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Nose ring removed from lungs



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A gold nose stud of a 21-year-old woman was removed from her lungs by a medical team of Interventional Pulmonology at Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences.

The gold stud went into her lungs inadvertently when she sneezed. Initially, she thought she had swallowed it. But a chest X-ray confirmed the position of the stud at the lowest part of her right lungs.

As the patient wanted to avoid surgery, she came to consult interventional pulmonologist Dr. Tinku Joseph at Amrita. He led the team that performed an endoscopic procedure.

The procedure took about two-and-a-half hours and the stud was finally removed from the lungs.