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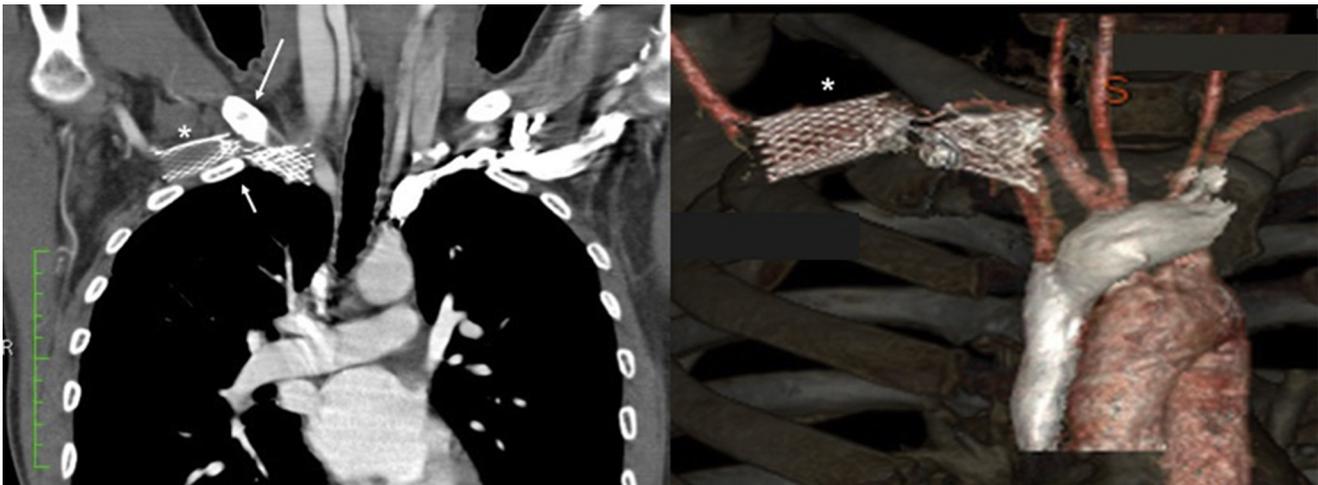
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Right Subclavian Venous Stent Fracture

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A 44 year old patient was treated 13 years ago by thrombolysis and right subclavian venous stenting (self expandable 18 × 70 mm) for an acute venous thrombosis. She presented because of mild swelling of the right arm. Computed tomography angiography showed stent fracture (*) and thrombosis within the stent as it was compressed between the clavicle and the first rib (arrowed). Treatment of venous thoracic outlet syndrome includes thrombolysis followed by first rib resection and scalenectomy; omitting the latter allows compression between the clavicle and the first rib to overcome stent integrity. The patient was not anticoagulated but improved with flavonoids.

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