Clinical Image

Endobronchial Chondroma: An Unusual Case of Bronchial Obstruction

Condroma endobronquial: un caso atípico de obstrucción bronquial

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Endobronchial chondromas are rare benign tumors. They are often diagnosed late, because of their slow growth and unspecific symptoms, and can be misdiagnosed as malignancies. Many treatment options, ranging from endobronchial techniques (argon plasma coagulation, YAG laser, etc.) to surgical resection, are available. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first report of the use of cryotherapy during flexible bronchoscopy for the removal of an endobronchial chondroma.

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Fig. 1. Bronchoscopy image of a moruloid, highly vascularized, pink tumor (A), resected to reveal a hard popcorn-like mass (B), unobstructed left upper bronchus and normal bronchial mucosa at the site of resection (C).