

Re-Expansion Pulmonary Edema

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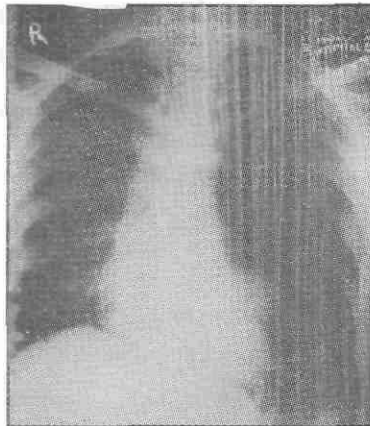


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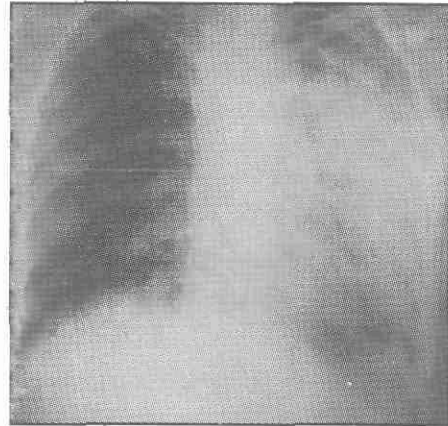


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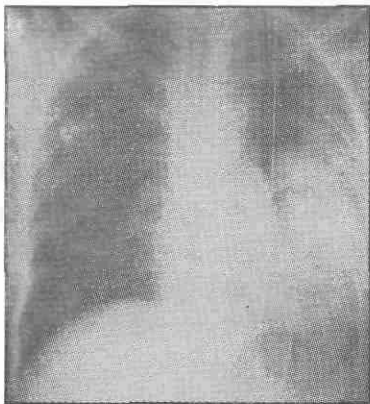


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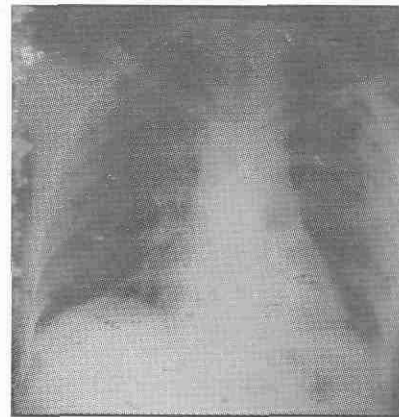


Fig. 4

A 35 year old male was admitted to the department of medicine, with history of pleuritic type of pain on left side of chest and breathlessness of one day duration. He had clinical and radiological evidence of pneumothorax on left side (figure 1). He was managed with intercostal tube drainage immediately after diagnosis was made.

The chest radiograph after placement of the tube revealed lung expansion with fluffy infiltrates on the left side (figure 2). The radiograph was repeated after six hours, it showed partial clearance of the infiltrates (figure 3), where as twelve hours later the infiltrates showed complete clearance (figure 4) and afterwards chest tube was removed after full expansion and observation for next two days.