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Signalment and history: A 10.5 years old, male castrated Rag Doll cat. This cat was presented to a private veterinary clinic with dyspnea and a history of diabetes mellitus. The owner declined insulin treatment for diabetes. Treated with glypizide 2.5 mg BID. The cat did well for 1.5 years, but later it suddenly became anorexic. Ultrasound examination of the thoracic cavity revealed a mass in the pericardial sac, compressing the heart. The owner elected euthanasia.

Please provide: 1. Description (gross and histopathologic); 2. Morphologic diagnosis.

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