

COVID-19: case 44

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65-years-old male

patient presented to the ED with fever and cough.

Blood test: C-PR 70,99 (< 5) LDH 326 (< 225).

Portable chest film February 28:



Riscontro di lieve ipotrasparenza dell'emitorace sn in torace
ipoespanso. Non altri reperti di rilievo.

Opacities in the
left lung.

The day after a chest radiography (2p) is performed due to the
low SpO₂ (84%) and discrepancy between clinical-radiological
findings:



Blurred consolidations especially in the left lung with
atelectasis at the bases.

Unenhanced CT on February 29:





Diffuse ground-glass attenuation in the dependent regions of the lungs, with consolidations in the subpleural posterior regions. The antero-posterior extension is 6 -9 cm, sparing the apex. Emphysematous bullae in the left lung base. No pleural or pericardial effusion.

A nasopharyngeal swab was performed: positive.