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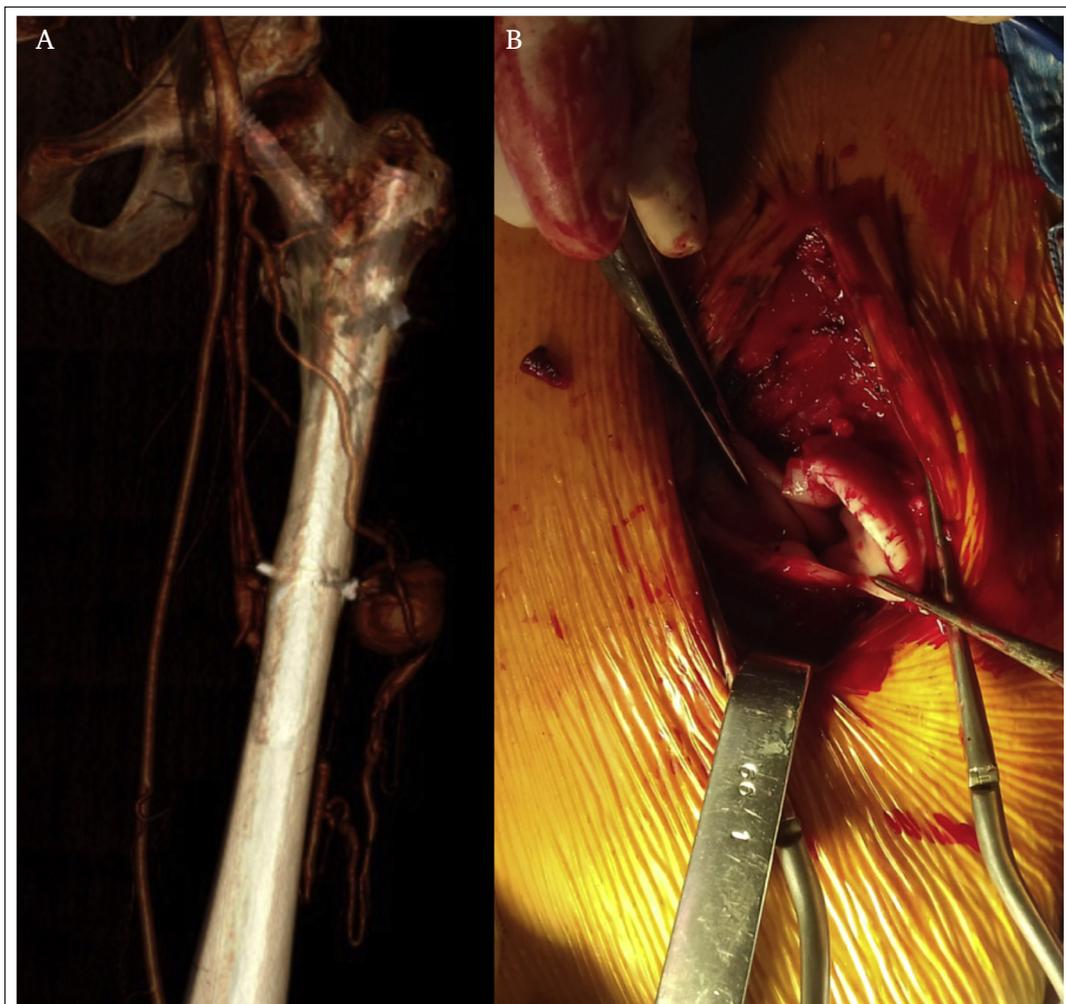
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False Aneurysm After Gamma-nail Surgery: A Rare Complication

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The case of a 29 year old patient who underwent a gamma nail (Stryker, Portage, MI, USA) procedure is reported. Four months after surgery, he presented with a pulsatile mass in the left thigh. Computed tomography angiography showed a 44 mm false aneurysm of a muscular branch of the profunda femoris artery supplying the vastus lateralis, probably due to traumatic injury by the distal screw (A). Open surgical repair was carried out (rather than embolisation, based on patient choice) with proximal and distal ligation to control the false aneurysm which was evacuated (B), and the damaged arterial segment oversewn. The patient was discharged on Day 1.

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