

Report a Case of Giant Thymolipoma of Mediastinum and Neck Which Initially Misdiagnosed as Liposarcoma on Core-Needle Biopsy

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Clinical Image

Thymolipomas are rare benign tumors, constituting one of the differential diagnoses of an anterior mediastinal mass. These tumors may run an indolent, asymptomatic course, often achieving massive dimensions before presentation. Once Symptomatic, respiratory symptoms predominate. We report a case of thymolipoma in a 30 years old male complaining of heaviness and constricting type of chest pain and neck swelling of 1 year duration. CT scan findings were a space occupying lesion in the anterior mediastinum and extend to right side of mediastinum, neck and left side

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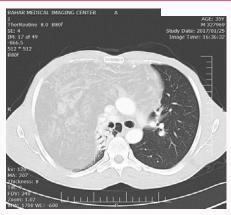


Figure 1: Showing CT scan of chest showing anterior mediastinal fatty tissue mass with strands and islands of soft tissue with extension to occupying total right hemithorax and to left hemithorax.

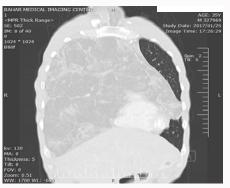


Figure 2: Showing Sagittal CT scan of chest showing a mass to occupying total right hemithorax and to left hemithorax with strands and islands of soft fatty tissue.

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Figure 3: Showing Resected specimen: thymolipoma (macroscopic).

hemithorax. The tumor was completely excised through 'Postero lateral thoracotomy'. Histopathological examination confirms the diagnosis Thymolipoma. This is the second case we have reported from our institution (4).