Fibrin glue injection into the hematoma cavity for refractory chronic

subdural hematoma: A case report.

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Abstract:

Background: Repeat burr hole irrigation and drainage has been effective in most cases of recurrent

chronic subdural hematoma (CSDH), however, refractory cases require further procedures or other

interventions. Case Description: An 85-year-old male presented with left CSDH, which recurred five

times. The hematoma was irrigated and drained through a left frontal burr hole during the first to

third surgery and through a left parietal burr hole during the fourth and fifth surgery. The hematoma

had no septation and was well-evacuated during each surgery. Antiplatelet therapy for preventing

ischemic heart disease was stopped after the second surgery, the hematoma cavity was irrigated

with artificial cerebrospinal fluid at the third surgery, and the direction of the drainage tube was

changed to reduce the postoperative subdural air collection at the fourth surgery. However, none of

these interventions was effective. He was successfully treated by fibrin glue injection into the

hematoma cavity after the fifth surgery. Conclusion: This procedure may be effective for refractory

CSDH in elderly patients.

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