



Image of the month

Migration of a Kirschner Wire to the Pulmonary Parenchyma[☆]



Migración de aguja de Kirschner al parénquima pulmonar

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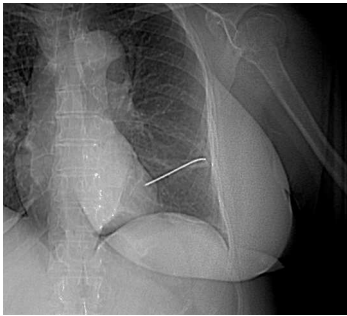


Fig. 1

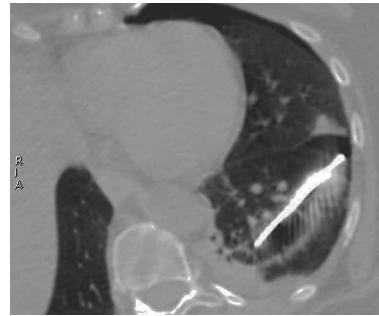


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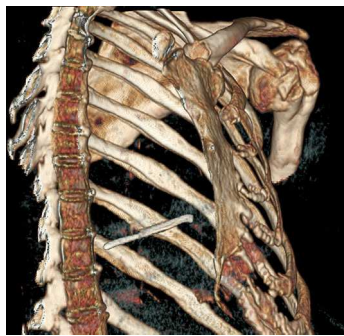


Fig. 3

The patient had undergone emergency surgery for a humeral fracture dislocation. Percutaneous reduction and osteosynthesis was performed with 3 Kirschner wires. Twenty days later during wire removal, one wire was observed to have migrated into the lower lobe of the left lung. Video-assisted thoracoscopy was used to extract the K-wire without incident and postoperative recovery was uneventful (Figs. 1–3).

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