

**Patient Name:** Harrell , Julia**Gender:** Female**MRN:** 1097138**Age:** 75**Procedure Date:** 3/31/2016

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**Procedure Name:** Pleuroscopy

**Indications:** Pleural effusion

**Medications:** Monitored Anesthesia Care

**Procedure Description:** Pre-Anesthesia Assessment:

- ASA Grade Assessment: III - A patient with severe systemic disease.

Procedure, risks, benefits, and alternatives were explained to the patient. All questions were answered and informed consent was documented as per institutional protocol. A history and physical were performed and updated in the preprocedure assessment record. Laboratory studies and radiographs were reviewed. A time-out was performed prior to the intervention. The site was sterile prepped and the pleuroscopy was performed. The LTF VP Endoeye thoracoscope was introduced through the incision and advanced into the pleural space. The 0 degree 2.0mm pleuroscopy telescope was introduced through the incision and advanced into the pleural space. The 0 degree 7.0mm pleuroscopy telescope was introduced through the incision and advanced into the pleural space.

**Findings:** Local Anesthesia:

- The pleural entry site was identified by means of the ultrasound and entry sites were infiltrated with a 15 mL solution of 1% lidocaine.

Incision:

- The patient was placed on the standard operating table in the lateral decubitus position and sites of compression were well padded. The patient was steriley prepped with chlorhexidine gluconate (Chloraprep) and draped in the usual fashion. A 10 mm reusable primary port was placed on the left side at the 6th anterior axillary line via a Veress needle technique.

Pleuroscopy:

- The pleura was inspected via the primary port site.

Findings: Extensive adhesions were found throughout the pleura in the left hemithorax. Most of the adhesions that were located in the upper hemithorax were soft and thin. These were taken down using the pleuroscope. Denser, thick adhesions were noted in the lower aspect of the left hemithorax. These were not taken down due to concerns for bleeding. The parietal pleura was carefully inspected and multiple tumor masses were noted involving the entire mid and upper parietal pleura posteriorly. The masses were exophytic, friable and fungating. The visceral pleura overlying the upper lobe was thickened but without obvious tumor nodules.

Biopsy:

- Biopsies of the parietal pleural masses were performed in the mid pleura using a forceps and sent for histopathology examination. Fourteen samples were obtained. Careful inspection of the left pleural space following the biopsies confirmed complete hemostasis at all biopsy sites.

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15.5 fr Pleurx catheter was left in place in the pleural space over the diaphragm. The port site was closed using 3.0 silk sutures. A total of 3 were placed.

Dressing:

- The port sites were dressed with a transparent dressing.

**Complications:** No immediate complications

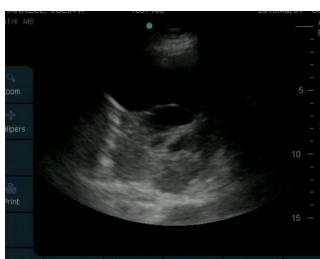
**Estimated Blood Loss:** Estimated blood loss was minimal.

**Post Procedure Diagnosis:** - Suspected pleural metastasis.

**Recommendation:** - The patient will be observed post-procedure, until all discharge criteria are met.  
- Chest X-ray post-procedure.

**Attending Participation:** I was present and participated during the entire procedure, including non-key portions.

**Add'l Images:**



**1** Complex left effusion on ultrasound



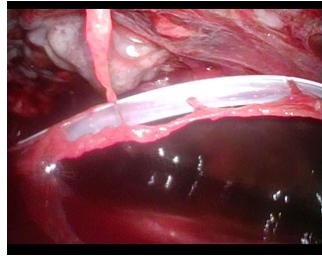
**2** Extensive pleural metastatic studding



**3** Pleural masses with previously placed TIPC in place



**4** Dense adhesions in the lower left hemithorax



**5** Fibrous adhesions encompassing the TIPC



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