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SUBCUTANEOUS EMPHYSEMA AND PNEUMOMEDIASTINUM SECONDARY TO H1N1 PNEUMONIA IN SAUDI CHILDREN: 2 CASE REPORTS

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Spontaneous Pneumomediastinum (SPM) is an innocuous condition in children, which usually responds to supportive therapy. The incidence of H1N1 Influenza A infection in children is exceedingly rare and may culminates into spontaneous pneumomediastinum and subcutaneous emphysema. The association of H1N1 viral infection with air leak syndromes such as pneumomediastinum and subcutaneous emphysema has been reported from various centers. We came across with two such cases in our hospital and with a timely diagnosis and appropriate treatment, both were able to recover with an excellent outcome and without any significant complications.

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