Air embolism prevention after tunnelled central venous catheter removal

We present a useful technique that may prevent vascular air embolism and severe bleeding” Letachowicz et al (2016).

Abstract:

Introduction: Severe, life-threatening, complications might occur on dialysis catheter removal.

Methods: We present a useful technique that may prevent vascular air embolism and severe bleeding.

Results: The suture is placed around the catheter and tied over previous tract just after device removal.

Conclusions: Applying a compressing suture to the tract left after removal of a tunnelled haemodialysis catheter is a simple manoeuvre that could prevent severe complication.

Reference:

tunnelled catheter removal

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