

Unusual Presentation of Metallic Foreign Body Aspiration after Penetrating Neck Trauma

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A 25 year-old Construction worker underwent neck laceration following penetrating neck trauma in a falling incident. The 3rd tracheal ring was injured which was initially repaired and the patient was discharged in good general condition. (Figure 1 shows the patient's neck view after discharge from hospital). Two months later the patient was again admitted due to provocative coughing and a metal foreign body was detected in his right main bronchus. (Figure 2 shows CXR of the patient and figure 3 demonstrates CT scan of the same patient). Finally the patient underwent rigid bronchoscopy to remove the foreign body. (Figure 4 shows the foreign body after rigid bronchoscopy).

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Figure 1. Shows the patient's neck view after discharge from hospital



Figure 2. Shows CXR of the patient (Metallic foreign body in right main bronchial)

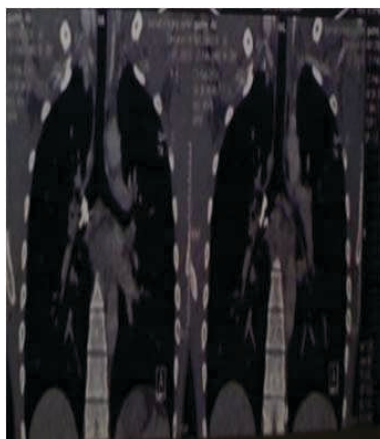


Figure 3. Demonstrates CT scan of the same patient (Metallic foreign body in right main bronchial)



Figure 4. Shows the foreign body after removed by rigid bronchoscopy

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