

## Pleural Mouse, Fibrin Body, Fibrin Ball, and Thoracolith



A fibrin clot in the pleural cavity (“*fibrin body*”, “*fibrin ball*”, or “*pleural mouse*”) can be formed in the resolution process of exudative effusion or hemothorax – a soft tissue globule up to 2 cm in diameter. On CT this globule contacts the pleu-

ral surface and can spontaneously shift after a change of the patient’s position or at a repeat imaging. The fibrin body can exist for a long time, resolve, or calcify turning into a *thoracolith* (↑).