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A deep post-castration funiculitis resolved with marsupialization in one horse

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totally safely remove it. The most distal part of the fistulous tract was removed and the remaining proximal portion was marsupialized and suture to the skin over the external inguinal ring. Two-months follow up was obtained by telephone with the referring veterinarian.

The horse recovered uneventfully from anesthesia and in the next 2 weeks the abscess was irrigated twice a day with antimicrobials. Two weeks after discharge the referring veterinarian reported that viscous material was still draining from the wound. Thus ceftiofur-loaded gelatin was inserted in the fistulous tract three times 72 hours apart. At two month follow up no discharge was detected and no complications noted.

To the best of our knowledge this is the first report of marsupialization of a septic funiculitis in horse. The technique used proved to be effective.

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