



In this narrative review, we evaluate the usefulness of the infraclavicular access to the axillary vein” Gawda et al (2016).

Abstract:

Central vein cannulation is one of the most commonly performed procedures in intensive care. Traditionally, the jugular and subclavian vein are recommended as the first choice option. Nevertheless, these attempts are not always obtainable for critically ill patients.

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For this reason, the axillary vein seems to be a rational alternative approach. In this narrative review, we evaluate the usefulness of the infraclavicular access to the axillary vein. The existing evidence suggests that infraclavicular approach to the axillary vein is a reliable method of central vein catheterization, especially when performed with ultrasound guidance.

Full Text

Reference:

Gawda, R., Czarnik, T. and Łysenko, L. (2016) Infraclavicular access to the axillary vein – new possibilities for the catheterization of the central veins in the intensive care unit.



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