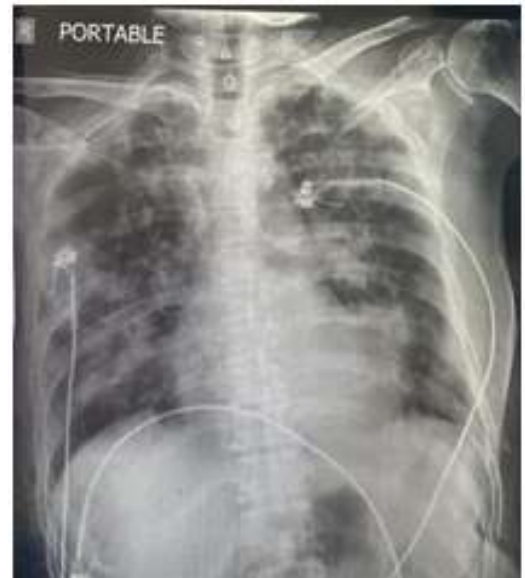


Case Scenario

Internal Medicine case series.

1. A 82 year old man underwent Right Hip replacement 8 days back. Had uneventful immediate postoperative recovery. He was ambulated with support in the hospital. Next day morning developed sudden onset giddiness, confusion and difficulty in breathing. Had tachycardia, tachypnea and SPO2 of 84% on room air. He was shifted immediately to ICU. HRCT showed ground glass shadows. CTPA came normal. Chest X ray showed diffuse infiltrates. Diagnosis- Fat embolism post Hip replacement surgery. He fulfilled- Gurd & Wilson criteria- 2 Major and 4 minor criteria. Had Schonfeld score of 11. Pearl-In a patients of trauma, fractures or surgical orthopedic manipulations rule out Fat embolism also.



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