Incidental Detection Of A Scrotal Hernia On FDG PET

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Abstract

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Figure 1

Figure 1: Anterior and lateral whole body projection images of FDG PET study performed on Philips Allegro PET camera demonstrated tubular FDG uptake in the right lower abdomen extending into the right hemiscrotum (solid arrow). Clinical examination confirmed a large scrotal hernia on the right. Focal areas of abnormally increased FDG accumulation were demonstrated in the right lung and the right upper abdomen (white arrows) consistent with metastatic melanoma,,,,,,



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