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Transjugular Intrahepatic Portosystemic Shunt: Challenges and Perspectives

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Message from the Guest Editors

Transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunts have been part of the therapeutic armamentarium for the resolution of complications related to portal hypertension for years. At first, its use was limited to patients with relapsed esophagogastric variceal hemorrhage or refractory ascites, but over the years, the indications have changed regarding the timing of the procedure, and it has also been extended to other indications, such as congestive transfusiondependent gastropathy despite standard medical and endoscopic therapy, Budd Chiari syndrome, and portal vein recanalization in the case of portal thrombosis, and it has also been used in selected cases of non-cirrhotic portal hypertension. The aim of this collection will be to provide a systematic and critical analysis of the state of the art, of the gray areas, and of the challenges and the treatment prospects of this procedure.



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