Biologic glue occlusion of persistent recto-cutaneous fistula

following Hartmann procedure. [French]

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Abstract:

Background: Cutaneous fistulas from the rectal stump after Hartmann procedure are not rare. Rarely

do they require operative intervention, but they may result in prolonged skin care during

hospitalization. Purpose of study: To describe the use of fibrin glue in the treatment of

rectocutaneous fistulas occurring after Hartmann procedure. Study design: Ten patients underwent

irrigation of the fistulous tract followed by fibrin glue injection. The glue was reconstituted using the

usual two syringe admixture technique; the tract was catheterized as far as the rectal stump, and the

glue was injected as the catheter was withdrawn to skin level. Results: No complications were noted

and the discharge from seven out of ten fistulas dried up completely. Conclusion: Biologic glue

occlusion of rectocutaneous fistulas simplified local care and decreased hospital stay. © 2007.

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