

## **An unusual site of heterotopic calcification**

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Heterotopic calcification may occur following paralysis from spinal cord injury, most commonly affecting the hips. This case demonstrates a bone scan on a T5 paraplegic patient showing an unusual site of heterotopic calcification in the paravertebral musculature in addition to the hip regions. Subsequent CT scanning confirmed the presence of calcification in the erector spinae musculature.

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