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Laparoscopic cholecystectomy for giant gall stone

Abstract:

Cholelithiasis (gallstones) is the commonest biliary pathology in most of the Westernized societies. Gallstones larger than 5 cm in diameter are referred to as "giant gallstones." Only a small number of giant gallstones have been described in the literature, and they are rarely encountered. Laparoscopic cholecystectomy (LC) has become the gold standard for the treatment of symptomatic gallstones but it is very challenging to remove giant gallstones by LC especially in the emergency situations like acute cholecystitis. In this case report, One such 47-year-old male with a giant gallstone measuring 8.7 cm x 4.2 cm x 3.4 cm was safely and successfully managed laparoscopically in emergency settings and is presented due to its rarity.

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