An uncommon (in 2008) circumferential constrictive pericarditis: a multimodal approach before surgery

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A 52-year-old man without antecedents of pericardial effusion was referred for constrictive pericarditis.

The tomography (Fig. 1) showed circumferential calcification of the pericardium. MRI revealed severe decreased diastolic filling of the left ventricle (Fig. 2, Movie 1).

The intervention confirmed 'the shell' around the heart (Movie 2).

Appendix A. Supplementary data

Supplementary data associated with this article can be found, in the online version, at doi:10.1016/j.ejcts.2008.08.034.