

Blades & Bullets: MDCT Imaging of Penetrating Torso Injury

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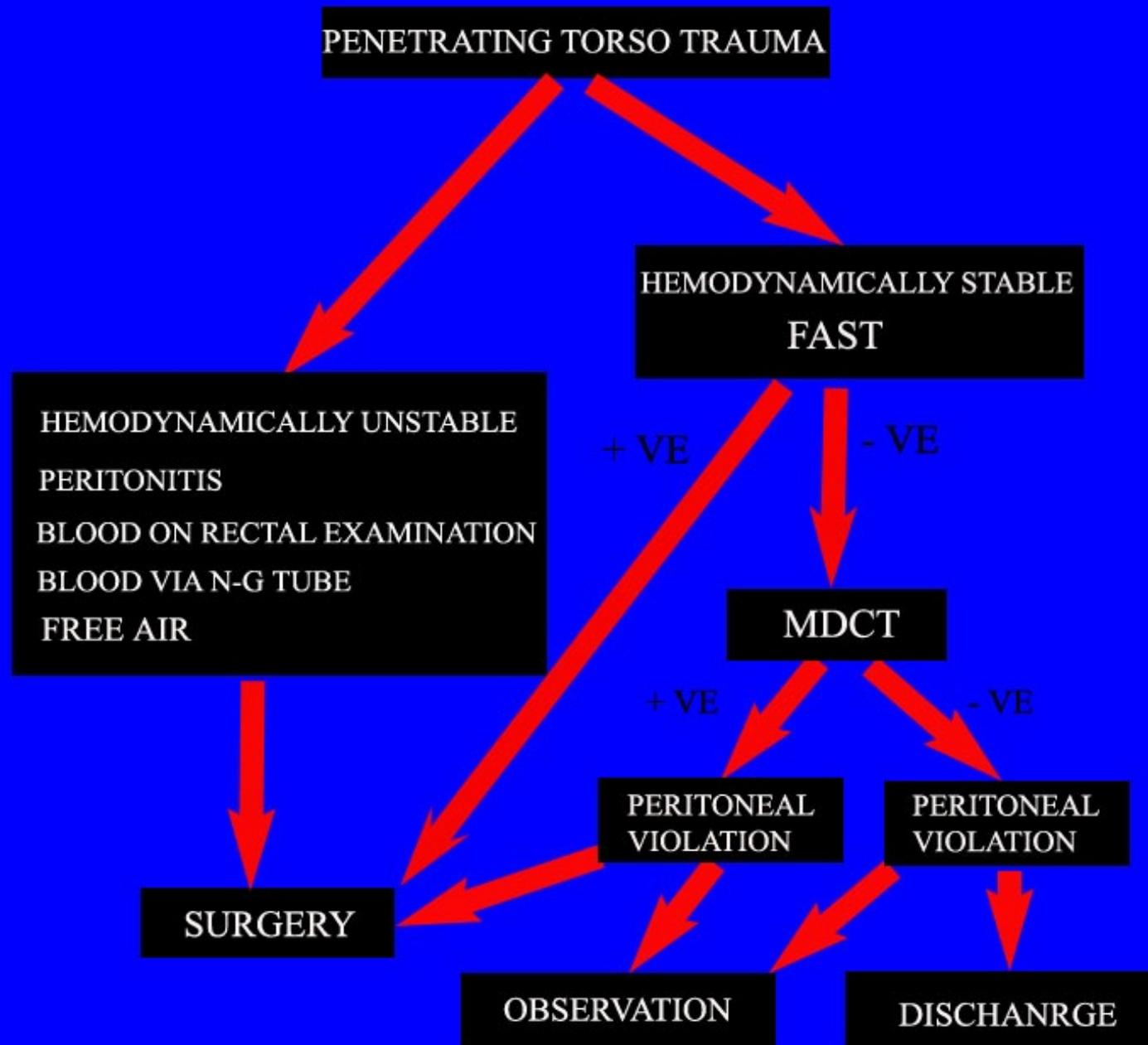


PENETRATING TORSO TRAUMA

OBJECTIVES

- Who & how - MDCT
- Peritoneal violation
- Multiple compartment injury
- Diagnosis of bowel & mesenteric injury

ALGORITHM TO TRIAGE PENETRATING TORSO TRAUMA PATIENTS



TRIPLE CONTRAST MDCT CT IN PENETRATING TORSO TRAUMA

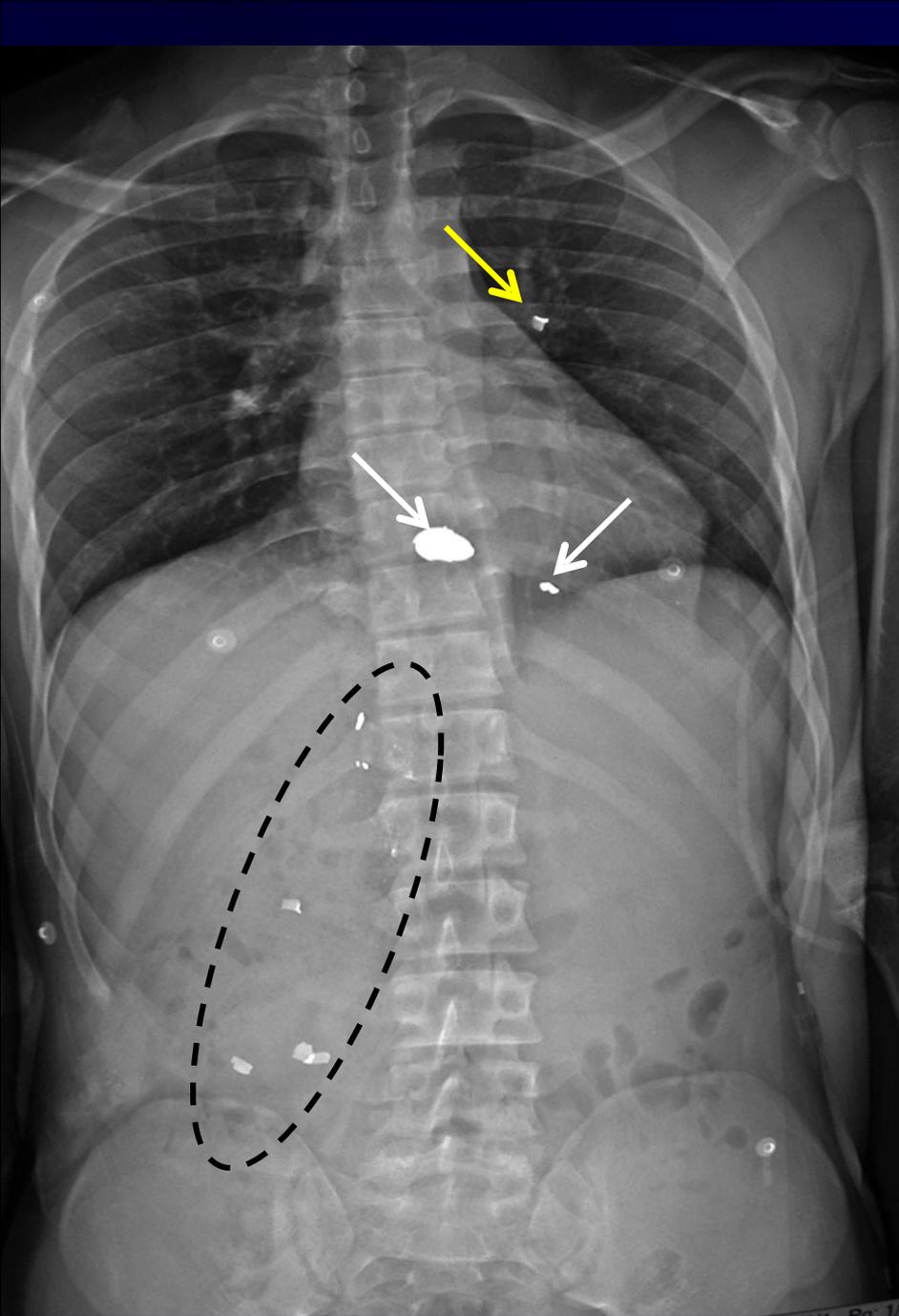
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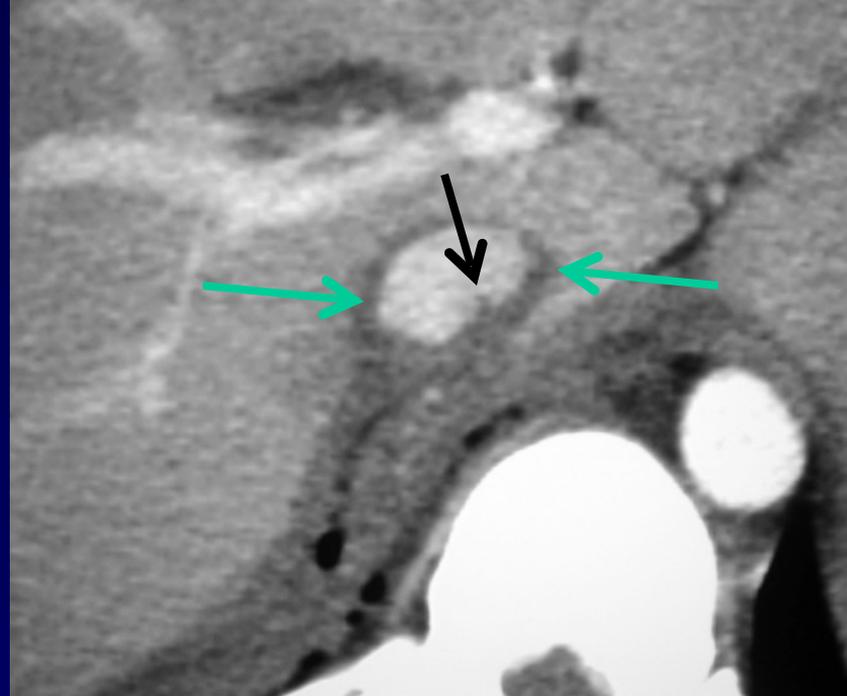
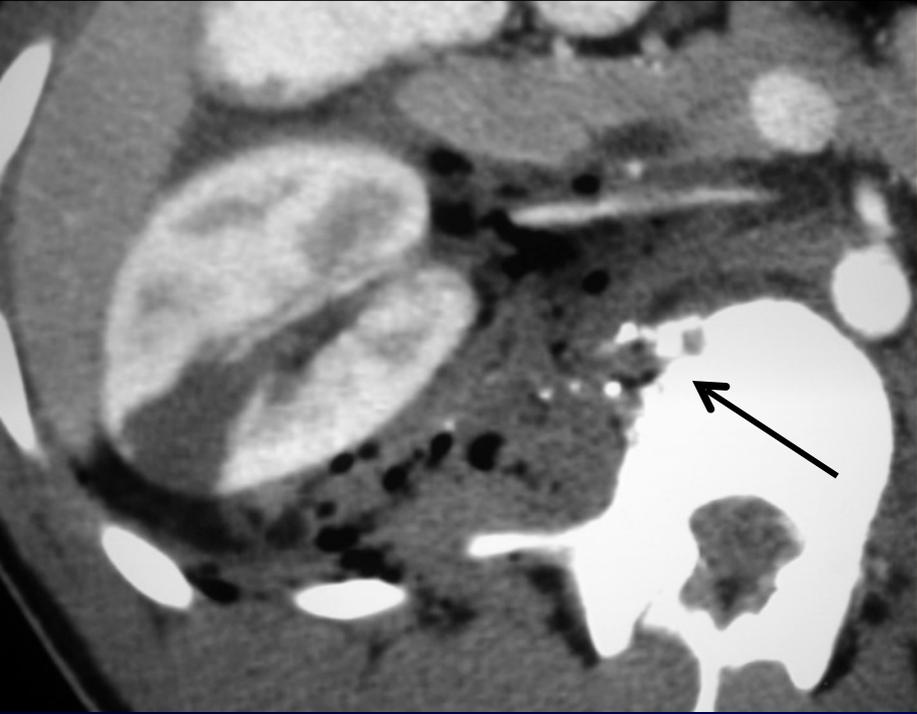
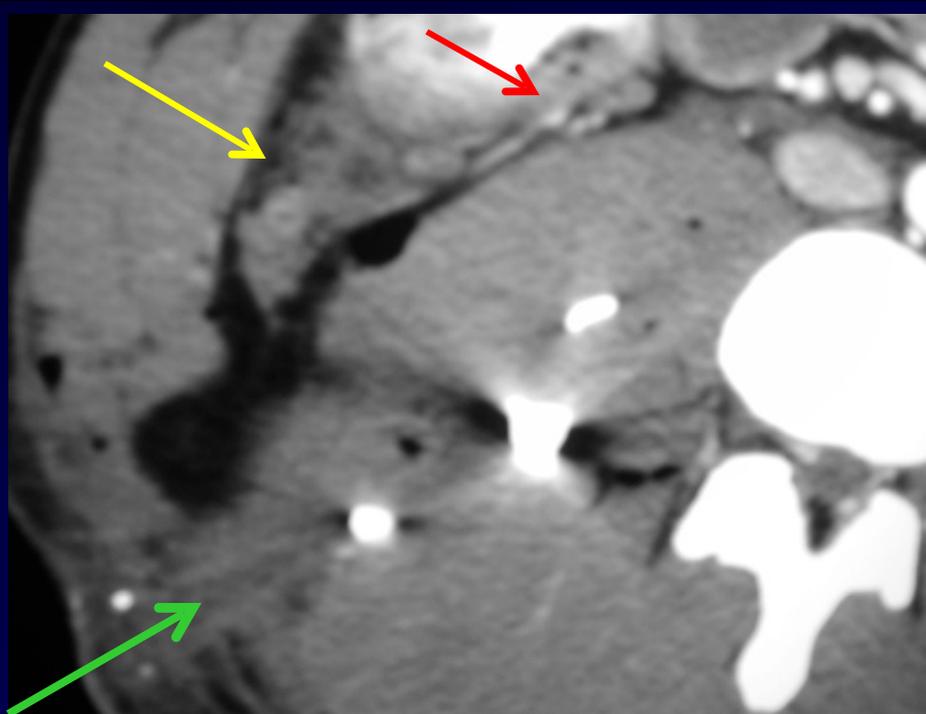
- Oral contrast material (500 - 600 mL)
- Rectal contrast material (1 - 1.5 L)
- IV contrast material - 100 ml 350 mg I₂/ml

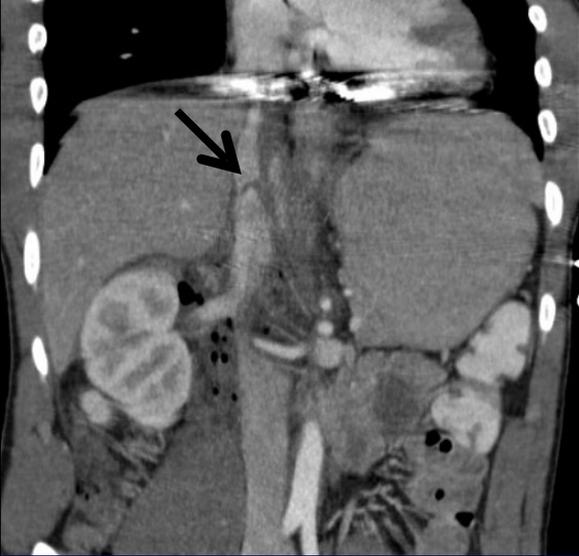
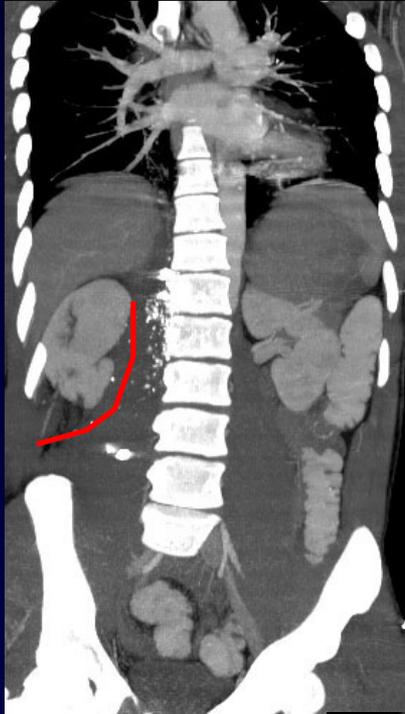
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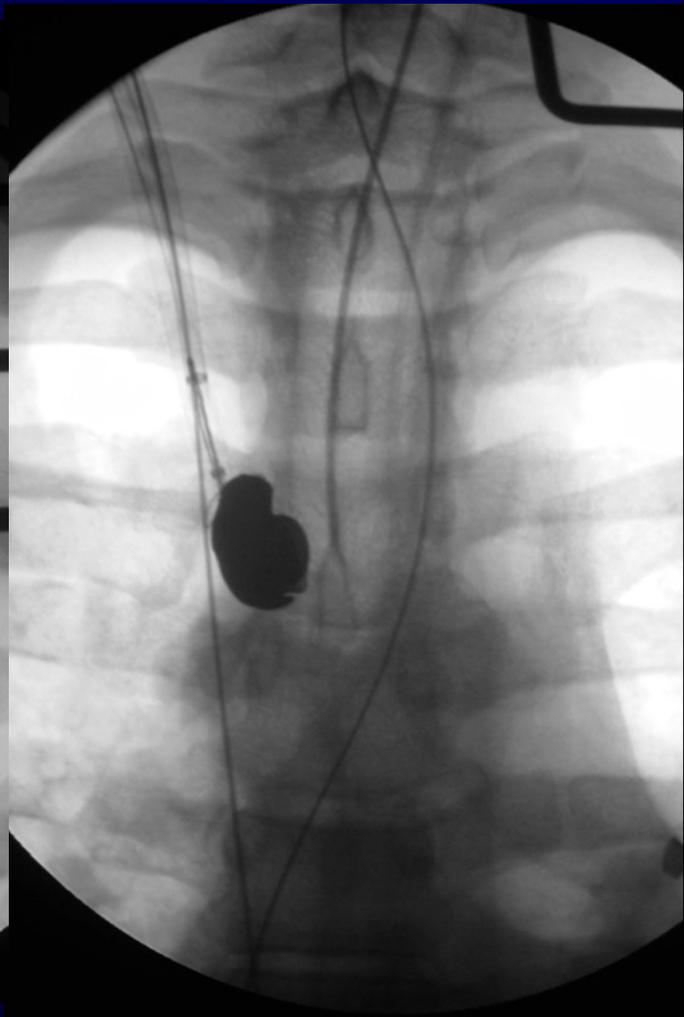
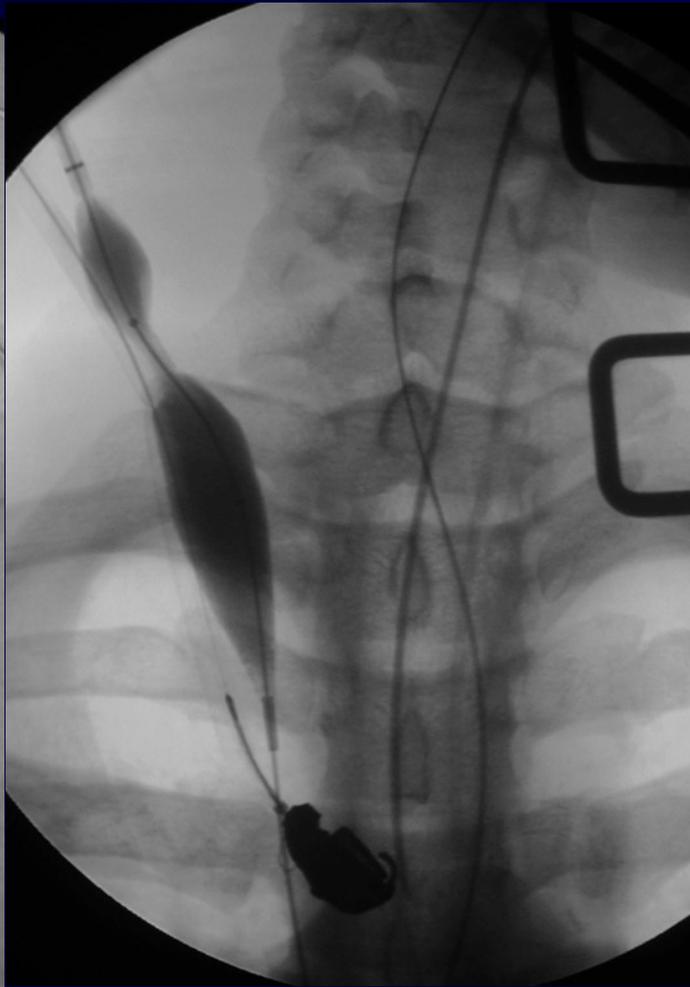
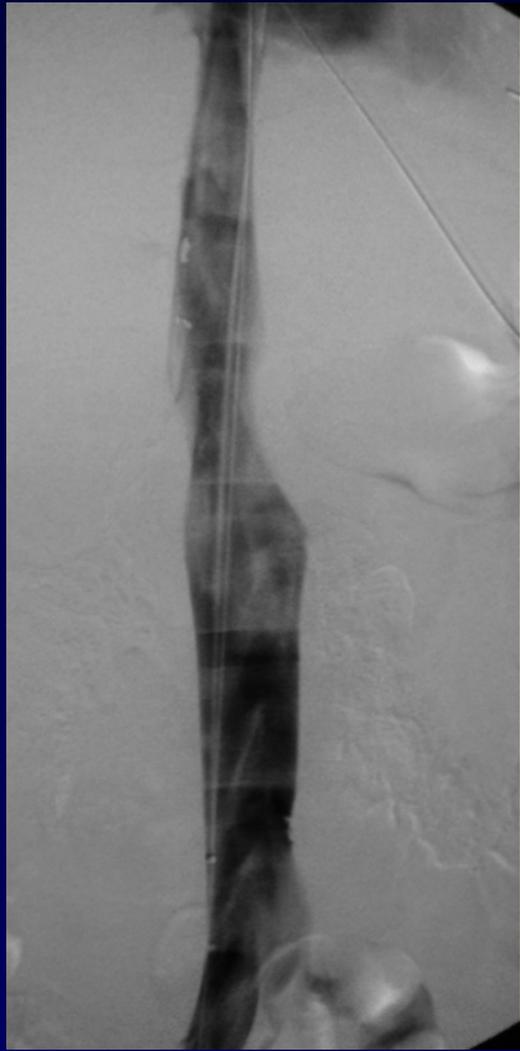
PERITONEAL VIOLATION = + CT

- Free intraperitoneal air
- Free intraperitoneal fluid
- Intraperitoneal organ injury
- Bullet or stab WT – peritoneal extension

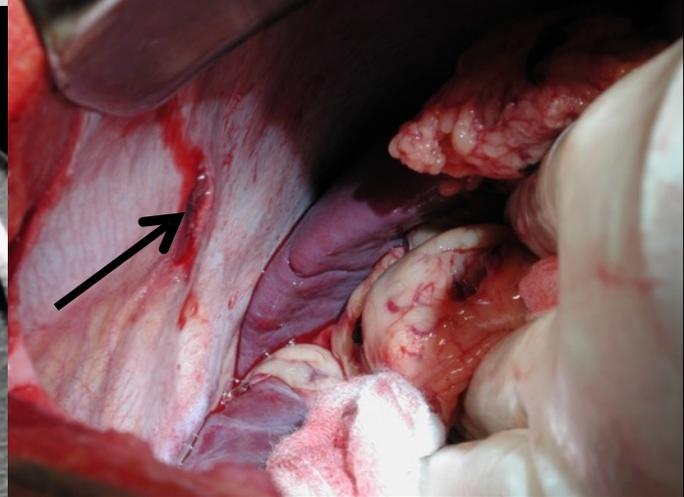
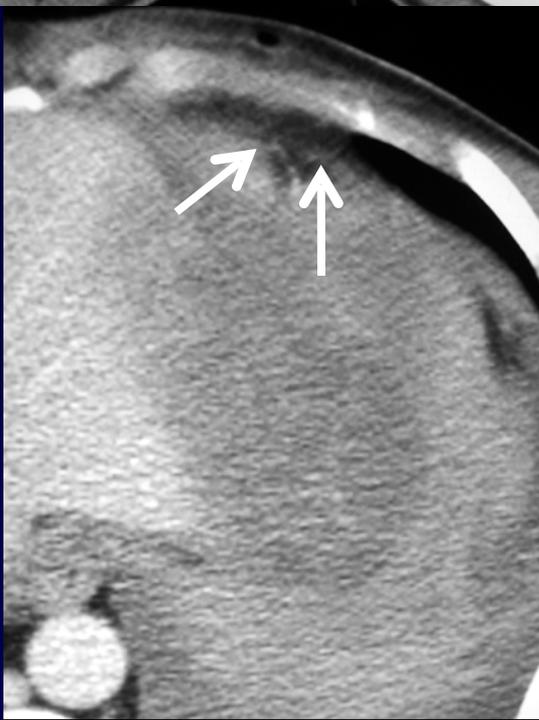
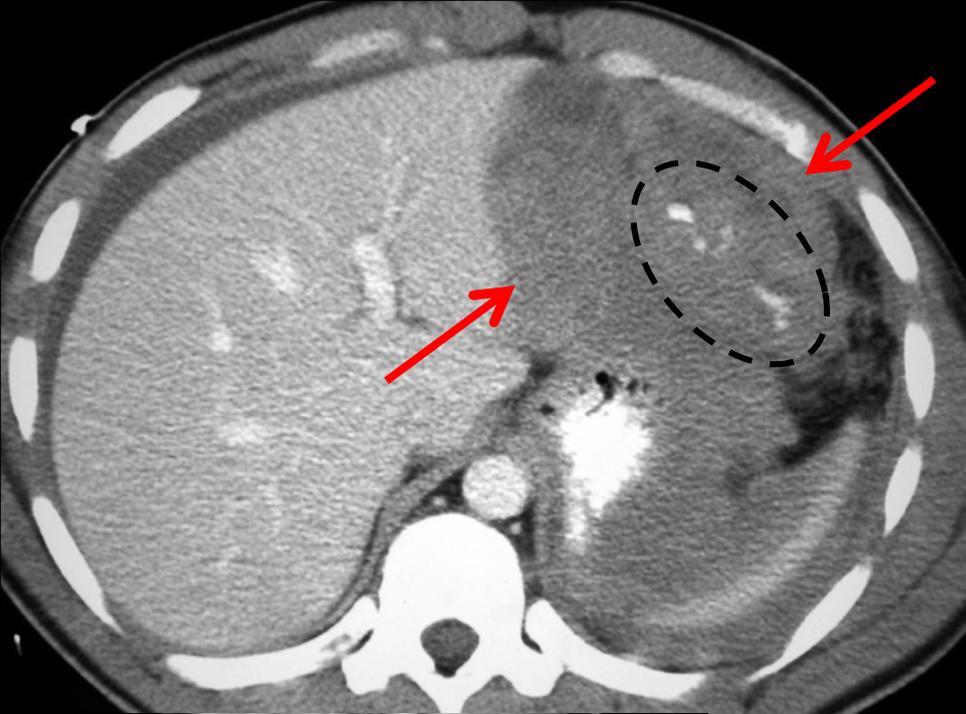


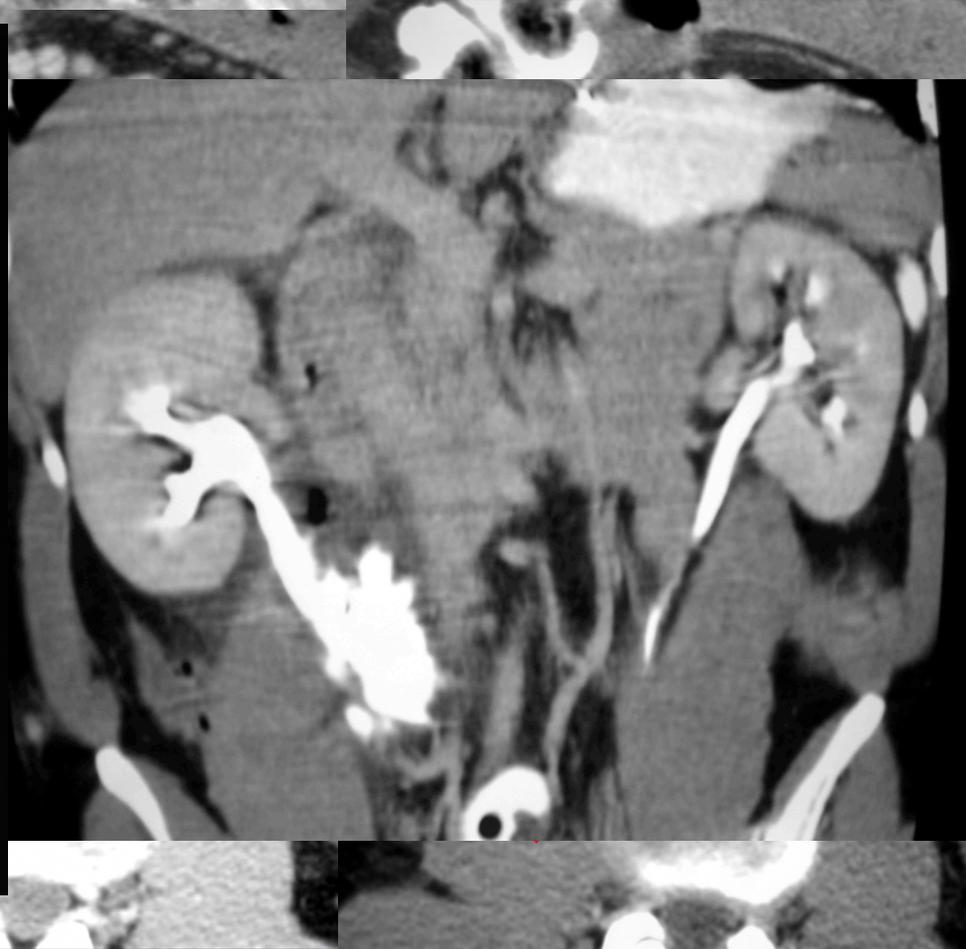
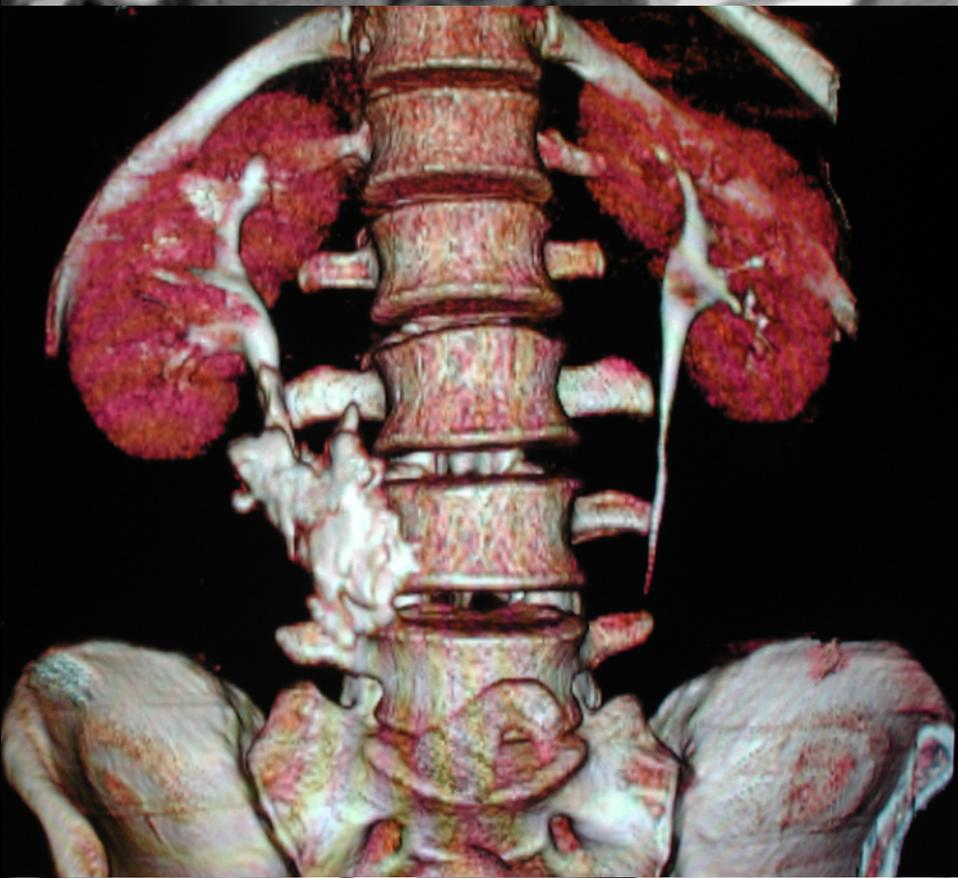
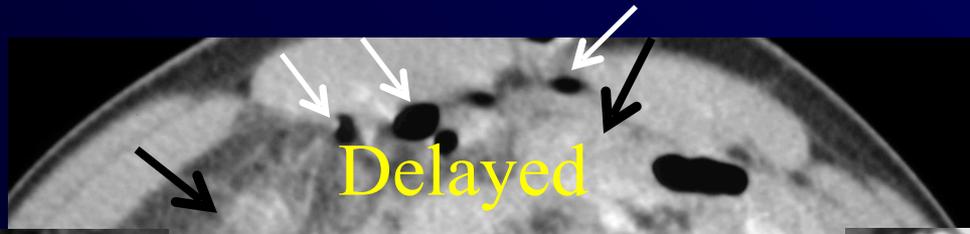












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BOWEL INJURY

- Oral or rectal contrast extravasation
- Extravasation of intestinal content
- Bowel wall thickening

TRIPLE CONTRAST SPIRAL CT IN PENETRATING TORSO TRAUMA

BOWEL INJURY

- Defect or discontinuity of bowel wall
- WT extending up to bowel

BOWEL INJURY

Blunt

Penetrating

| | SEN | SPE | SEN | SEP |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| FA | ++ | +++++ | NA | NA |
| FF | +++++ | ++ | NA | NA |
| GI-CE | + | +++++ | ++ | +++++ |
| BWT | +++ | ++ | ++++ | ++++ |

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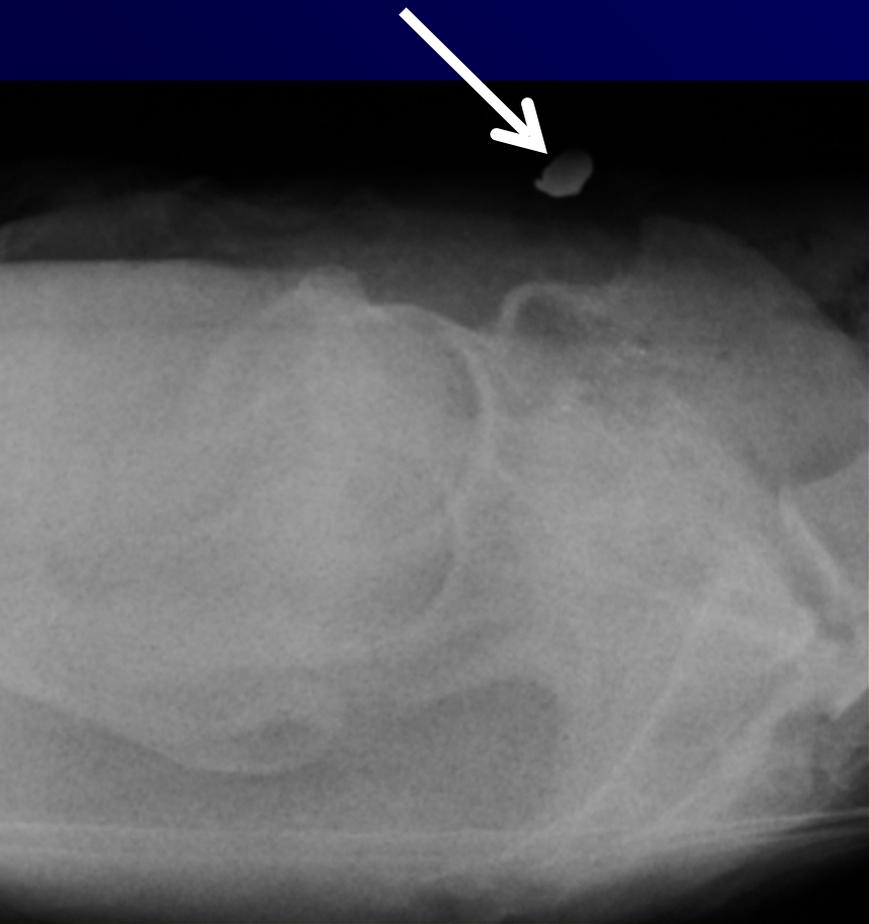
MESENTERIC INJURY

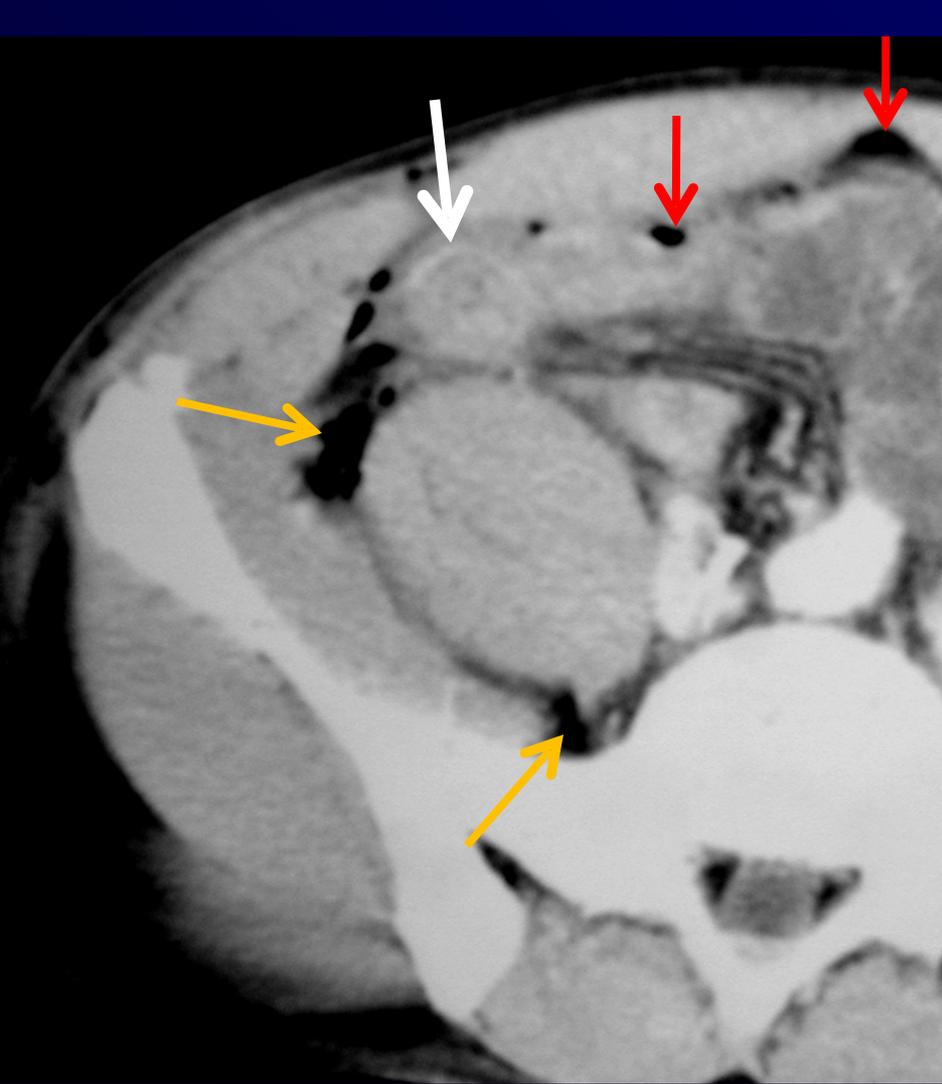
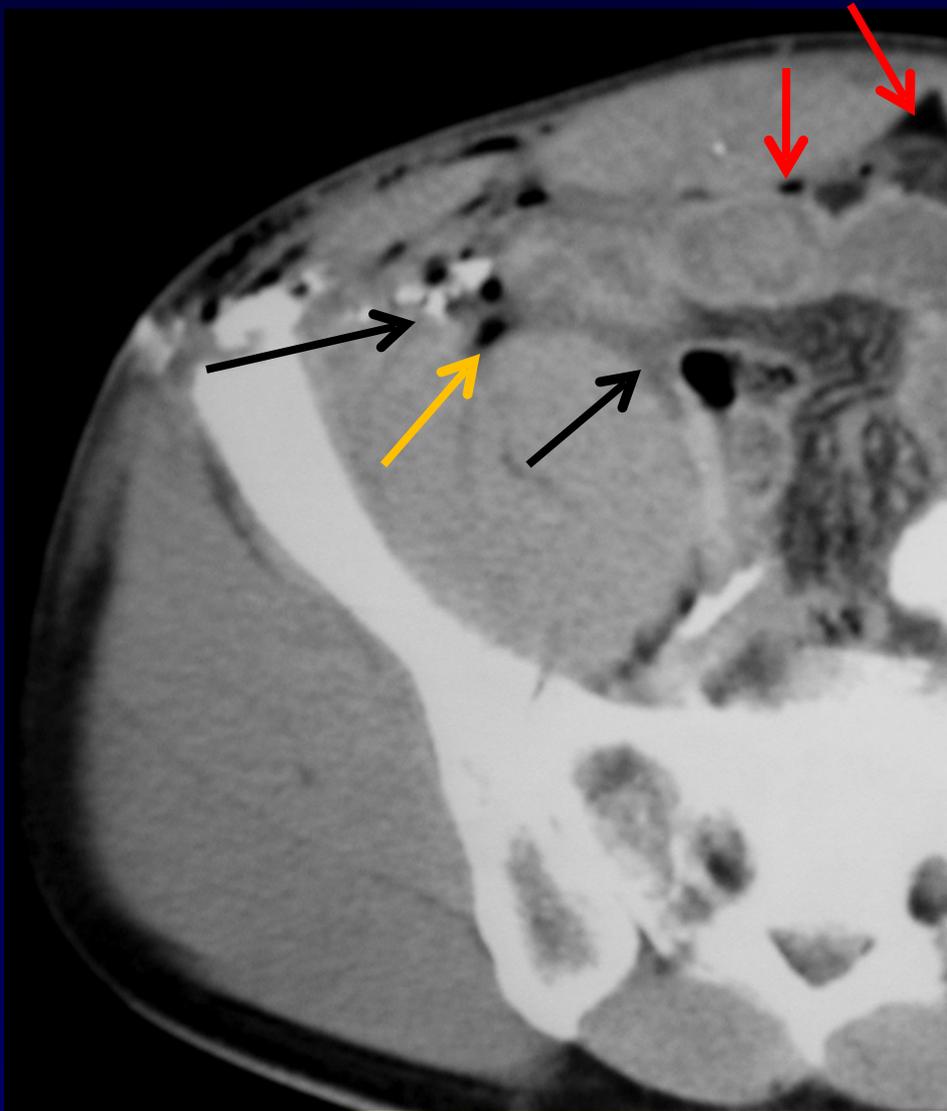
- Active bleeding - mesentery
- Focal hematoma
- Stranding or infiltration

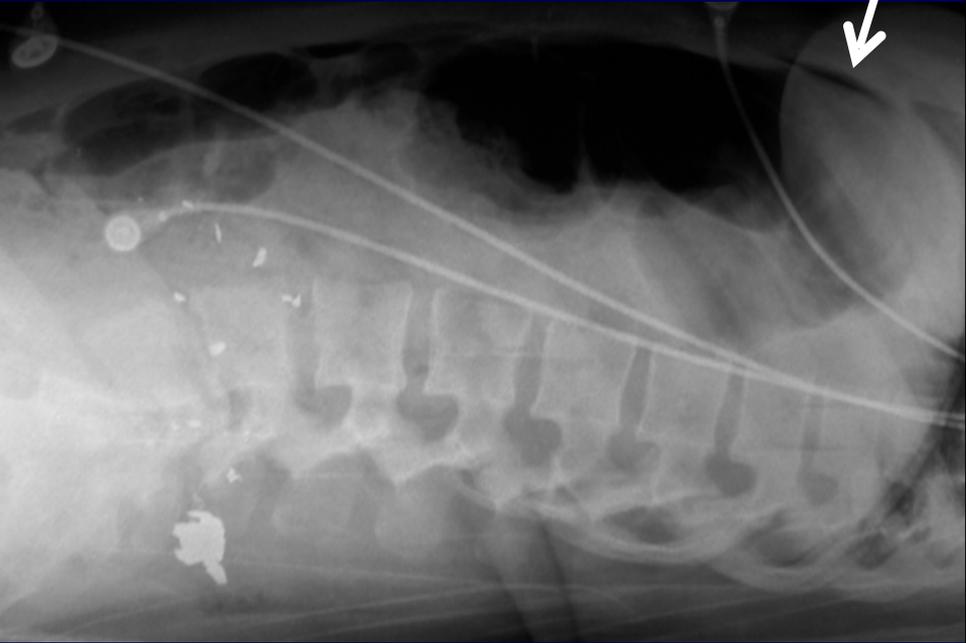
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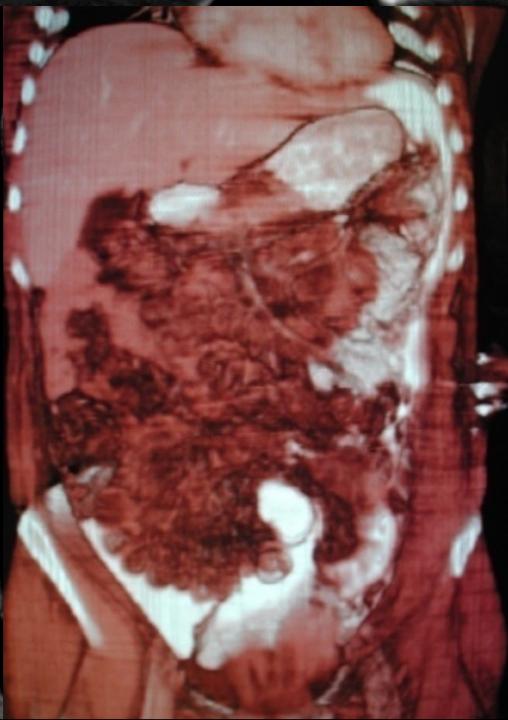
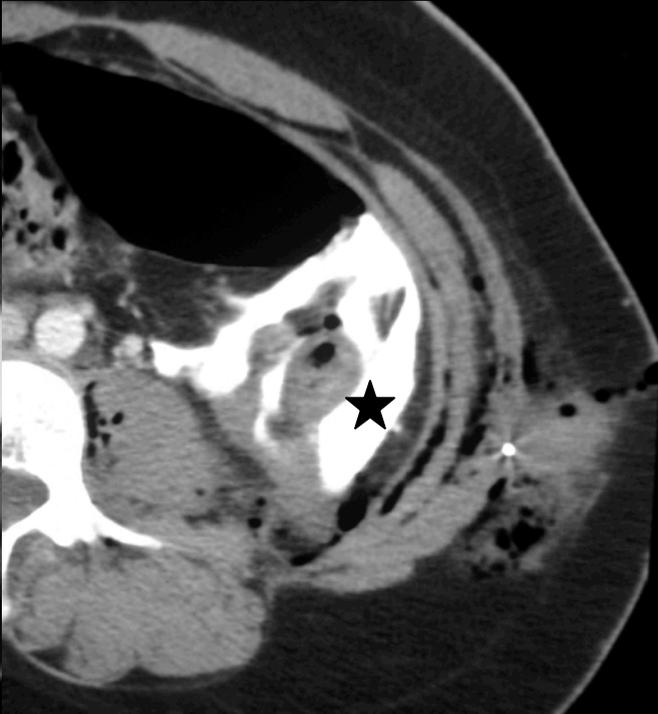
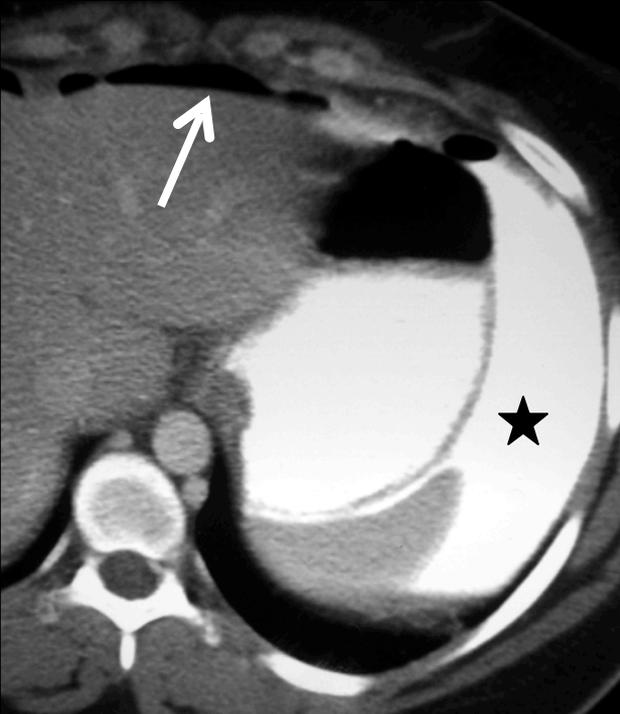
RESULTS BOWEL INJURY 26/200

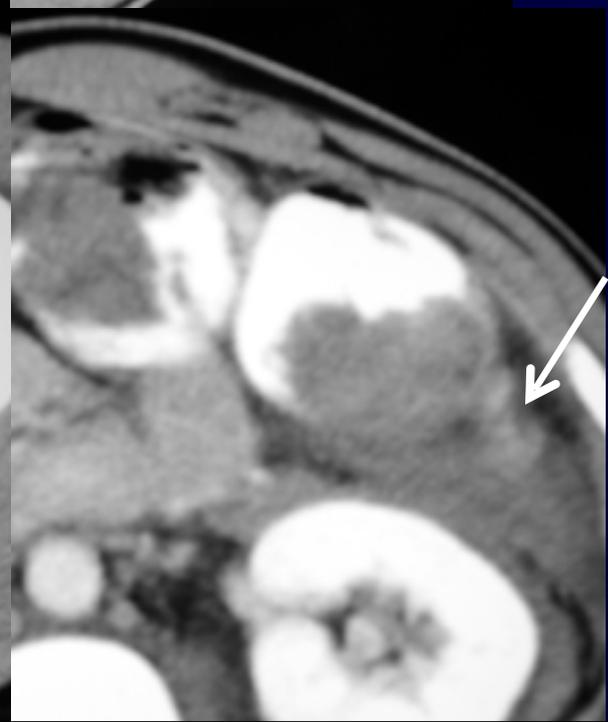
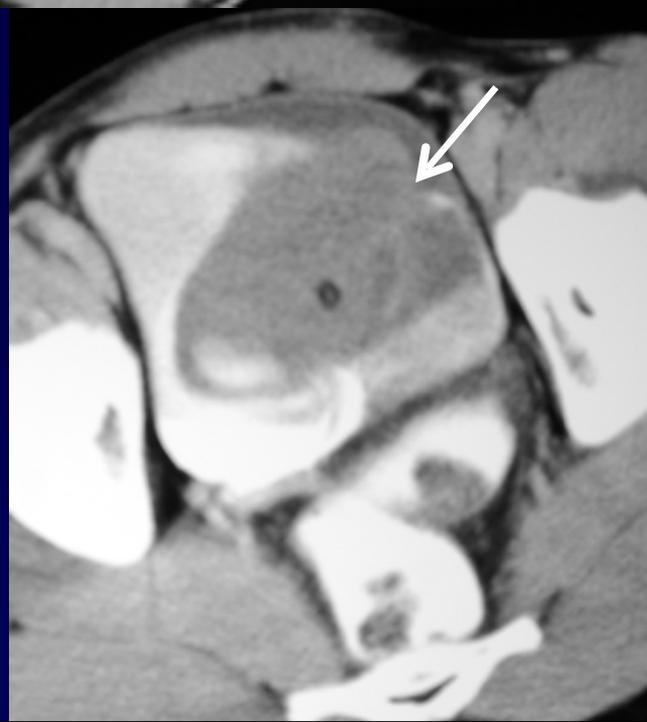
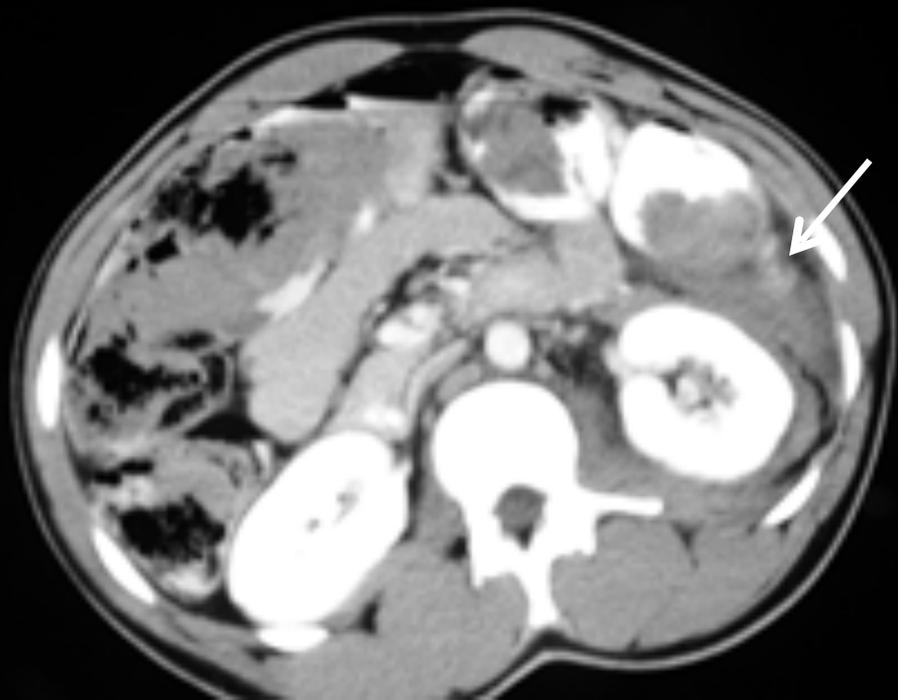
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|--------------------------------|-------|------|
| • WOUND TRACT | 20/26 | 70 % |
| • BOWEL WALL THICKENING | 11/26 | 42 % |
| • CONTRAST LEAK ORAL/RECTAL | 5/26 | 19 % |

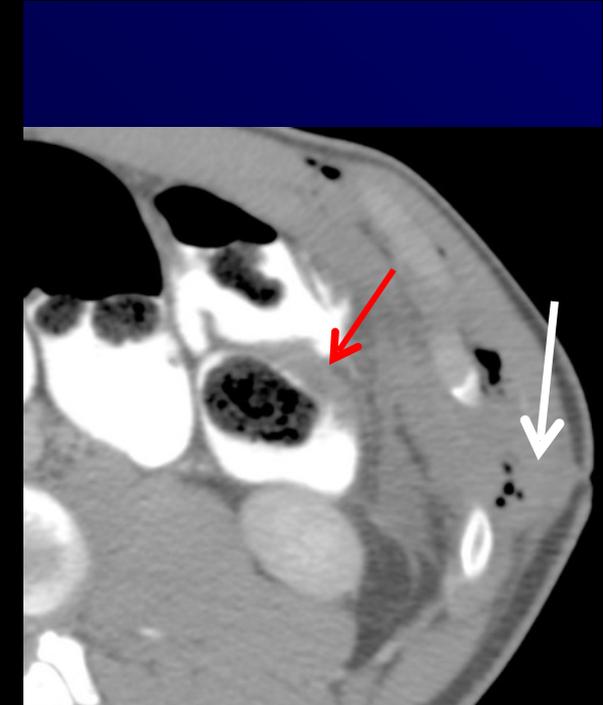
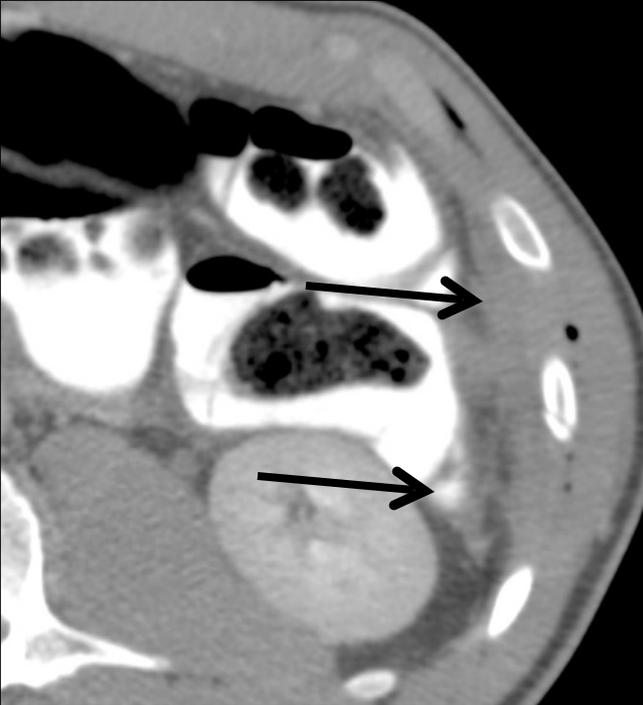


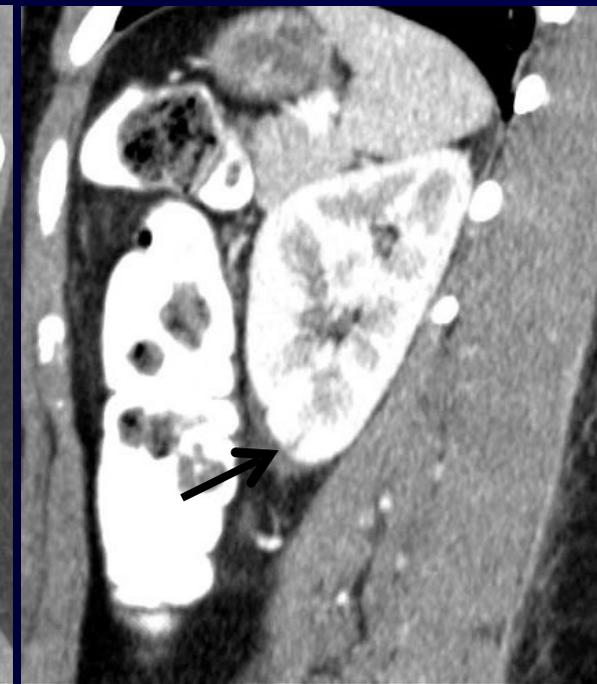
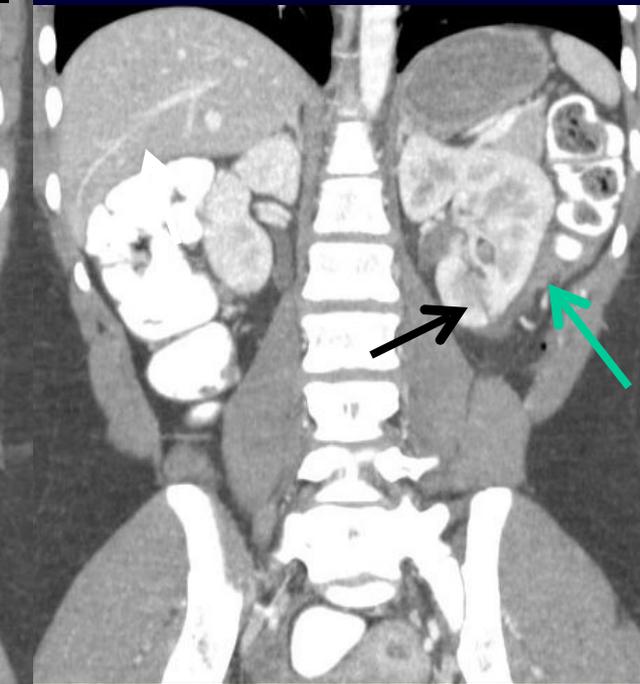
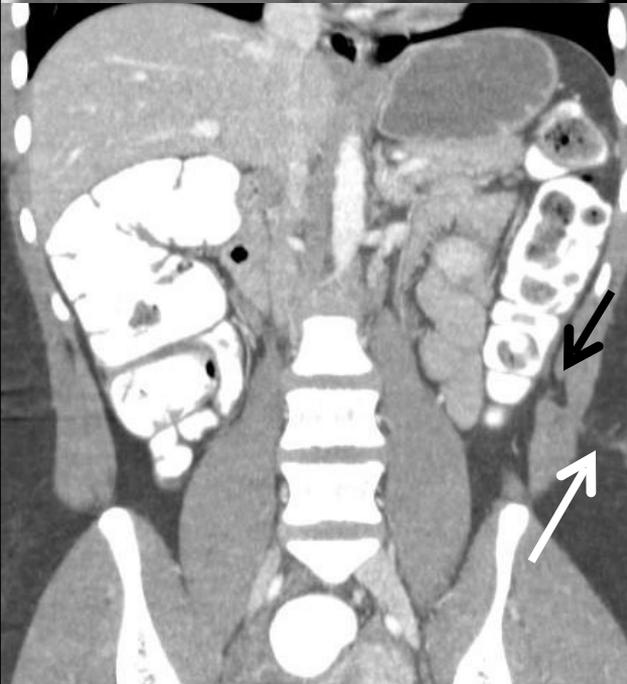


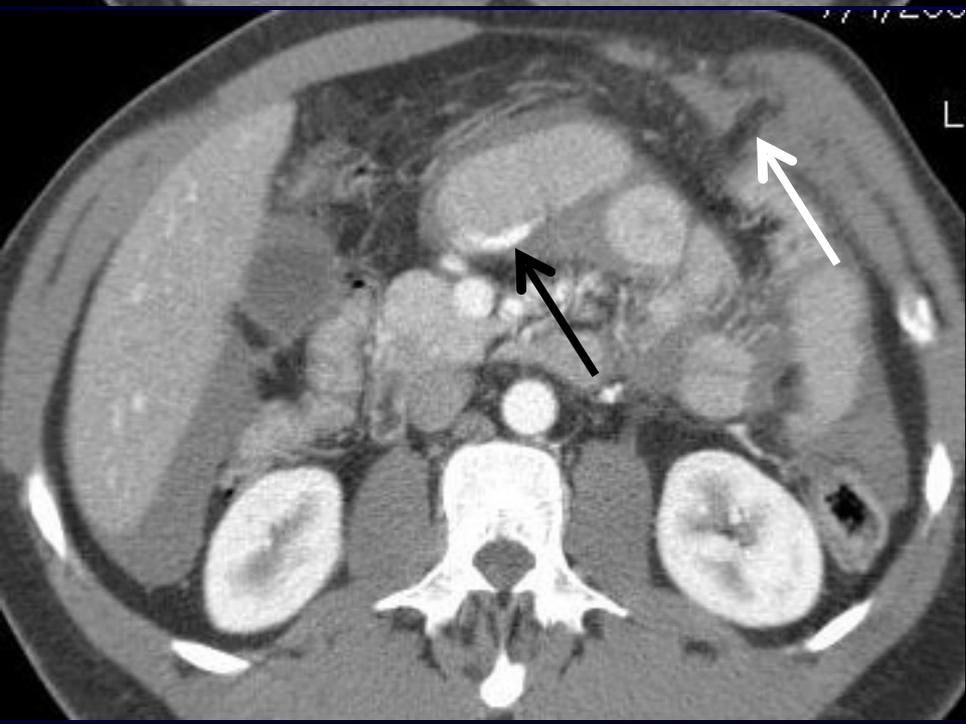
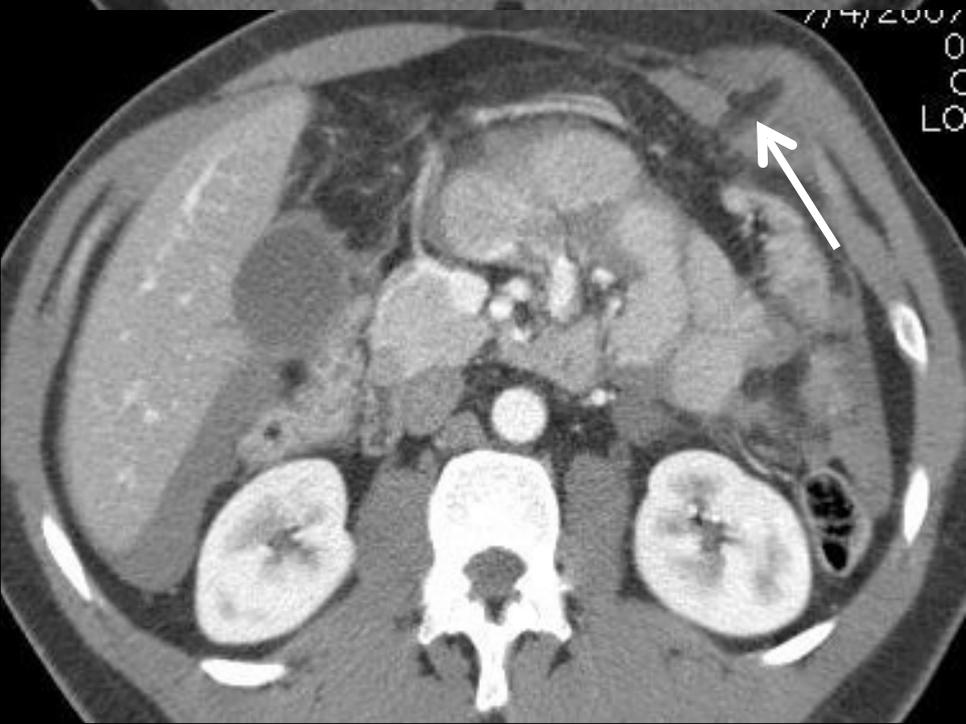
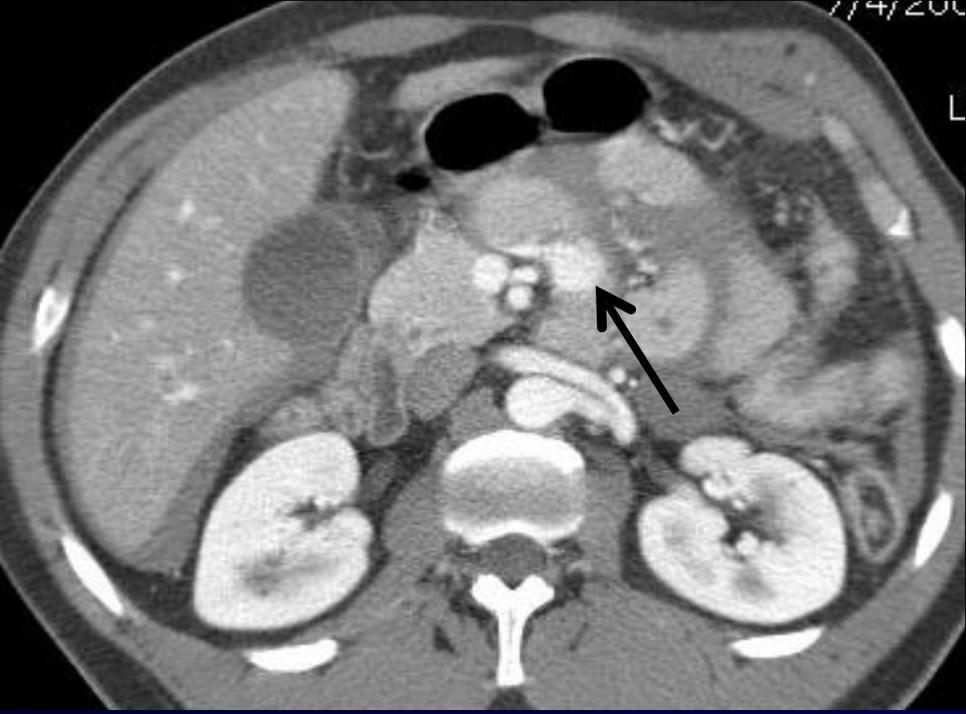
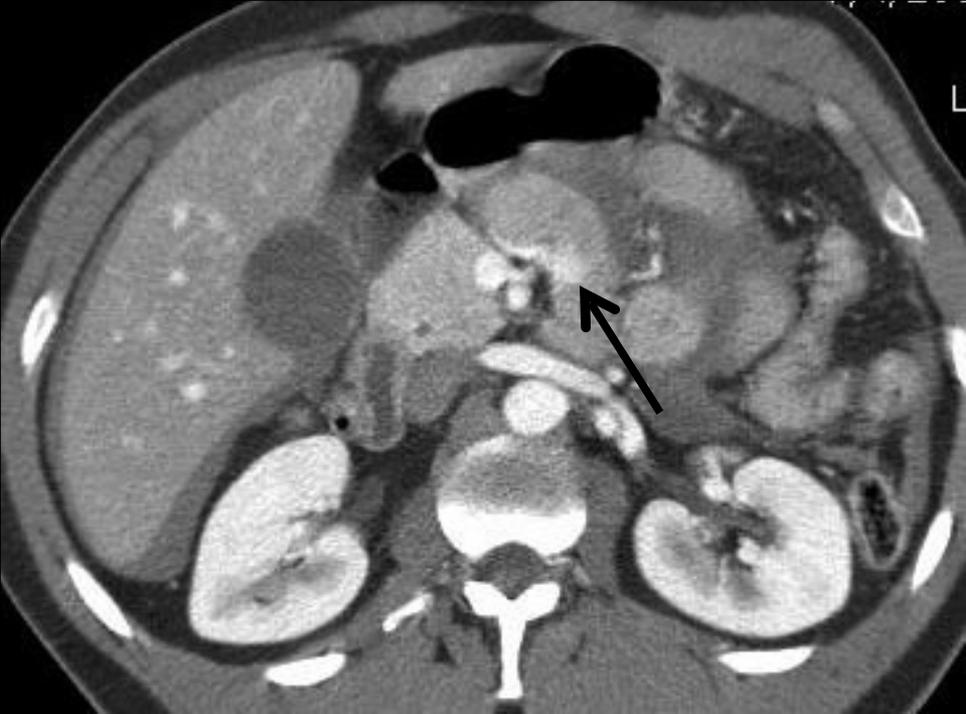


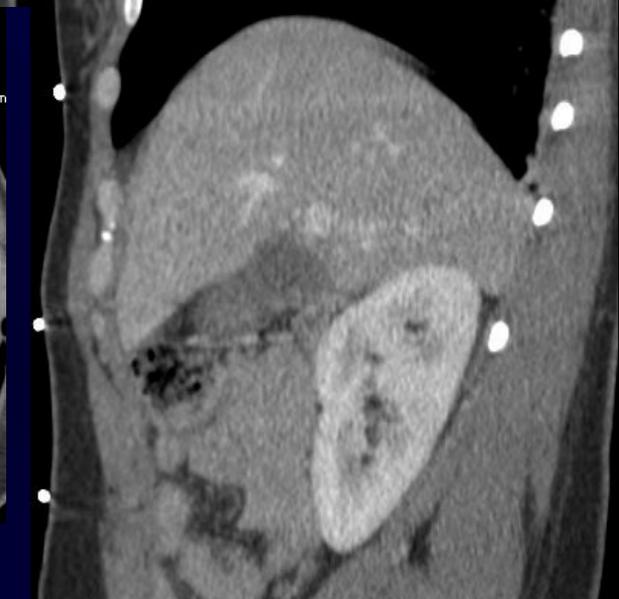
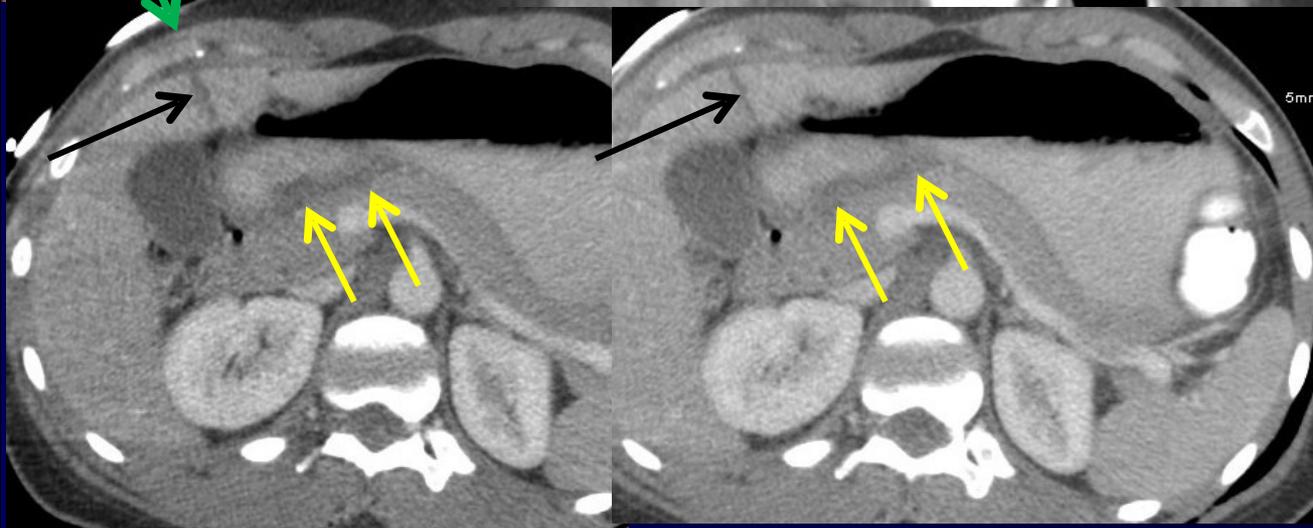
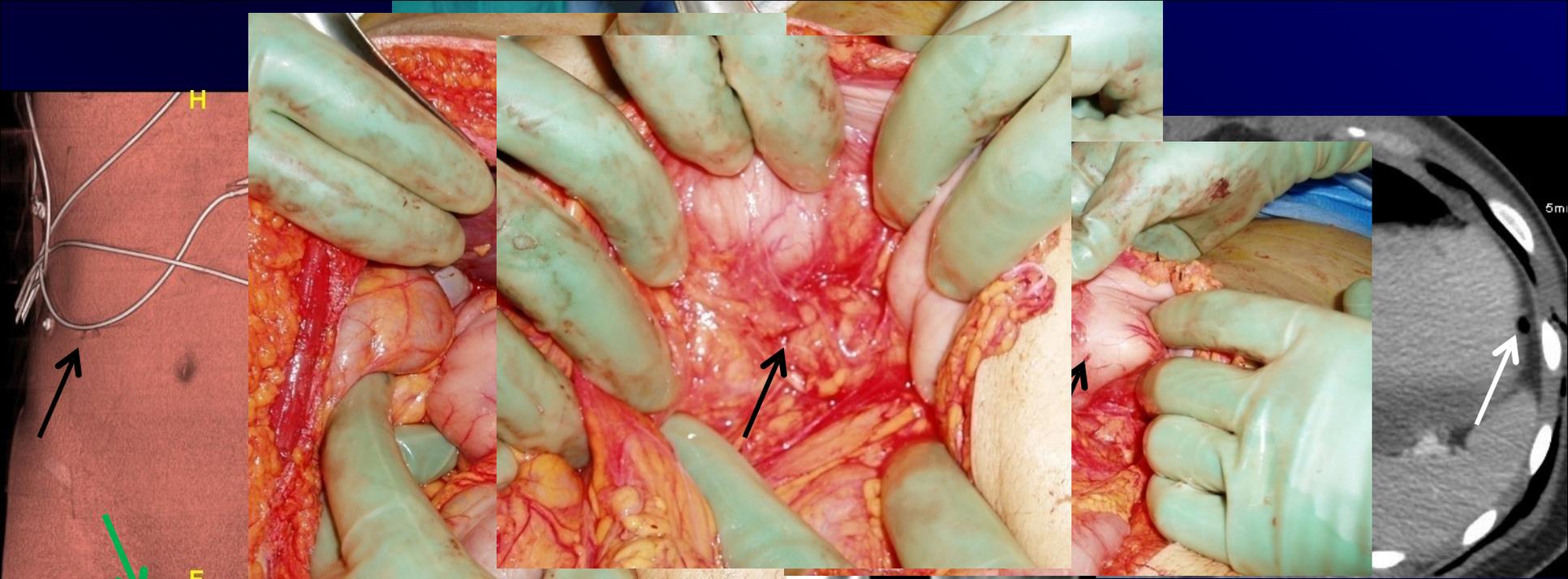


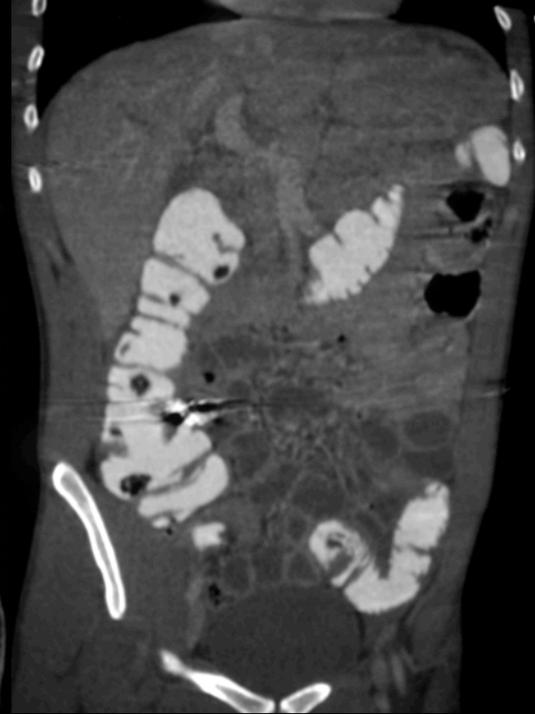
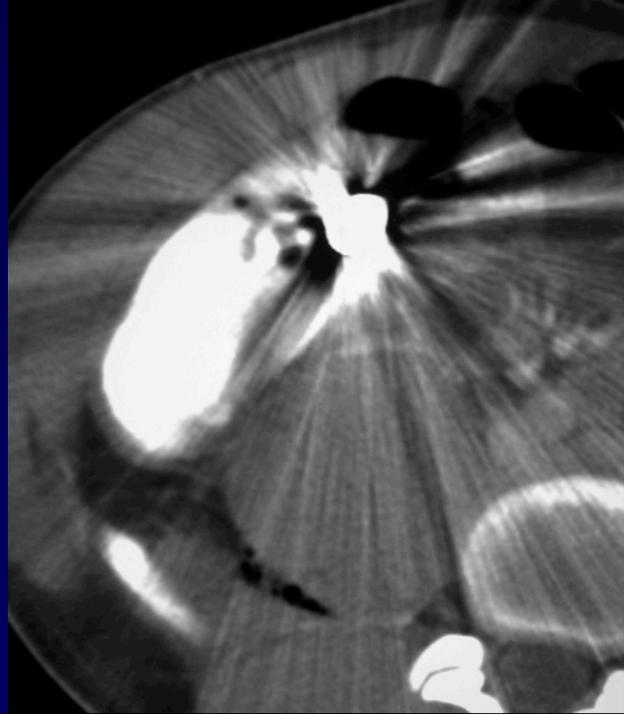
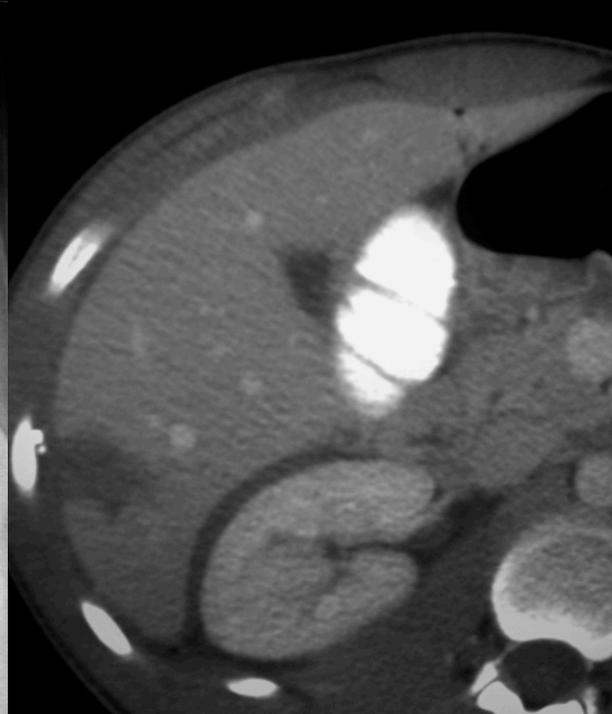
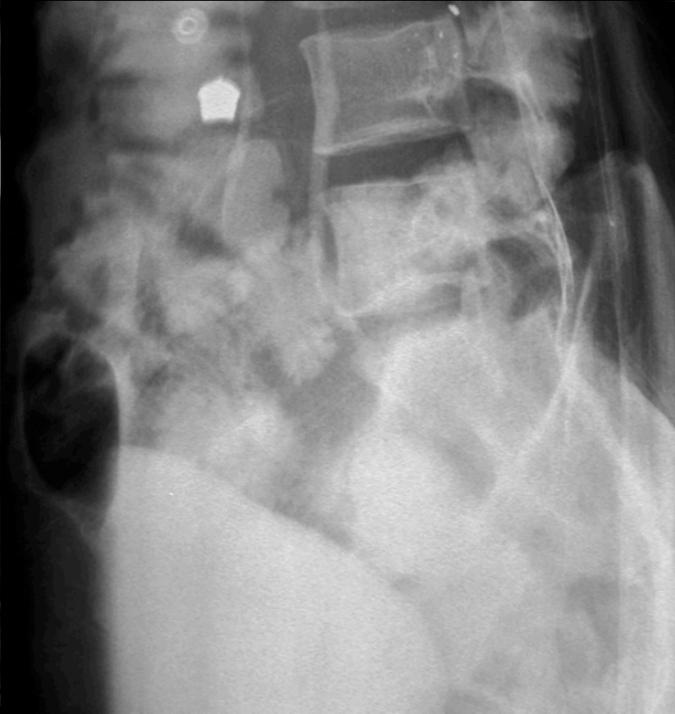


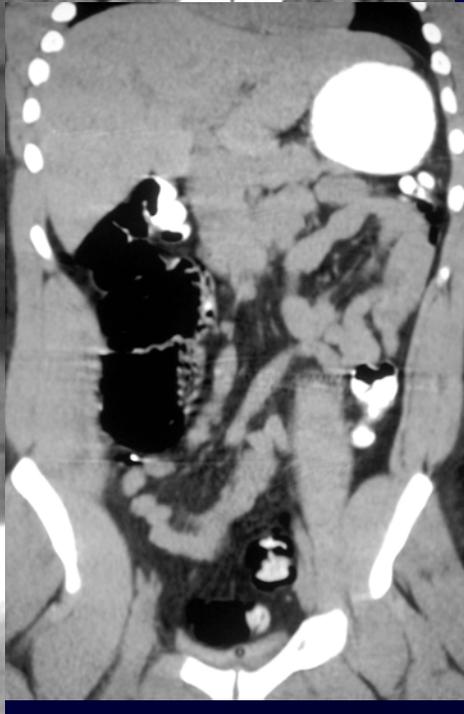
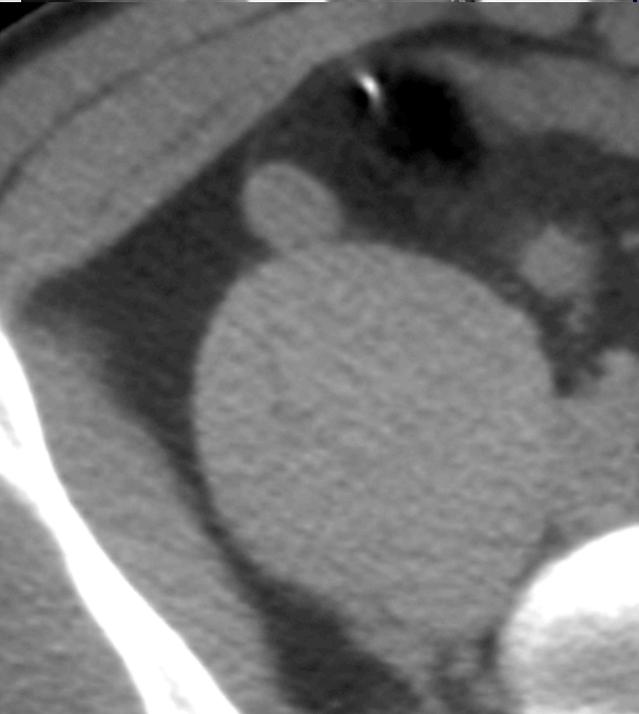
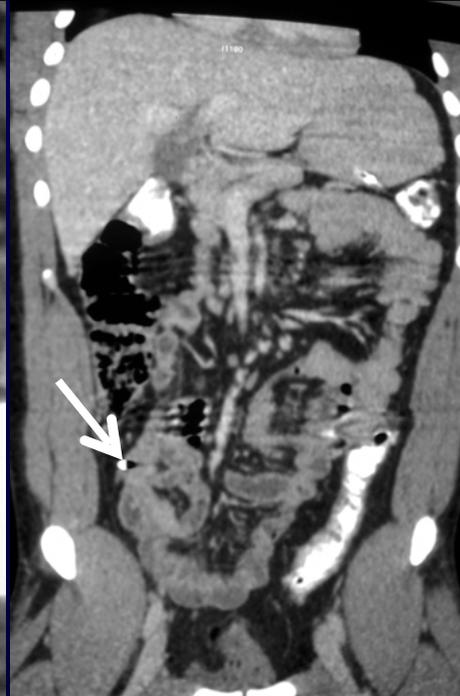


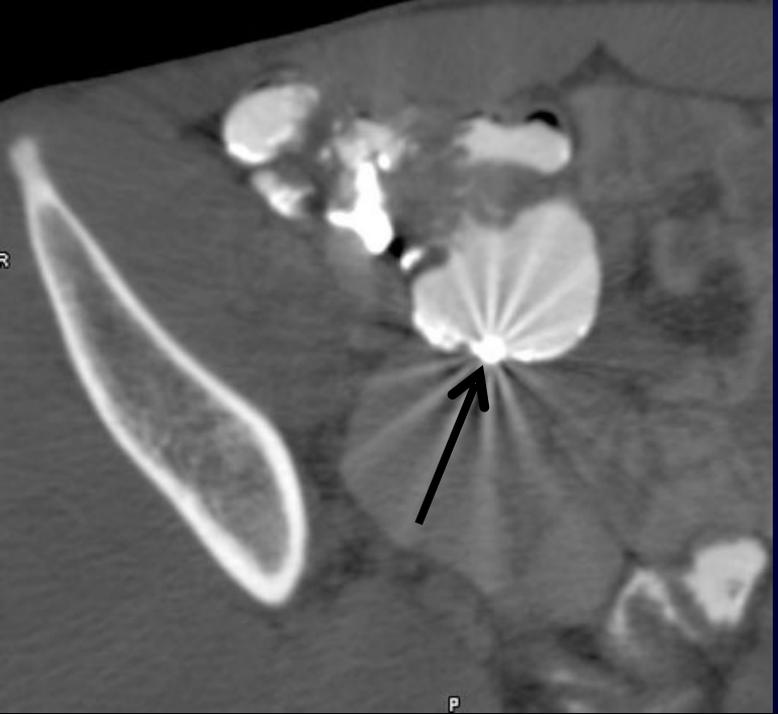












TRAUMA “WHOLE BODY” MDCT PROTOCOLS

| <i>MDCT</i> | <i>Contrast Volume</i> | <i>I₂ mg/mL</i> | <i>Rate</i> | <i>Delay</i> | <i>Detector width</i> | <i>Pitch</i> | <i>Rotation time</i> | <i>Bolus * Pro</i> |
|---|------------------------|----------------------------|--|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| <i>16- slice</i> | 150 mL | 300 mg/mL N.Saline | 90ml – 6mL/sec 60ml – 4mL/sec 50ml – 5mL/sec | Bolus pro 90 HU | 0.75 mm | 0.938 | 0.5 sec | Ascending Aorta |
| <i>40 & 64-slice < 50 yrs</i> | 100 mL | 350 mg/mL N.Saline | 50ml – 6mL/sec 50ml – 4mL/sec 50ml - 5mL/sec | 18 sec | 0.625 mm | 0.976 | 0.5 sec | Nil |
| <i>40 & 64 -slice > 50 yrs</i> | 100 mL | 350 mg/mL N.Saline | 50ml – 6mL/sec 50ml – 4mL/sec 50ml - 5mL/sec | Bolus pro 90 HU | 0.625 mm | 0.976 | 0.5 sec | Ascending Aorta |

