

# Case report: Laparoscopic management of massive chylous ascites after salvage laparoscopic retroperitoneal lymph-node dissection

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Chylous ascites is an infrequent complication of retroperitoneal surgery. We describe a patient who suffered massive chylous ascites after simultaneous pneumonectomy and laparoscopic excision of a post-chemotherapy tumor mass. After conservative management failed, exploratory laparoscopy identified the site of the leak, which was clipped and closed with fibrin glue. There has been no recurrence in the ensuing 5 years. © Mary Ann Liebert, Inc.