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A 35-year-old man with the complaint of back pain was admitted to our emergency department. The pain was radiating to axillary region. There was varicose dilatation of lower extremity in his medical history. He had an operation of endovascular varicose laser ablation (EVLA) 15 days ago. His blood laboratory analysis was unremarkable. Chest x-ray revealed a foreign body on the right-side (Figure 1). Guidewire was removed by percutaneous intervention. Discussion: Guide wire migration is a rare condition. We have seen a few similar situations have been observed in the literature [1-3]. But there is no case occurred after EVLA. Guide wire can be removed by open surgery or via percutaneous intervention [3]. Percutaneous removal should be the first choice in the management of intravascular foreign bodies and should be performed as soon as the diagnosis is made, although retrieval should still be attempted several months or years after the event, because late complications may appear.

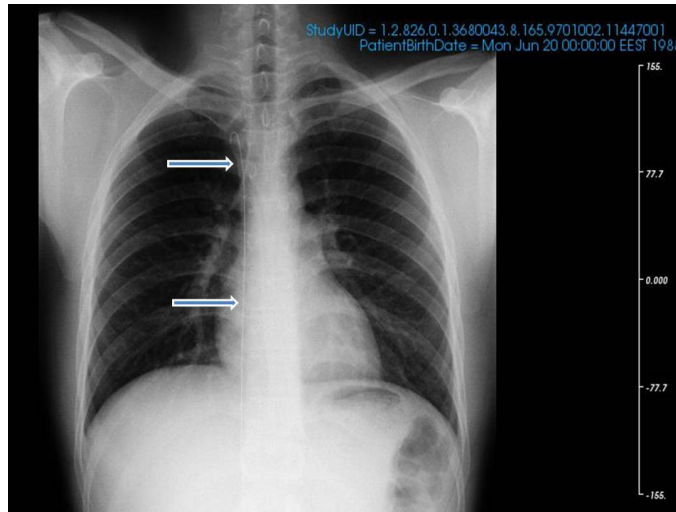


Figure 1. Guidewire in the right lung

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