Working on the dirty side – The ipsilateral subclavian access for temporary pacing after lead extraction


Temporary pacing is necessary in pacemaker-dependent patients after transvenous lead extraction (TLE) for cardiac implantable electronic device infection. We propose to use the ipsilateral subclavian access (ISA) combined with a standard permanent active fixation lead for the temporary pacemaker.

Conclusion: Temporary pacing using a standard permanent active fixation lead using the ISA was safe, with a low incidence of reinfections.

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