

“Mario’s double failures” Case Report

Mario, a 76-year-old man, suffers from chronic kidney failure (CKF) from a long time.

After two episodes of urinary infection, his CKF worsened.

Mario also has chronic heart failure and an initial cognitive impairment, diagnosed as predementia.

Two months ago, Mario had an episode of bowel obstruction, which required admission to hospital.

Clinical investigation showed a stenosis of the sigmoid colon from diverticular disease, and a resection of the sigmoid colon was performed.

On the second postoperative day, Mario had pulmonary edema from acute heart failure, successfully treated.

However, the acute episode resulted in a worsening of chronic heart failure, which in association with renal insufficiency caused a condition of diffuse peripheral edema and pleural and peritoneal effusion.