A moderate-sized mass diagnosed as a lipoma arising from the adventitia of the ascending aorta

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A 63-year old male patient was planned to be given an off-pump coronary artery bypass graft. After pericardiotomy, a moderate-sized, yellowish and haemorrhagic mass arising from the ascending aortic adventitia was detected incidentally (Fig. 1). It was excised with the adventitial tissue and diagnosed as a lipoma.

Figure 1: View of lipoma originating from the adventitia of the ascending aorta.