

Diagnosis and management of pleural diseases

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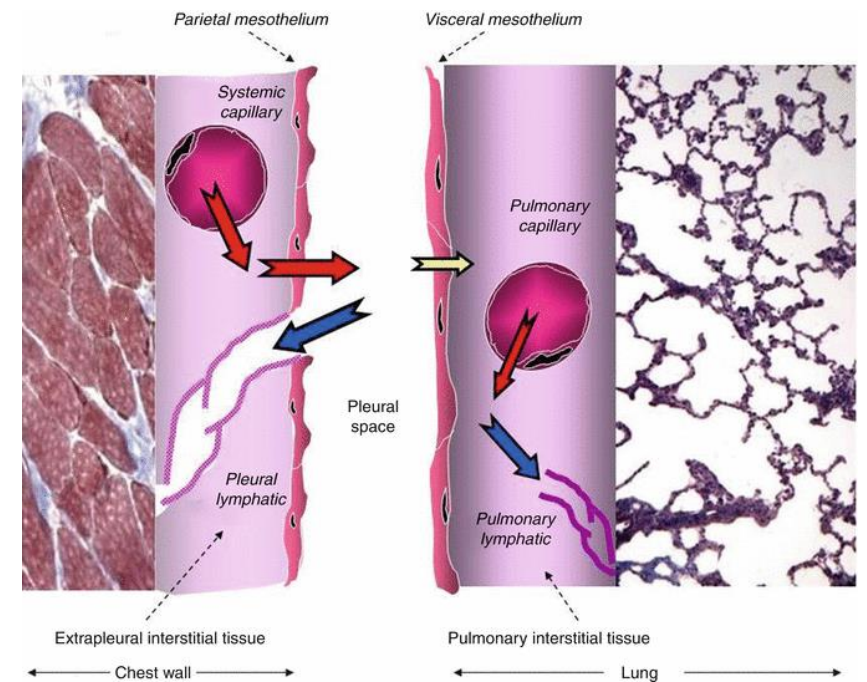
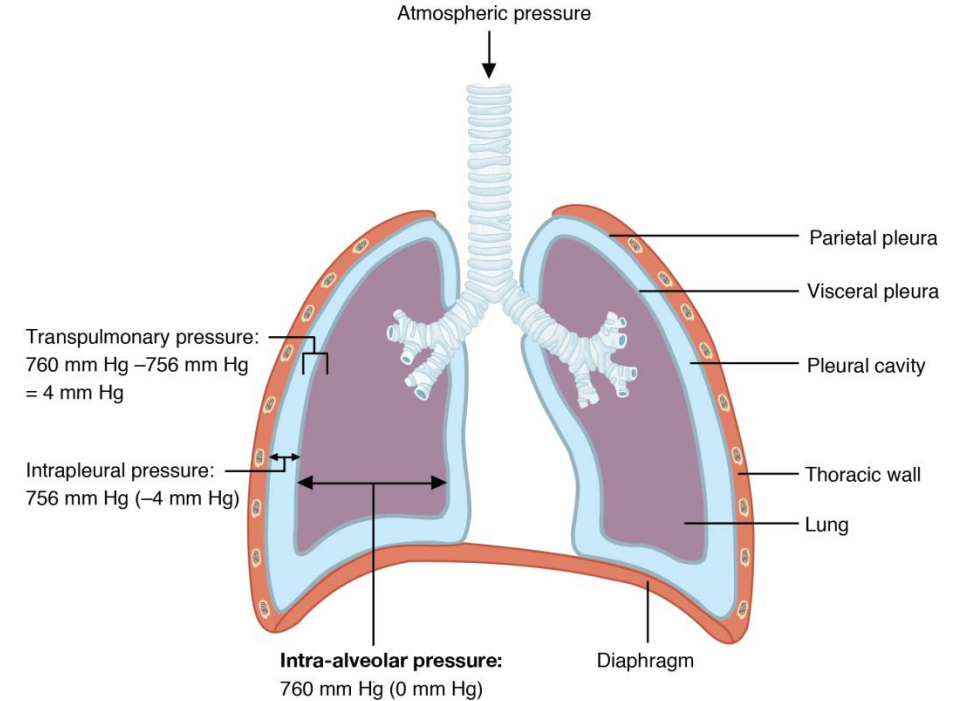
Pleural disease

- Pneumothorax
- Pneumomediastinum
- Pleural effusion
 - Parapneumonic
 - Hemothorax
 - Chylothorax
 - Empyema
- Pleural tumor
- Diaphragm

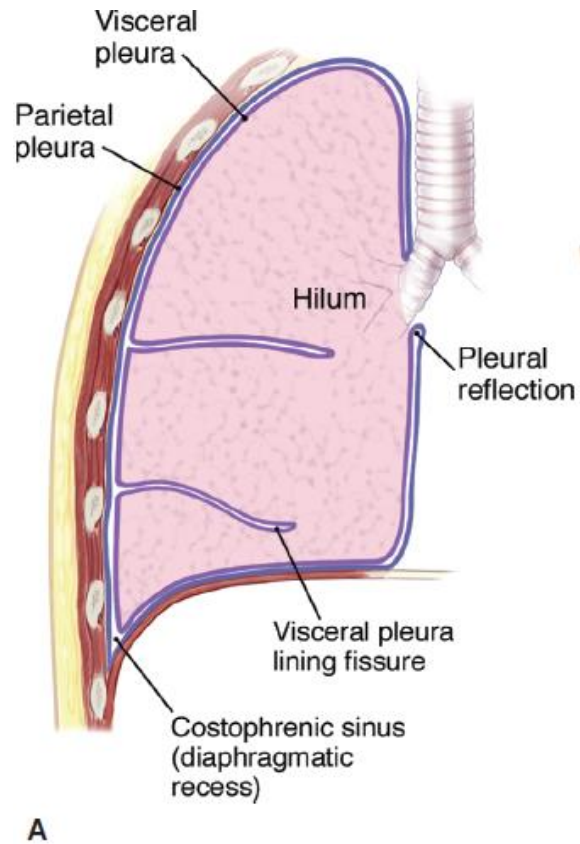
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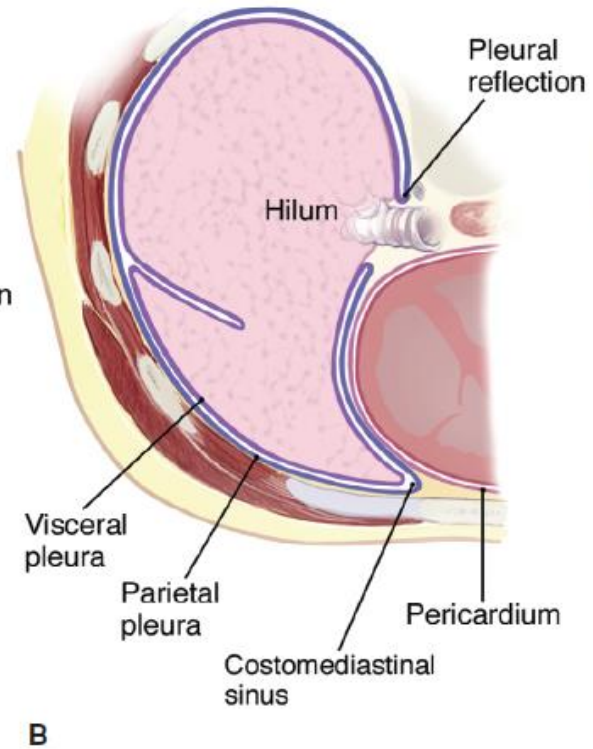
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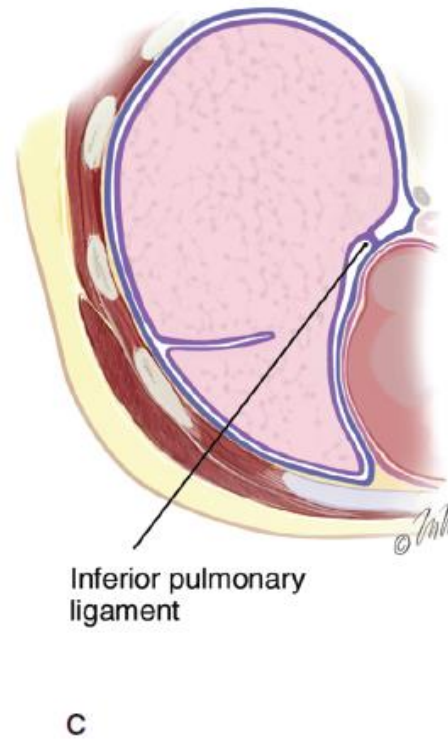
Pleura



Parietal pleura
Visceral pleura



Transition between
PP and VP at hilum

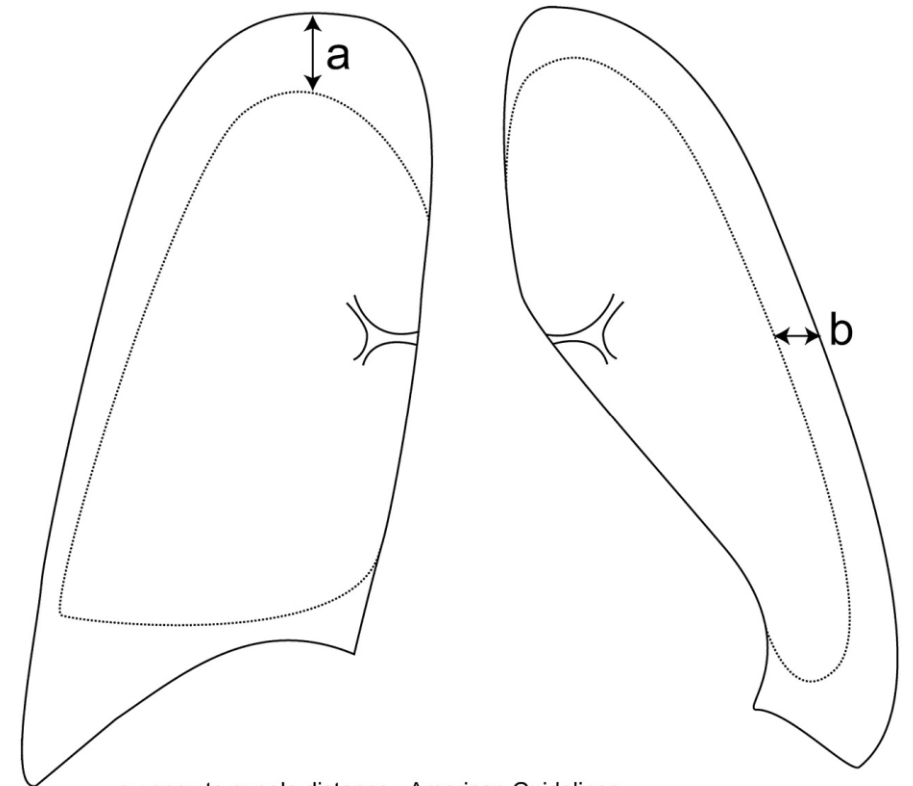


Fusion of ant. and post.
leaves of VP at IPL



Pneumothorax

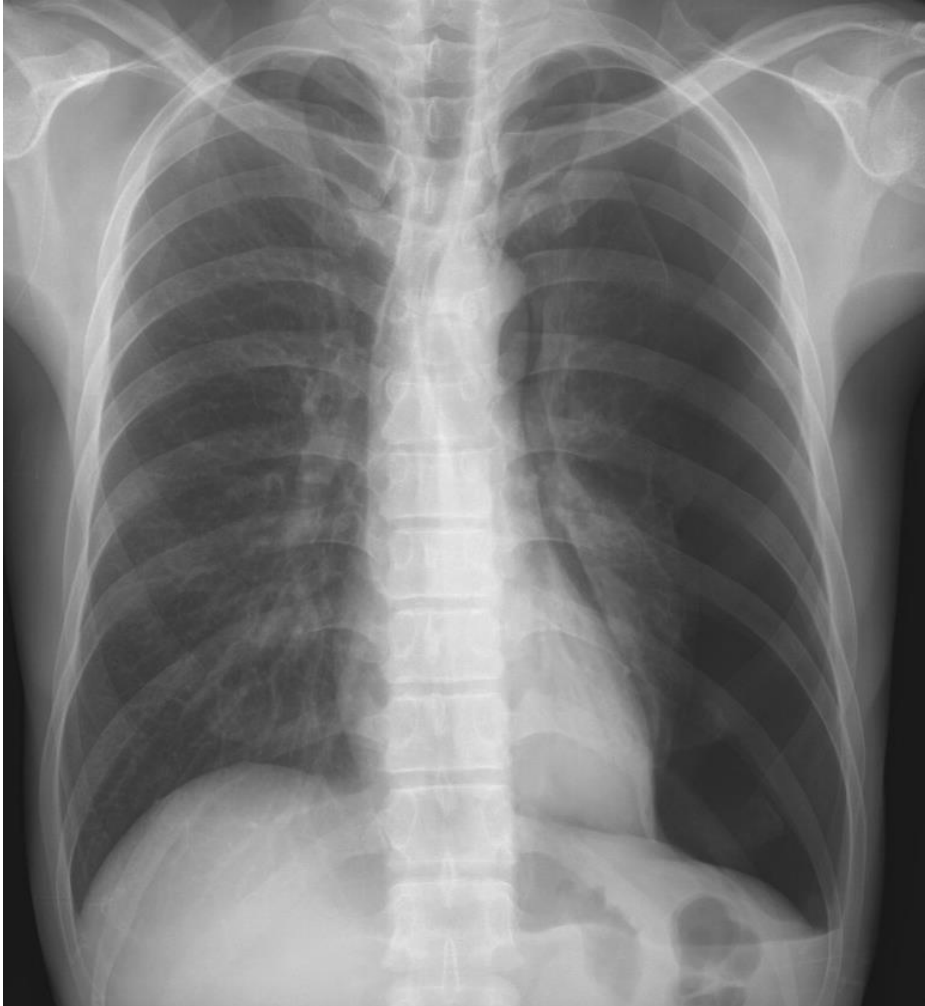
- **Spontaneous**
 - Primary (PSP)
 - Secondary (SSP)
- **Traumatic**
 - Rib fracture
- **Iatrogenic:**
 - PCNBx
 - Central line insertion
- **Catamenial**
- **Tension**



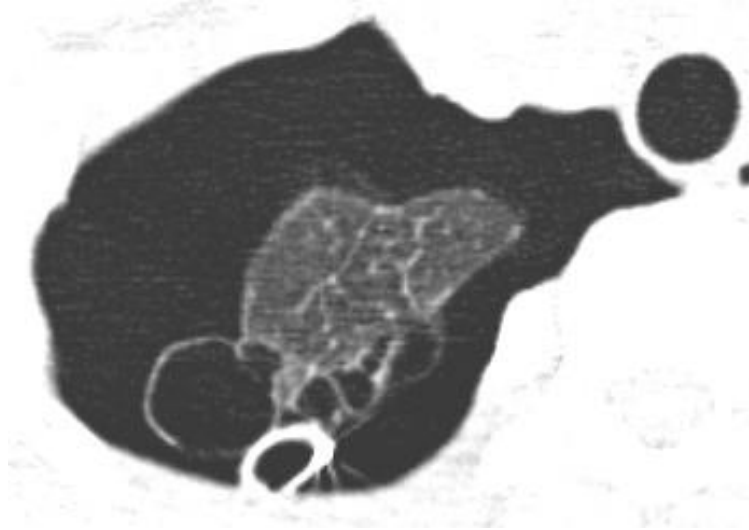
a= apex to cupola distance - American Guidelines
b= interpleural distance at level of the hilum - British Guidelines

Size of pneumothorax

Primary Spontaneous Pneumothorax (PSP)



HRCT



- Chest tube
 - Small caliber : 10 Fr
 - Large caliber : 24 Fr
- Chemical pleurodesis
 - Fibrinogen
 - Antibiotics
 - Betadine
 - Chemoagents

• Surgical indications

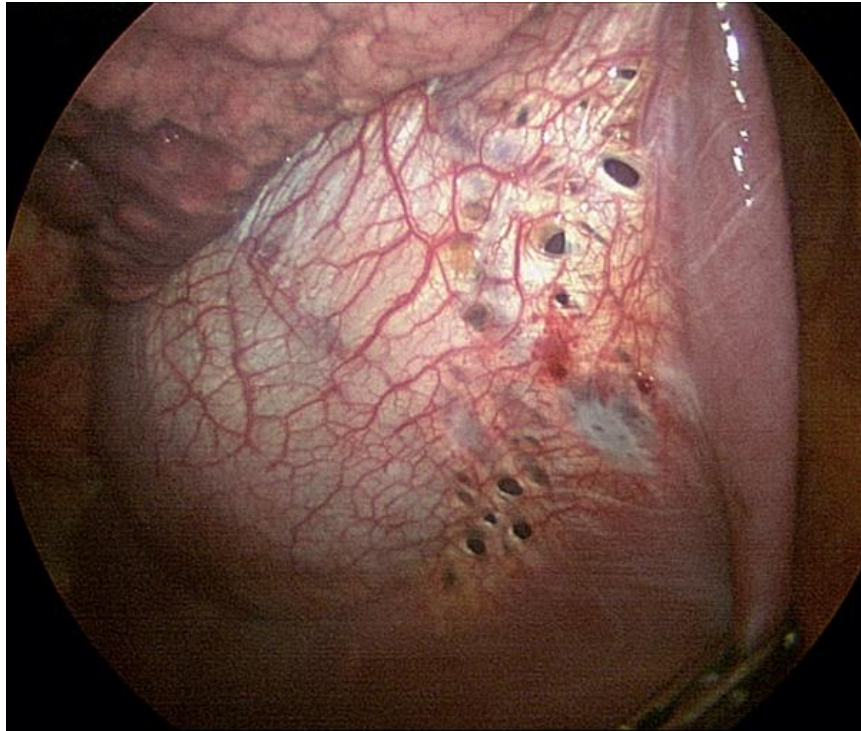
1. Recurrent pneumothorax (pntx)
2. Persistent air leak > 5 days
3. Hemopneumothorax
4. Previous contralateral pntx
5. Simultaneous bilateral pntx
6. Large bulla visible on chest x-ray
7. Professional at risk (pilot, diver)



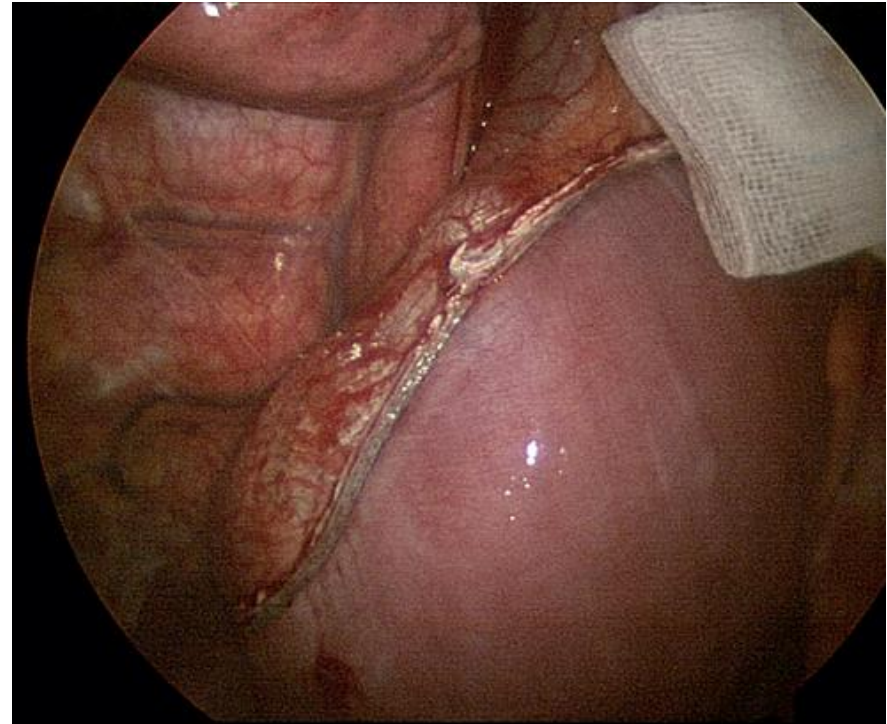
intraoperative finding

Catamenial Pneumothorax

- Female (20-30yr), recurrent, menstrual cycle (48-72hr),
- Right dominant (90%)
- No pneumothorax if ovulation does not occur
- Surgery (diaphragm resection), ovulatory suppressive drug



Multiple holes in diaphragm, Right



Diaphragm resection using endo- linear stapler

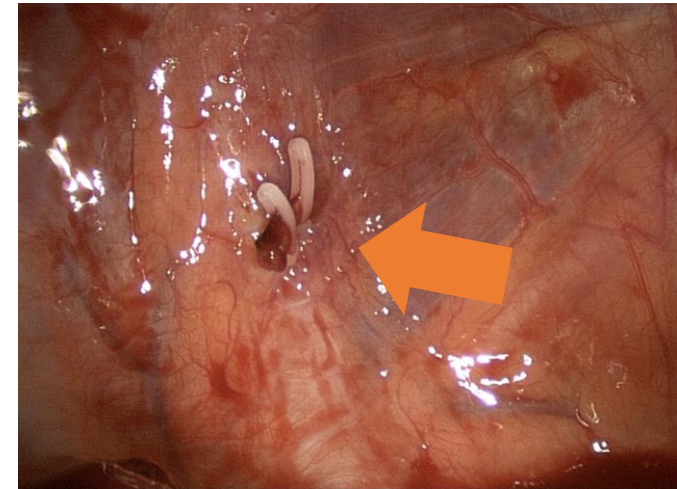
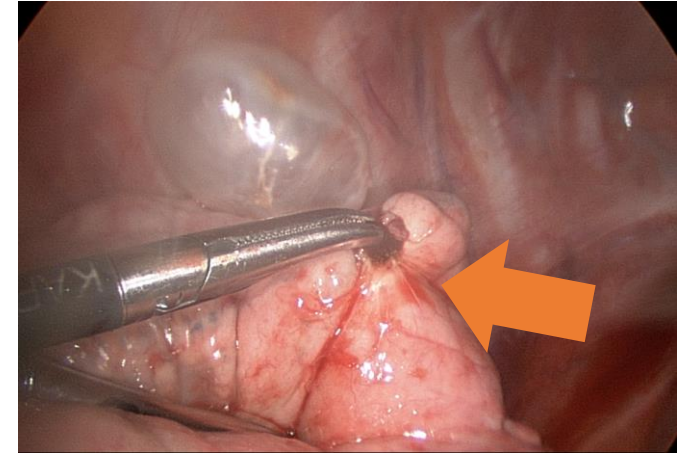
Hemopneumothorax



Pneumothorax, right
→ Loss of negative pressure in cavity
→ Bleeding stopped

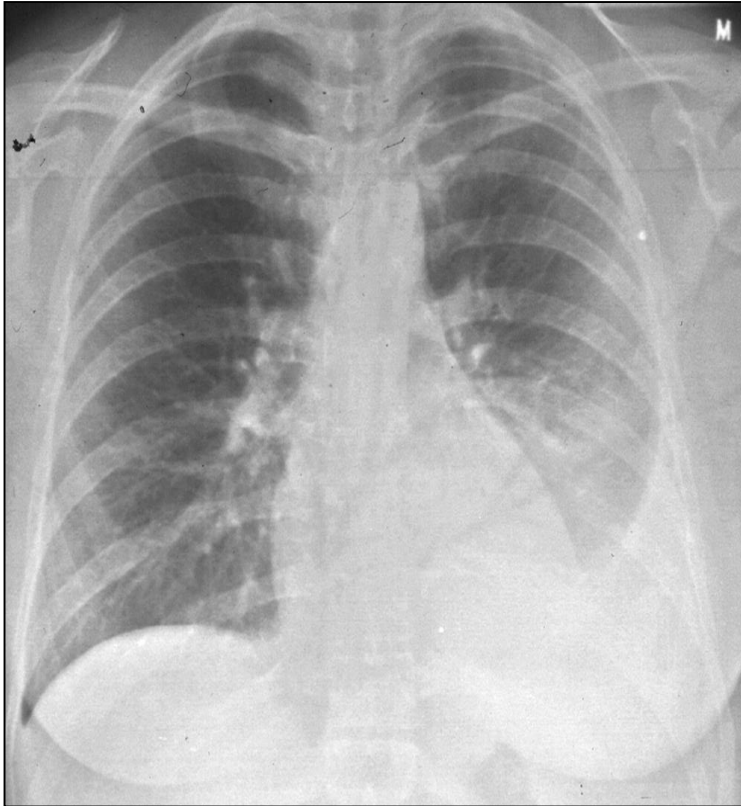


Chest tube insertion and suction
→ Restore negative pressure in cavity
→ Rebleeding
→ Emergent operation

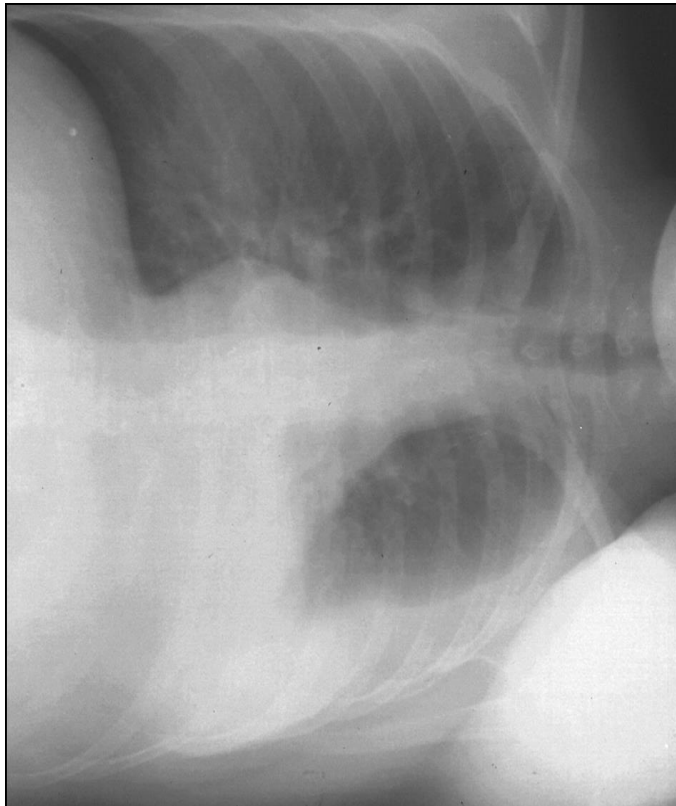


Bridging vein

Pleural effusion



Left sided effusion



**Left lateral decubitus
free flowing effusion**

transudate



bloody



chylous



pus

Parapneumonic effusion

Parapneumonic effusion

Thoracentesis

Re-accumulates

No re-accumulation

Poor prognostic factors

- Pus
- Positive Gram stain or culture
- Glucose < 60 mg/dL
- pH < 7.20
- LDH > 3x upper serum level
- Loculation

Yes

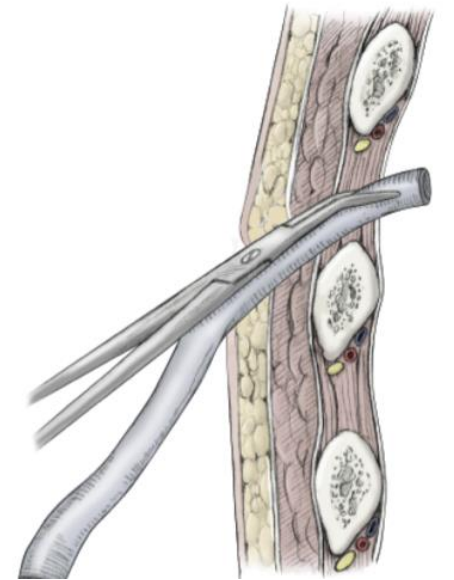
No

Tube thoracostomy +/-
Fibrinolytics
OR
VATS drainage

Observe

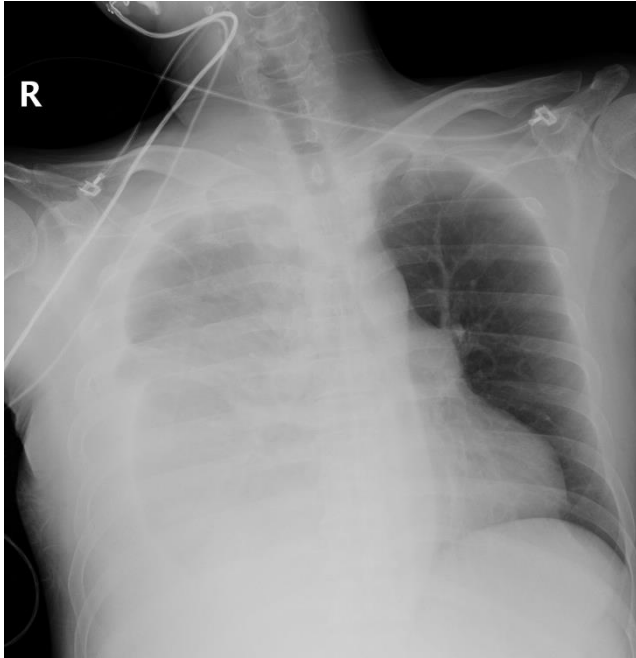
Indications of tube thoracostomy (or VATS drainage)

- Pus
- Positive Gram stain or culture
- Glucose < 60mg/dl
- pH < 7.20
- LDH > 3x upper serum level
- Loculation

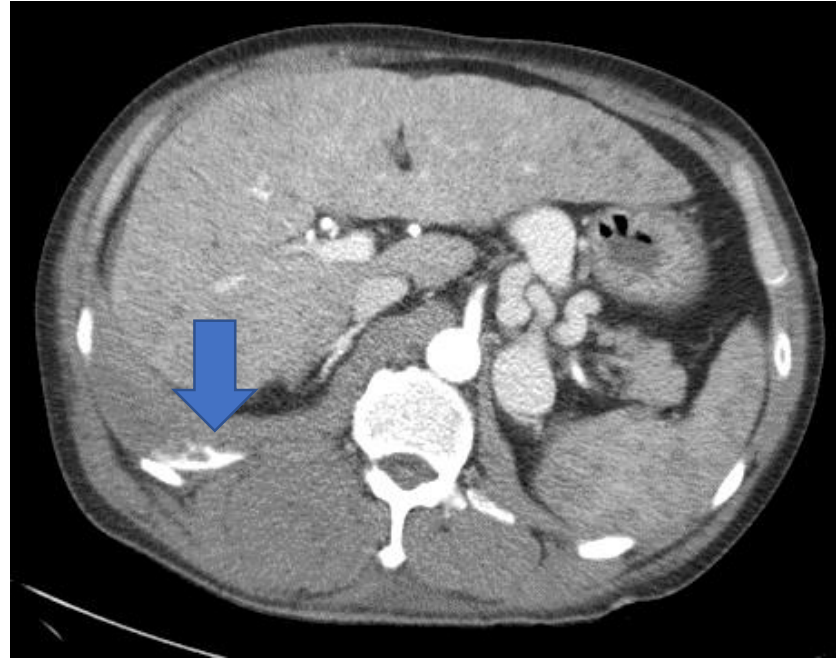


Upper margin of rib
Tunneling

Hemothorax, Embolization



Traffic accident,
Rt. 10th rib fracture
Right pleural effusion
Tube thoracostomy → blood



CT; bleeding from intercostal artery
No injury of liver, spleen, right lung



Angiography; bleeding focus (+)
Embolization
Decreased bleeding from tube

Hemothorax, Indications of exploration

- **Massive hemothorax;** > 1,000 to 1,500mL of initial drainage
- **Continued bleeding;** > 300mL in 1st hr, >200mL/hr for 3hr
- Increasing size of hemothorax or **clotted hemothorax**
- Combined with **persistent or large air leak**

Chylothorax

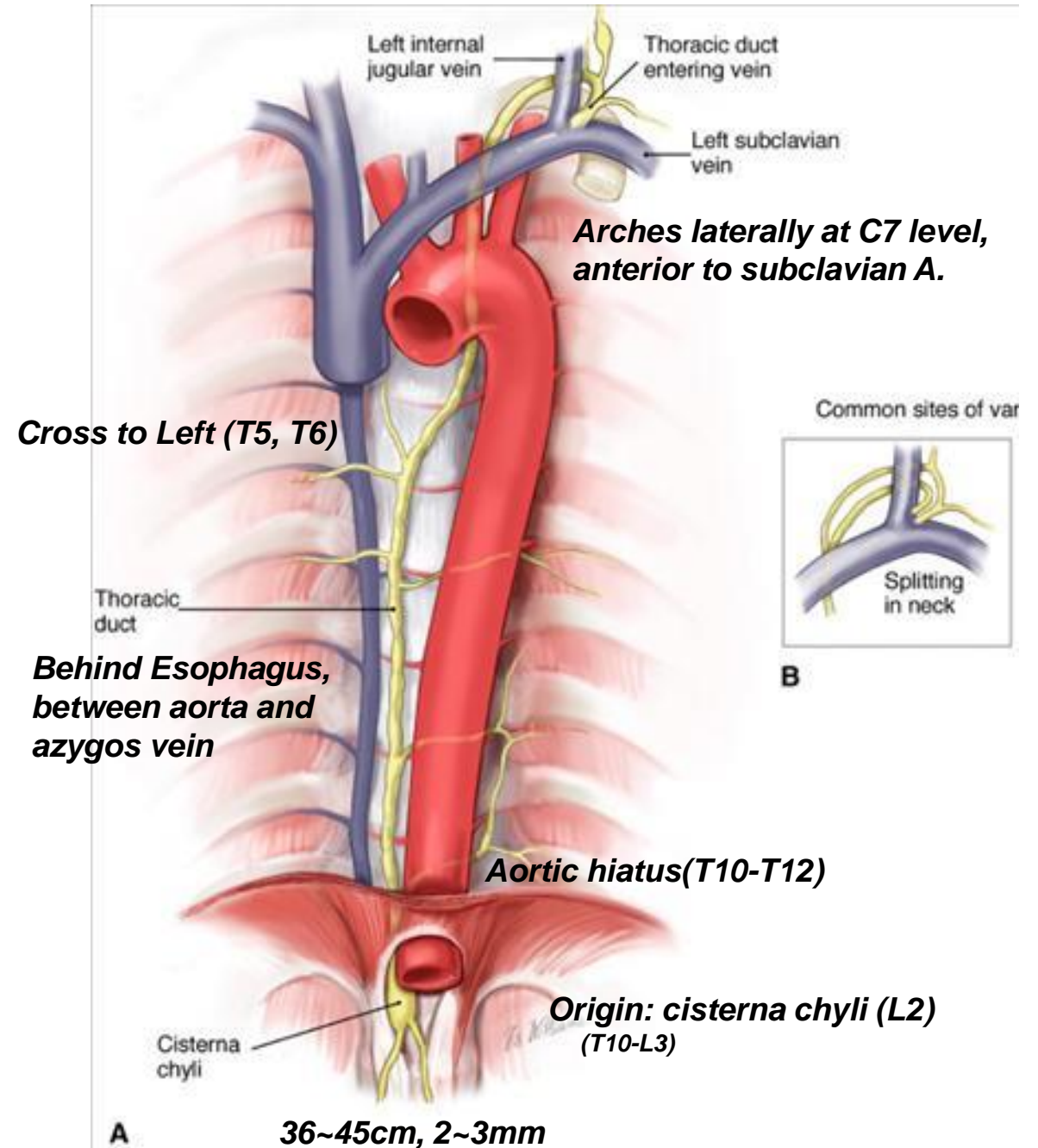
- **Diagnosis**

- Color of drain
- TG > 110 mg/dl
- Lymphangiography



- **Suspicious**

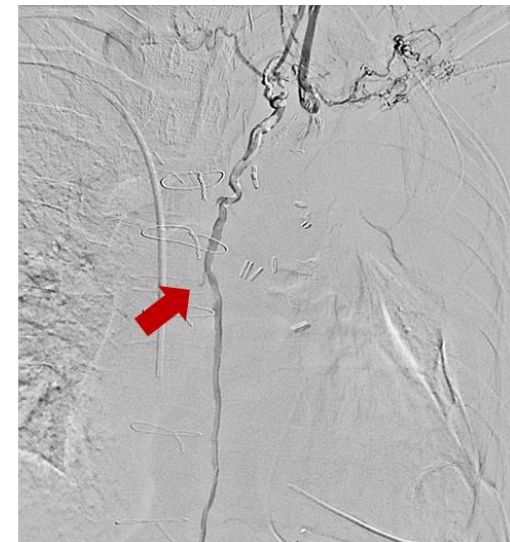
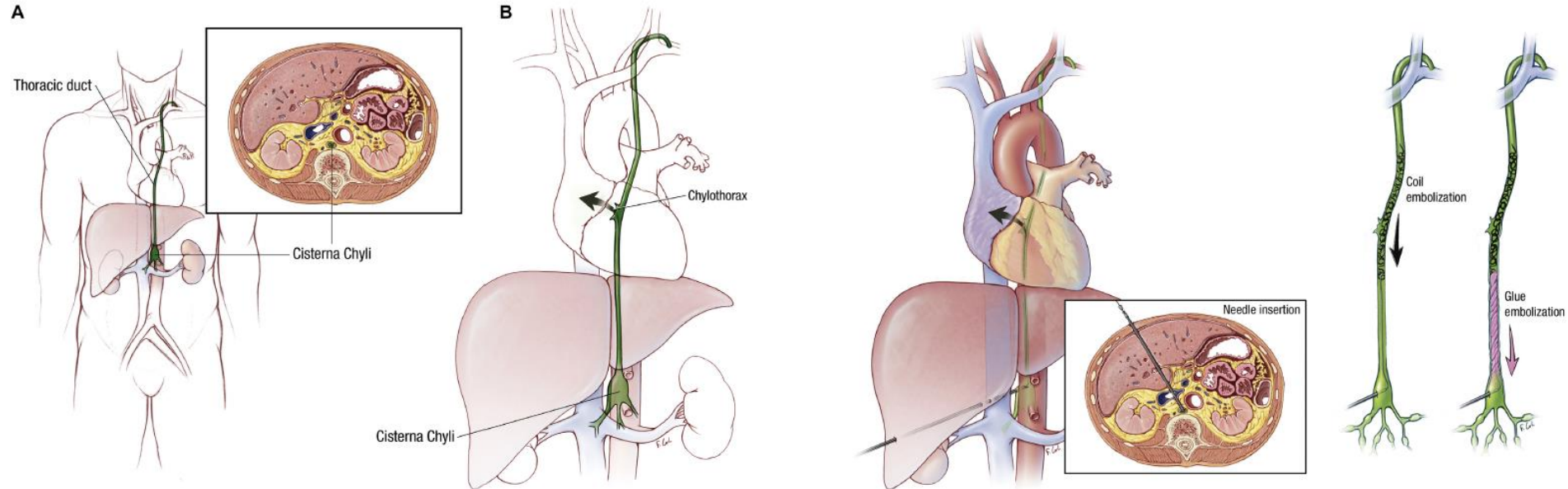
- Lung cancer, LND @ paratracheal, subcarinal
- Post mediastinal tumor, @ above aortic arch
- Esophageal cancer, @ any level
- Aortic surgery, @ arch



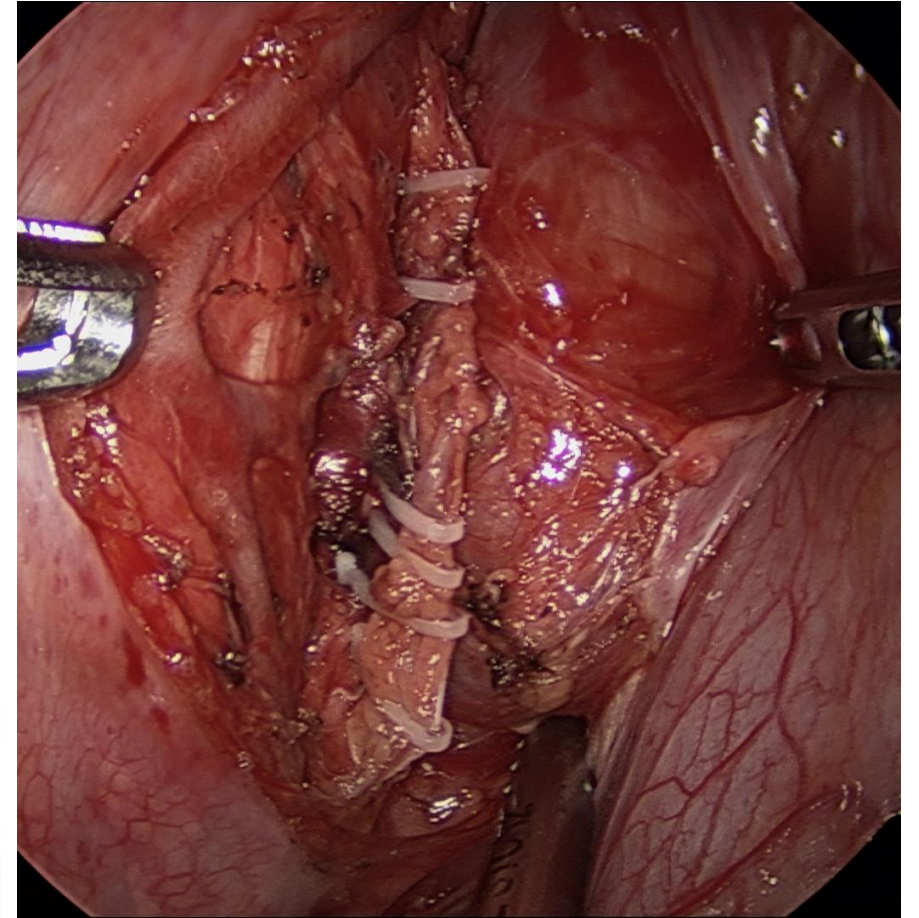
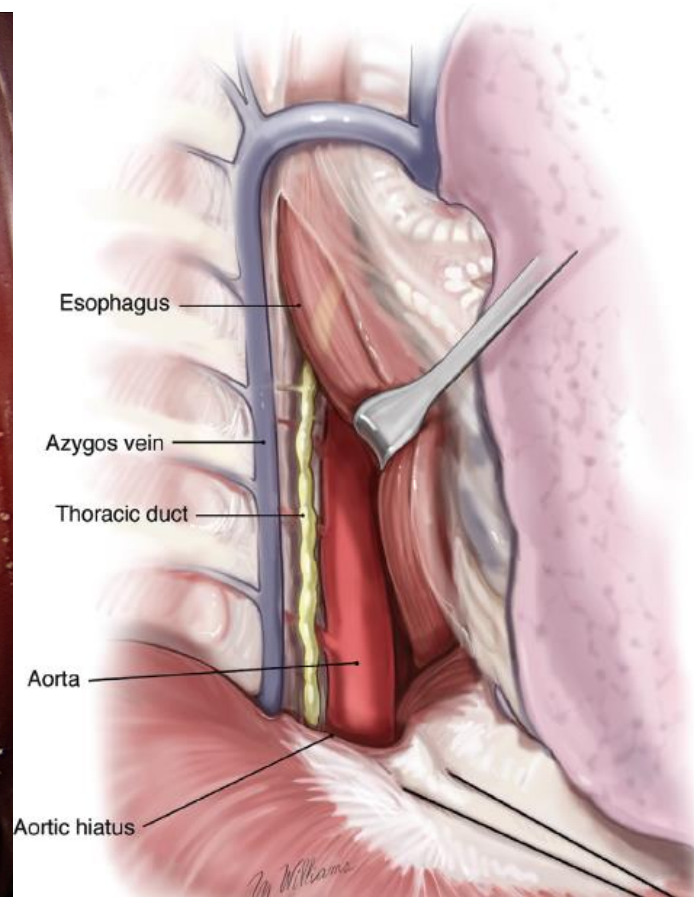
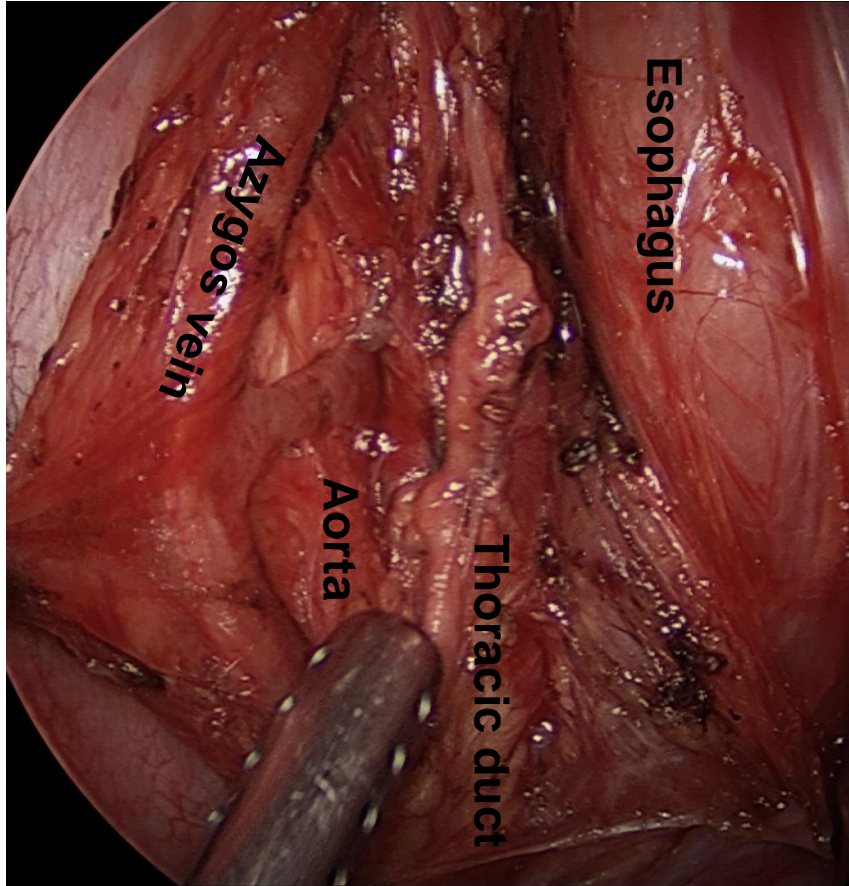
Thoracic duct embolization for Chylothorax from extended thymectomy

Success rate : 45~71%

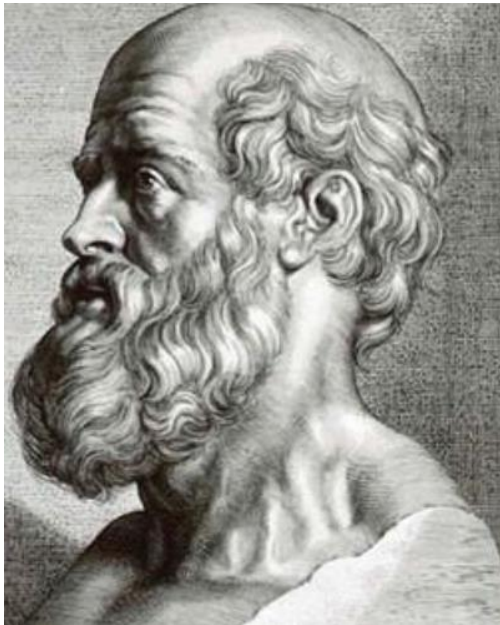
Contralx: previous abdominal OP.



Thoracic duct ligation



Empyema



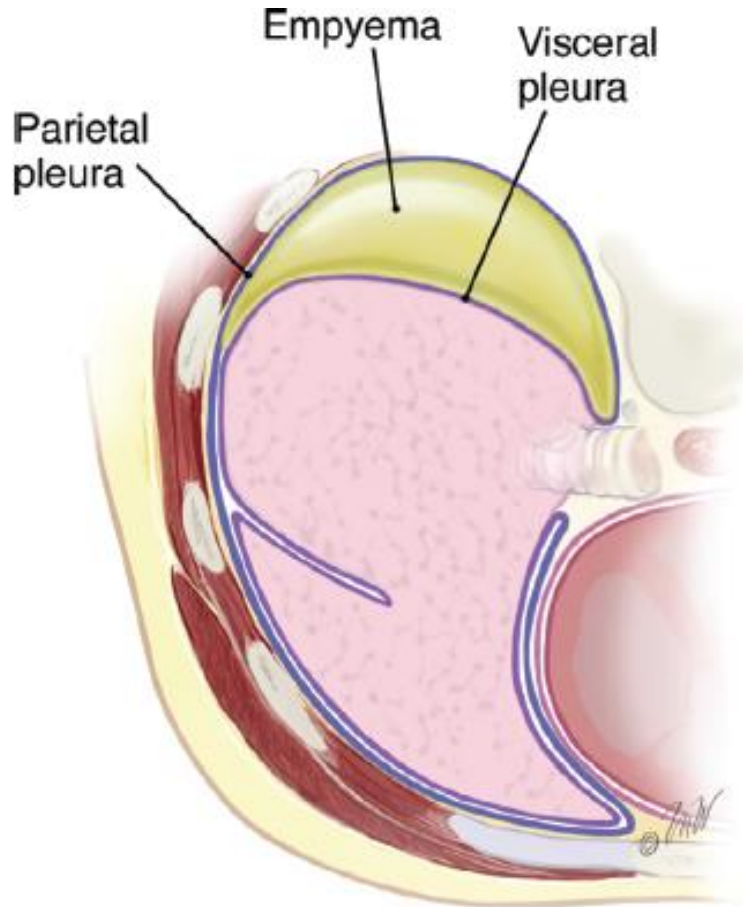
(460-370B.C)

- Hippocrates
: drainage operation for empyema

*When empyemata are opened by cautery or by knife;
and the pus flows pure and white, the patient survives,
but if it is mixed with blood; muddy and foul smelling,
he will die*

Empyema

Pus in a pleural space

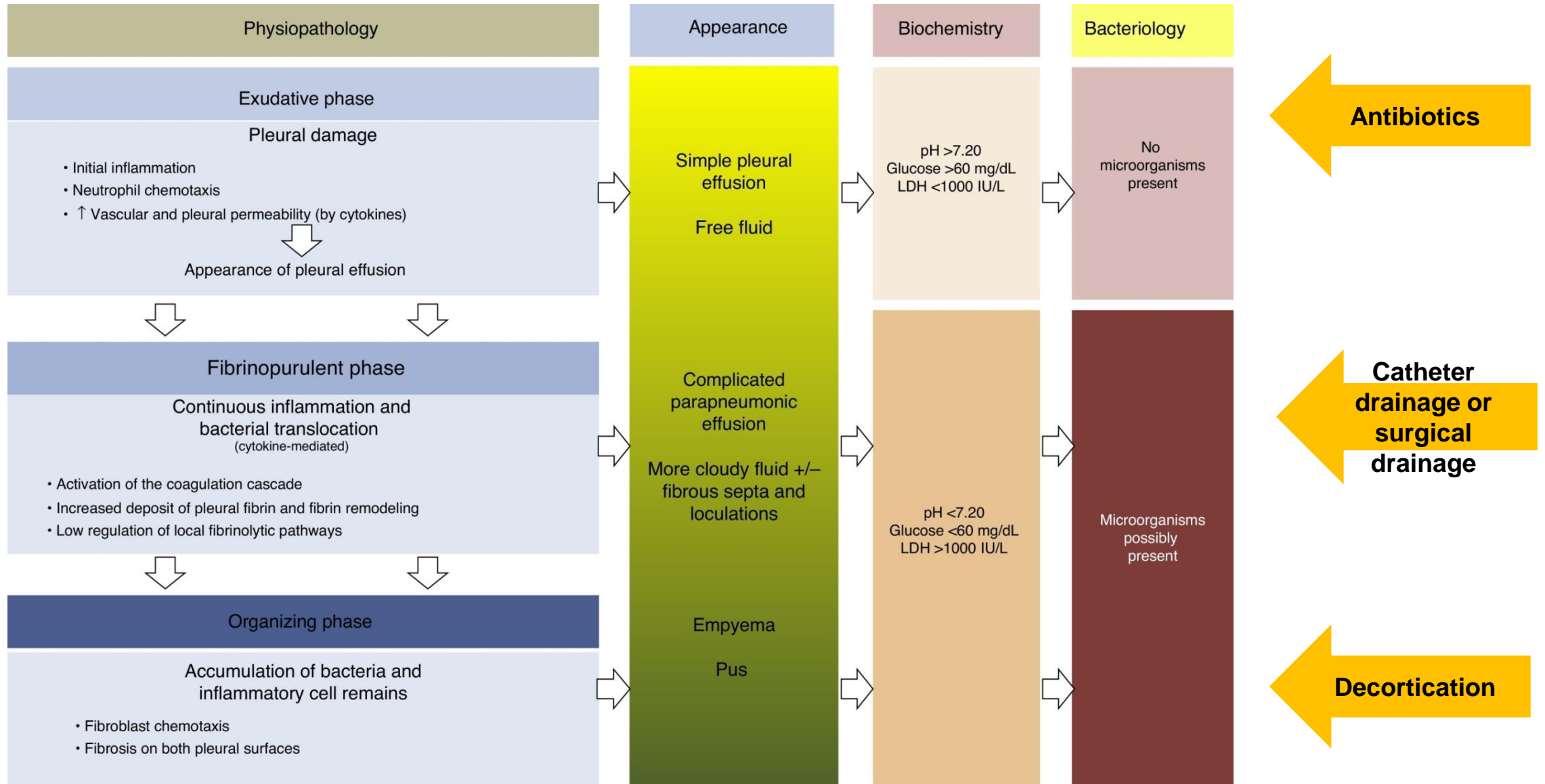


Empyema sac
Visceral & parietal peels
Narrow ICS
Chest wall contraction

• Causes

- Bacterial pneumonia
- Tuberculosis
- Post-resection
 - ;postpneumonectomy
- Post traumatic
- Intra-abdominal process

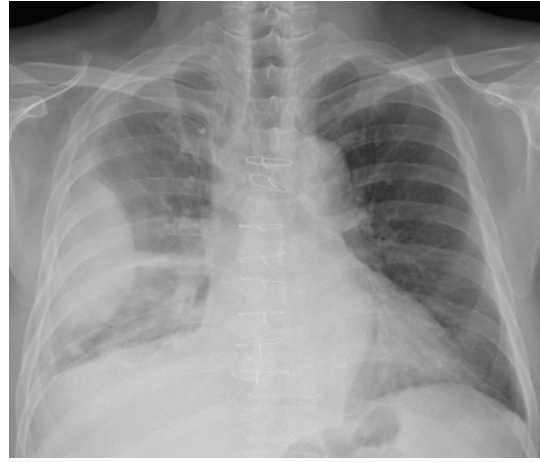
Evolution from parapneumonic effusion to empyema



VATS decortication



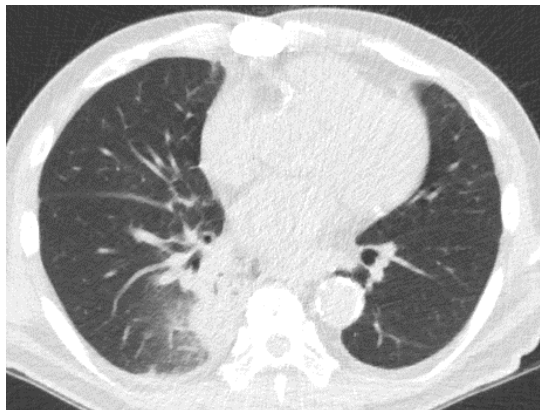
mild fever, cough, sputum



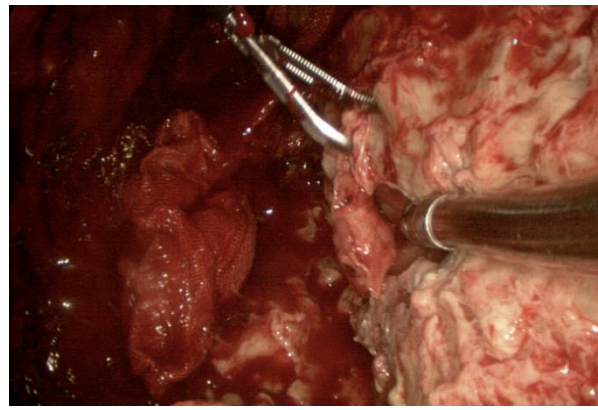
Large amount effusion



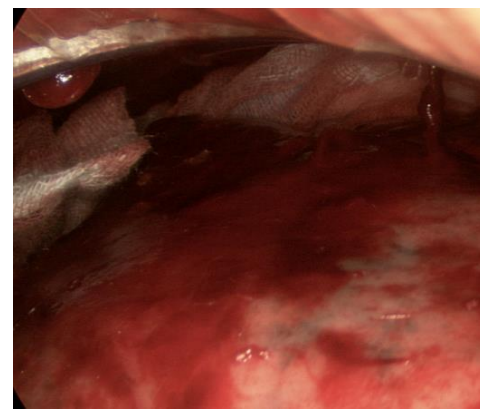
PCD insertion, no change



RLL basal segment, infiltration



VATS decortication



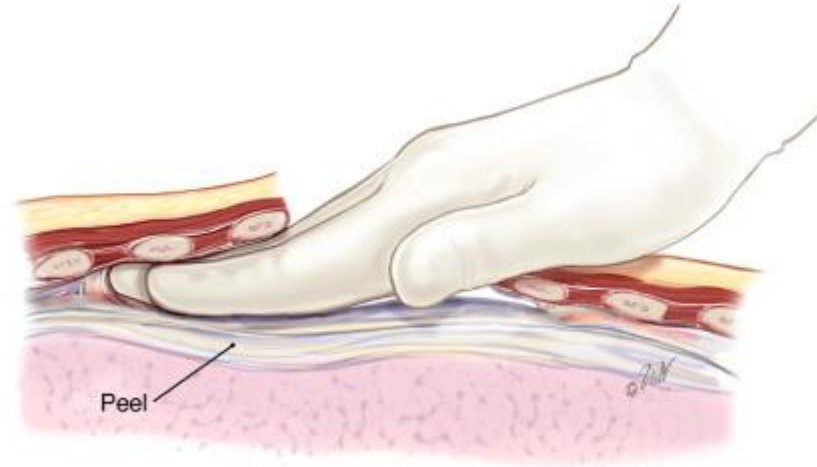
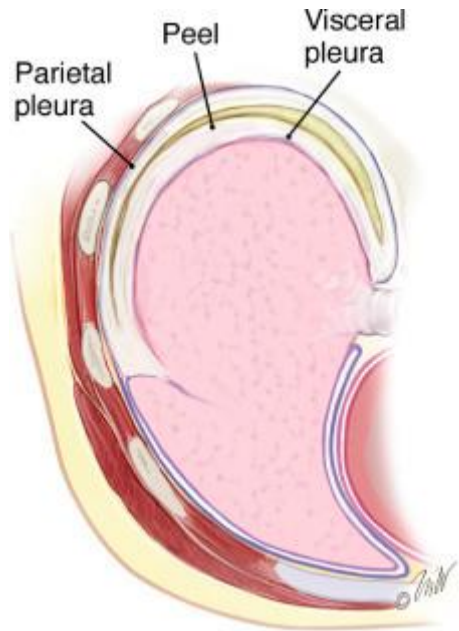
Well expansion



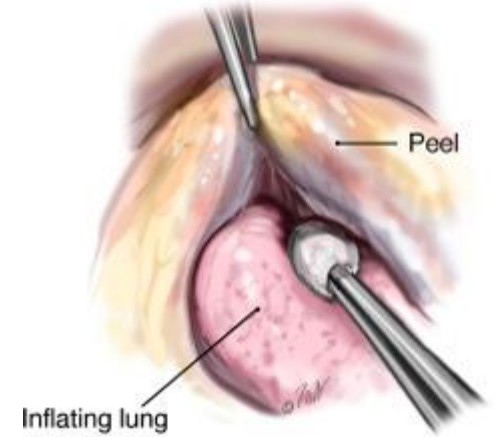
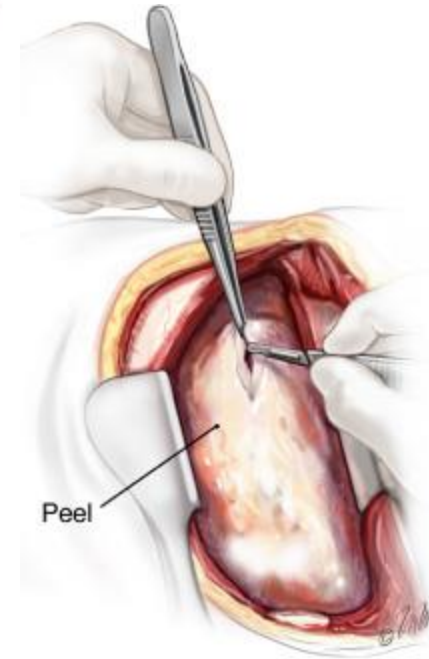
1 year after VATS decortication

Empyema_Decortication

Timing-controversial



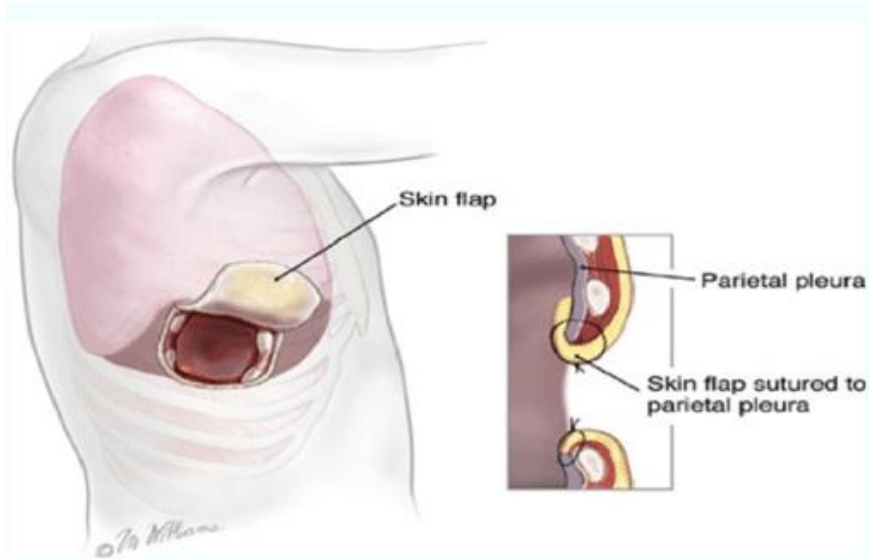
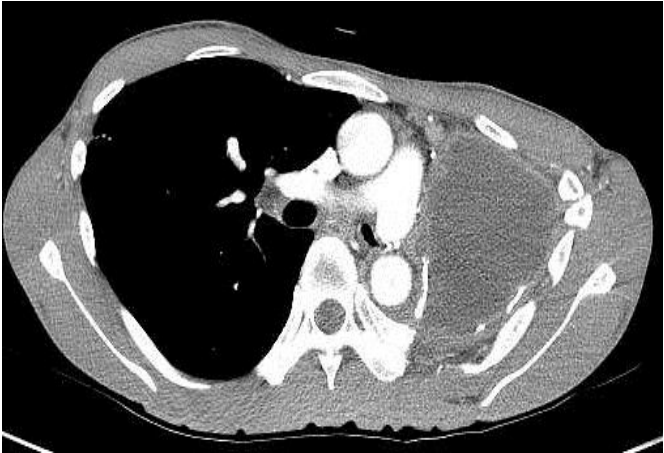
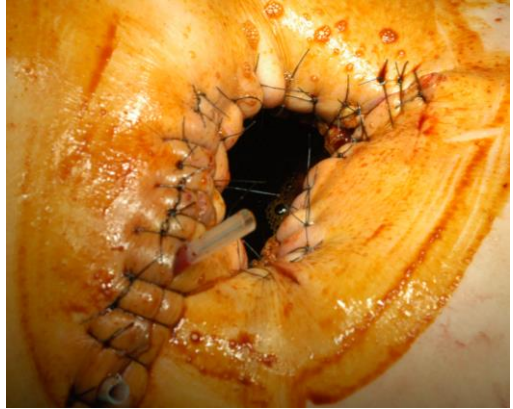
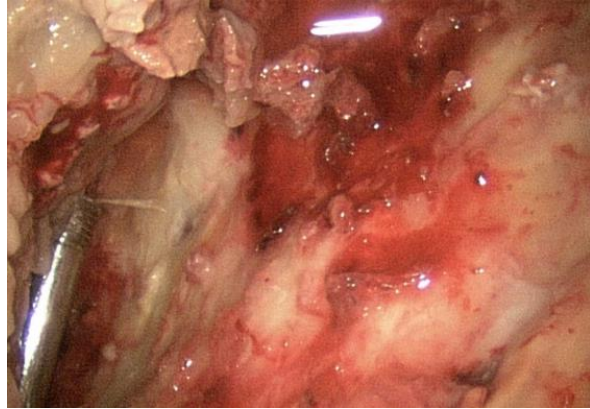
Extrapleural dissection
Parietal peel
Careful of major vessels
Bleeding control-gauze,,,,,



During CPAP or ventilation
Minimizing lung injury

more than 6 weeks
maturation of the pleural peel
establishes a plane of dissection

Postpneumectomy empyema

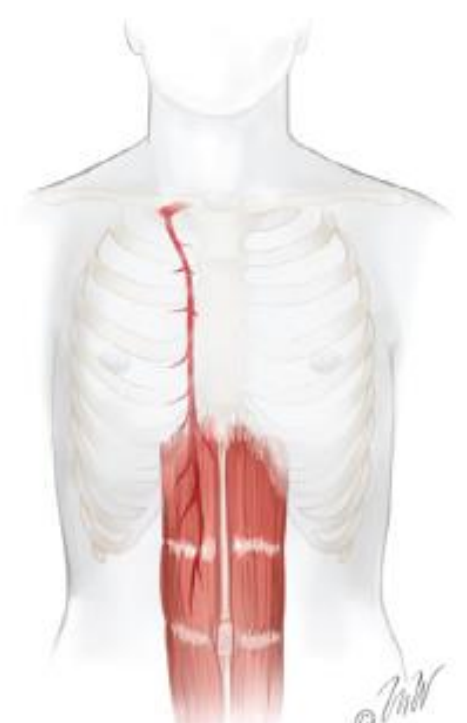
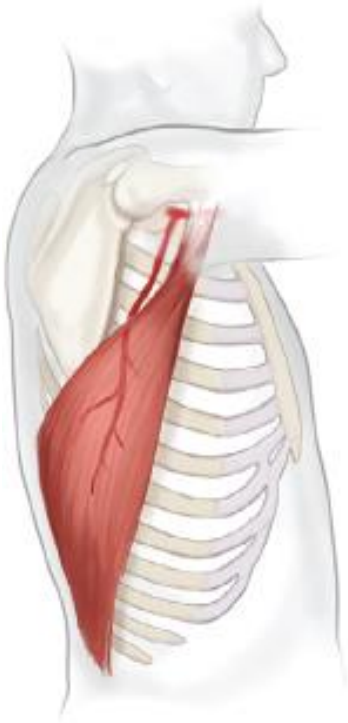


Open thoracic drainage
:Eloesser procedure

Space sterilization

Space filling procedure
:Muscle transposition
:Omental flap

Extrathoracic muscle flaps



Muscle: Latissimus dorsi muscle – thoracodorsal artery
Artery :

Serratus anterior muscle – lateral thoracic artery

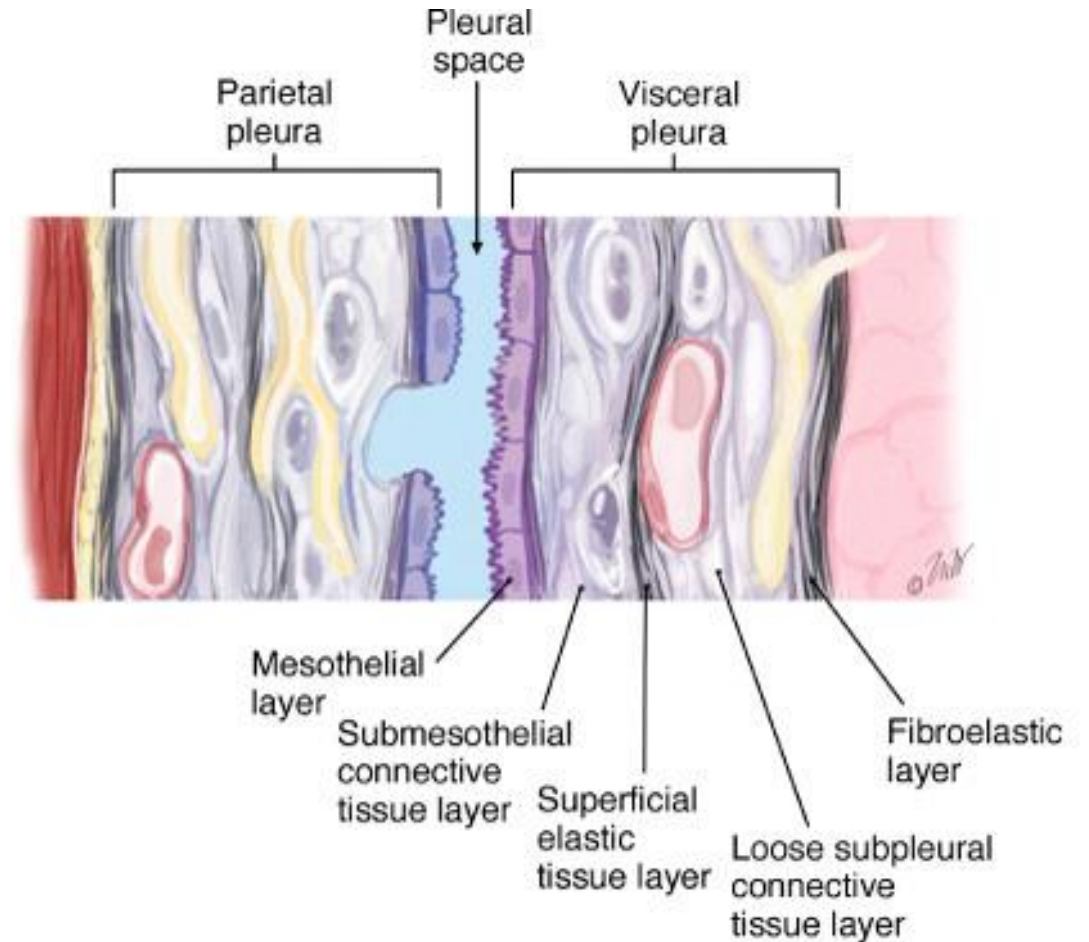
Pectoralis major muscle – thoracoacromial artery

Pectoralis minor muscle – thoracoacromial artery

Rectus abdominis muscle – superior epigastric artery

Benign tumors of the pleura

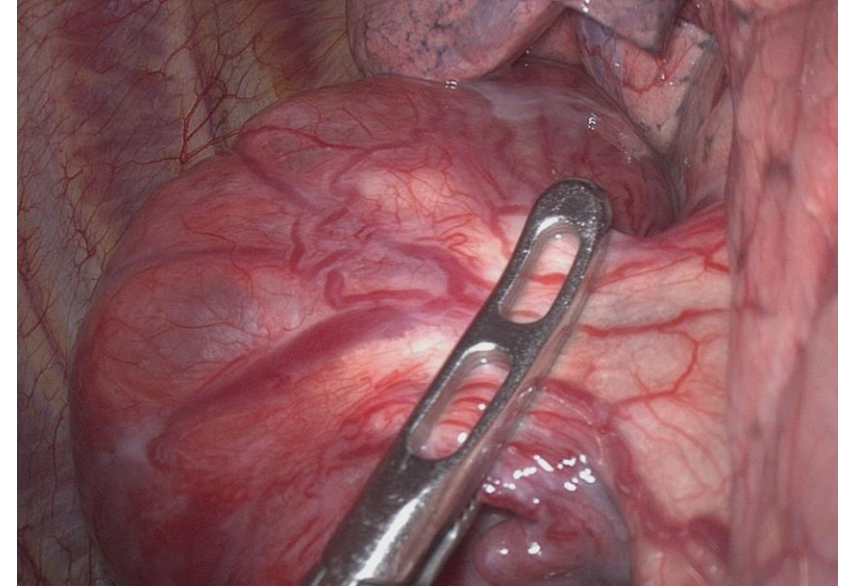
- **Solitary fibrous tumor**
 - 5% Hypoglycemia (Doege-potter synd)
- Lipoma, lipoblastoma
- Adenomatoid tumor
- Calcifying fibrous tumor



5 layers of pleura

SFT originate from mesenchymal cell in submesothelial layer

Solitary fibrous tumor



- Malignancy
- ✓ 12%
- ✓ especially if size >10 cm,
- ✓ heterogenous feature on CT



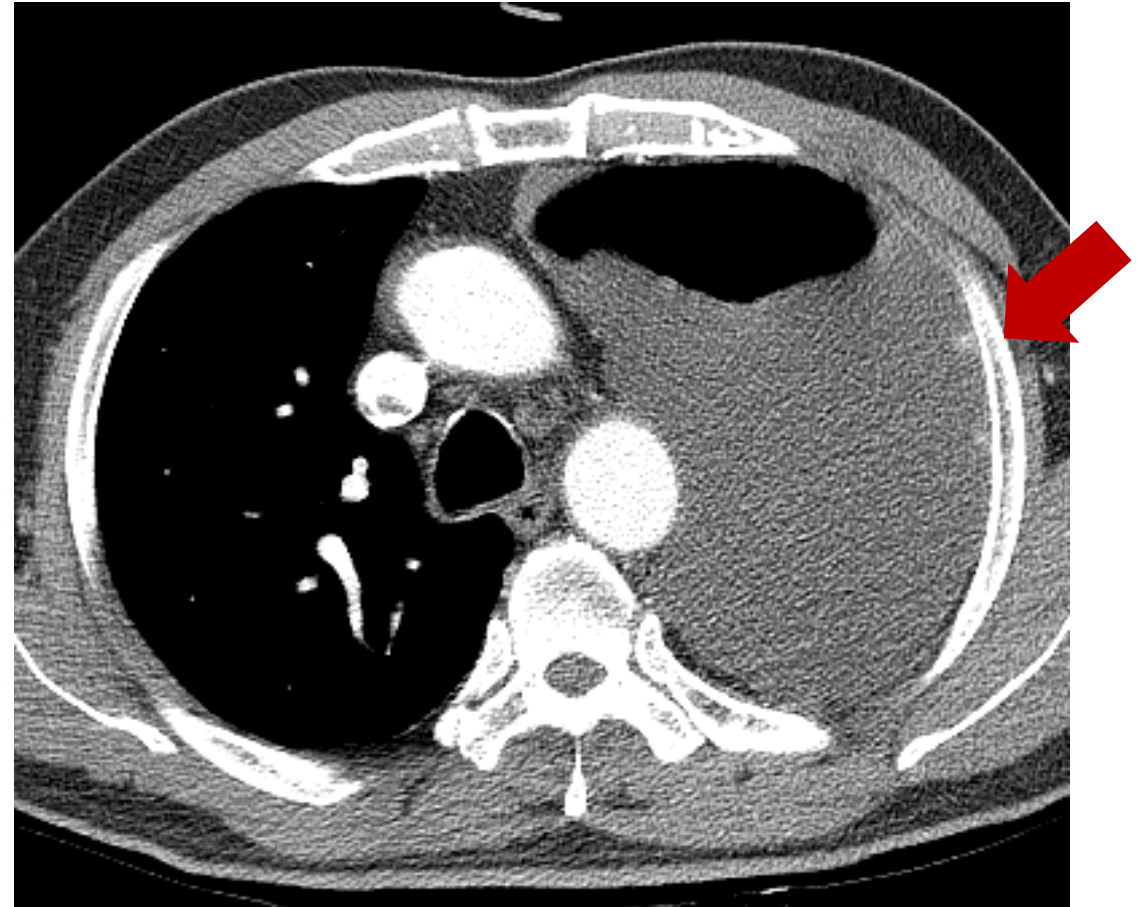
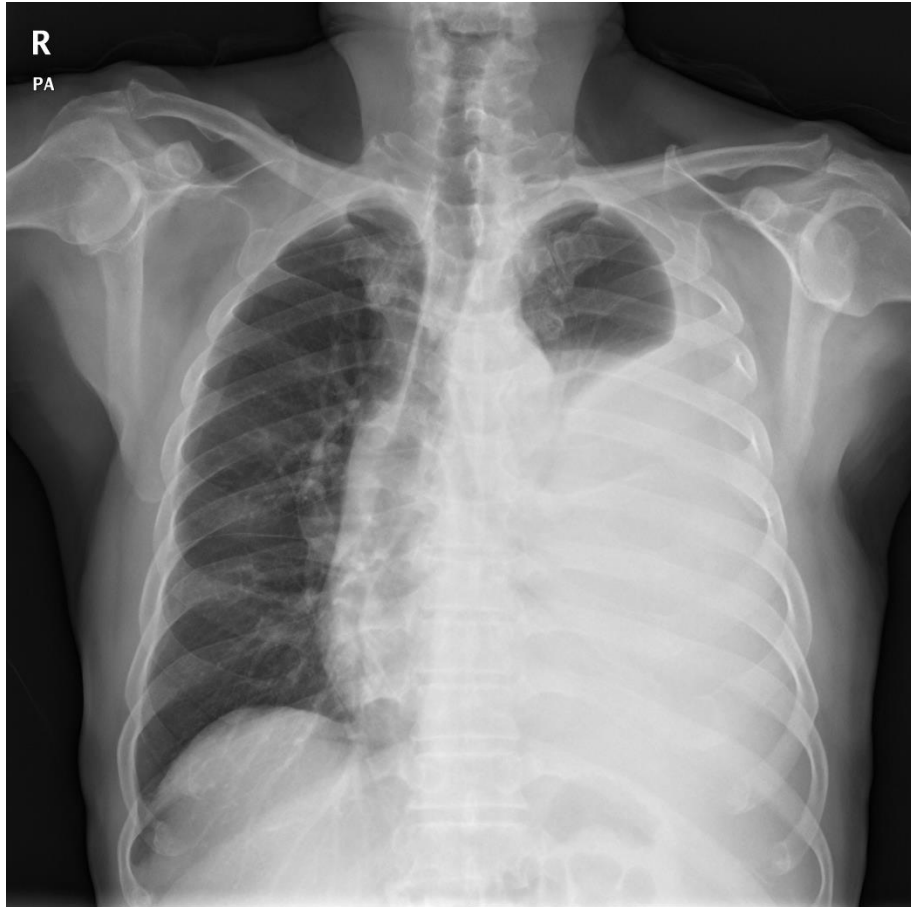
- Visceral pleura > parietal pleura
- Pedunculated
- Hypervascular pedicle
- Complete resection
(+wedge or lobectomy)

Malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM)

- ❖ **Mesothelium of the pleural surface**
 - peritoneal mesothelium, pericardial mesothelium, tunica vaginalis mesothelium
- ❖ **Incidence** 1-2/million (80% of pleural mesothelioma)
- ❖ **Etiology** Asbestos (70% of cases), latent periods; **40 (25-70) years**
- ❖ **No clinical signs**
- ❖ **Poor prognosis** Median survival of less than 1 year from the time of diagnosis

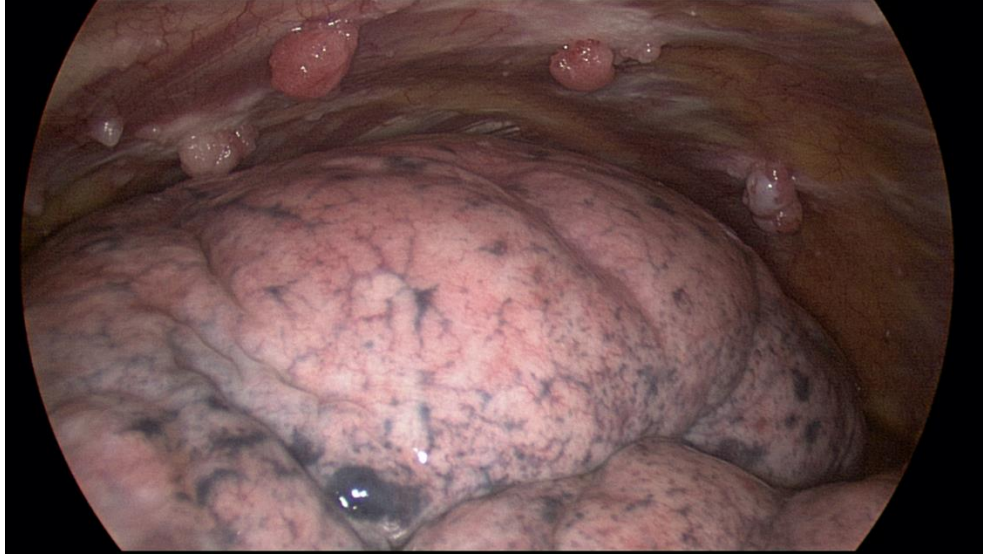
	Proportion (%)	Median survival (months)
Epithelioid	50-70	21.5
Mixed or biphasic	30	11.8
Sarcomatoid	10-20	0.8

M/73, Recurrent hemothorax, Left



massive bloody effusion, mediastinal shifting, pleural nodularity

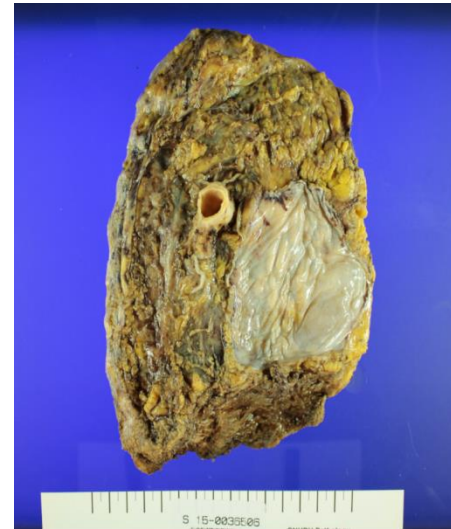
Thoracoscopic evaluation



- Partial pleurectomy
- Minimizing ports
- Extents, visceral pleura, diaphragm
- Lavage cytology
- Biopsy; MPM, biphasic
- **IHC; Calretinin+, vimentin+, CK5/6+, TTF-1 –**
- Talc pleurodesis, optional

EPP (ExtraPleural Pneumnectomy)

- Surgical extents
 - ✓ Partial pleurectomy
 - ✓ Pleurectomy and decortication (P/D)
 - ✓ Extended-P/D
 - ✓ **Extrapleural pneumnectomy (EPP)**
- Indications of EPP
 - ✓ Good performance status
 - ✓ Epithelioid or mixed histology
 - ✓ N0 status



Definition of surgical procedures



Partial parietal & visceral pleura



VATS partial pleurectomy (v-PP)

Total parietal & visceral pleura



Pleurectomy and Decortication (P/D)

Pericardium, Hemidiaphragm



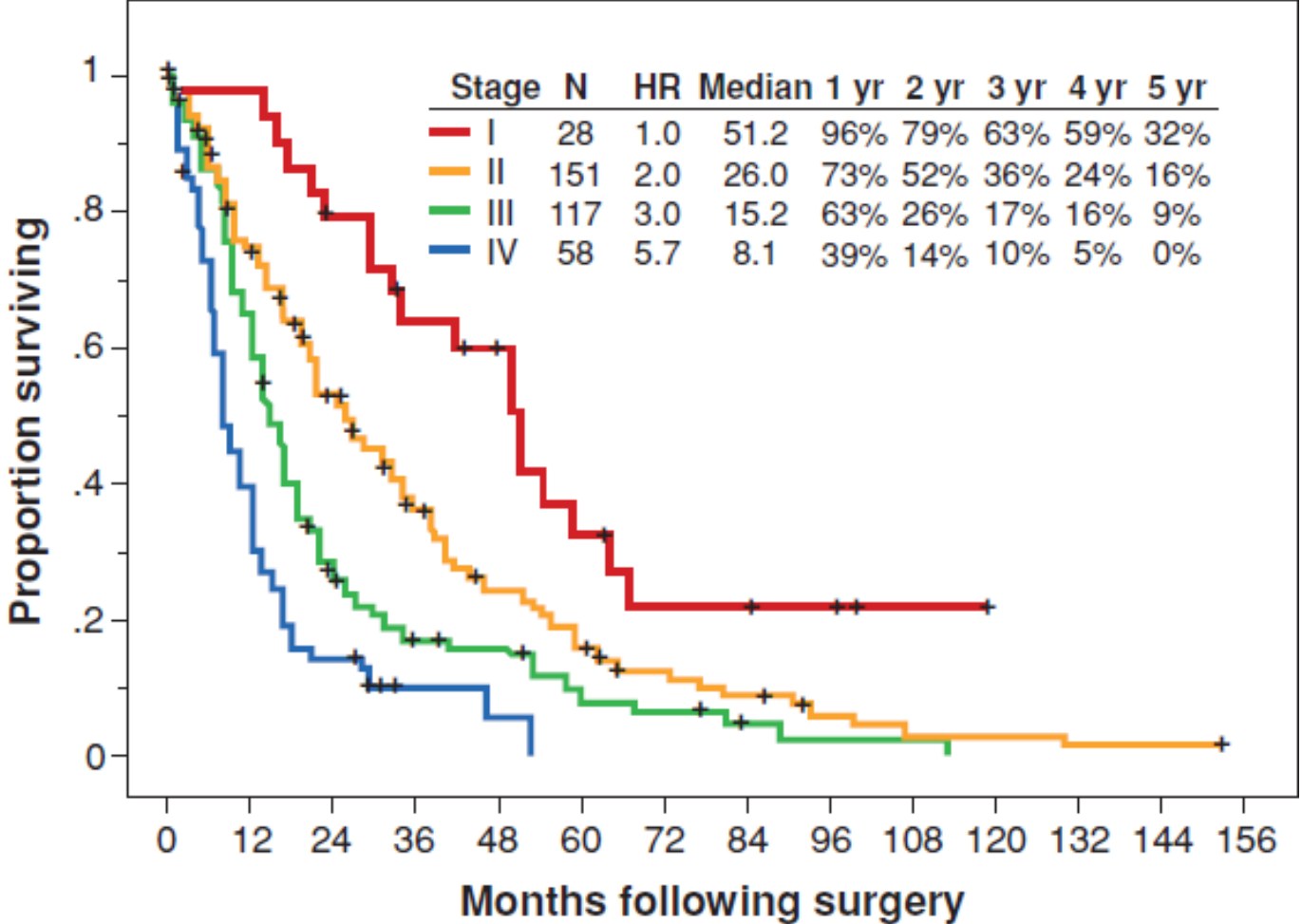
extended-P/D (e-P/D)

above all + Lung

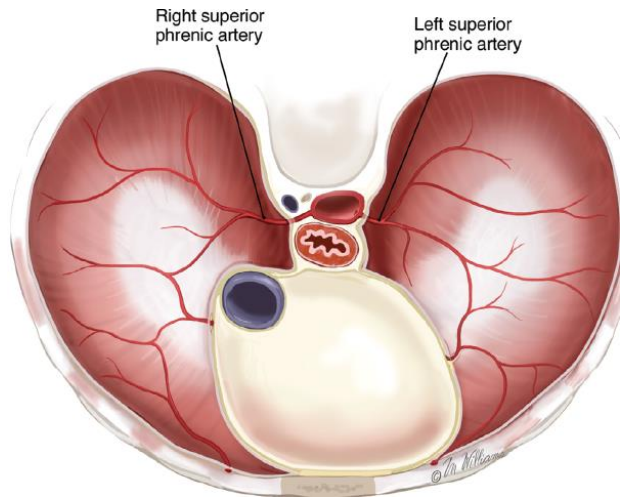
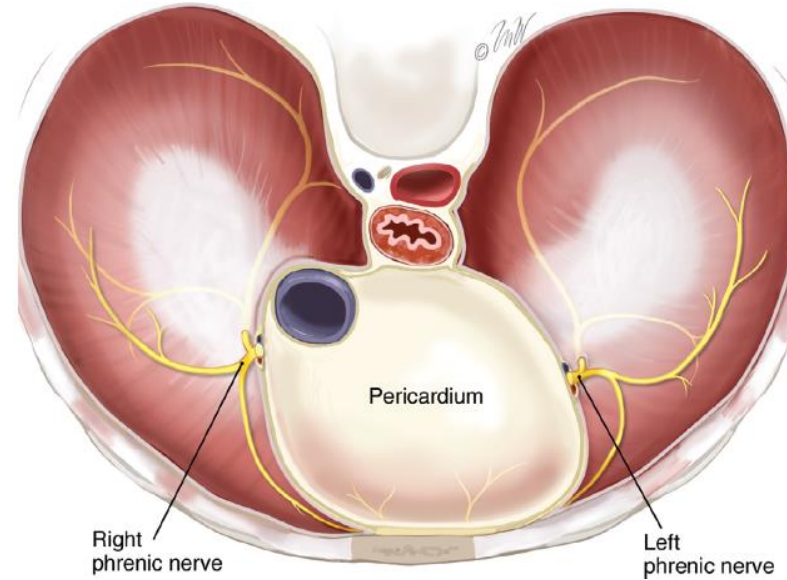
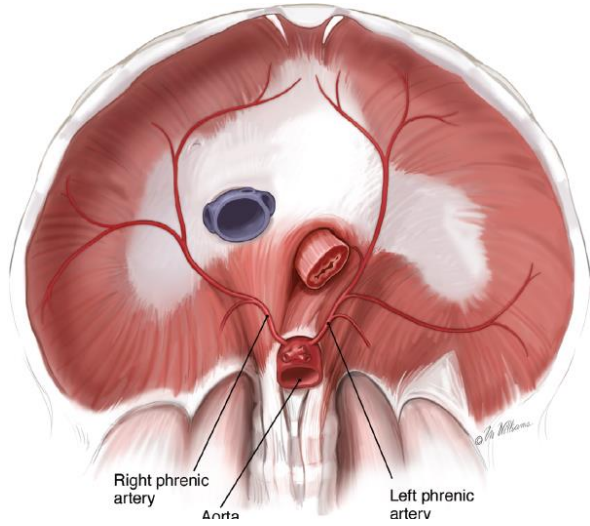


Extra-pleural Pneumonectomy (EPP)

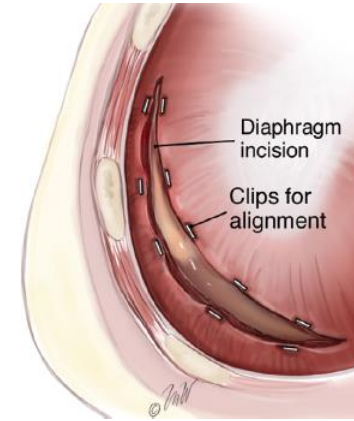
Survival according to pathologic stage



Diaphragm, incision

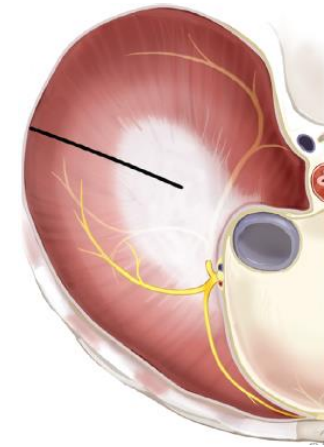
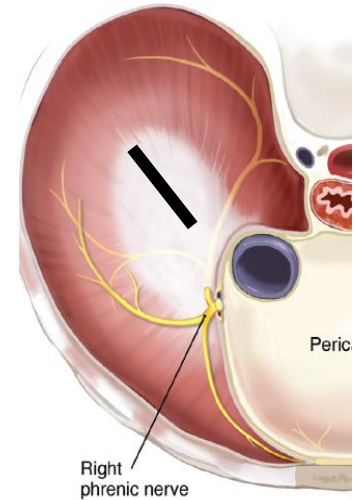


- Major blood supply :
 - pericardiophrenic
 - musculophrenic (from the internal thoracic artery)
 - superior phrenic (from the thoracic aorta)
 - inferior phrenic (from the abdominal aorta) arteries



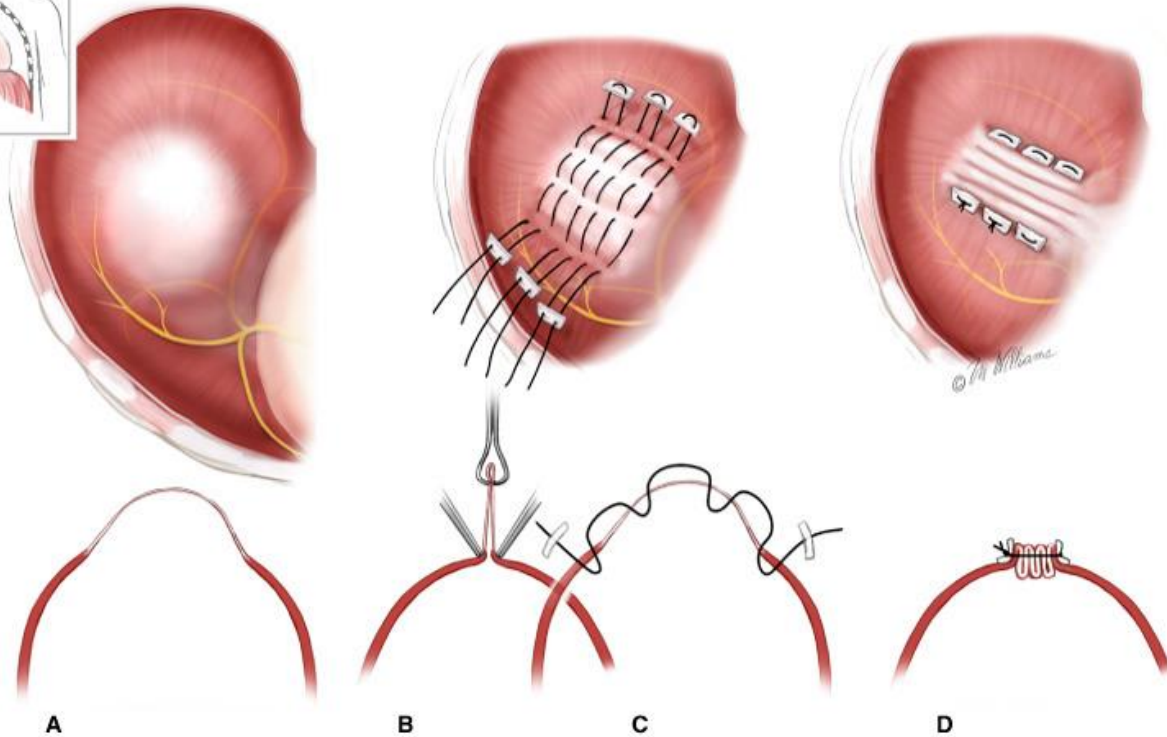
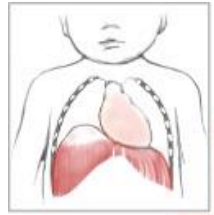
circumferential

central tendon

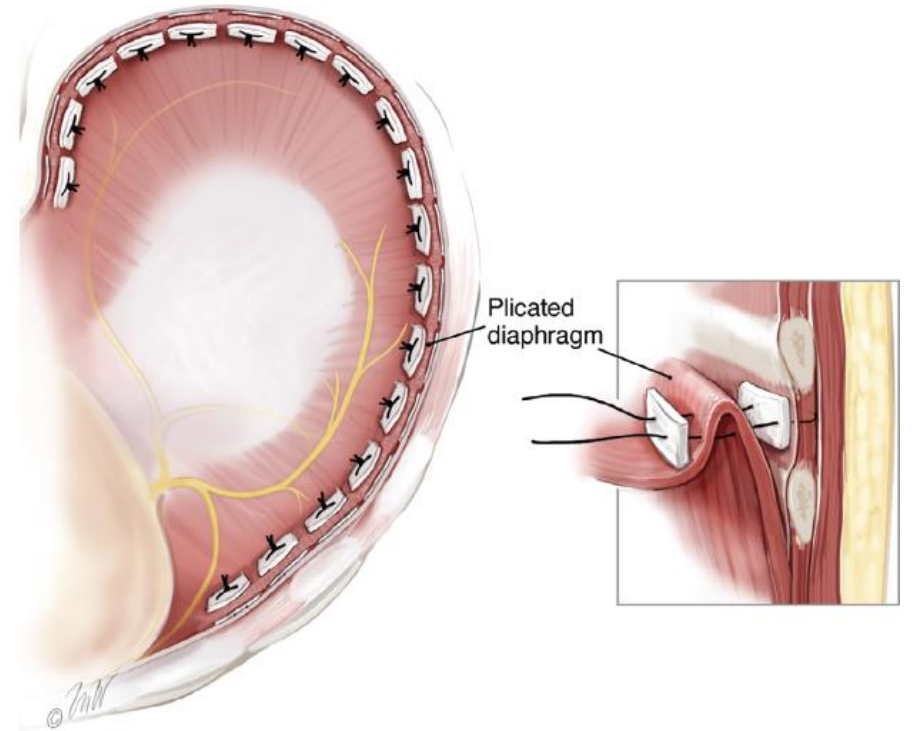


radial

Diaphragmatic Plication

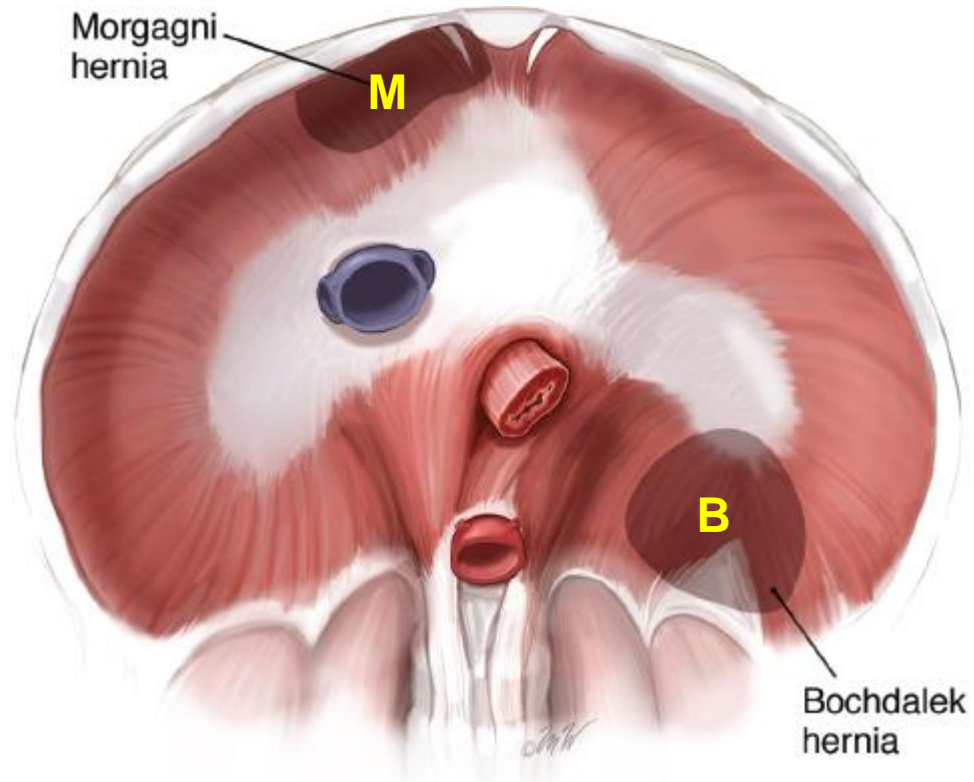


Central imbrication technique



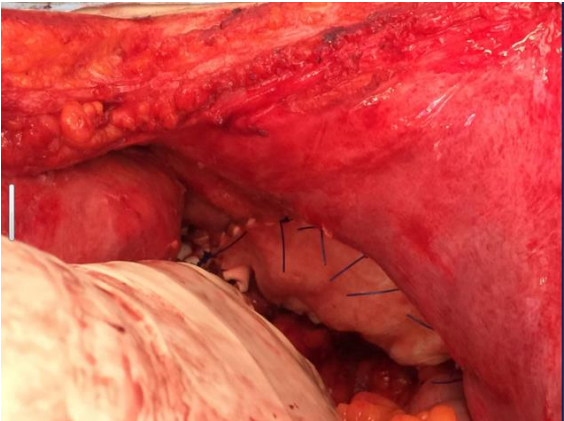
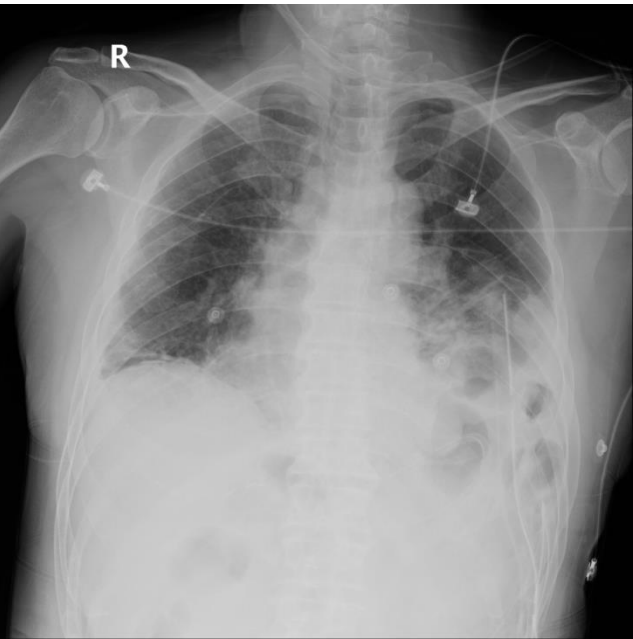
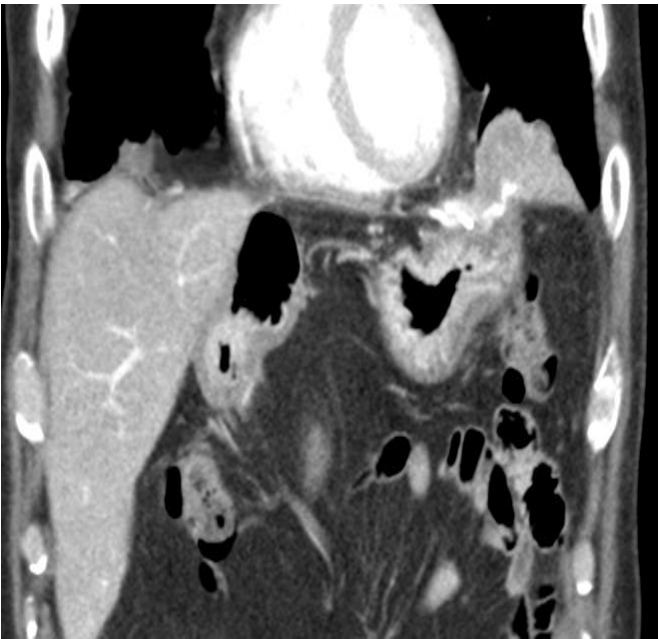
Radial plication technique

Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH)



Baby, Bochdalek hernia, respiratory failure

Diaphragmatic rupture



r/o local recurrence @ Lt diaphragm, s/p left hemihepatectomy with en-bloc Lt. diaphragm excision for HCC

Diaphragm resection, Lt. with En-bloc splenectomy, resection of LLL, reconstruction of diaphragm with 2 mm Gore-Tex patch via laparotomy

POD #1 day r/o diaphragmatic rupture
Reoperation

Thank You

Q & A

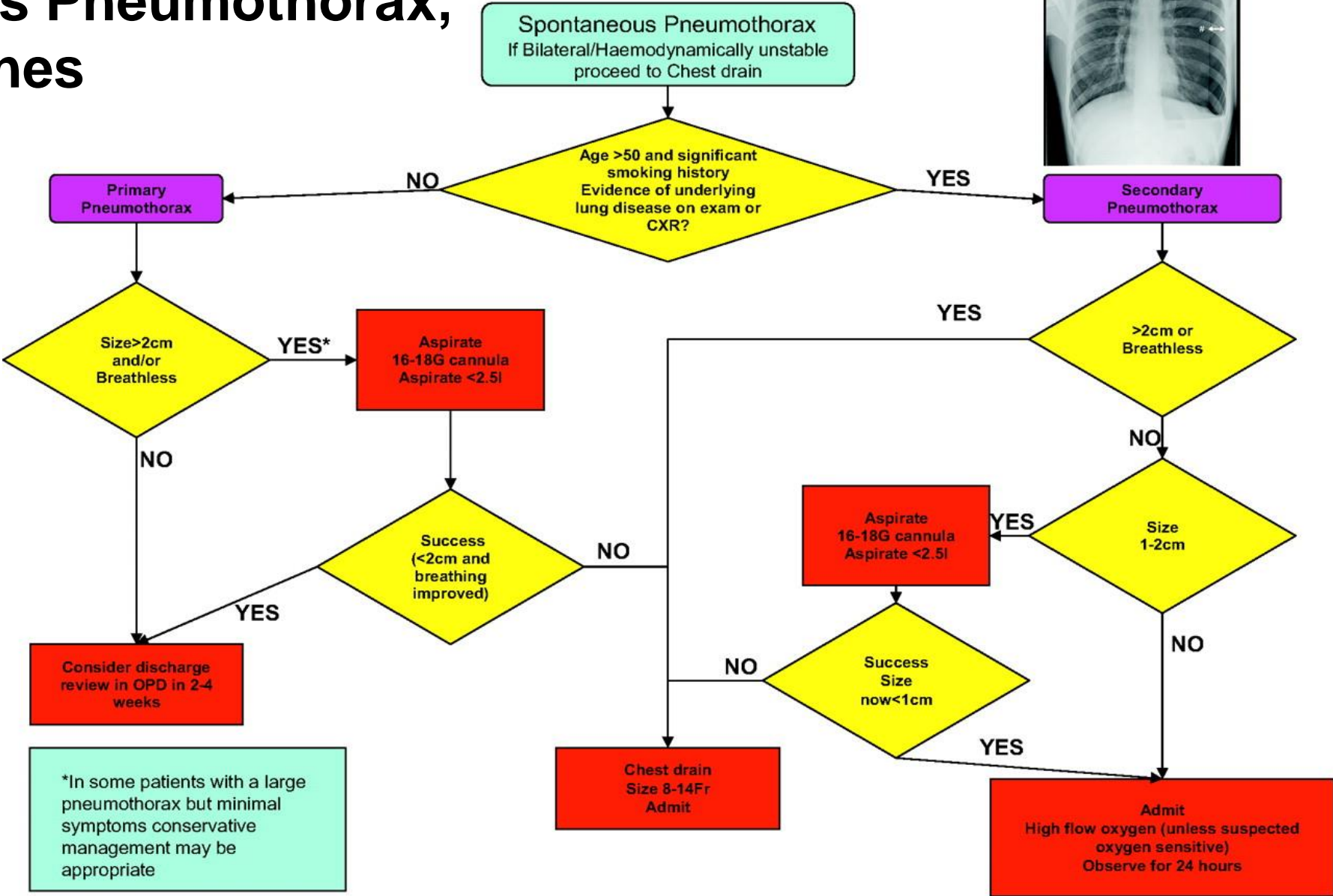
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Supplemental slides

Pneumothorax

Management of spontaneous Pneumothorax, BTS guidelines

measure the interpleural distance at the level of the hilum

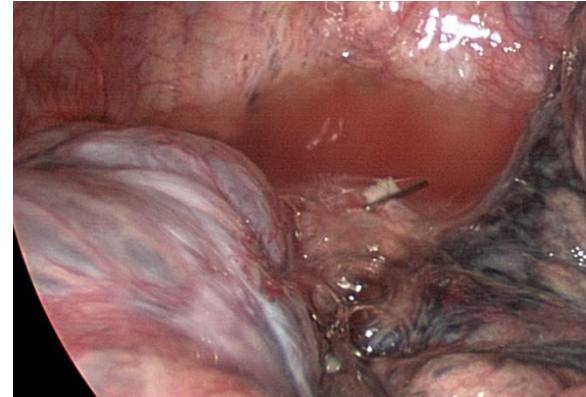
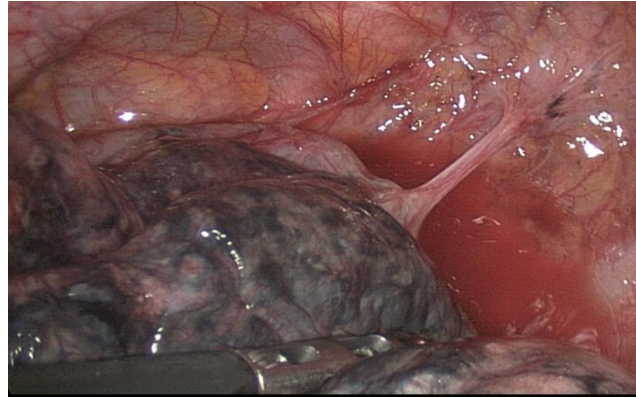


*In some patients with a large pneumothorax but minimal symptoms conservative management may be appropriate

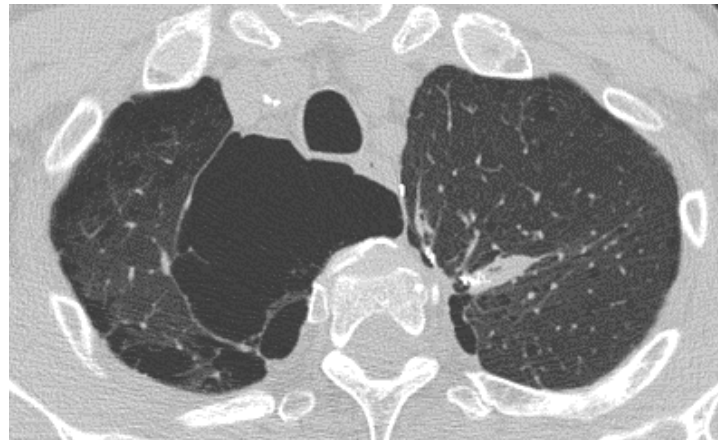
SSP, M/65, COPD, recurrent, Left



Preoperative



Intraoperative findings, adhesive bands, multiple bulla, air leak points, reinforcement by Gore-tex membrane

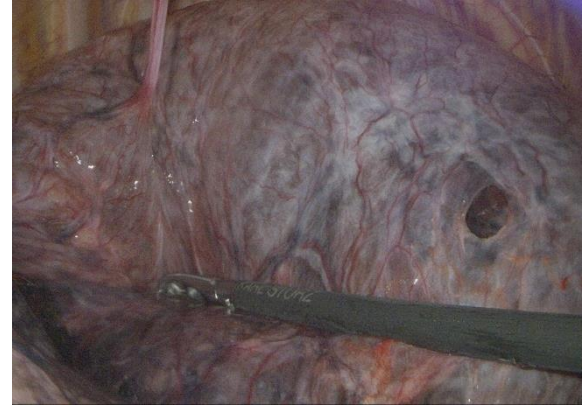
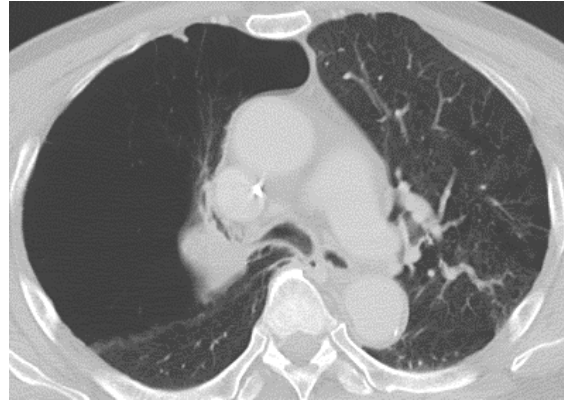


Postoperative

Management

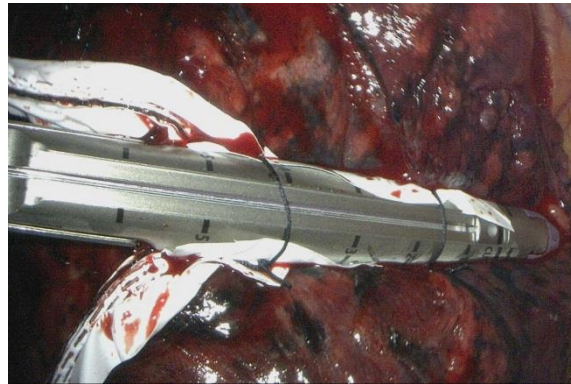
1. Tube thoracostomy
2. Chemical pleurodesis using Talc
3. Surgical treatment
 - Adhesiolysis
 - Wedge resection of air leak points
 - Pleurodesis
 - Talc
 - Pleurectomy

Giant bulla, M/72, COPD

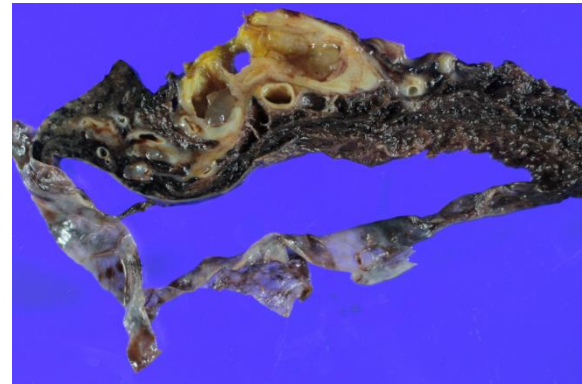


Preoperative PFT

FVC 1.31 (34%)
FEV1 0.33 (12%)
FEV1/FVC 25%



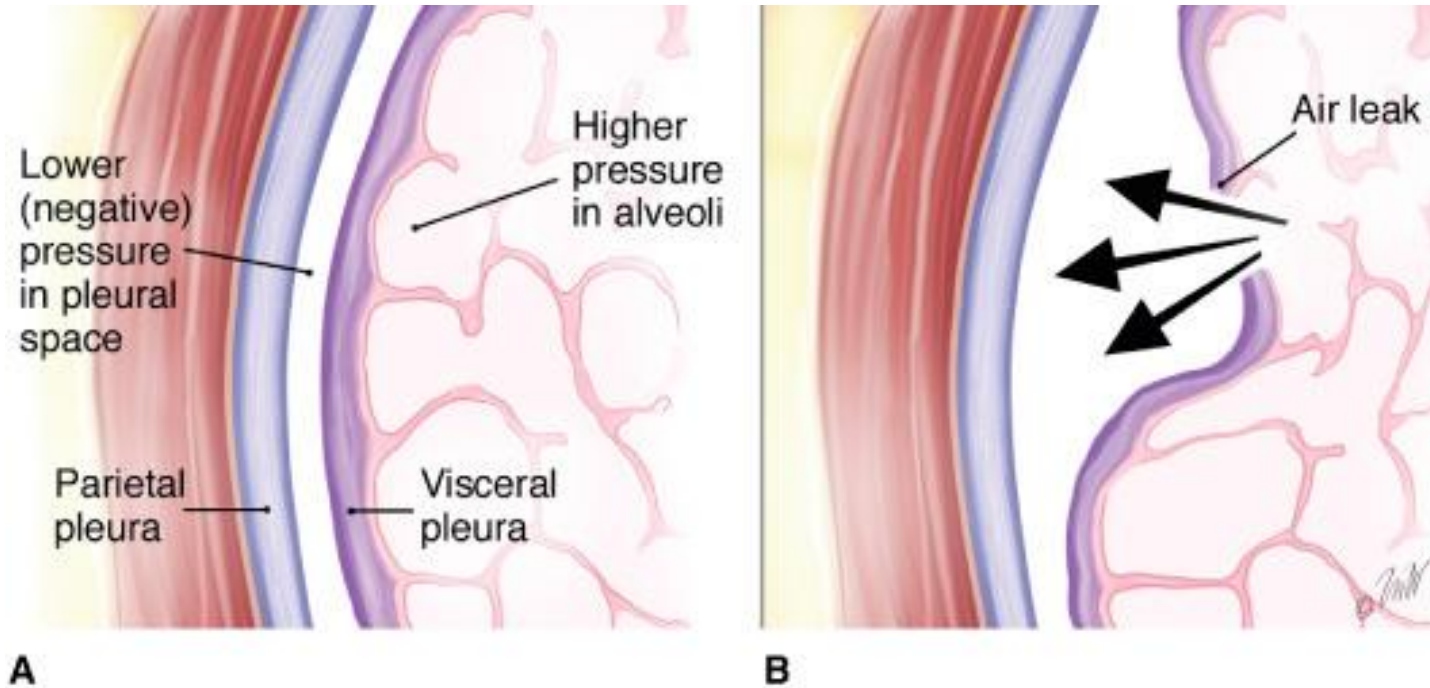
Cartridge covered with GT membrane



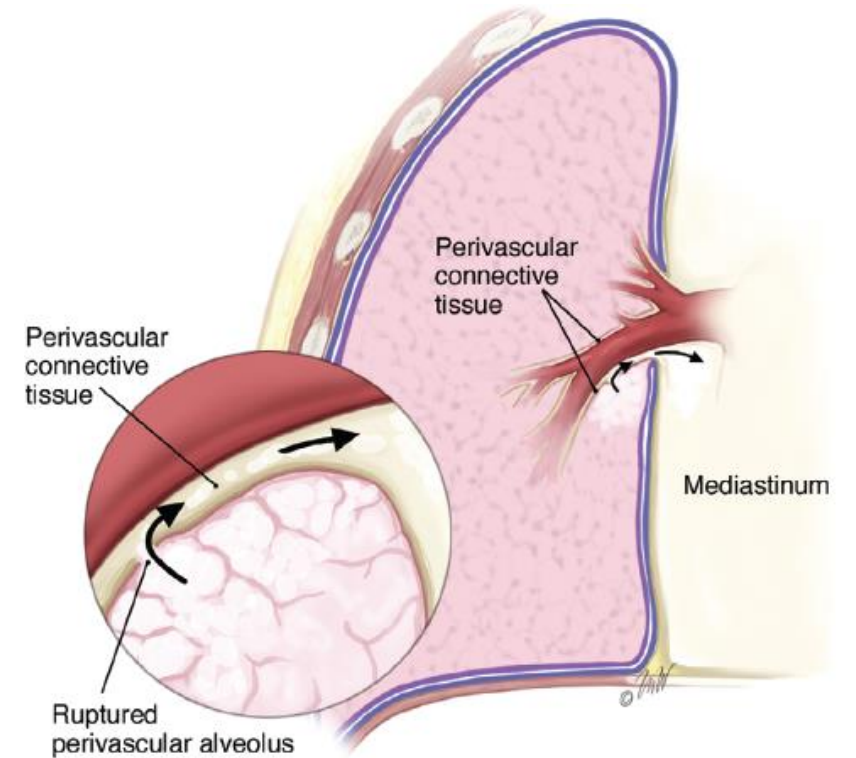
Postop. 2 year PFT

FVC 2.85 (77%)
FEV1 0.79 (31%)
FEV1/FVC 28%

Pneumomediastinum

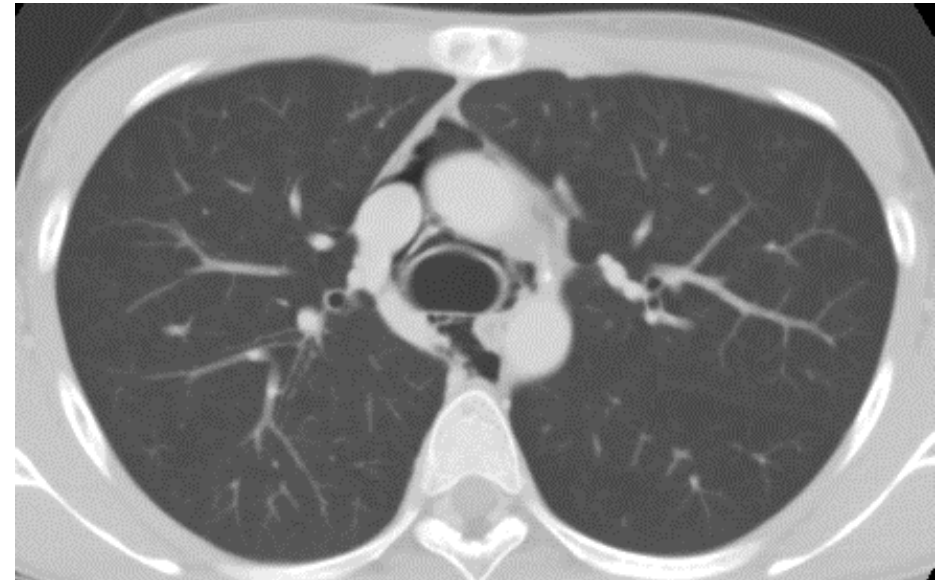
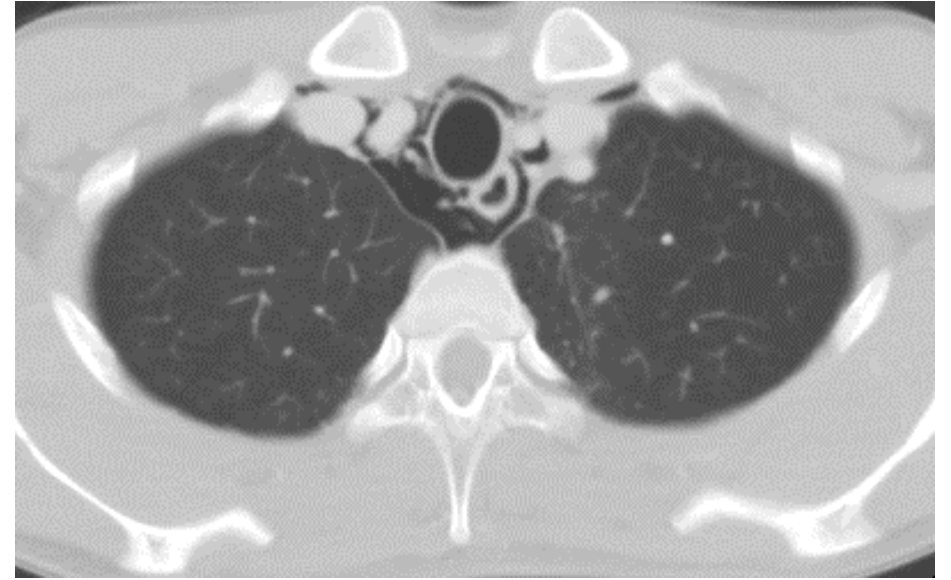
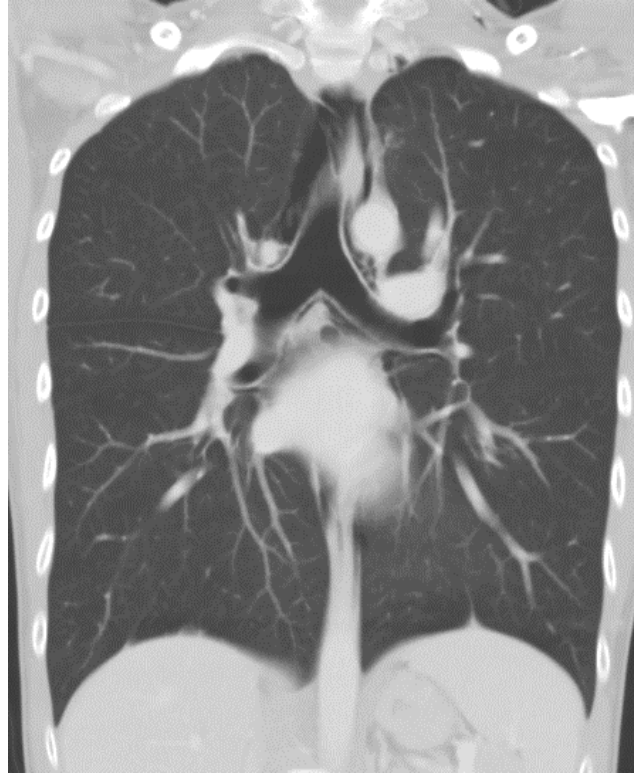


Mechanism of Pneumothorax



Mechanism of Spontaneous Pneumomediastinum

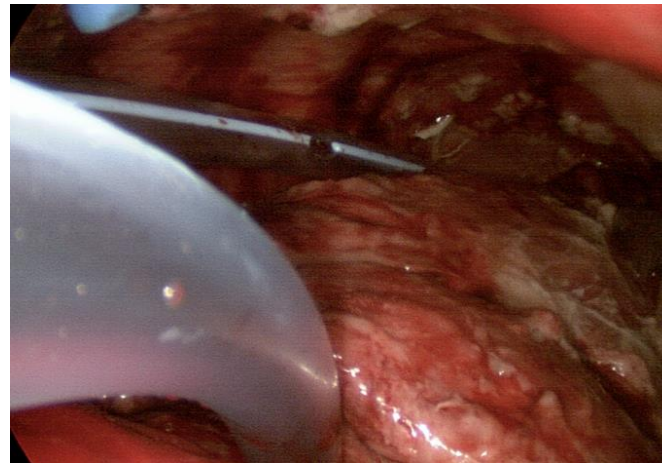
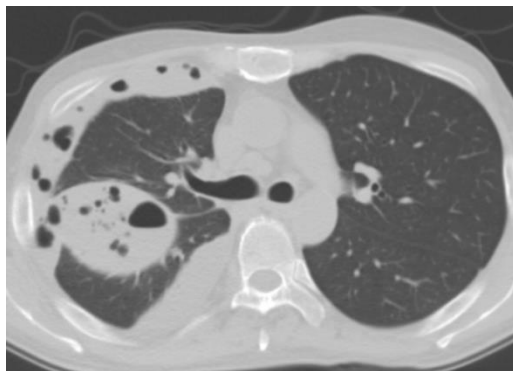
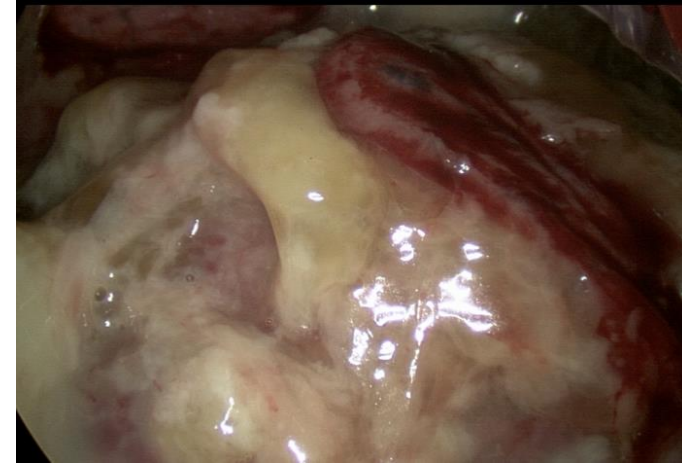
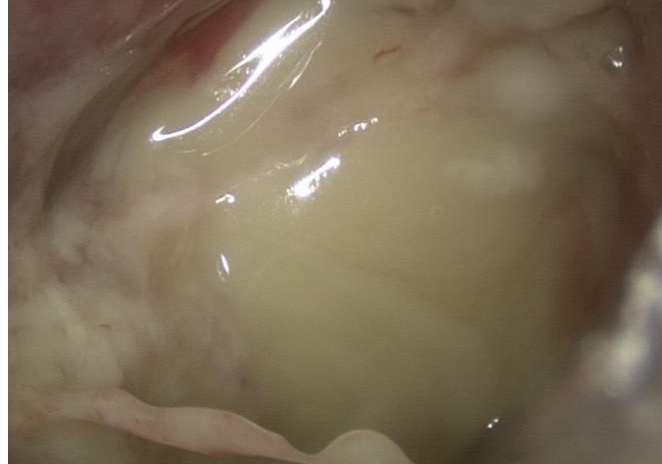
Pneumomediastinum



- Usually self-limiting
- Rule out serious causes such as esophageal perforation, tracheobronchial rupture

Pleural effusion

VATS drainage for parapneumonic effusion



Preoperative course

- CT; fissure, air bubble, septation
- PCD → pus, CXR; no change → VATS

Intraoperative findings

- pleural fibrin, pus, loculation, multiple drains, good position
- well expansion

Physiology of the thoracic duct

- Flow : 1.38 mL/kg/hr (varying 30~190ml/hr)
- Flow increases
 - after ingestion of food and water
 - During abdominal massage
- Flow upward by
 - Negative transdiaphragmatic pressure gradient
 - Muscular contractions of the duct wall (m/i)
 - Thoracic duct's valves, mostly in the upper portion

Diagnosis

- Rate of accumulation: > 700~1200 mL/day in a 70kg adult
- Abrupt increase in chest tube drainage
- **Lymphangiography**
 - Provides useful information regarding the lymphatic anatomy and fistula site
 - Reserved for refractory chylothoraces that have failed initial surgical closure
- Preoperative subcutaneous injection of 1% Evans blue dye in the thigh
- Enteral administration of a fat source like cream or olive oil.

Medical management

- Useful as an initial strategy

- Components

- Drainage of the pleural space
- Reduction of Chyle flow
- Maintenance of hydration
- Provision of adequate nutrition
- Obliteration of pleural space

By tube thoracostomy
Provides lung reexpansion
Continuous drainage
Accurate measurement of chyle flow
Infection from the indwelling tube is uncommon

MCT diet
Transported directly into the **portal system**,
bypassing lymphatic pathways
→ diminish lymph flow through the thoracic duct

Antibiotics (Tetracycline, doxycycline)
Antineoplastic agents (Bleomycin)
Biologic modifiers (OK-432, interferon, and interleukins)
Talc

Medical management

- Somatostatin
 - Inhibitory effects on GI and endocrine function
 - Decreases the volume of foregut secretions
 - Act directly on the splanchnic circulation to reduce lymph
 - As an adjunct in initial conservative management
 - Octreotide(a synthetic somatostatin analogue) : 1 to 4 $\mu\text{g}/\text{kg}/\text{hr}$

Surgical management

- Indications

- loss of > 1,500mL/day in adults, or >100mL/day in children over 5–day period
- **Persistent leak for > 2 weeks despite conservative management***
- Nutritional or metabolic complications
- If the lung is entrapped or pleural symphysis cannot be achieved
 - early surgical intervention is indicated

* However, earlier is better

Surgical management methods

- **Direct ligation of the thoracic duct**
 - If the leak can be identified
 - Direct ligation with nonabsorbable ligatures
- **Mass ligation of the thoracic duct**
 - If the leak cannot be identified, extensive dissection should be avoided
 - Mass ligation of all tissue between aorta, spine, esophagus, azygos vein, pericardium
 - Above the diaphragmatic hiatus via the right pleural space
 - Rt. Thoracotomy with 6th or 7th intercostal space
 - Division of the inferior pulmonary ligament
 - Particular care following esophagectomy

Surgical management

- **VATS ligation of the thoracic duct**
 - Enteral administration of a fat source (50ml of heavy cream, 100ml of olive oil)
 - Rt. 6th or 7th intercostal space in the midaxillary line
- **Parietal pleurectomy**
 - May provide pleural symphysis
 - Should be considered when control of the duct is uncertain
- **Prophylactic ligation of the thoracic duct**
 - Cannot conclude that routine duct ligation is beneficial
 - It does not appear detrimental and therefore should be considered whenever concern exists

Postpneumonectomy chylothorax

- **Tension chylothorax**
- **Very rapid accumulation** of postoperative pleural fluid
- No reliable way to measure
- Short trial of conservative therapy may be appropriate
- **Successful conservative management factor**
 - Absence of contralateral mediastinal shift and symptoms
 - Drainage < 300ml/day
 - Presentation after the first postoperative week
 - Absence of a demonstrable leak on lymphangiography

Empyema

Empyema

- ddx from lung abscess
 - Air-fluid level extends to the chest wall
 - Its border tapers near the mediastinum or chest wall
 - The air-fluid level crosses the fissure
- CT
 - Thin, uniform, smooth wall along the exterior surface
 - Split sign; separated visceral and parietal pleural surfaces

Incidence of empyema

- Pneumonia→parapneumonic effusion : 40%
- Parapneumonic effusion→empyema : 10%
 - **anaerobe infection : 30%
- Tbc effusion → tuberculous empyema :16%
- Postoperative empyema :1-5%
 - **post pneumonectomy empyema : 10%

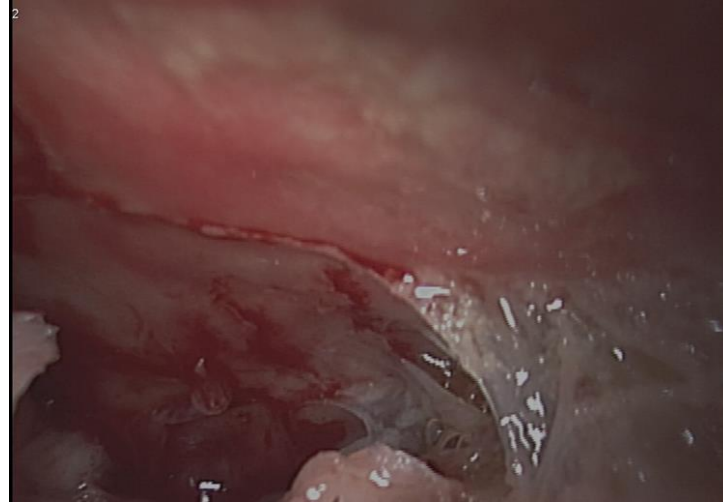
Complication of empyema

- Pulmonary fibrosis
- Contraction of the chest wall
- Spontaneous drainage through the skin: empyema necessitatis
- Spontaneous drainage through the bronchus: bronchopleural fistula
- Others
 - Osteomyelitis (rib, spine)
 - Pericarditis
 - Mediastinal abscess
 - Subphrenic abscess

Goal of Therapy of Empyema

- Control of local & systemic infection : antibiotics
- Evacuation of empyema : tube drainage, open thoracotomy
- Re-expansion of the lung \pm obliteration of pleural dead space:
Decortication, thoracoplasty, Clagett's procedure

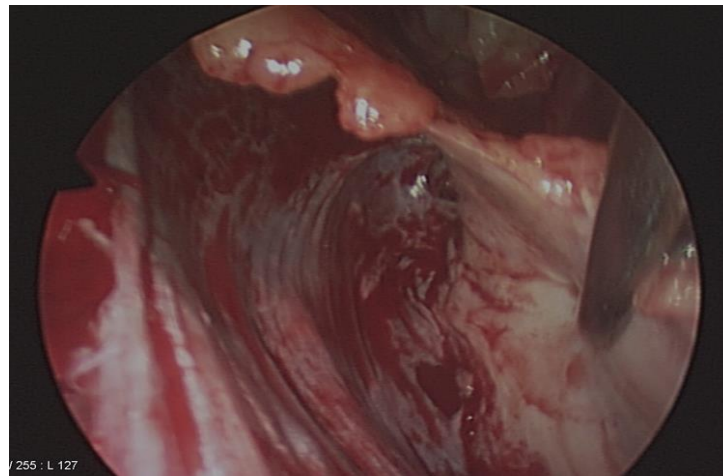
VATS decortication, 25/F, AntiTb-medication, 5 weeks later



Well

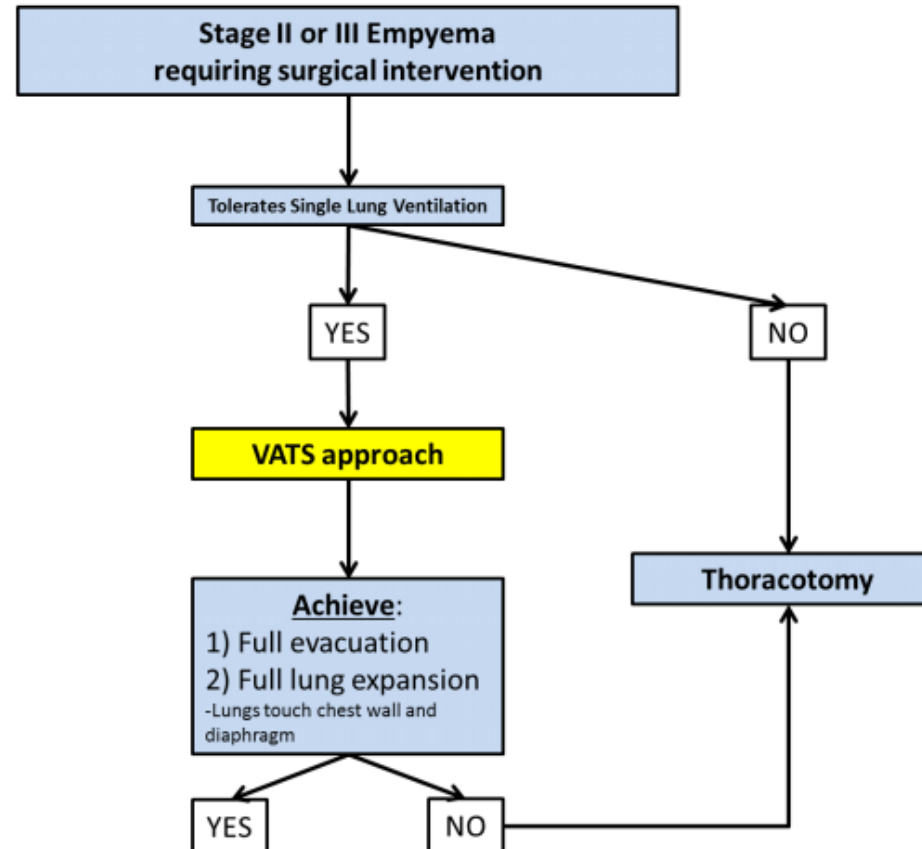


POD #2month



Best surgical approach to manage stage II empyema?

- **Class IIa:** VATS should be the first line approach in all patients with stage II acute empyema (LOE B)



Postpneumonectomy empyema (PPE)

- 5% incidence
- 50% mortality
- Risk factors; Rt pneumonectomy, CCRT, DM, Long stump...
- 80% accompanied by BPF
- Management
 - Tube thoracostomy drainage
 - Flexible bronchoscopy
 - Open drainage

Tumor

Incidence of MPM



Country	IR	Main source of the data	References
Australia	30	Mesothelioma Registry	10, 11)
Great Britain	30	Mesothelioma Mortality Registry	12)
Belgium	29	Researchers estimates	3)
The Netherlands	23*	Mortality data	13)
Italy	17*	Mortality data	14)
Norway	16*	Cancer Registry	15)
New Zealand	15	Cancer Registry	16)
Denmark	13	Cancer Registry	17)
Germany	13	Various	18)
Sweden	12*	Cancer Registry	13)
France	10–13*	Mesothelioma Surveillance Program	19)
Finland	>10*	Cancer Registry	20)
Canada	9	Cancer Registry	21)
Cyprus	9	Researchers estimates	†)
United States	9*	SEER Program	22–24)
Hungary	8	Mesothelioma Registry	25)
Turkey	7.8	Researchers estimates	‡)
Croatia	7.4*	Cancer Registry	26, 27)
Japan	7	Mortality data	28)
Romania	6	Researchers estimates	3)
Austria	5.6*	Cancer Registry	29)
Poland	4*	Mortality data	30)
Slovakia	4	Researchers estimates	3)
Slovenia	4	Cancer Registry	31)
Spain	4*	Mortality data	32)
Estonia	3	Researchers estimates	3)
Israel	3	Cancer Registry	33)
Latvia	3	Researchers estimates	3)
Lithuania	3	Researchers estimates	3)
Macedonia	3	Researchers estimates	3)
Portugal	2–3	Researchers estimates	3)
Argentina	2.2*	Health Ministry Statistics	34)
Singapore	2	Cancer Registry	35)
South Korea	1–2	Cancer Registry	36)
Morocco	0.7	Researchers estimates	37)
Tunisia	0.6	Researchers estimates	37)

Clinical staging of MPM

T

T1 Tumor involves ipsilateral parietal or visceral pleura only

T2 T1 + Invasion of diaphragmatic muscle, lung parenchyma

T3 T1 + Invasion of endothoracic fascia, mediastinal fat, solitary focus of chest wall

T4 T1 + chest wall, peritoneum, contralateral pleura, mediastinal organs, vertebra



Surgical candidates

N

N0 No metastasis to lymph nodes

N1 Metastases to ipsilateral intrathoracic lymph nodes

N2 Metastases to contralateral intrathoracic lymph nodes, ipsilateral or contralateral SCN



**T – Primary Tumour**

T1	Tumour involving the ipsilateral parietal or visceral pleura only
T2	Tumour involving ipsilateral pleura (parietal or visceral pleura) with invasion involving at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • diaphragmatic muscle • pulmonary parenchyma
T3 ¹	Tumour involving ipsilateral pleura (parietal or visceral pleura) with invasion involving at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • endothoracic fascia • mediastinal fat • chest wall, with or without associated rib destruction (solitary, resectable) • pericardium (non-transmural invasion)
T4 ²	Tumour involving ipsilateral pleura (parietal or visceral pleura) with invasion involving at least one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • chest wall, with or without associated rib destruction (diffuse or multifocal, unresectable) • peritoneum (via direct transdiaphragmatic extension) • contralateral pleura • mediastinal organs (oesophagus, trachea, heart, great vessels) • vertebra, neuroforamen, spinal cord or brachial plexus • pericardium (transmural invasion with or without a pericardial effusion)

N – Regional Lymph Nodes

NX	Regional lymph nodes cannot be assessed
N0	No regional lymph node metastases
N1	Metastases to ipsilateral intrathoracic lymph nodes (includes ipsilateral bronchopulmonary, hilar, subcarinal, paratracheal, aortopulmonary, paraoesophageal, peridiaphragmatic, pericardial, intercostal and internal mammary nodes)
N2	Metastases to contralateral intrathoracic lymph nodes. Metastases to ipsilateral or contralateral supraclavicular lymph nodes

M – Distant Metastasis

M0	No distant metastasis
M1	Distant metastasis present

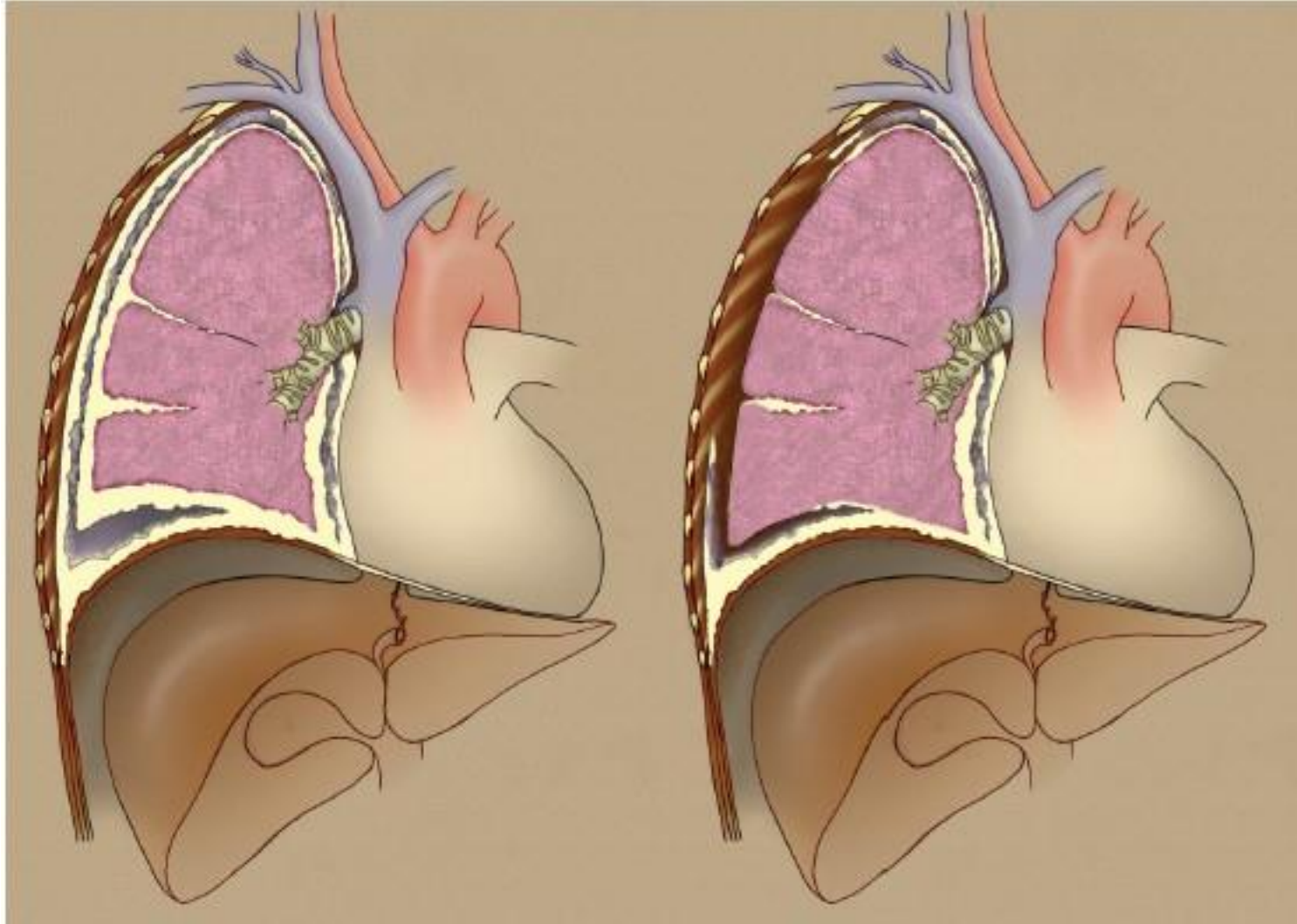
¹T3 describes locally advanced, but potentially resectable tumour.²T4 describes locally advanced, technically unresectable tumour.

8th Edition of TNM of MPM



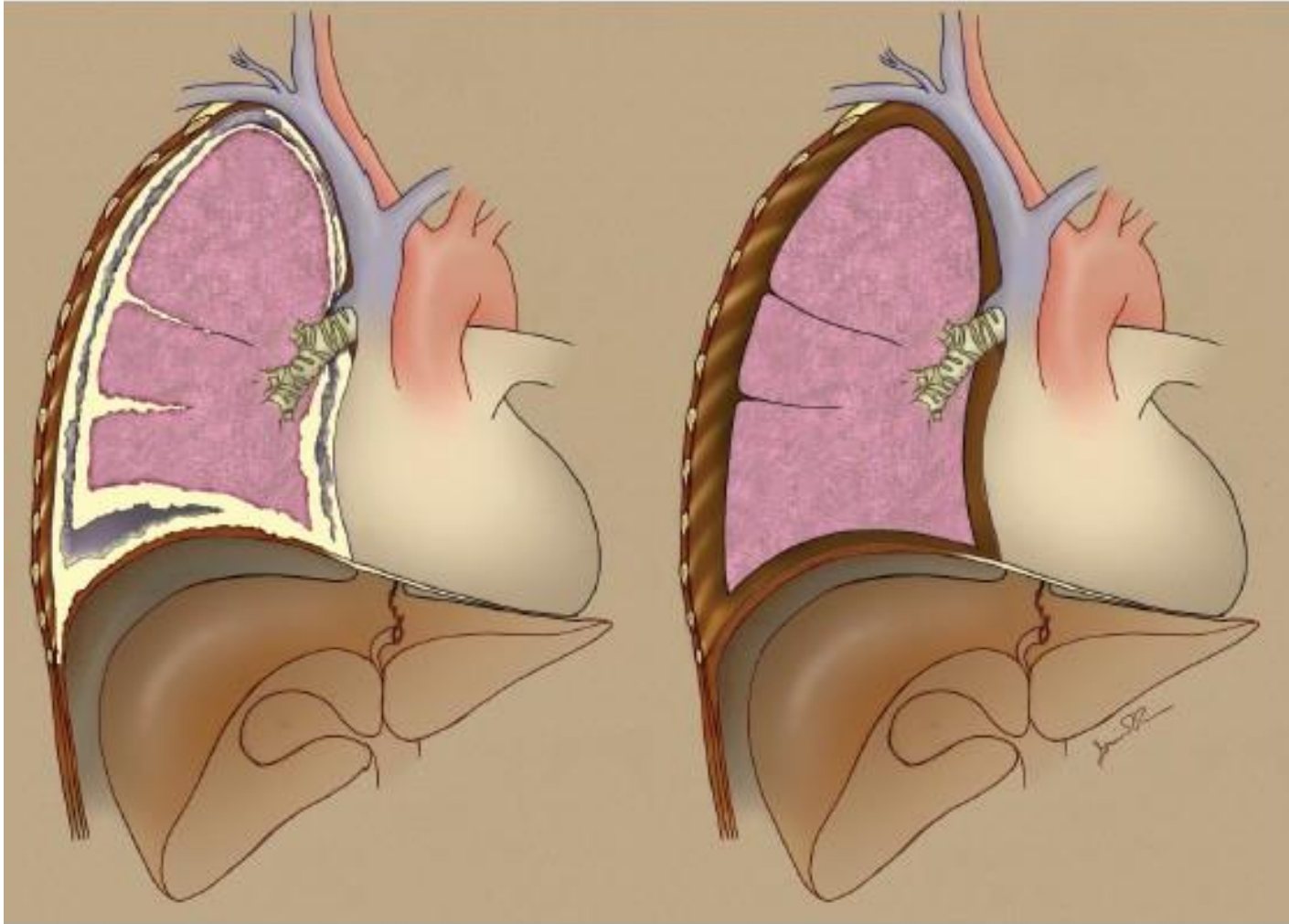
STAGE	T	N	M
IA	T1	N0	M0
IB	T2, T3	N0	M0
II	T1, T2	N1	M0
IIIA	T3	N1	M0
IIIB	T1, T2, T3	N2	M0
	T4	N0, N1, N2	M0
IV	Any T	Any N	M1

Partial Pleurectomy



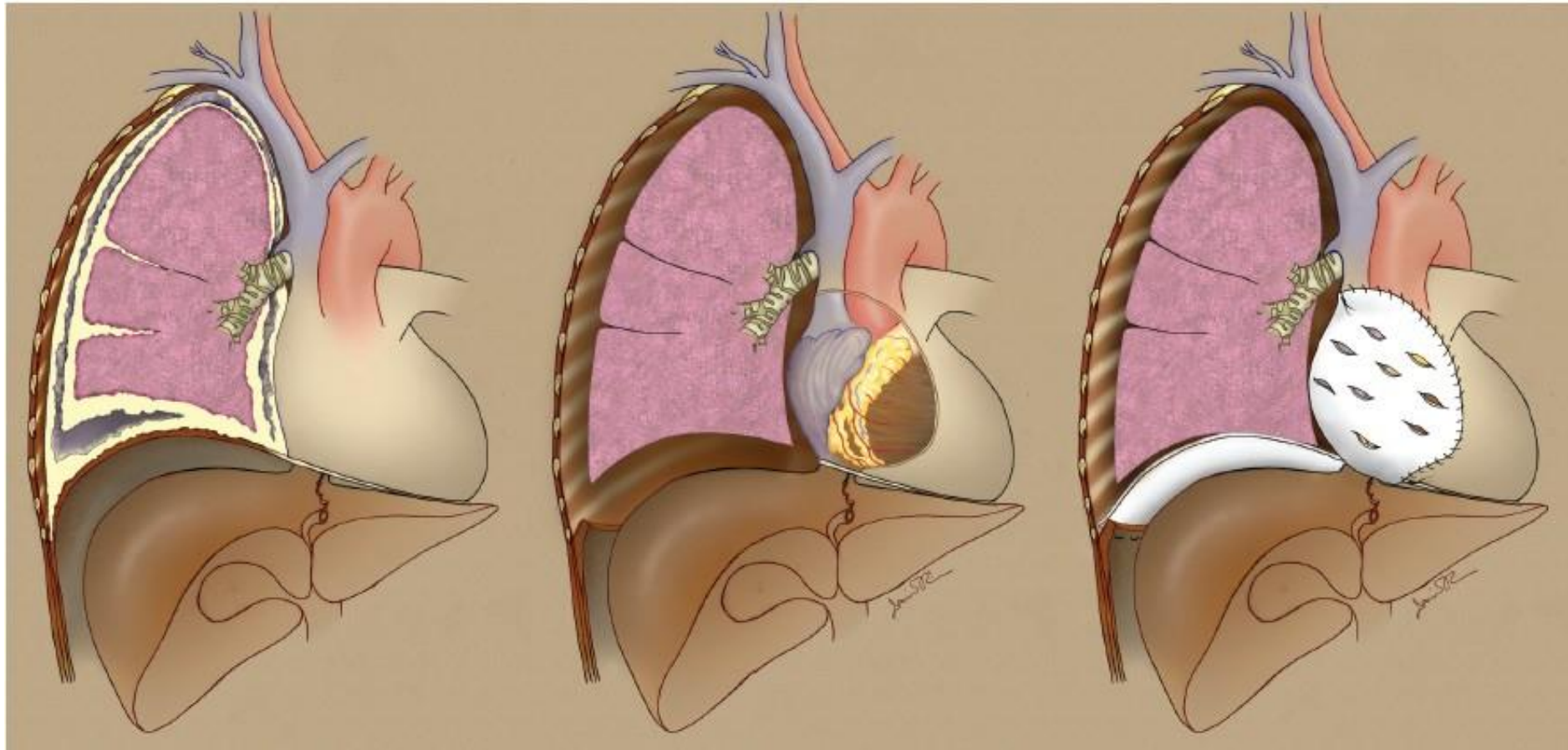
Palliative purpose
- pain relieve

Pleurectomy/Decortication (P/D)



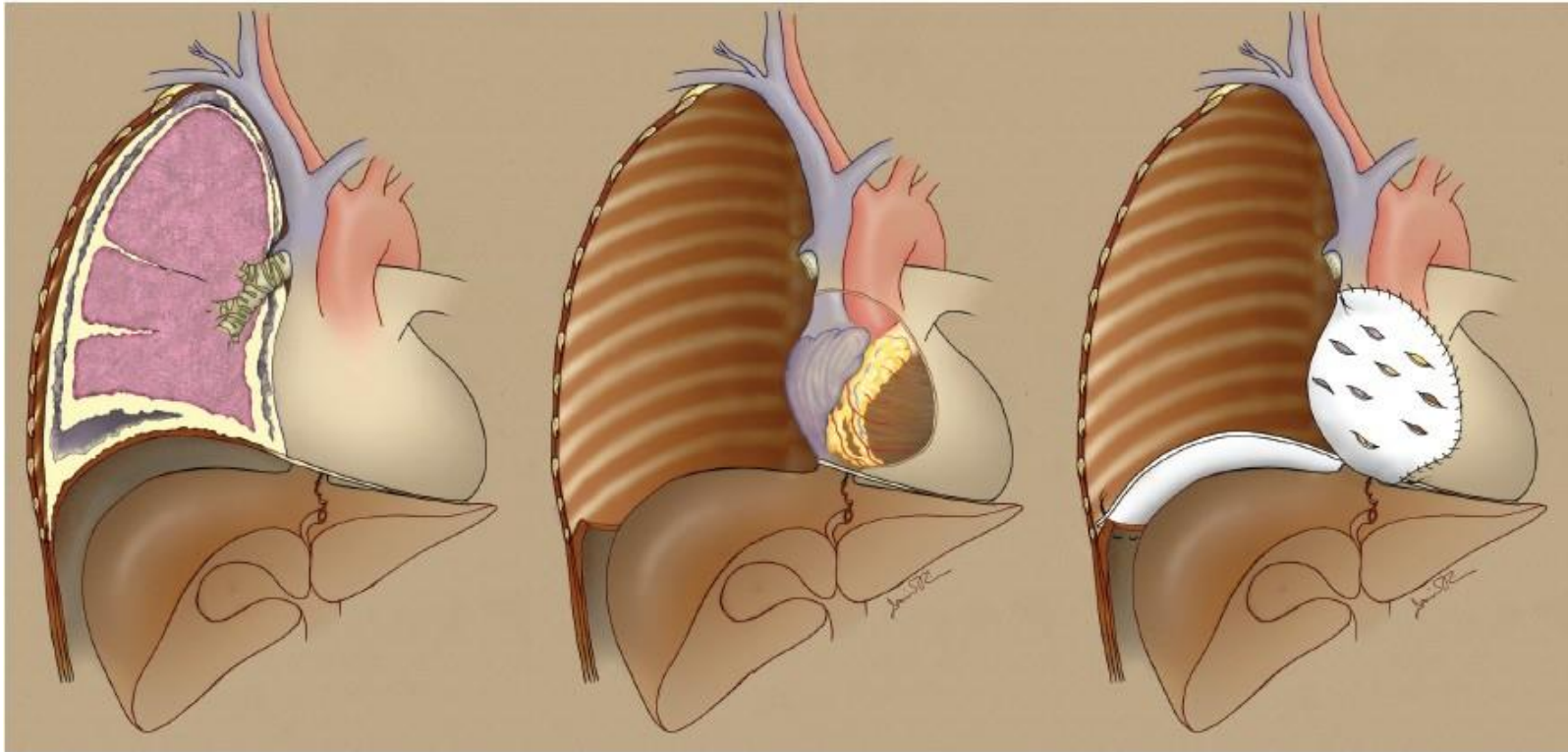
- Parietal, visceral pleurectomy
 - No resection of the diaphragm or pericardium
 - Early disease;
 - confined to the pleural envelope
 - no N2 LN
 - favorable histology (epithelioid)
- > first option

Extended P/D (pleurectomy/decortication)



- Parietal and visceral pleurectomy
- Resection of the diaphragm and/or pericardium

Extrapleural pneumonectomy (EPP)



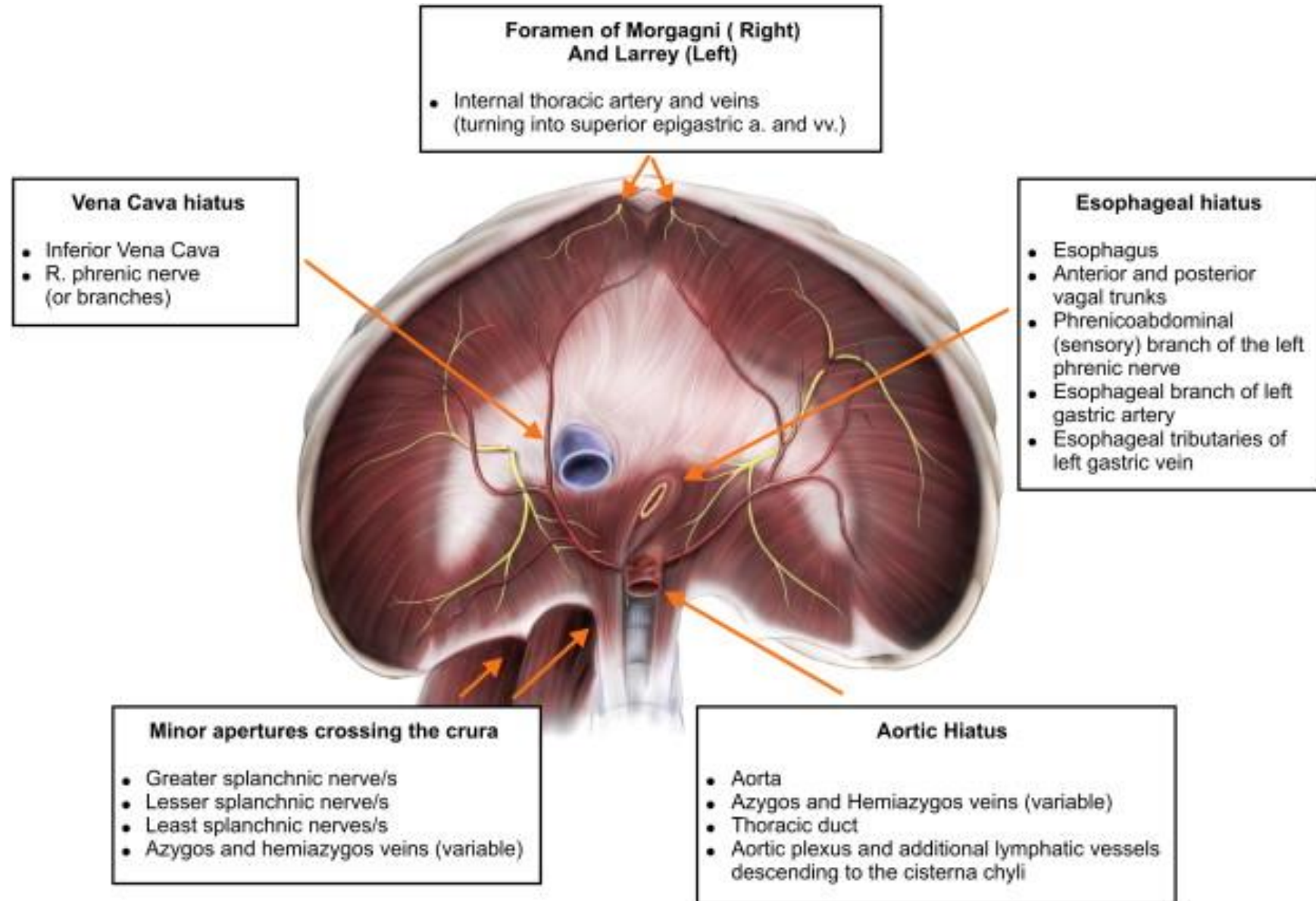
- En bloc resection; parietal and visceral pleura with ipsilateral lung, pericardium and diaphragm
- Mediastinal node sampling

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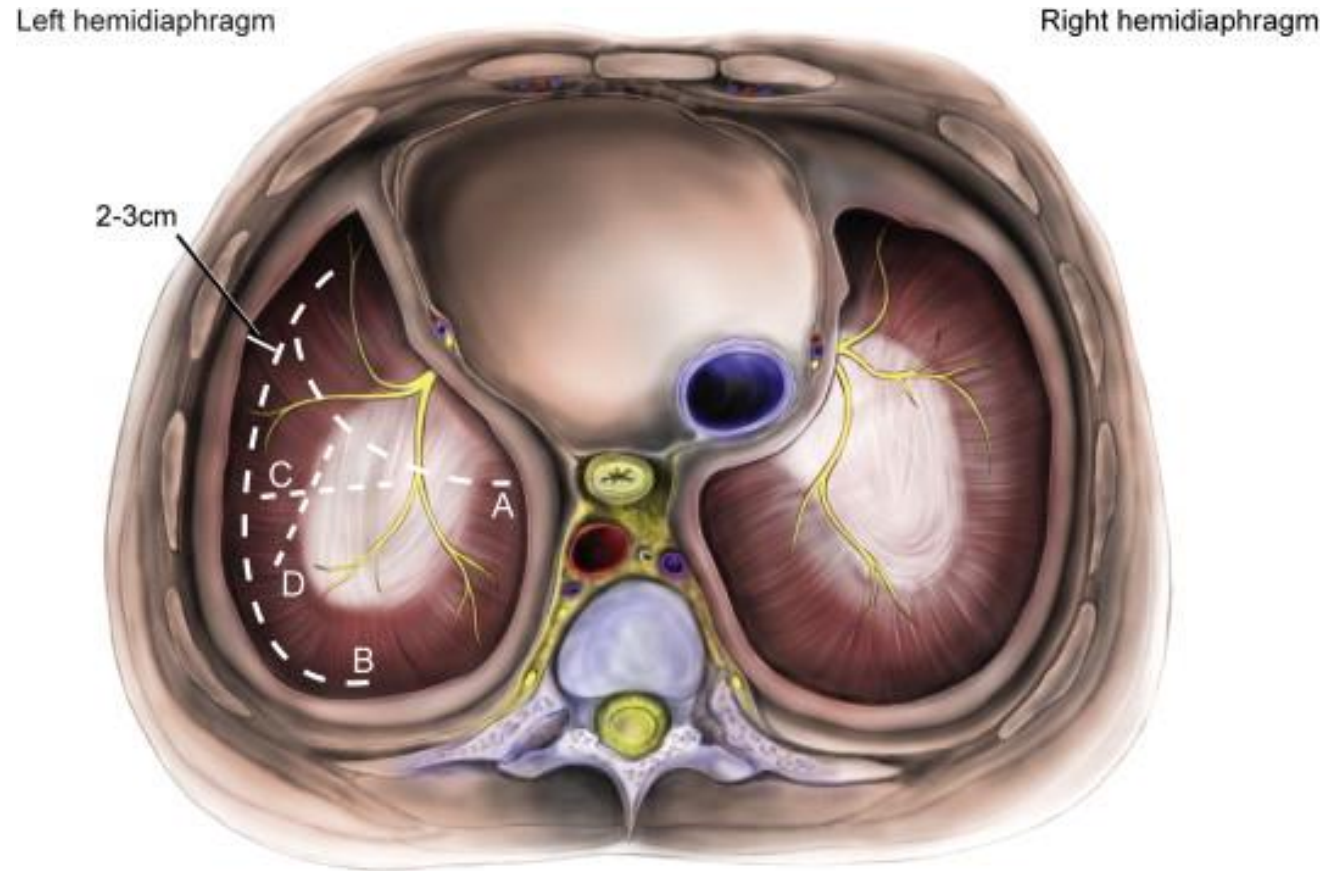
1. **Early stage (stage I, N0–1) with epithelioid histology?** P/D is first choice
2. **Stage IV MPM or sarcomatoid histology?** Surgery is not recommended
3. **In case of N2 disease or mixed histology?** Surgery only in high volume centers
4. **Pleurodesis and debulking P/D?** are palliative to limit pleural effusion and to relieve pain
5. **VATS?** Palliative role (e.g., pleurodesis), but it is not accepted to perform the P/D

Diaphragm

Structures passing through the diaphragm



Surgical incisions on the diaphragm



- (A) An incision with a risk of total paralysis of the diaphragm.
- (B) A preferred incision with minimal risk of nerve injury.
- (C, D) Incisions in safe areas, but with small risk of nerve injury.

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