

## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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#### **SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS**

When acute, an BPF can be life-threatening due to tension pneumothorax or asphyxiation from pulmonary flooding , kindly add chest X-ray at the time of diagnosis of BEF. This line needs explanation mentioning about the volume (ml) of output leading to massive aspiration. Explain in brief the methods have been used to diagnose bronchopleural fistulas BPFs and TEF. Kindly mention the incidence of cardiopulmonary arrest due to massive aspiration through a BEF. Kindly mention the time of development of BPF with proper literature in the discussion part. In discussion kindly mention in various brief points not in a favour that BPF may also occur after suppurative pneumonia, massive pulmonary infarction, or spontaneously.

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This is a very meaningful case that deserves to be learned.

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This paper reported a patient who developed broncho-esophageal fistulas after ingestion of drain cleaner substance, new traceoesophageal fistula was revealed after 17 weeks. The authors presented the reader with the dire natural history of trachea-broncho-esophageal fistulas and its delayed progression. At the same time, the authors suggested that close monitoring of the gastrointestinal tract patency and motility is critical to avoid gastric distention and large aspiration events. This article has certain clinical significance. However, there is an error in Figure 3, that is, 4A-4E should be 3A-3E.