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Differential diagnosis of retroperitoneal tumor: chronic adrenal hematoma, an uncommon diagnosis[☆]



Diagnóstico diferencial de tumor retroperitoneal: hematoma crónico suprarrenal, un diagnóstico infrecuente

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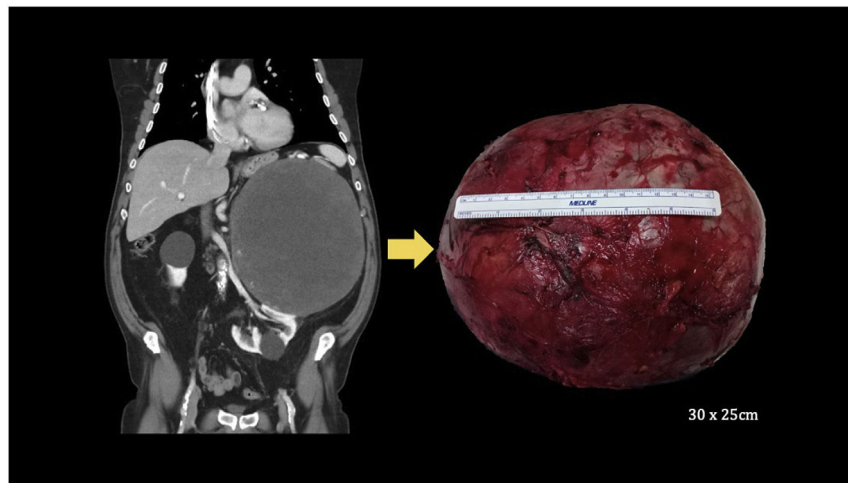


Fig. 1

Retroperitoneal tumours are a group of lesions that can present with non-specific symptoms, making them difficult to diagnose. Among the most frequent are liposarcomas, derived from fat cells; GISTs, derived from the connective tissue of the gastrointestinal tract; rhabdomyosarcomas, deriving from embryonic muscle cells; the renal and adrenal branches; and neurogenic cells, such as neuroblastoma or schwannoma. We present a retroperitoneal tumour (Fig. 1) in a 79-year-old man suspected of liposarcoma, with functional dyspepsia for 3 months and no history of trauma, whose core needle biopsy was not cost-effective. After non-compartmental surgery, according to the patient's wishes, the pathological study described a chronic hematoma secondary to a haemorrhage of the left adrenal gland, an uncommon diagnosis to be highlighted.

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