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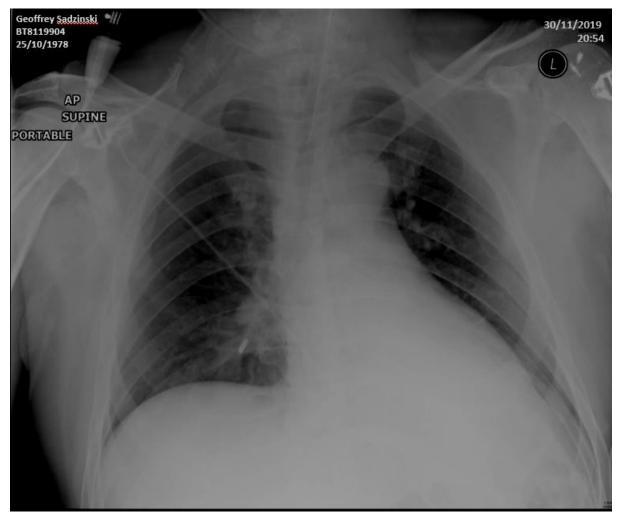
### **FFICM OSCE Example Questions**

<b>Question Number</b>	ICM OSCE Example 3
Question Title	Radiology

#### Candidate instructions:

This is a clinical question that includes interpretation of imaging. You will be shown imaging from 3 patients.

1. This chest X-ray taken in the ED resuscitation area is from a 41-year-old front seat passenger following chest trauma after a motor vehicle accident. Please report this CXR.



Examiner	er Show the candidate Image A.	
Marking	Comment on patient ID, date/time of image (both required for	
Guide	mark)	
	Comment on orientation/quality of image (all for mark)	
	Left lower zone opacification (accept loss of left	
	hemidiaphragm)	
	Nasogastric tube in right main bronchus (accept 'radio-opaque)	
	NG tip in right lung' or similar)	

2. What are the possible reasons for the loss of the left hemidiaphragm in this patient?

Examiner	
Marking	Left lower lobe collapse
guide	Left pleural effusion or consolidation (accept either)
	Ruptured diaphragm

3. This image is from an abdominal CT scan of a patient who has been ventilated for pneumonia, and who has not opened his bowels for 10 days. He is otherwise stable. What are the significant abnormalities?

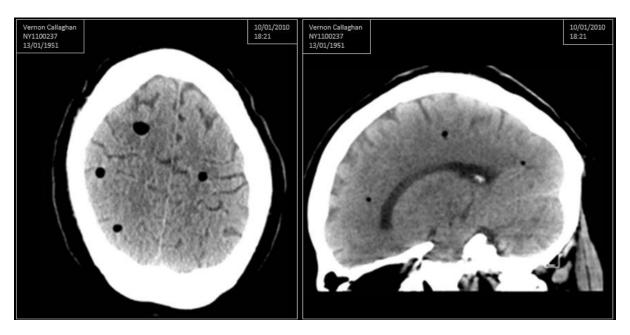


Examiner	Show the candidate Image B.
Marking	Dilated large bowel/colon
guide	Air in the bowel wall

### 4. There is air in the bowel wall. What might cause this?

Examiner	
Marking	Bowel ischaemia/infarction (accept either)
guide	<ul> <li>Inflammatory conditions (accept ulcerative colitis, Crohn's disease, diverticulitis)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Infective colitis (accept C Difficile or other common cause of infective colitis)</li> </ul>

# 5. What is the main abnormality on these 2 CT brain images from a 56-year-old inpatient with onset of seizures?

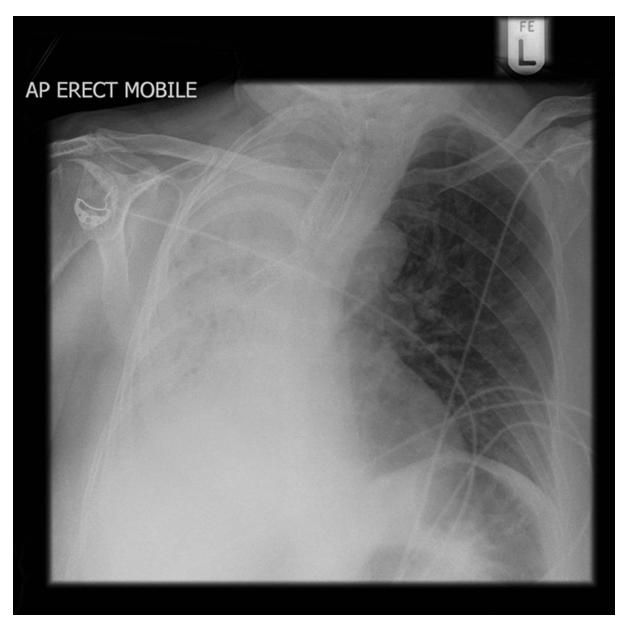


Examiner	iner Show the candidate Image C.	
Marking	Pneumocephalus (air in the brain)	
guide		

# 6. The CT shows pneumocephalus (air in the brain). In general, what are the causes of pneumocephalus?

Examiner	1 mark per cause, max 3 marks
Marking	Head injury from trauma
guide	Recent neurosurgery/instrumentation of the brain
	Air embolism (e.g. from vascular access)
	<ul> <li>Intracranial infection (accept meningitis or ventriculitis or complication of otitis media/sinusitis)</li> </ul>
	Malignancy (e.g. accept tumour eroding skull base)

7. This is the CXR of a 72-year-old woman admitted acutely with worsening breathlessness. Please describe the main abnormalities.



Examin	er	Show the candidate Image D
Marking	)	Stents in trachea and right main bronchus (both for mark)
guide		Right lung collapse

8. This patient underwent stenting of the trachea and right main bronchus for lung cancer 4 weeks ago. What are the possible causes of right lung collapse seen on this CXR?

Examiner	1 mark per cause, max 2 marks
Marking	Sputum plugging causing obstruction
guide	Recurrence of tumour within the stent
	Stent migration/malposition

NB: Any patient names and details used in these examples are fictitious.