

Minimal suture blepharoplasty: Closure of incisions with autologous fibrin glue.

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Abstract:

Blepharoplasty incisions can be closed safely with autologous fibrin glue. The fibrinogen, prepared either from a whole-blood or plasmapheresis source, is mixed with commercially available thrombin to form a seal that is both hemostatic and adhesive. The complication rate is low and primarily due to technical factors in the initial cases. When compared with standard suture techniques, the incidence of minor problems such as milia formation was much lower. In select cases, the technique of using fibrin glue and a minimal number of sutures may be useful as an alternative method of wound closure in blepharoplasty patients.