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A Superinfected Pulmonary Valve Myxoma

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From the Division of Cardiology, Department of Medicine, Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, Torrance, California. Manuscript received January 26, 2010, accepted February 12, 2010. 58-year-old Latino man with heavy alcohol use presented to the emergency room with 1 month's worth of weakness, fevers, chills, weight loss, and murmur. Blood cultures grew alpha-gram positive cocci in clusters. A 2- and 3-dimensional transesophageal echocardiogram revealed a large 3.2×4.0 -cm echo density (arrows) attached to the pulmonic valve and annulus (A and B, Online Videos 1 and 2). The mass caused a moderate systolic obstruction and prolapsed into the right ventricular outflow tract during diastole as confirmed by cardiac catheterization (C and D, Online Video 3). The blood cultures later grew *Abiotrophia* nutritional variant streptococci. The patient underwent surgical excision of the mass (E) and had a pulmonary valve replacement with a 27-mm Epic tissue valve (St. Jude Medical, St. Paul, Minnesota). Pathological analysis revealed a cardiac myxoma with colonization of gram-positive cocci (F to I). The patient had no complications. This is an extremely rare case of myxoma in the right-sided valves, especially with concurrent bacteremia and superinfection.