Regional anaesthesia in patients on antithrombotic drugs: joint ESAIC/ESRA guidelines.

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Overview

Guideline Objective

To provide recommendations for reducing the risk of antithrombotic drug-induced haematoma formation related to the practice of regional anaesthesia and analgesia

Patient Population

Adult surgical patients, 16 years of age or older, requiring neuraxial or peripheral nerve blocks (PNBs) and obstetric patients requiring neuraxial blocks

Recommendations

Recommendation Statements

Major interventions covered in this guideline include:

- Consideration of bleeding risks both before and after nerve blockade and during insertion or removal of a catheter in patients taking antiplatelet or anticoagulant medications
- Role of healthcare teams in detecting and managing any possible haematomas

Note: Full recommendation statements have not been provided because this guideline does not meet EGT's systematic review of the evidence criteria. Refer to the original guideline for more information.

Evidence Rating Scheme

Refer to the original guideline documentation for more information.

Recommendation Rating Scheme

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Related Content

Supporting Documents

- Supplement 1. Population, Intervention, Comparison, Outcome.
- Supplement 2. Search Strategy.
- Supplement 3. Rating Scheme.

Implementation Tools

- ESAIC On-Demand eLearning Guidelines Modules.
- ESAIC Guidelines App is available for Apple and Android.

Patient Education

No patient education materials available.

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