

ATYPICAL COURSE OF THE AORTIC DISSECTION

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Abstract

Management of patients with the aortic dissection belongs to the area of cardio-vascular surgeon practice. At the same time this syndrome has no specific clinical signs, which means that these patients are often referred initially to general and thoracic surgery, cardiology, pulmonology and nephrology departments. This makes the diagnosis of dissecting aortic aneurysm a multi-disciplinary problem.

Two clinical cases are presented: one — the aortic dissection, complicated by hemothorax, another — by hemopericardium. In both patients the clinical picture was atypical without pain syndrome. In order to avoid diagnostic mistakes and to prevent lethal outcomes ultrasonography of all parts of aorta, pericardium and thoracic cavity is recommended in cases of suspected dissecting aneurysm.

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