

23%
가

2

CT

(generalized tonic type seizure) 30

130/90 mmHg

108/80 mmHg

70

(1).

100 가

가

CT가 가

PaO2 100 mmHg

76 mmHg

CT

150 mL

(Figs. 1A, 1B)

CT 11.3 - 23%

3

CT

가 (1, 2).

2

(3-5)

2

가

20

가 1

CT
(Fig. 2A, 2B).

CT

CT (bezoar)

2

150 mL

8
90 mL/

CT

CT

가

1

CT

20

46

가

가

CT

150 mL

CT

90 mL/

CT (4, 5). (right to left shunt) (air hunger), (1-5). 가 (2). 100 mL 가 200 mL 가 70-100 mL (1, 3). CT (1) Woodring CT 100 23 (23%), Groell (2) 677 79 (11.3%) (1) (2) 가

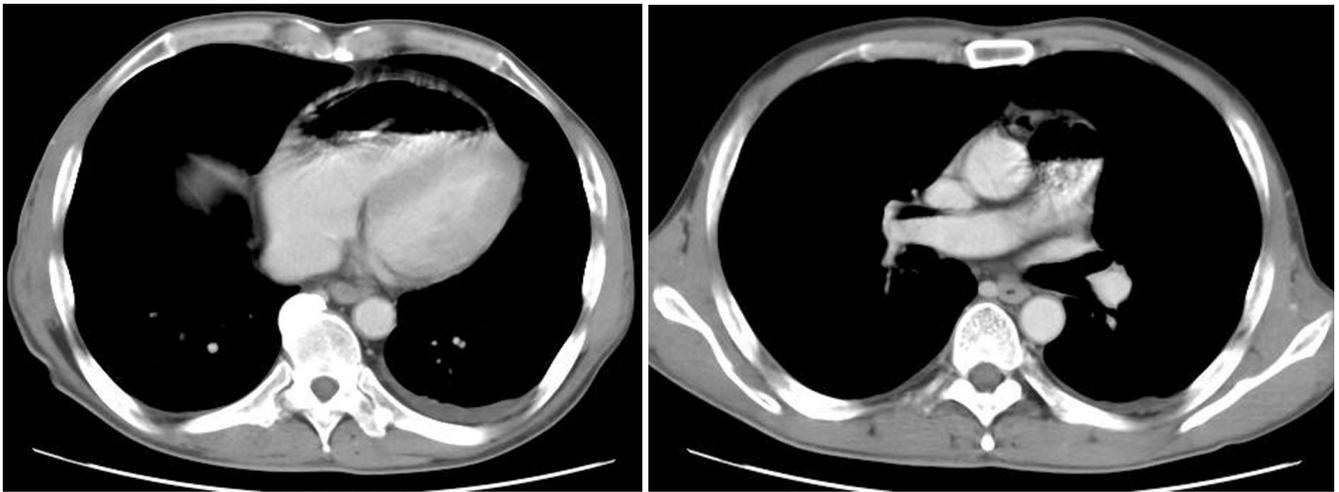


Fig. 1. A. CT scan obtained after intravenous contrast injection shows large quantity of air and a air-fluid level within right ventricle. **B.** CT scan of pulmonary artery level demonstrates an air-blood level in the main and Rt pulmonary artery.

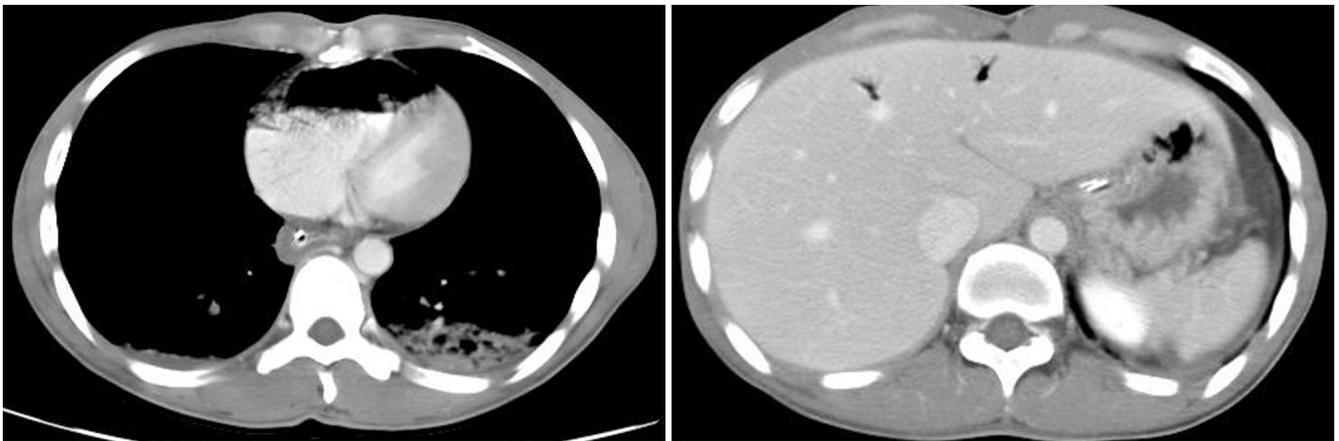


Fig. 2. A. CT scan obtained after intravenous contrast injection shows large quantity of air near completely replacing blood within right ventricle. **B.** Small air bubbles are noted within hepatic veins at the most nondependent area of vessels owing to the buoyance of air.

Groell

(injector) , CT (1-4).
 가 (2). 가 가 .가 가
 . Imai (6) , 가 ,
 100 mL Price (3) 가 1 가 가 (2).
 (pressurized drip infusion) CT
 . Price 5 가 가 .
 가 가 2 가 .
 가 가 CT 가 CT
 가 가 1 가 .
 150 mL 가 (air lock)

(pulmonary outflow tract obstruction)
 (closed chest compression)
 . 5 가
 가 (4). 가

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Massive Intraventricular Air Embolism after Contrast-enhanced CT: Report of Two Cases¹

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Venous air embolism, although considered as a rare condition, it occurs more frequently than it is recognized. Air embolism has been reported to occur after contrast-enhanced CT examination in up to 23% of patients. Because these emboli are usually small to moderate size and they are venous, the patients are usually asymptomatic. However, a large amount of intravenous air can cause disastrous consequences and it can be fatal. The author reports here on 2 cases of symptomatic massive intraventricular air embolism after contrast enhanced CT with a brief review of the pathophysiology and the recommended treatment of air embolization.

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