A thoracoscopic technique with fibrin glue and polyglycolic acid

mesh for the injured lung during thoracoscopic operation. [Japanese]

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Abstract:

The injury of the lung occurred during thoracoscopic operation, especially, of the fragile, severely

emphysematous lung is often difficult to treat. A fibrin glue spraying device in which an air

compressor was connected to an intravenous catheter was constructed, and connected to a

Dupuloject syringe. Fibrin glue was administered by spraying on the target lesion under a

thoracoscopic vision. The procedure was done while the tip of the intravenous catheter was held

and manipulated with forceps through a thoracoport. And then, the polyglycolic acid (PGA) mesh

that had been cut into small pieces was put on the target lesion with forceps. Fibrin glue was

sprayed on the lesion again in the above-mentioned manner. When necessary, the procedure was

repeated. Our technique during thoracoscopic operation may be easy to manipulate and be able to

apply the target lesion uniformly within a short time with a successful repair.