

New developments in the use of fibrin sealant: A surgeon's perspective.

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Abstract:

Fibrin sealant, a surgical tissue adhesive, has gained widespread use for its ability to achieve three major clinical goals: reducing hemorrhage, increasing tissue adherence, and allowing drug delivery. The object of this state-of-the-art review is to clarify the most recent developments in this field from a surgical perspective. The areas of greatest interest and progress relating to surgical uses for fibrin sealant-specifically, new methods of sealant production, new experimental or clinical uses, and new potential complications-are explored in this review.