Image of the Month

Calcified Adrenal Pseudocyst: A Rare Pathology

Pseudoquiste suprarrenal calcificado: una dolencia infrecuente

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The patient is a 73-year-old woman with no prior history of interest, who came to the emergency room due to lumbar pain. Lumbar radiograph (Fig. 1) identified a calcified image in the right hypochondrium. Abdominal CT scan (Fig. 2) showed a lesion in the right adrenal gland, suggestive of a calcified adrenal pseudocyst.

Pseudocysts are the most frequent subtype of adrenal cysts. They are formed by encapsulated residue from an adrenal hemorrhage; calcifications can be found in 10%–15% of cases. It is recommended to resect cysts larger than 5 cm due to the high risk of bleeding and secondary complications.

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