

VIDEOTHORACOSCOPY AS A METHOD OF CHOICE FOR ESTABLISHING THE ETIOLOGY OF INTRATHORACIC LYMPHADENOPATHY SYNDROME AND THE ALGORITHM OF ITS OPTIMAL USE

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Abstract

An original algorithm for optimal use of videothoracoscopy in diagnostics of thoracic lymphadenopathy is presented in current report. It describes a sequence of measures for prevention of surgical complications and contains general recommendations. The conditions for successful videothoracoscopy-assisted thoracic lymphnode biopsy are the satisfactory visualization, which is achieved by proper position of a patient and sufficient collapse of a lung on the side of intervention, use of medical alfa-cyanacrylate glue with hemostatic sponge, and systemic antibiotic therapy.

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