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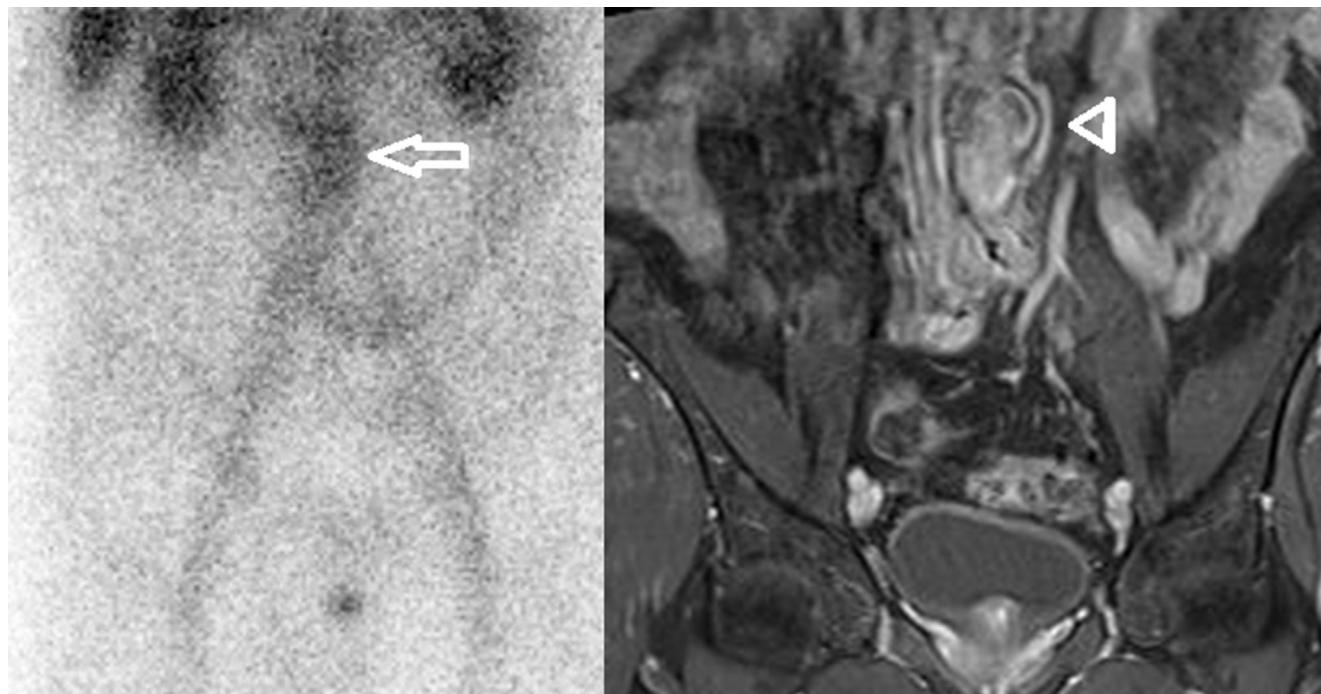
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Fever of Unknown Origin due to a Mycotic Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm First Diagnosed with Bone $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ Scintigraphy

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A 62 year old male, with fever of unknown origin, lumbar pain, weight loss, anaemia, and elevated C-reactive protein/erythrocyte sedimentation rate (CRP/ESR) levels, had bone $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ scintigraphy revealing increased $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ uptake in the infrarenal aorta (A, arrow). Lumbar magnetic resonance imaging scanning (sagittal short-T1 inversion recovery sequence [STIR], T1WI, T2WI, and post intravenous (IV) gadolinium T1WI with fat suppression) showed a 3.8 cm eccentric aneurysm with irregular borders and irregular wall enhancement (B, arrowhead) suggesting a mycotic aneurysm. The aneurysm was repaired with an omentally wrapped PTFE graft. Antibiotics were given for 2 weeks pre-operatively and 6 weeks post-operatively. Tissue cultures were negative. At three month follow up there were no signs of infection.

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