

The Heart of the Matter

New findings on hypertrophic cardiomyopathy.

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It seems you can't turn on the news without hearing about heart disease. Everyone knows that humans are at risk for cardiovascular disease, but most pet owners probably don't realize that cardiovascular diseases are common disorders in cats, too. In fact, disorders of the myocardium (heart muscle) are the major cause of heart failure in cats. The most commonly seen cardiovascular disease in cats is hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HCM).

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