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Title: A case of pulmonary embolism from the right atrial shunt after acute type A aortic dissection surgery

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Dear editor:
We would like to submit the enclosed manuscript entitled “A case of pulmonary embolism from the right atrial shunt after acute type A aortic dissection surgery”, which we wish to be considered for publication in *Journal of cardiothoracic surgery*. All authors have read and approved the current version of this manuscript, and the integrity of the work is assured. The manuscript has not been published previously by any of the authors and is not under consideration for publication in another journal at the time of this submission. It is stated that research meets ethical guidelines. We present a case with pulmonary embolism which suspected to be the thrombosis in the shunt fistula after the right atrial shunt in acute type A aortic dissection. We believe the paper may be of particular interest to the readers of your journal. We appreciate your consideration of our manuscript, and we look forward to the comments from the reviewers. Thanks a lot.
Yours Sincerely,
Weijun Yang

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Kathrina