Leserbrief

Tako-Tsubo and Pheochromocytoma

Drs Klinzing and colleagues (SMF 2014, 14, 205–207) are to be commended on their interesting report of a patient with Tako-Tsubo-like cardiomyopathy (TTC) who surprisingly turned out to have a massive pheochromocytoma [1]. I would like to point out that although this entity is rare, we recently assembled 38 cases from the literature [2]. As in the present case, complication rates were significantly higher in TTC pheo compared with primary TTC particularly cardiogenic shock and heart failure. According to the Mayo Clinic Criteria [3], TTC pheo should not really be considered as TTC. Obviously this remains a question of semantics.

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