

A 65 year old male patient who is a known case of valvular heart disease, presented with breathlessness, cough and odema of both legs of two weeks duration. His clinical and radiological features suggestive of presence of fluid in the pleural cavity bilaterally.

Pleural fluid analysis :

Appearance : clear fluid

Special gravity : 1.008

Proteins : 1.0g/dl

Glucose : 80mg/dl

LDH : < 200/IU

A) What is your diagnosis ?

B) How will you manage this patient?.