

COVID-19: case 36

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76-year-old male

patient admitted to the ED with acute abdominal pain.

Potential risk for

contacts with Covid-19 patients.

An abdominal CT was

performed showing bowel perforation requiring surgery;

moreover, lungs abnormalities

were seen in the lower regions of the chest included in the examination.

Therefore, the radiologist also acquired a chest CT and activate the procedure

for the nasal swab.

The patient died after surgery. Covid-19 pneumonia was confirmed by RT-PCR.

CT



-Bilateral and diffuse ground-glass opacities.

-Free gas within the peritoneal cavity peritoneum consistent with bowel perforation and free fluid within the abdomen.