

Image of the month

Inferior Vena Cava Duplication[☆]

Duplicación de vena cava inferior

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Fig. 1



Fig. 2

The patient is a 53-year-old male who had undergone colon resection due to a sigmoid colon adenocarcinoma with infiltration of the bladder dome and terminal ileum as well as lymph node metastases in the sigmoid mesocolon and in the preaortic region up to the lower edge of the pancreas. The preoperative CT scan (Fig. 1) demonstrated a duplication of the inferior vena cava that correlated with the image of the operative field (Fig. 2).

Although this anomaly is generally asymptomatic, it has important clinical implications and surgery is more dangerous if this circumstance has not been previously identified.

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