

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.

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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:

Letachowicz, K., Gołębiowski, T., Kusztal, M., Penar, J., Letachowicz, W., Weyde, W. and
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