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A 57-year-old man presented with increasing respiratory distress. Chest radiography (Figure 1) and computed tomography (Figure 2) confirmed the diagnosis of a huge lung bulla. Bullectomy was performed (Figure 3). Subsequently, the remaining lung expanded fully to fill the hemithorax. On follow-up after 7 years, the patient was asymptomatic with fully expanded lung without any bulla.

Figure 1. Posteroanterior chest radiograph showing radio-lucent bulla in the right lower zone.

Figure 2. Computed tomography scan of the thorax, showing a large bulla.

Figure 3. Operative photograph showing the large classic bulla and the compressed lung.

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