Liver Trauma Case Study





Liver Trauma - Hepatic Pseudoaneurysm

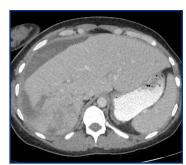
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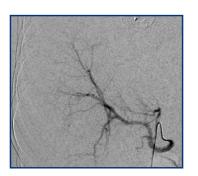




CT images through the liver demonstrate subcapsular and intrahepatic hematomas. Focus of enhancement centered within the right hepatic hematoma is suggestive of a pseudoaneurysm (red arrow).









Hepatic angiogram demonstrates a pseudoaneurysm arising from a branch of the right hepatic artery (red arrow).

Access & Treatment





A microcatheter is advanced distally into the hepatic vasculature to the site of the pseudoaneurysm.



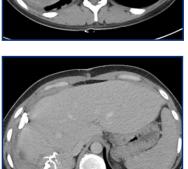




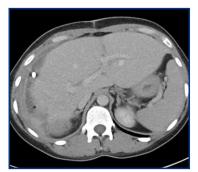


Embolization of the feeding vessel and pseudoaneurysm is performed with LAVA 18. Post-embolization angiogram with and without digital subtraction demonstrates the LAVA cast with complete occlusion of the pseudoaneurysm (red arrows).









Post-embolization CT scan performed two weeks later demonstrates the LAVA cast filling the pseudoaneurysm and adjacent vessels (red arrows). The intrahepatic hematoma has decreased in size. No adverse events.

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