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Bilateral multiple pulmonary hydatid cysts

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A 8-year-old boy was admitted to our clinic with diagnosis bilateral multiple pulmonary hydatid cysts caused by Echinococcus granulosis (Fig. 1). Seven right and six left cysts were found in the operation. We performed cystotomy and capitonage to all cysts via right and left thoracotomy in 10-day interval. The postoperative course was uneventful. The patient received chemotherapy with albendazole 10 mg/kg per day for 2 months and was discharged on the 16th postoperative day and was doing well at his 8-month follow-up.

Fig. 1. Chest radiograph showing bilateral multiple lung hydatid cysts.

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