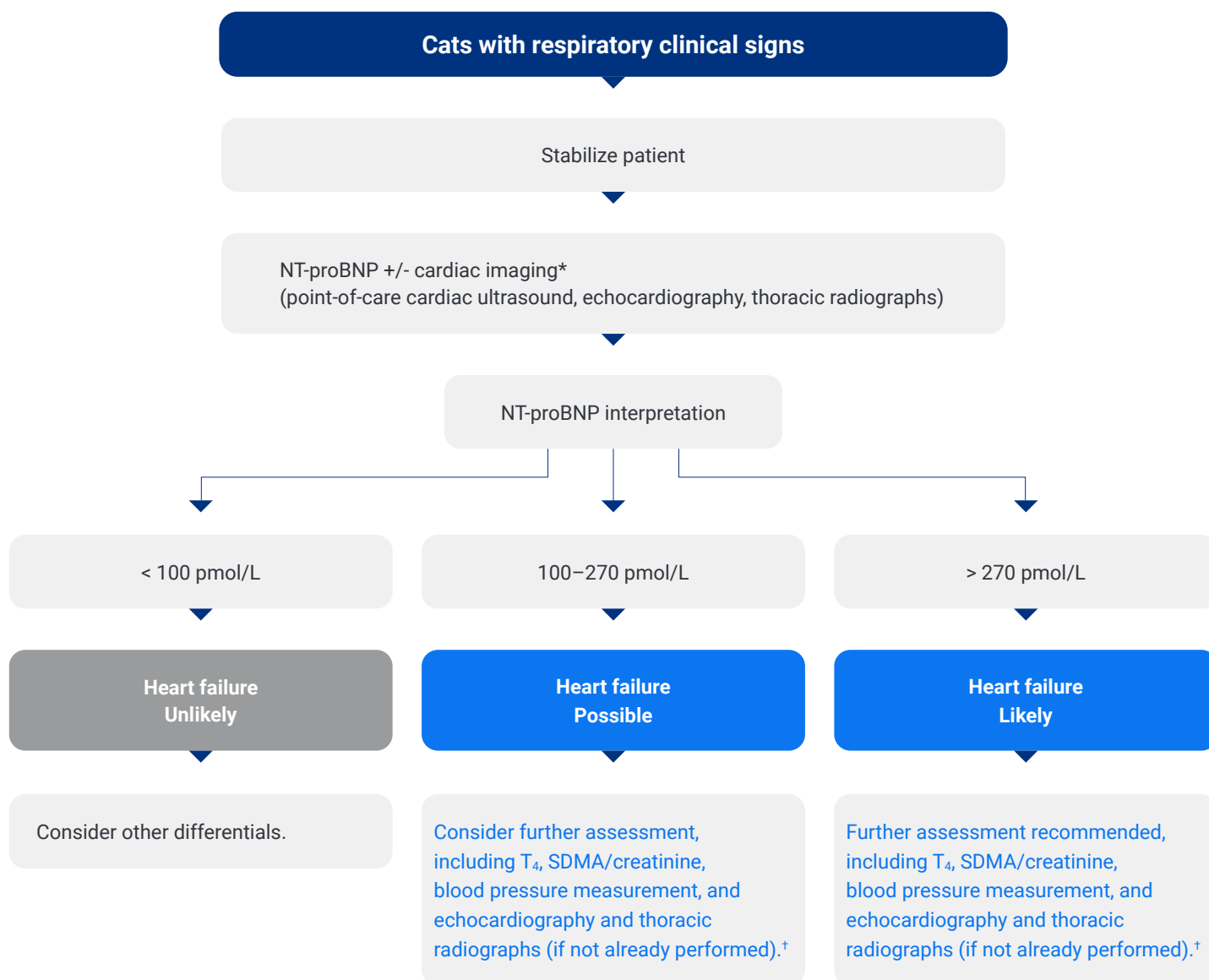




*Echocardiography is the gold-standard technique for the assessment of cardiac structure and function. Cats with an increased left atrial size +/- ventricular hypertrophy detected by point-of-care cardiac ultrasound and a NT-proBNP result > 100 pmol/L are likely to have cardiac disease. Thoracic radiographs recommended for stabilized patients with dyspnea and tachypnea. Consider patient and client factors as part of a spectrum-of-care approach to diagnostic selection.

[†]Further assessment may include T₄, blood pressure assessment, echocardiography, thoracic radiography, CBC, biochemistry, electrocardiogram, and urinalysis.