



## Image of the month

### Unusual Complication of a Lung Hydatid Cyst: Pneumomediastinum, Hydropneumothorax, and Massive Soft Tissue Emphysema<sup>☆</sup>



### Complicación infrecuente de un quiste hidatídico de pulmón: neumomediastino, hidroneumotórax y enfisema masivo de tejidos blandos

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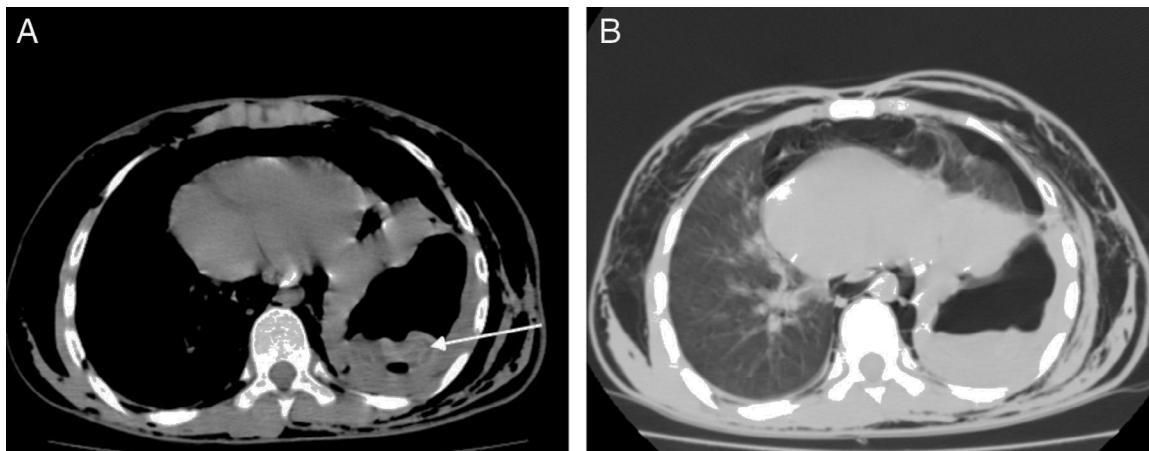


Fig. 1

A 15-year-old male came to the emergency department after 3 days with intense chest pain and dyspnea. Thoracic computed tomography (CT) without contrast showed pneumomediastinum, soft tissue emphysema, hydropneumothorax and a giant hydatid cyst with ruptured membranes in the lower lobe of the left lung (Fig. 1A and B; arrow: rupture of membranes). As a result of these findings, the patient was diagnosed with a ruptured hydatid cyst. The treatment consisted of thoracotomy, cystectomy and lavage of the pneumomediastinum. No complications were observed in the patient follow-up.

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