

# Pneumotorace: Ecografia toracica e metodiche mini- invasive



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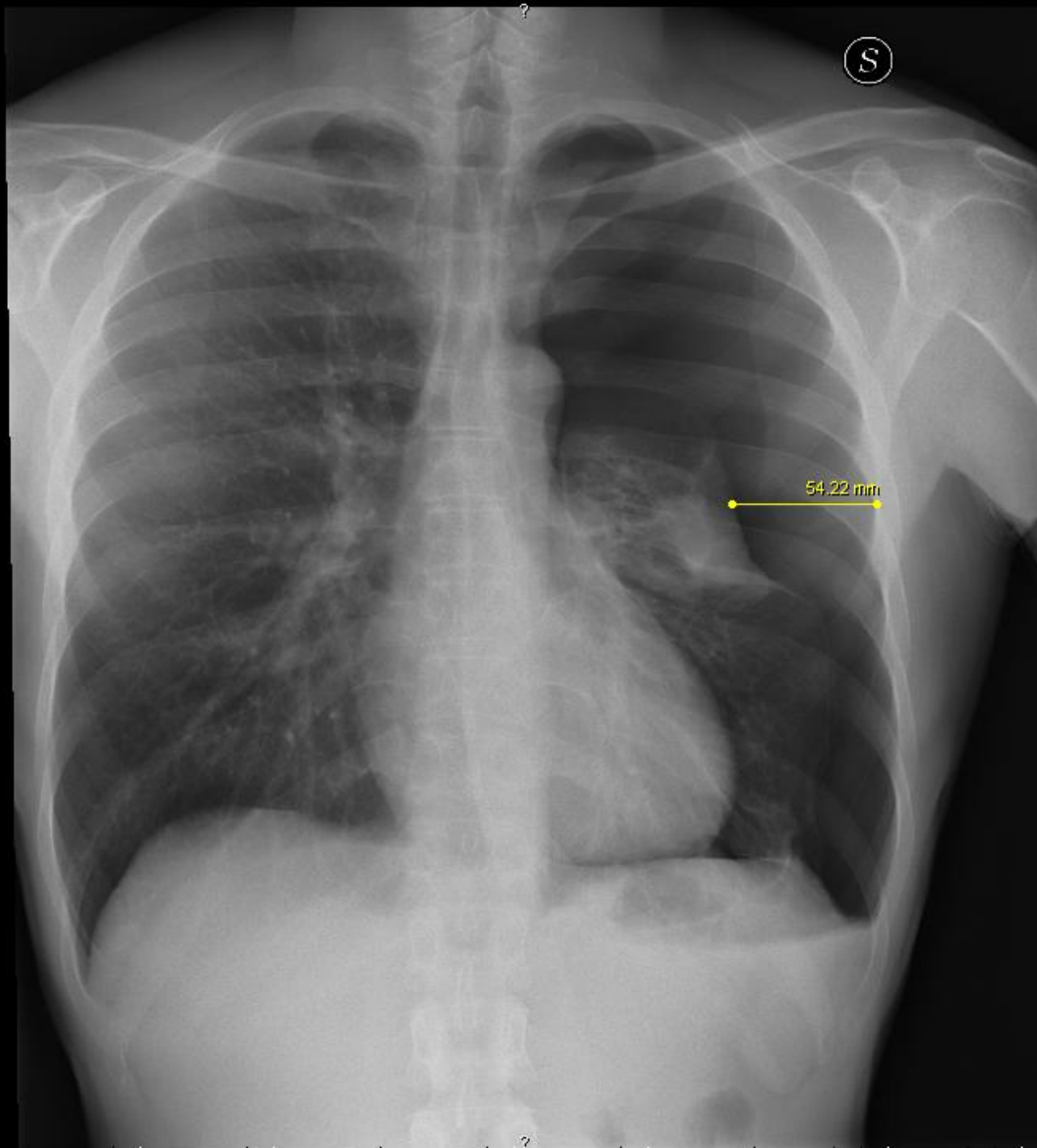
# V.A. anni 35

- APP: viene in DEA il 17/4 per dolore emitorace sx e lieve dispnea
- EO: Pao 120/70 fc 92' r satO2 98% in AA Fresp 18' T 36, MV ridotto nei campi di sx
- APR: Incidente stradale nel 1999, con contusioni multiple, senza fratture o lesioni degli organi interni.
- Nel 10/2011 episodio di dolore acuto all'emitorace sn, esordito a riposo durante la notte e associato a dispnea; regressione graduale della sintomatologia in 4-5 gg (non effettuate indagini radiologiche).
- Normale sviluppo psico-fisico.
- Fumo 10-15 sigarette/die dal 1991.
- Non riferite allergie.

# Primo Rx 17/4

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## BTS Pleural Disease Guideline 2010

### MANAGEMENT OF SPONTANEOUS PNEUMOTHORAX

# Measure the interpleural distance at the level of the hilum

#### Spontaneous Pneumothorax

If Bilateral/Haemodynamically unstable  
proceed to chest drain



Age > 50 and  
significant smoking history  
Evidence of underlying  
lung disease on exam  
or CXR?

NO

Primary  
Pneumothorax

Size > 2cm  
and/or  
breathless

YES\*

Aspirate  
16-18G cannula  
Aspirate <2.5l

Success  
(< 2cm and  
breathing  
improved)

YES

Consider discharge  
review in OPD in 2-4  
weeks

\* In some patients with a large pneumothorax but minimal  
symptoms conservative management may be appropriate

# Needle Aspiration for Pnx

| Paper          | Type PnX                 | Pts | All % | PSP % | Predictors of failure                                 | Vol Aspir    |
|----------------|--------------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Archer, '85    | PSP/SSP                  | 30  | 63    | 83    | >50yr; >50% collapse                                  | 4 l          |
| Markos, '90    | PSP/iatrogen             | 40  | 70    |       | Aspirate > 4 l<br>Age                                 | 4 l          |
| Bevalacqua '82 | PSP/SSP                  | 50  | 56    | 70    |                                                       | Until no air |
| Seaton '91     | PSP/SSP                  | 22  | 45    | 60    |                                                       | 4 l          |
| Ng, '94        | PSP/iatrogen             | 34  | 73    |       | Age > 50; COPD;<br>fibrosis, size > 50%;<br>air > 3 l | 2,5 l        |
| Solusby '98    | PSP                      | 43  | 58    |       | Age > 50, Air > 2,5 l ,<br>COPD                       | 2,5 l        |
| Talbot '86     | PSP/iatrogenic/traumatic | 76  | 75    |       | Size > 33%                                            | 2,5 l        |
| Deliles        | PSP/iatrogenic/traumatic | 131 | 69    |       | Size not predictor                                    |              |
| Carmuset 2006  | PSP                      | 35  | 69    |       | Size not predictor                                    | Until no air |
| Chen 2008      | PSP                      | 161 | 67    |       |                                                       | Until no air |

# DRENAGGIO TORACICO





Needle Aspiration: 16 G, 2° spazio  
intercostale, 2500 cc



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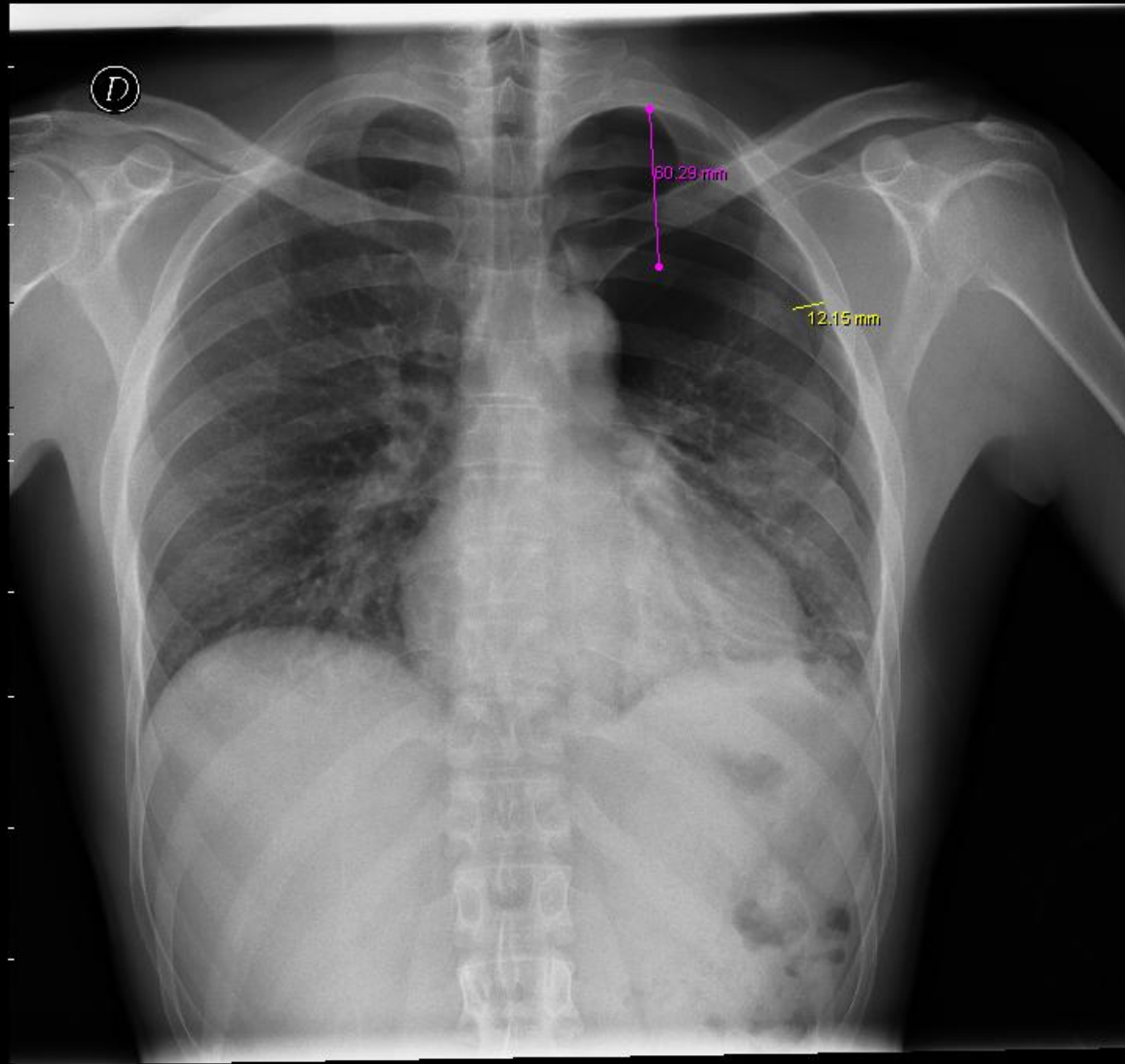




# Secondo Rx 17/4 dopo NA

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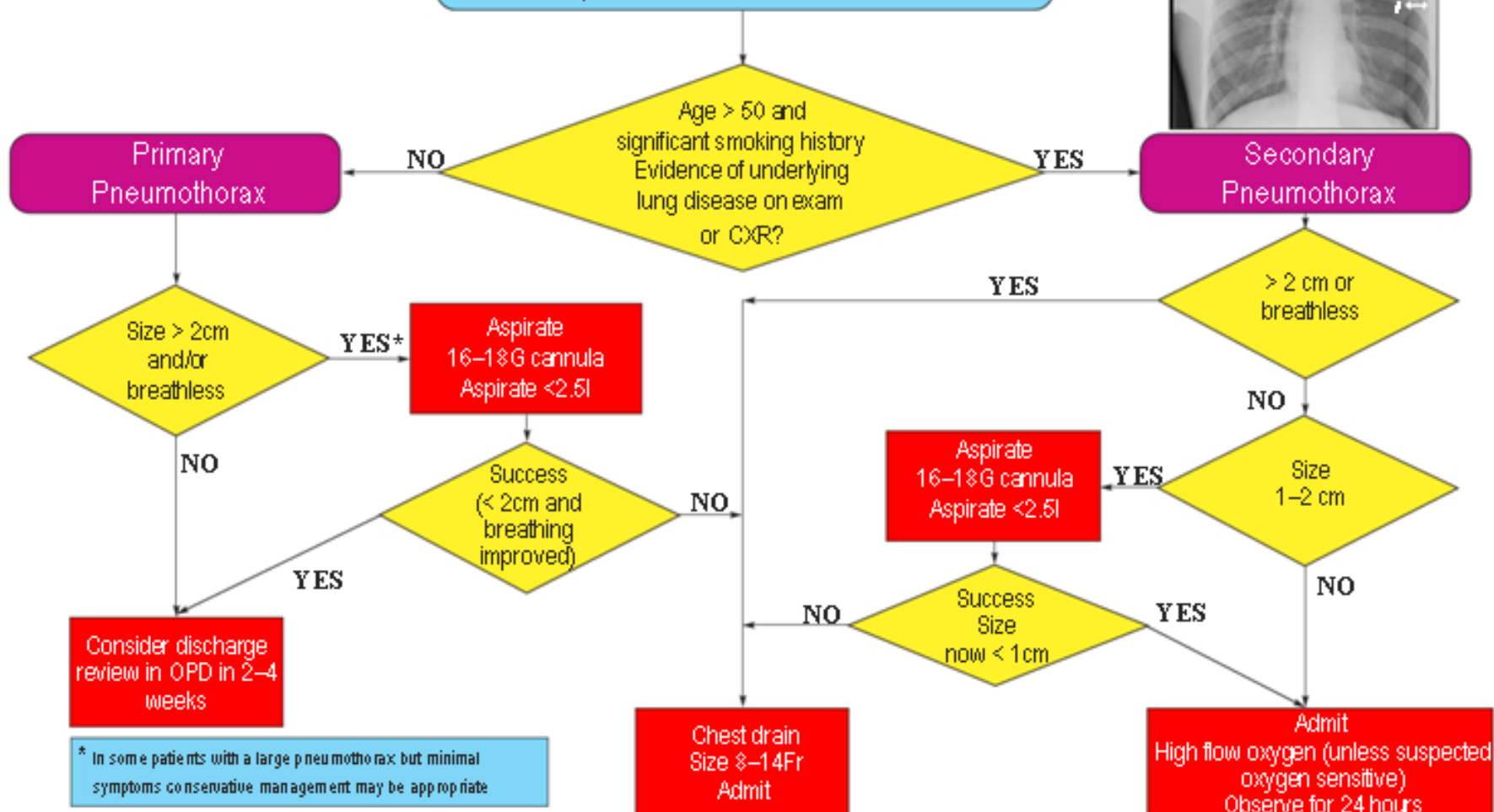


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## Spontaneous Pneumothorax

If Bilateral/Haemodynamically unstable  
proceed to chest drain



# Frequency of post-insertion drain complications

|              | %   | Range |
|--------------|-----|-------|
| Organ Injury | 0,2 | 0-2   |
| Malposition  | 0,6 | 0-9   |
| Empyema      | 0,2 | 0-2   |
| Drain Block  | 8,1 | 2-18  |

small drains  
(= $\leq 14$  F)

|              | %   | Range  |
|--------------|-----|--------|
| Organ Injury | 1,4 | 0-8    |
| Malposition  | 6,5 | 1,1-31 |
| Empyema      | 1,4 | 0-2    |
| Drain Block  | 5,2 | 5,2    |

large drains  
( $>20$  F)

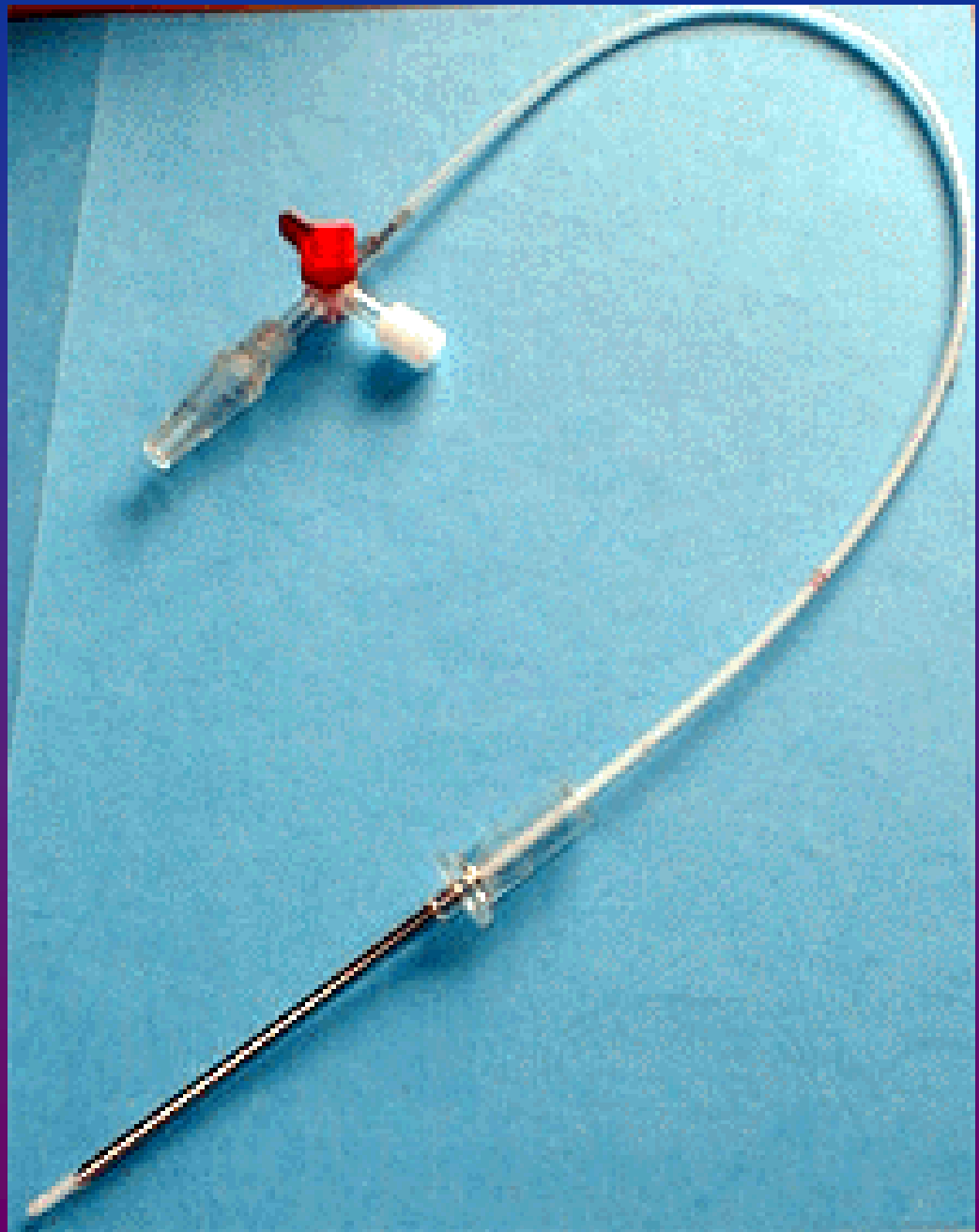
# Aghi e cateteri



| Gauge | mm  | portata<br>ml/min |
|-------|-----|-------------------|
| 14    | 2.1 | 270               |
| 16    | 1.7 | 180               |
| 18    | 1.3 | 80                |
| 20    | 0,9 | 54                |
| 22    | 0,7 | 31                |
| 24    | 0,6 | 13                |

| French/Ch | mm  |
|-----------|-----|
| 24        | 8   |
| 22        | 7,3 |
| 20        | 6,7 |
| 18        | 6   |
| 16        | 5,3 |
| 14        | 4,7 |
| 12        | 4   |
| 10        | 3,3 |
| 9         | 3   |
| 8         | 2,7 |

# PleuroCath



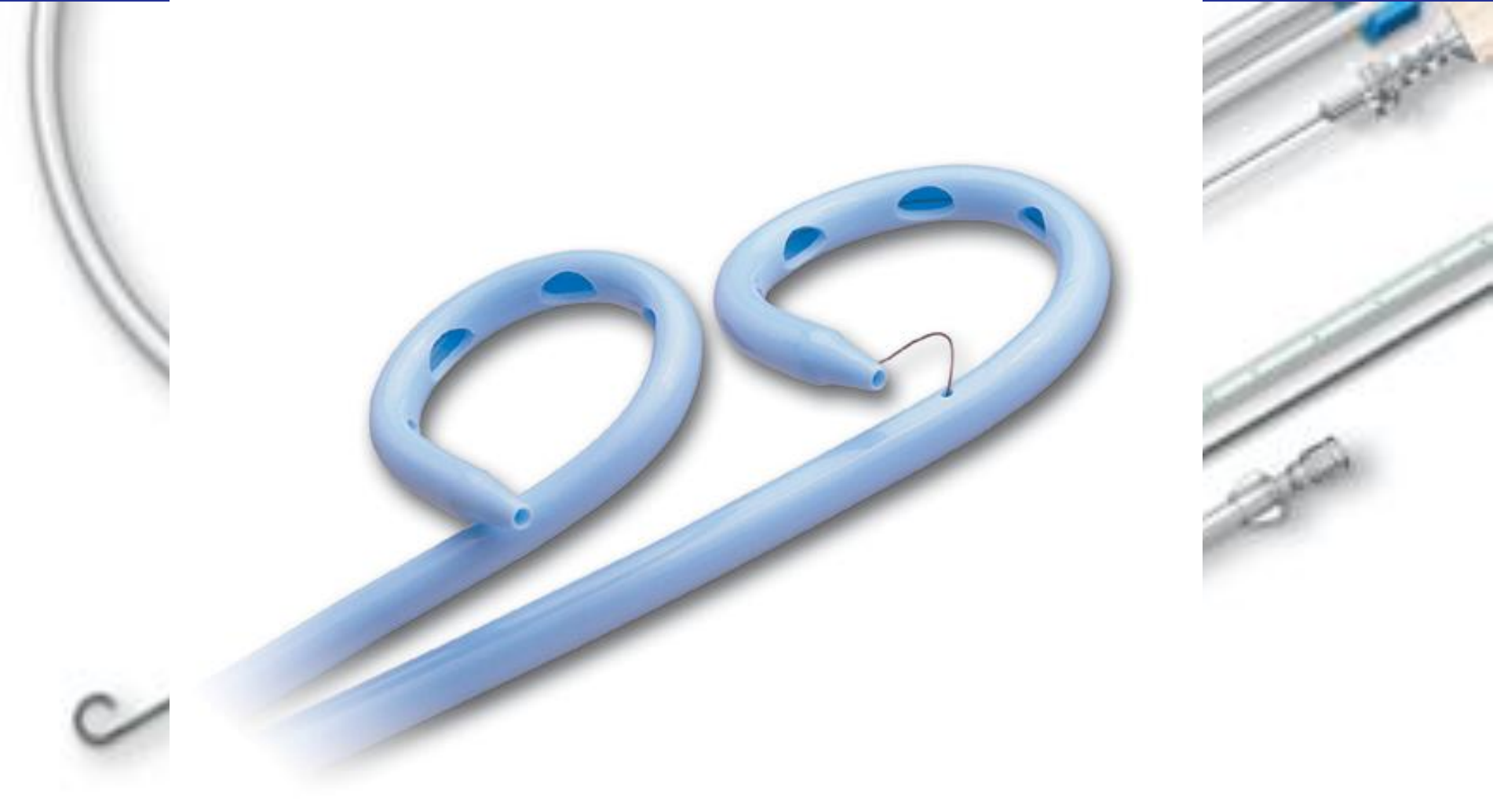
# Argyle



Si inserisce come un'agocannula. All'interno del catetere è presente un mandrino con un indicatore che cambia colore quando si è raggiunto il cavo pleurico (è rosso attraversando la parete toracica, verde in cavo pleurico). La punta del mandrino protetta da un pistoncino a molla smusso che emerge quando il sistema entra nel cavo pleurico



# Pigtail su Seldinger



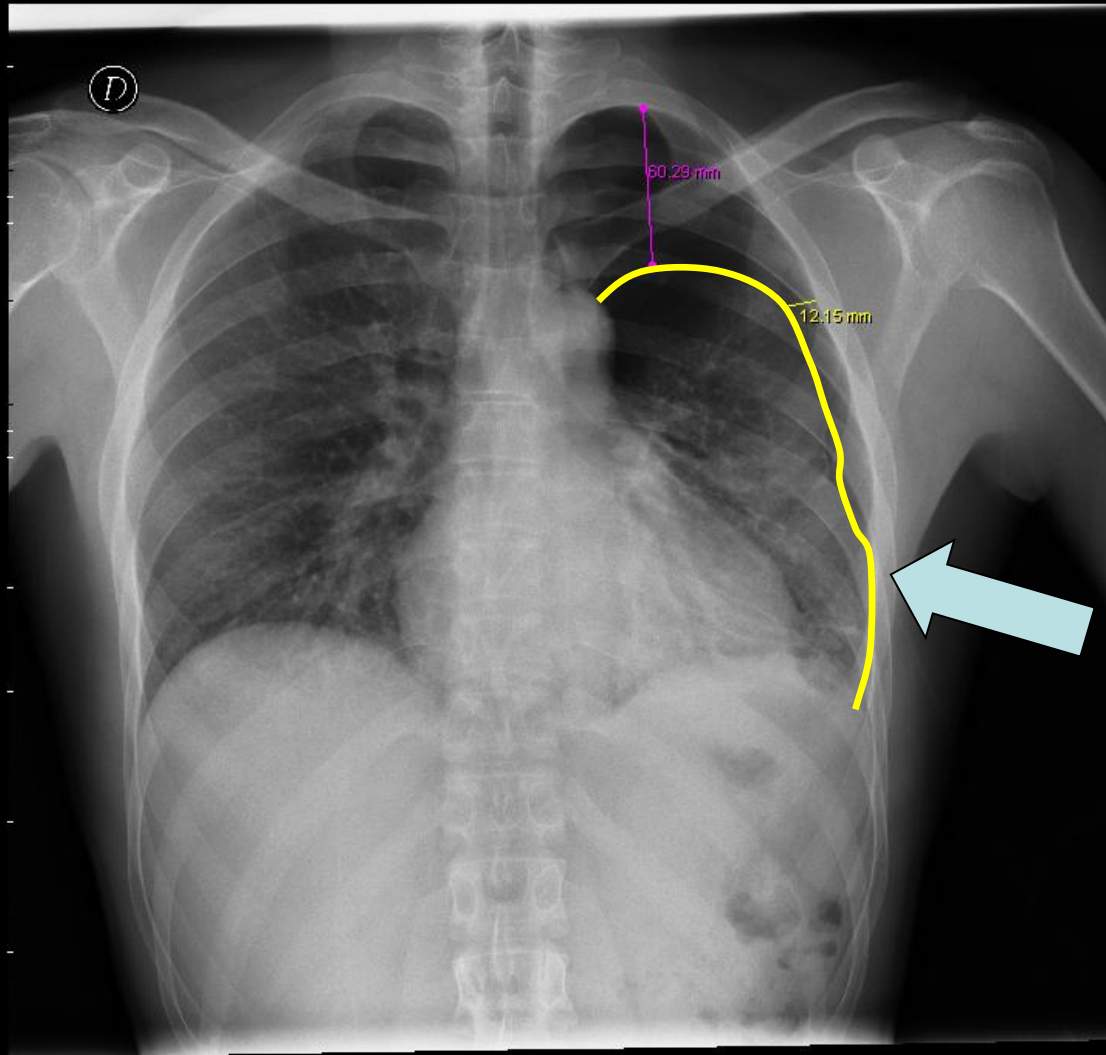
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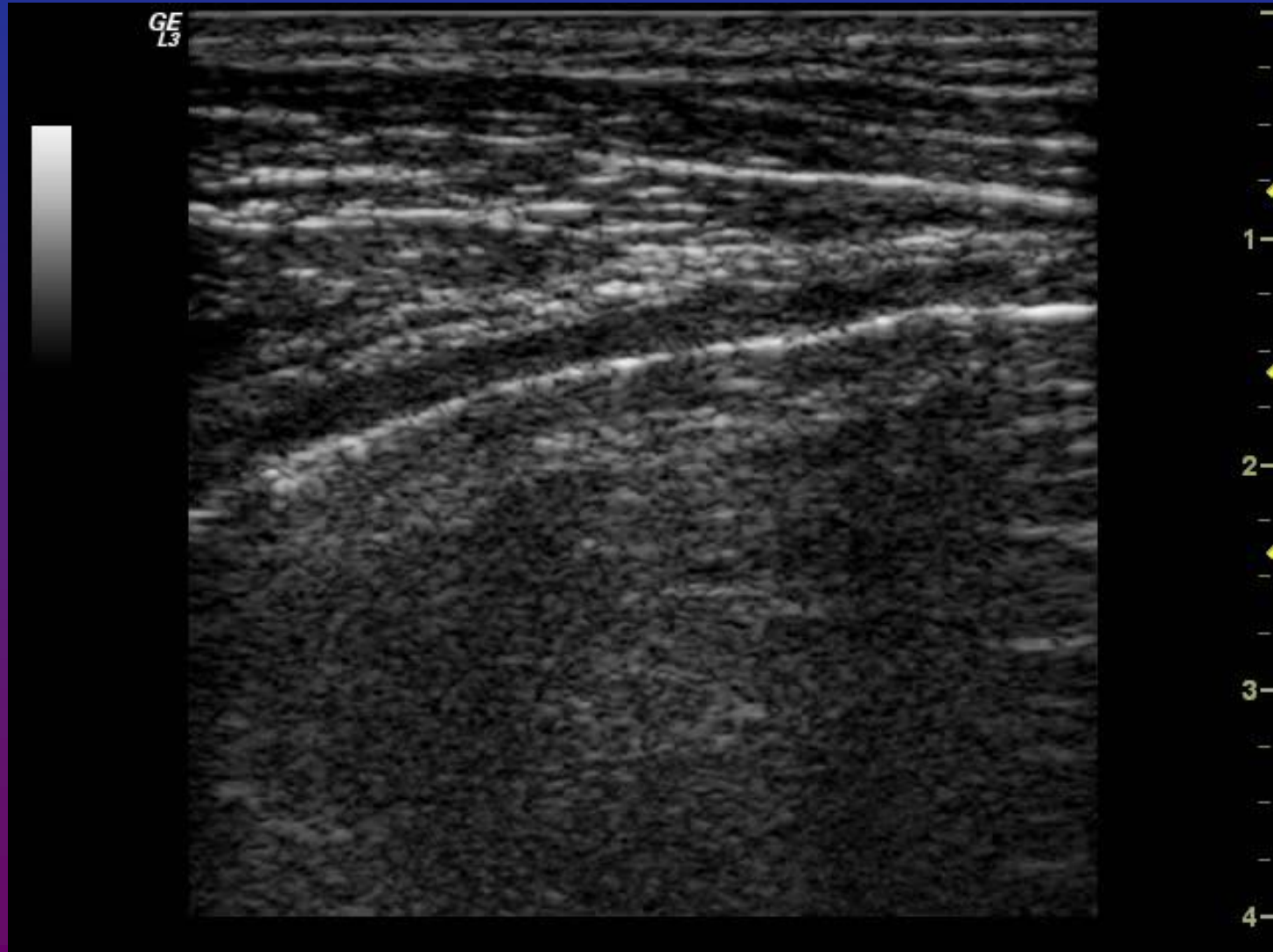
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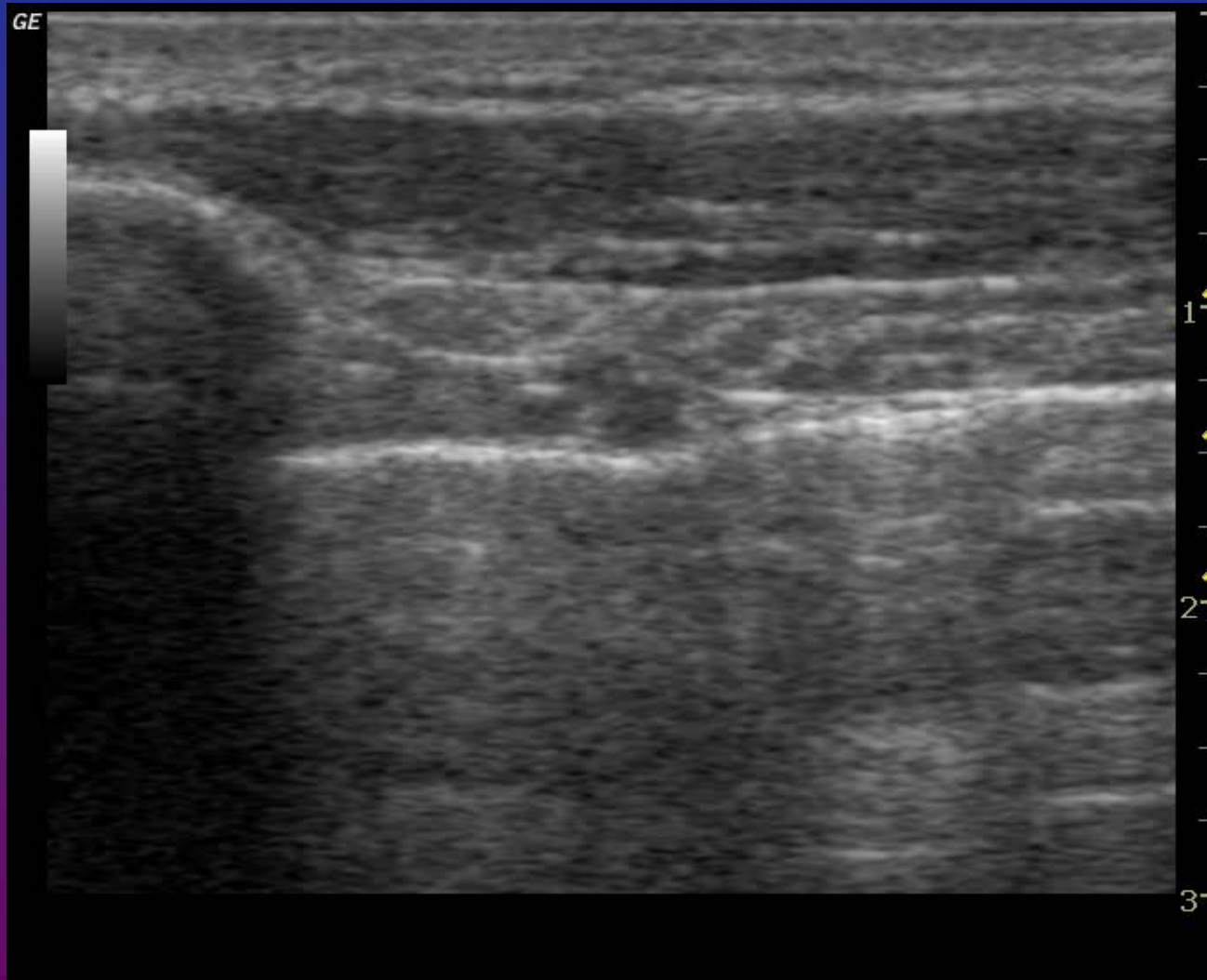
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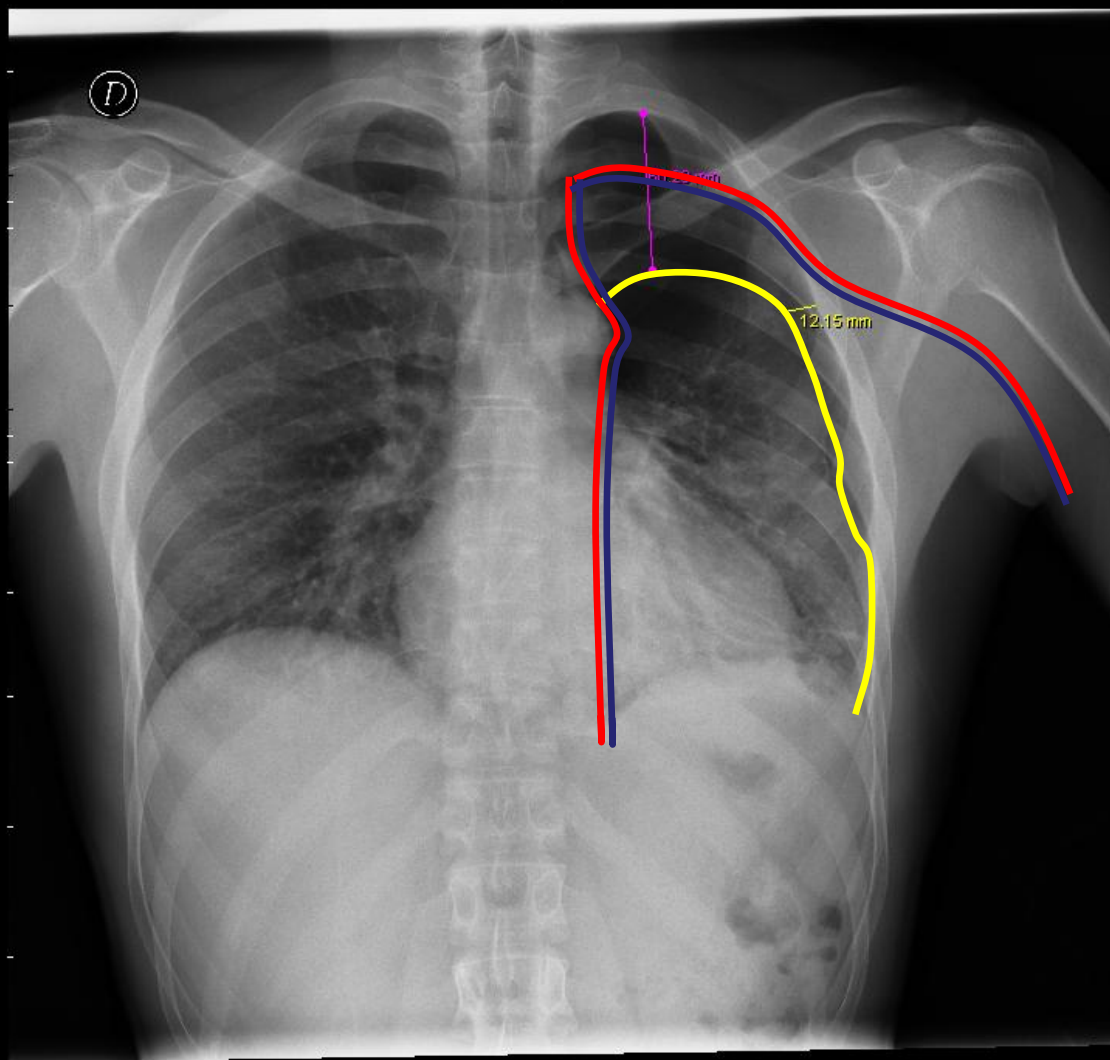




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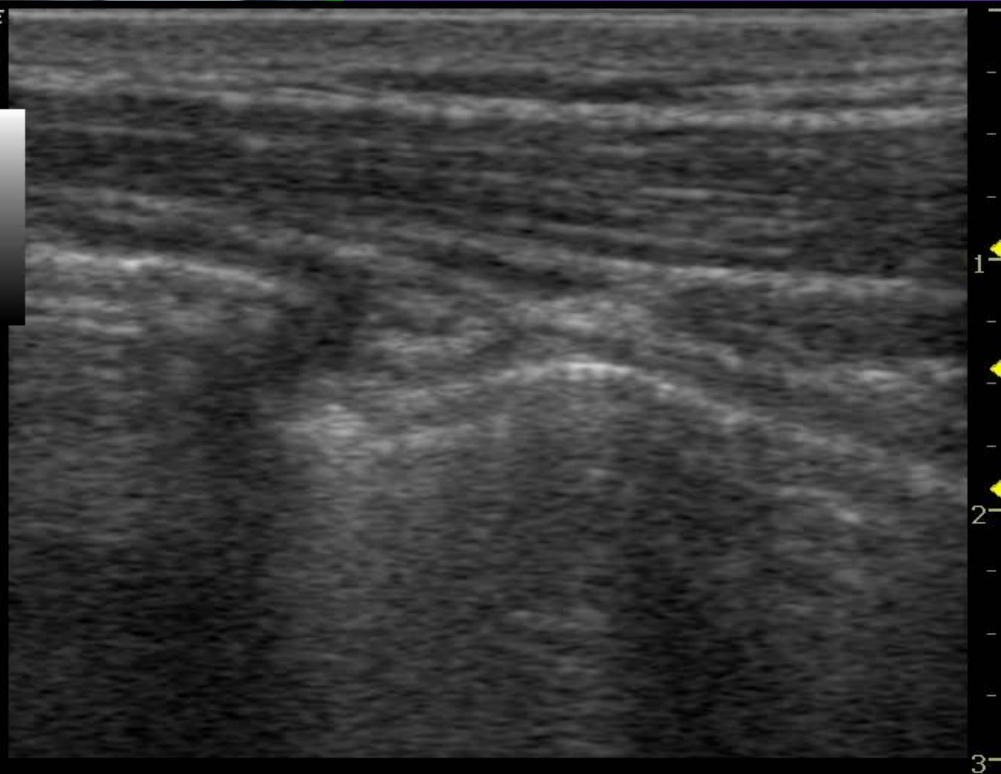






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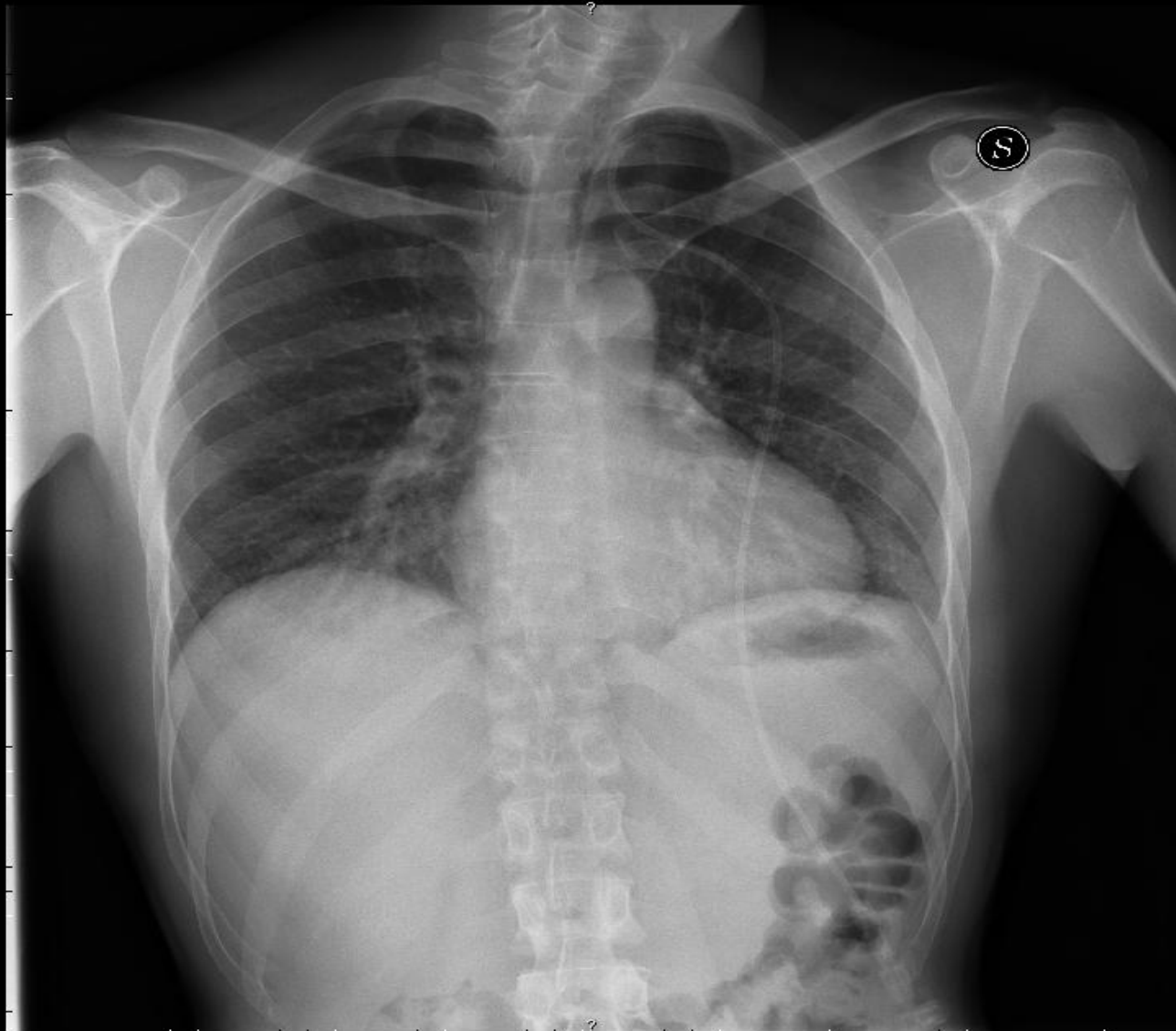
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Non ci sono evidenze per raccomandare o sconsigliare l'uso di **aspirazione** (10-20cmH2O) nel Pnx. Nella pratica clinica pertanto si riserva ai casi non risolti dopo drenaggio “a caduta” dopo 48 ore

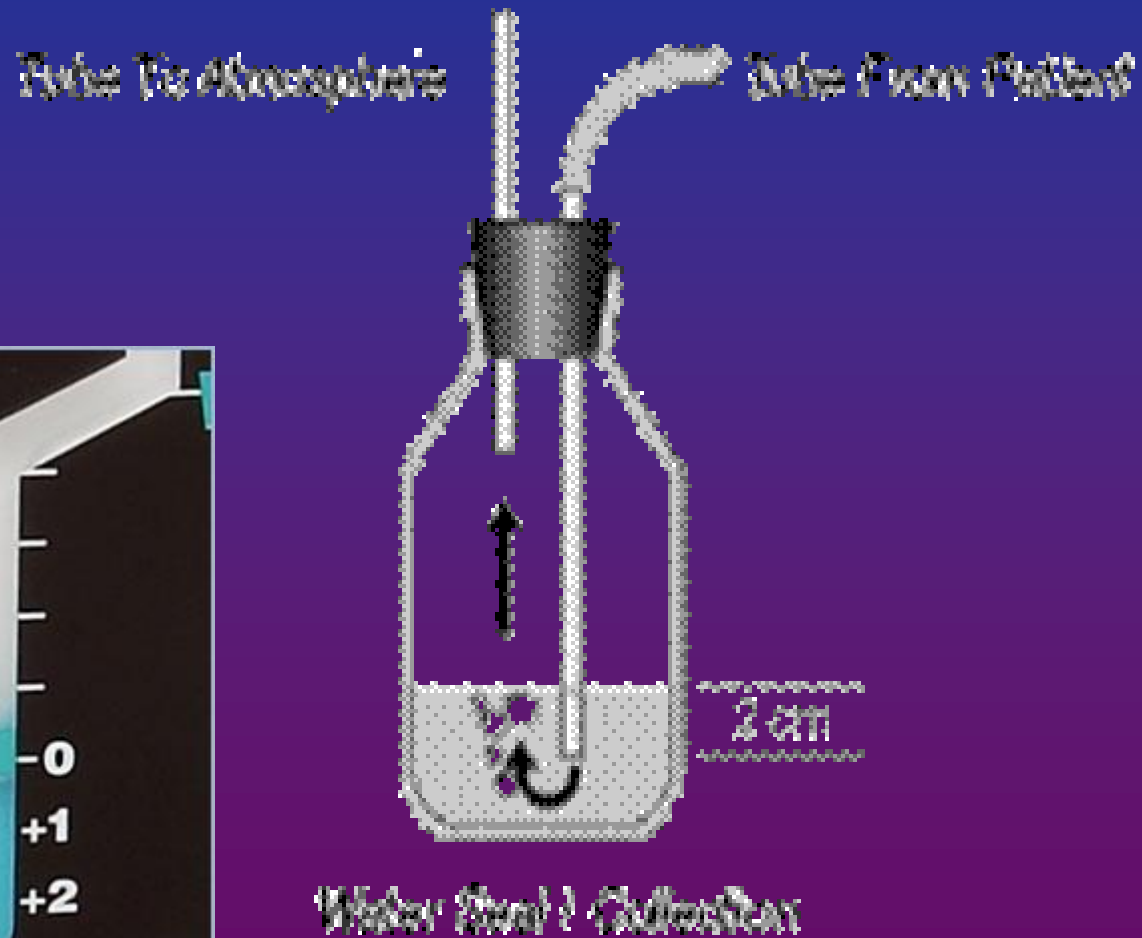
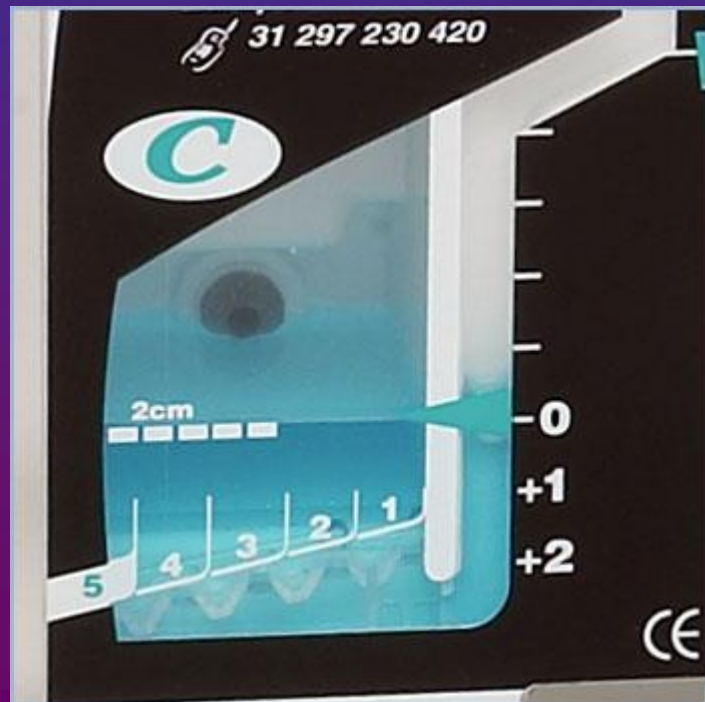


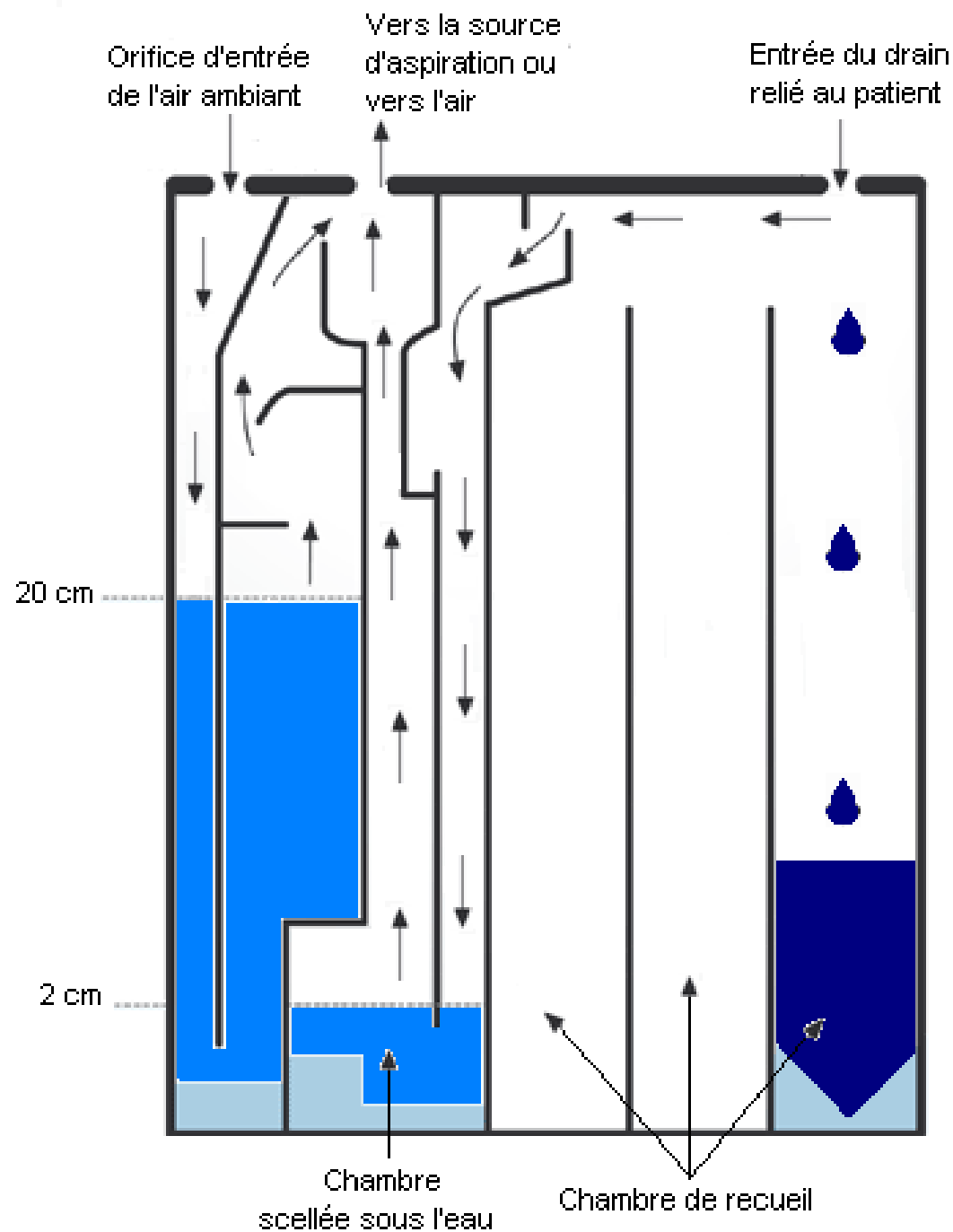
Attenzione: non applicare subito l'aspirazione previene anche il RPO (fino al 14% in Pnx estesi del giovane)





# Valvola ad acqua



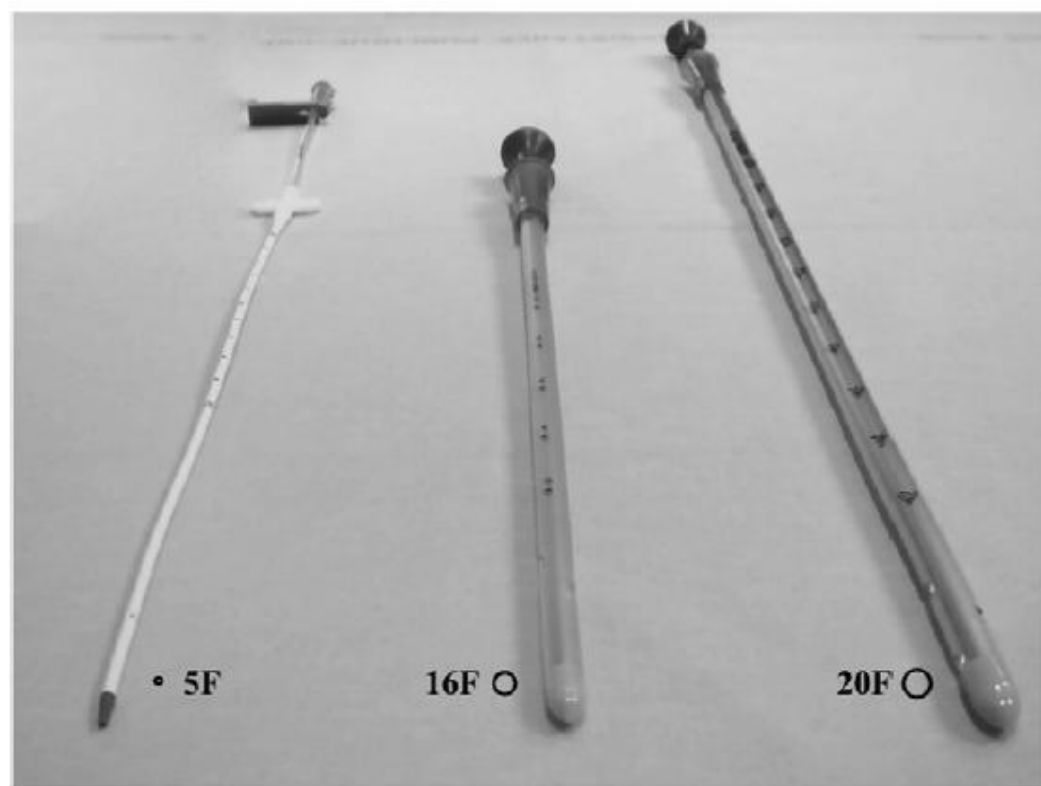


# Heimlich valve



# Small-bore catheter versus chest tube drainage for pneumothorax<sup>☆</sup>

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**Fig. 1** Illustration of a 5F catheter (14 gauge) single-lumen CVC (left) and conventional CTs of 16F catheter (middle) and 20F catheter (right) diameter.

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## Management of pneumothorax using small-bore catheter

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**Table 1** Comparison of patients' characteristics and outcome according to the cause of pneumothorax

|                                 | PSP (n = 117) | SSP-COPD (n = 28) | Traumatic (n = 19) | Iatrogenic (n = 48) |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Characteristics</b>          |               |                   |                    |                     |
| Age, y                          | 27 ± 7        | 58 ± 10 *         | 36 ± 15 *          | 62 ± 19 *           |
| Male sex, n (%)                 | 100 (85)      | 25 (89)           | 17 (89)            | 30 (62) *           |
| Smoking status, n (%)           | 80 (68)       | 28 (100) *        | 8 (42) *           | 23 (48) *           |
| Dyspnea, n (%)                  | 47 (40)       | 22 (79) *         | 5 (26)             | 24 (50)             |
| Chest pain, n (%)               | 114 (97)      | 19 (68) *         | 18 (95)            | 9 (19) *            |
| SpO <sub>2</sub> (%)            | 96 ± 3        | 90 ± 6 *          | 96 ± 3             | 93 ± 6 *            |
| Days between onset and drainage | 2.0 ± 2.5     | 3.1 ± 2.4 *       | 1.6 ± 1.5          | 2.0 ± 1.9           |
| <b>Outcome</b>                  |               |                   |                    |                     |
| Duration of drainage, d         | 3.8 ± 2.0     | 5.3 ± 3.7 *       | 3.6 ± 1.9          | 3.4 ± 1.8           |
| Length of stay, d               | 4.7 ± 2.8     | 7.4 ± 5.1 *       | 4.5 ± 2.2          | 4.3 ± 2.0           |
| Primary drainage failure, n (%) | 27 (23)       | 10 (36)           | 3 (16)             | 1 (2) *             |
| Surgery, n (%)                  | 25 (21)       | 9 (32)            | 2 (10)             | 0 (0) *             |

\*  $P < .05$  as compared with PSP.



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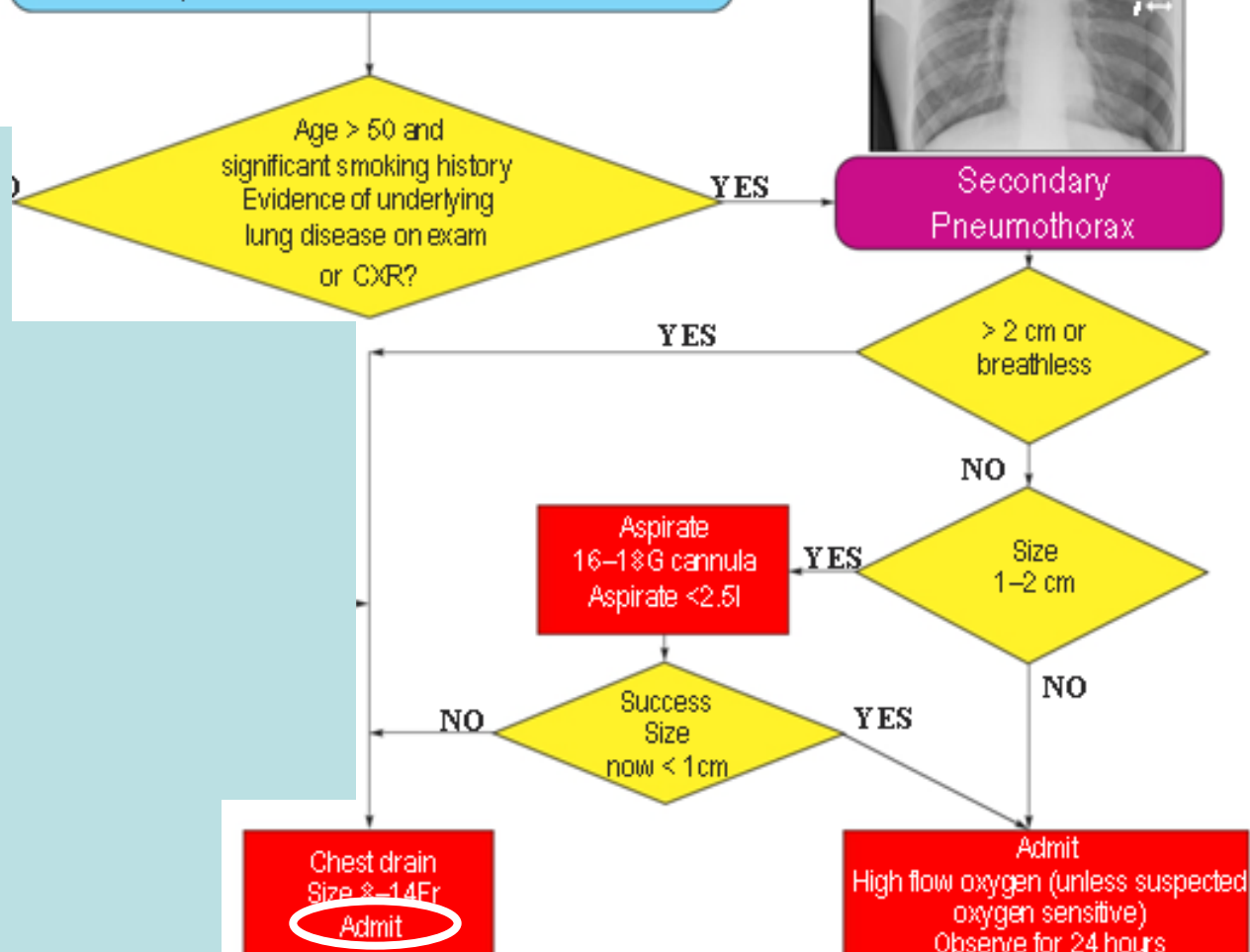
**Table 2** Comparison of patients' characteristics and outcome according to the type of drainage.

|                                 | CVC<br>(n = 112) | CT<br>(n = 100) | <i>P</i> |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Characteristics                 |                  |                 |          |
| Age, y                          | 38 ± 19          | 42 ± 21         | .12      |
| Smoking status, n (%)           | 72 (64%)         | 67 (67%)        | .77      |
| PSP, n (%)                      | 71 (63%)         | 46 (46%)        | .01      |
| COPD, n (%)                     | 9 (8%)           | 19 (19%)        | .02      |
| Traumatic, n (%)                | 6 (5%)           | 13 (13%)        | .06      |
| Iatrogenic, n (%)               | 26 (23%)         | 22 (22%)        | .87      |
| Days before drainage            | 2.0 ± 2.4        | 2.3 ± 2.1       | .28      |
| Period, 2008-2010, n (%)        | 83 (74%)         | 6 (6%)          | <.001    |
| Outcome                         |                  |                 |          |
| Duration of drainage, d         | 3.3 ± 1.9        | 4.6 ± 2.6       | <.01     |
| Length of stay, d               | 4.5 ± 3.2        | 5.5 ± 3.0       | .02      |
| Primary drainage failure, n (%) | 20 (18%)         | 21 (21%)        | .60      |
| Surgery, n (%)                  | 16 (14%)         | 20 (20%)        | .28      |



## Spontaneous Pneumothorax

If Bilateral/Haemodynamically unstable  
proceed to chest drain



# Ambulatory Management of Large Spontaneous Pneumothorax With Pigtail Catheters

Voisin *et al*

Annals of Emergency Medicine 227 Volume 64, NO. 3 : September 2014

**Day 0**

Large spontaneous pneumothorax  
(ACCP or BTS definitions)

Pigtail catheter with one-way valve.  
Patient is discharged and goes home.

**Day 2**

Catheter is checked then  
manual aspiration

No air suction = chest X-ray

Success\* = catheter withdrawal

Air suction possible = failure  
Patient goes back home

**Day 4**

Catheter is checked then  
manual aspiration

No air suction = chest X-ray

Success\* = catheter withdrawal

Air suction possible = failure

Patient is hospitalized.  
Suction (-20 cm H<sub>2</sub>O)

**Day ≥6**

Air leaking persists

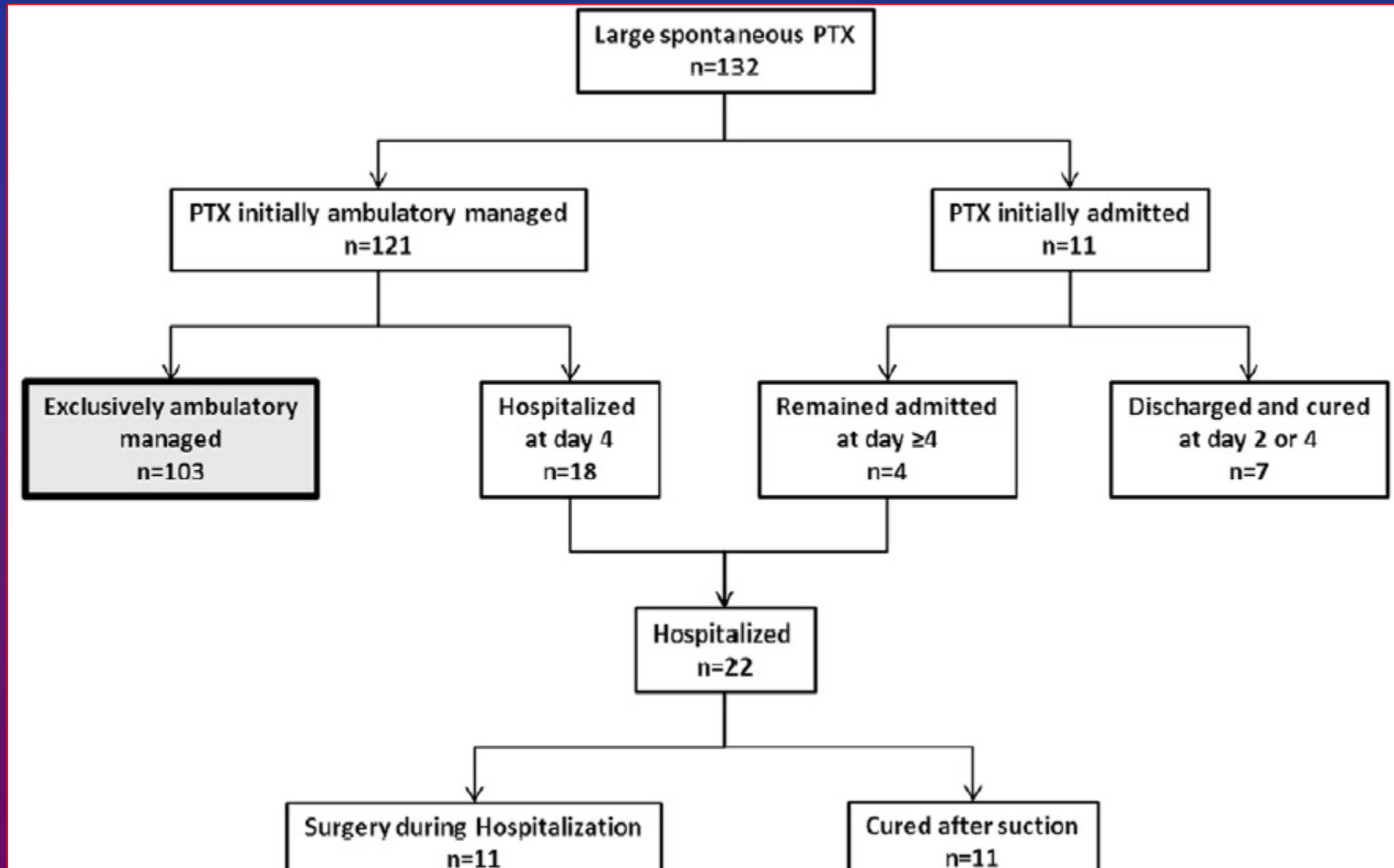
Air leaking stopped

Chest X-ray

Success\* = catheter withdrawal

Surgery<sup>†</sup>

**Figure 3.** Flow chart of the evolution of patients with a large spontaneous pneumothorax managed following our algorithm. A total of 103 patients (78%) were exclusively managed as outpatients.



# Drenaggio toracico

- Pneumotorace (tranne barotrauma)
- Empiema o versamento parapneumonico
- Versamento “maligno”
- Chilotorace

NA /  
drenaggio  
 $\leq 14$  Fr

- Pneumotorace in PPV
- Emotorace

drenaggio  
 $\geq 20$  Fr

# PNX iatrogeno

- CVC (specie succlavia)
- Needle aspiration
- Toracentesi (“ex vacuo” + air leak)
- Biopsia (transtoracica o transbronhiale)
- Ventilazione meccanica

Osservazione  
+/- NA →  
risoluzione 89%

Drenaggio  
grosso calibro



# Consulenza chirurgo Toracico

- Recidiva omolaterale
- Recidiva di PSP controlaterale
- Pnx bilaterale sincrono
- Perdita aerea o non riespansione a (3) 5-7 gg
- Emotorace spontaneo (per es “catameniale”)
- Fibrosi cistica
- Professioni a rischio (piloti, autisti)
- Gravidanza

Obiettivi chirurgici (minitoracotomia o VATS):

1) Resezione Bolle o Blebs visibili

2) Pleurodesi mediante “abrasione pleurica” o talcaggio

# Procedure Pleuriche

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