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Abstract

**Traumatic Rupture of the Subcutaneous Bypass Vascular Graft  
- A case report -**

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Trauma of the vascular structure is not popular event. In obstructive atherosclerotic vascular disease, we sometimes have needed bypass surgery. The long length subcutaneous prosthetic vascular graft are vulnerable to injury. But prosthetic vessel rupture after trauma has been rare report.

A 68-year-old man was referred to Department of Emergency of the Gyeongsang National University Hospital. After he had had a blunt trauma, he found a newly appearing pulsating mass of 10 cm diameter on his right chest wall. The lesion had a turbulent blood flow in the cavity of the mass by ultrasonographic finding. The lesion was a rupture of superficial prosthetic vascular graft under the skin.

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 national normalized ratio) 1.5~2.0  
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**Fig. 1.** Initial chest PA shows that there is not rib fracture, chest wall contusion, and lung haziness. Clear lung parenchyma was indicated that lung contusion is not existed. The blunt traumatic force was not strong to injury chest wall structures. Left lung field broad stick was a remained thermometer beneath his back skin.



**Fig. 2.** Chest wall sonography shows turbulent flow in the cavity of the mass lesion (left side), and well maintained distal intra-graft blood flow (right side).

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