



Clinical Management of Limb Ischemia

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Dear Colleagues,

Patients with limb ischemia are the most symptomatic in the vascular scenario, so are limited in their daily activity and suffer from incoercible pain, discomfort, and restless nights. Still, their poor condition seems to be faced by most vascular specialists with a sense of resigned disenchantment, likely because of the complex treatment these patients sometime should undergo, and their poor prognosis. Furthermore, there seems to be a diffuse but wrong opinion that limb loss is not correlated with death. Therefore, limb salvage still looks like a second class procedure, at least compared to other vascular operations, surely more exciting in the short term. The aim is to avoid a major amputation, focusing on some concepts we should deal with when facing a patient with limb ischemia.

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