



“IO vascular access devices can be used in resuscitation attempts when peripheral venous access isn’t feasible. This example demonstrates the role they can play in saving lives and preserving vital organ function.” Faminu (2014).

Reference:

Faminu, F. (2014) Intraosseous vascular access: Boning up on the basics. Nursing. 44(8), p.60-64.

Article describes the basics of intraosseous vascular access [@ivteam #ivteam](http://ctt.ec/vbrSb+)

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Extract:

“Responding to a code, a nurse on the CPR team arrives to find CPR in progress. With two nurses trying unsuccessfully to insert peripheral venous catheters for vascular access, a physician is preparing to insert a central venous catheter (CVC). Before she can do so, however, the resuscitation nurse establishes intraosseous (IO) vascular access and administers the first dose of the prescribed vasopressor. After the next defibrillation, return of spontaneous circulation is achieved, accompanied with a palpable BP. The CVC is never inserted.”

Other intravenous and vascular access resources that may be of interest (External links – IVTEAM has no responsibility for content).

Guide for intravenous chemotherapy and associated vascular access devices from Macmillan.  
CancerUK IV chemotherapy information.

