

PROCEDURE:, Flexible bronchoscopy.,PREOPERATIVE  
DIAGNOSIS (ES):, Chronic wheezing.,INDICATIONS FOR  
PROCEDURE:, Evaluate the airway.,DESCRIPTION OF  
PROCEDURE: ,This was done in the pediatric endoscopy  
suite with the aid of Anesthesia. The patient was sedated with  
sevoflurane and propofol. One mL of 1% lidocaine was used  
for airway anesthesia. The 2.8-mm flexible pediatric  
bronchoscope was passed through the left naris. The upper  
airway was visualized. The epiglottis, arytenoids, and vocal  
cords were all normal. The scope was passed below the  
cords. The subglottic space was normal. The patient had  
normal tracheal rings and a normal membranous portion of  
the trachea. There was noted to be slight deviation of the  
trachea to the right. At the carina, the right and left mainstem  
were evaluated. The right upper lobe, right middle lobe, and  
right lower lobe were all anatomically normal. The scope was  
wedged in the right middle lobe, 10 mL of saline was infused,  
10 was returned. This was sent for cell count, cytology, lipid  
index, and quantitative bacterial cultures. The left side was  
then evaluated and there was noted to be the normal cardiac  
pulsations on the left. There was also noted to be some  
dynamic collapse of the left mainstem during the respiratory  
cycle. The left upper lobe and left lower lobe were normal.  
The scope was withdrawn. The patient tolerated the  
procedure well.,ENDOSCOPIC DIAGNOSIS:, Left mainstem  
bronchomalacia.