CASE STUDY

Management of Adenocarcinoma in the Right Mainstern and Bronchus Intermedius with the Use of Multiple AEROmini® Through-the-Scope Stents.



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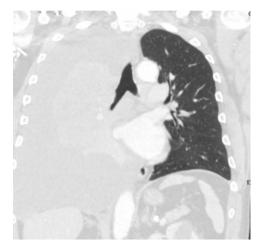
PRESENTATION

A 68-year-old man with known adenocarcinoma of the rectum, failed to complete a recommended treatment in the past, presented with gradual worsening of shortness of breath.

WORK UP

A CT chest scan revealed a large pleural effusion and complete stenosis of the right upper lobe, bronchus intermedius, and narrowing of the right mainstem bronchus.





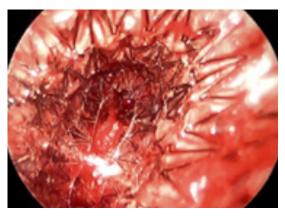
INTERVENTION

Rigid bronchoscopy revealed 100% occlusion of right upper lobe beyond salvage, and tumor invasion causing severe narrowing of right lower lobe, bronchus intermedius and right mainstem bronchus. Nd:YAG laser was used to treat the mucosal infiltration of tumor followed by AERO® Tracheobronchial stents placed in the right lower lobe and bronchus intermedius.

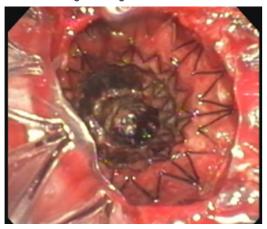
Right Lower Lobe Endobronchial Tumor



Right Lower Lobe Stent



Distal Edge of Bronchus Intermedius and Proximal Edge of Right Lower Lobe Stent



Pre and Post Op CXR





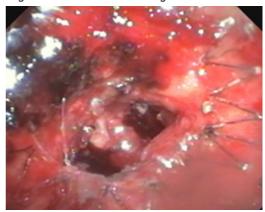
FOLLOW UP

Biopsy confirmed metastatic rectal adenocarcinoma. The patient started treatment with Oxaliplatin and Xeloda. He did well for about seven months, then developed worsening respiratory symptoms with a right lower lobe collapse.

REPEAT INTERVENTION

A second rigid bronchoscopy was done which revealed worsening endobronchial tumor distal to the existing right lower lobe stent. Tumor debulking and ablation was performed using endobronchial rigid forceps and Argon Plasma Coagulation. Additional balloon dilation was performed, followed by the placement of two 6mm x 10mm AEROmini® Through-the-Scope stents in viable basilar segments of right lower lobe.

Right Lower Lobe Basal Segment AEROmini Stents Distal to Stent





FOLLOW UP

The patient has been on XELIRI and Avastin® and has been doing well without any deterioration in his functional status. Follow-up imaging continues to appear stable without any new or worsening right lung collapse.

CT Chest Pre and Post Right Lower Lobe Basilar Segment AEROmini Stents





CONCLUSION

The use of the fully covered AEROmini[®] Tracheobronchial Stent System can be a successful therapy option for the management of stenosis in the lower airways.



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