

**PATIENT**

Theon Vaillancour

**SPECIES**

Feline

**BREED**

Tonkinese

**SEX**

Male Neutered

**AGE**

6 years

**WEIGHT**

9.4lbs

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8/10/22

**PRESENTING CLINICAL SIGNS**

History: Concern for cardiomegaly on CXR.

**RADIOGRAPHIC FINDINGS** \*NOTE: Images submitted for supplemental cardiac information only.  
 Mild cardiomegaly. No obvious evidence of CHF.

**ECHOCARDIOGRAM FINDINGS**

2D, m-mode, color flow and doppler imaging is available. The left ventricular wall is normal in dimension. There is a mildly hyperechoic endocardium. Mild papillary muscle remodeling. The right ventricle is subjectively normal in size and morphology. There is mild left atrial enlargement present. No right atrial enlargement present. Normal RVOT velocity. There is no obvious systolic anterior motion (SAM) of the mitral valve present, with a normal LVOT velocity. Trace eccentric mitral and mild to moderate tricuspid regurgitation. Borderline TR velocity. No other obvious valvular regurgitation is present. Normal RVOT velocity. There is no pericardial effusion noted. No pleural effusion appreciated.

**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	4.3	220	0.51	1.4	0.52	69	96
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	1.7	1.6	1.4		1.5	1.6	NM

*\*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.

**INTERPRETATION OF THE FINDINGS & FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

Early unclassified cardiomyopathy is suspected. This diagnosis is based upon mild atrial dilation and MR/TR without obvious SAM or LVH. A primary valve issue is also possible, although highly uncommon in cats. The quantity of TR is more than is considered physiologic and there is borderline pulmonary hypertension. Serial monitoring is advised. Regardless of academic diagnosis, many cats with cardiomyopathy will remain occult/asymptomatic for extended periods of time, however there is a subset that will experience more rapid progression to clinical signs in the first few years after diagnosis. Fortunately, with only mild atrial dilation the risk for complication is low, however there is high risk for progression going forward.

Given only mild atrial dilation, no medications are indicated at this time. Monitor for any signs of progressive heart disease at home including change in breathing rate or effort, signs of a blood clot event and/or lethargy/syncope going forward.



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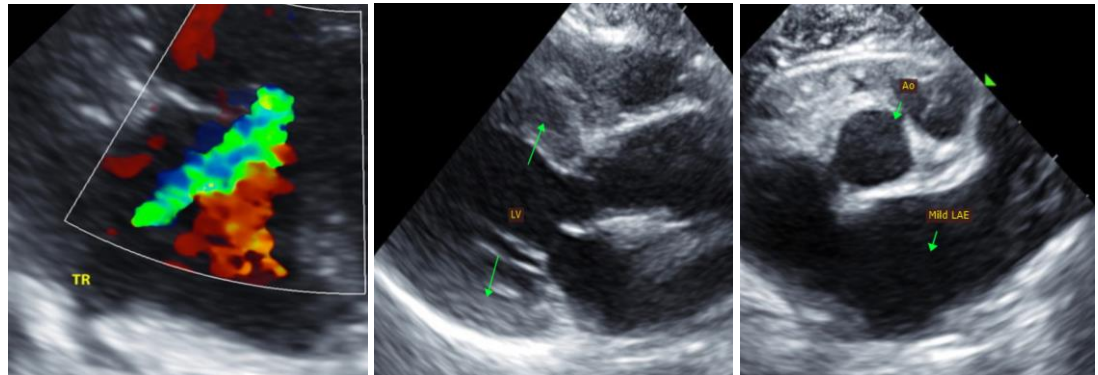
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Anesthetic risk is considered mildly elevated, with risk for fluid overload, spontaneous CHF, hypotension, etc. Judicious IV fluid rates are advised to avoid fluid overload. Drugs that stimulate heart rate should be avoided unless clinically necessary (glycopyrrolate, atropine). Avoid ketamine, telazol, acepromazine and Dexdomitor. A reasonable protocol would include opioid/benzodiazepine pre-medication, propofol induction, isoflurane gas. Avoid steroids if possible. If fluid therapy is needed for kidney disease, close monitoring of breathing rates is advised as fluid intolerance is certainly a possibility.

Recommend recheck echocardiogram in 6 months to screen for progression, sooner if clinical signs arise.

**IMAGES**



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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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