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Abstract:
The ISP (Safe Insertion of PICCs) protocol: A bundle of 8 recommendations to minimize the complications related to the peripherally inserted central venous catheters (PICC).

Introduction: The insertion of a peripherally inserted central venous catheter (PICC) is not without risks.

Aim: The Italian Group for the Study of Long-Term Central Venous Access Devices (GAVeCeLT) has developed a protocol (SIP: Safe Implantation of PICCs) with the aim of minimizing the risks which may be associated with the placement of PICCs.

Methods: The protocol is based on recommendations available in the literature and on the main clinical practice guidelines.

Results: The SIP protocol, a bundle of evidence-based recommendations, it is is easy to use, inexpensive, and cost-effective.

Conclusions: If routinely used and carefully implemened, it greatly reduces complications such as failure of venipuncture, accidental arterial puncture, damage of median nerve, infection and catheter related venous thrombosis.

Other intravenous and vascular access resources that may be of interest (External links –
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- [Guide for intravenous chemotherapy and associated vascular access devices from Macmillan.](#)
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