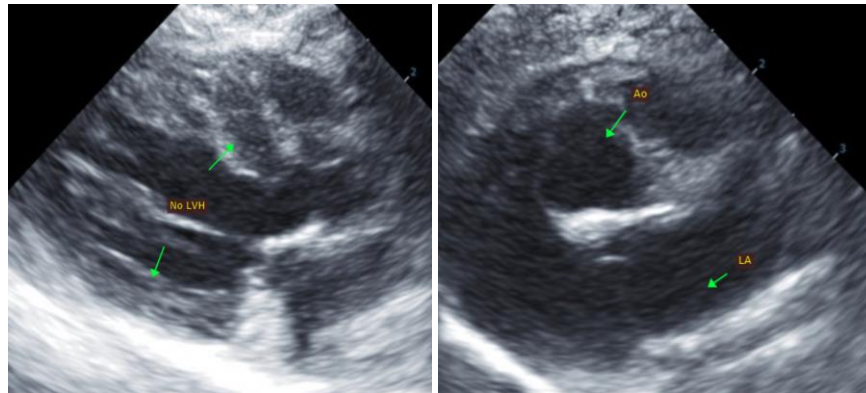
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**IMAGES**



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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