

Why I'm here:
Stranded, cold stunned

Patient : Waldo
Species : Green
Latin Name: *Chelonia mydas*
Age : Juvenile
Gender : Unknown
Weight : 4.15 kg/9.13 lbs
Found : Cumberland Island, GA
Arrived : February 7, 2014
Rescued by : Doug Hoffman,
GA DNR



TREATMENT FOR:

Waldo

(MAY BE PREVIOUS OR CURRENT)

- Initial IV electrolytes, glucose, and fluids for dehydration and low blood glucose (LRS + 5% dextrose)
- Slowly raised body temperature by warming water 5° per day.
- Injectable calcium
- Ceftazidime (antibiotic to prevent and treat secondary bacterial infections)

PRESCRIBED: DR. NORTON, DVM

Exam Findings:

Body temperature = 56°F
Fibropapilloma lesions neck, rear inguinal areas, and base of front flippers
Lots of small barnacles on carapace
Thin
Lethargic

Exam Findings:

Low glucose, dehydration, low calcium and high phosphorus.
Low blood protein, evidence of inflammation.
Apparent muscle exertion.

Radiographs (x-ray):

No abnormalities present.

Fun Fact:

The GSTC is involved in numerous veterinary and wildlife health research studies, including one regarding fibropapillomatosis, which is caused in part by a herpes virus. Dr. Annie Page-Karjian, veterinarian and current Ph.D. candidate at the University of Georgia (and a former veterinary extern at the GSTC!) and the GSTC rehabilitation staff are conducting innovative research to enhance our knowledge about the epidemiology (the study of the causes, patterns, and effects) of the virus.



Current Weight:

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