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Clinical Practice of Ocular Ultrasonography and OCT in the Emergency Medicine

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The prognosis of adult patients in the Emergency medicine department after traumatic brain injury is poor, as the mortality of patients with intracerebral hemorrhage (ICH) is approximately 30%–40%. In recent years, we have observed a larger diffusion of a noninvasive, repeatable, and bedside techniques for the detection of increased intracranial pressure (ICP), namely, the ultrasonography of the optic nerve sheath diameter (ONSD). This examination is particularly suitable in an intensive care or stroke-unit setting, and it could provide rapid diagnosis to start a correct management and improve patient survival. Further information could be provided by the integration with OCT of the optic nerve head.

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