

Images in cardio-thoracic surgery

Scimitar syndrome in association with intrapulmonary sequestration

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A 62-year-old woman was referred for repetitive hemoptysis. Chest computed tomography scan revealed intrapulmonary sequestration of the right lower lobe with an aberrant artery arising from the sub-diaphragmatic descend-

ing aorta (Fig. 1(A) and (B)). In addition, the right lower lobe showed an anomalous venous drainage directly in the inferior vena cava (Scimitar syndrome) (Fig. 2(A) and (B)) (3D video).

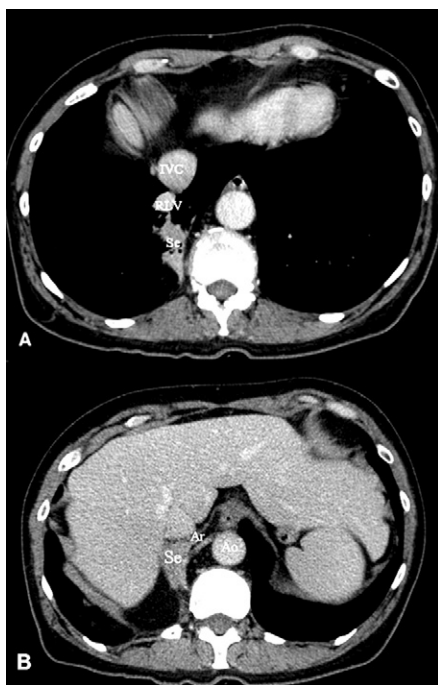


Fig. 1. (A) Chest computed tomography scan showed intrapulmonary sequestration (Se) of the right lower lobe. The right lower vein (RLV) is anterior to the sequestration with drainage directly in the inferior vena cava. (B) Vascularisation of the sequestration by an aberrant artery (Ar) arising from the sub-diaphragmatic descending aorta (Ao).

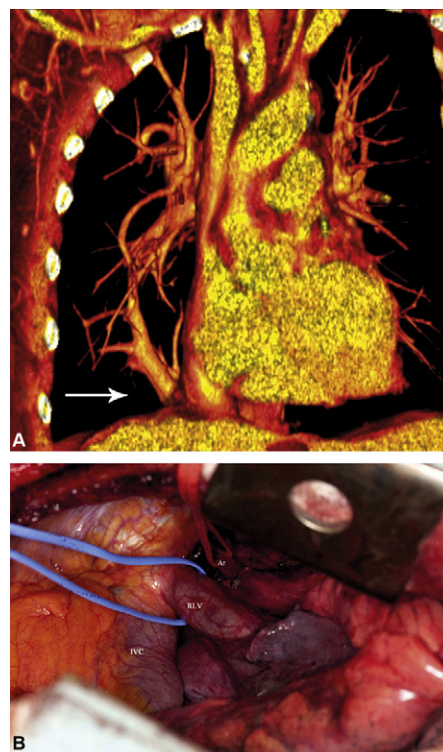


Fig. 2. (A) Three dimensional reconstructed computed tomography image showing the venous drainage of the right lower lobe directly in the inferior vena cava (white arrow). (B) Intra-operative view with aberrant artery of the intrapulmonary sequestration (Ar) and venous drainage of the right lower lobe (RLV) directly in the inferior vena cava (IVC) just above the diaphragm. The patient underwent right lower lobectomy with uneventful recovery.

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Appendix A. Supplementary data

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