

Special Issue

Patient Blood Management in Critical Care Medicine

Message from the Guest Editor

Nowadays, there is increasing evidence that acute anemia per se is an isolated risk factor for increased morbidity and mortality. In this situation, for many years, transfusion of foreign blood was the de facto standard of care for ICU-associated anemia. In recent years, however, it has become increasingly apparent that the avoidance of anemia, blood loss, and transfusion is associated with an improvement in outcome. The measures necessary for this are summarized as "Patient Blood Management (PBM)". While in the field of perioperative medicine PBM has become an important therapeutic option in recent years, its use in the field of intensive care medicine is not yet as well established. The aim of this Special Issue is to explain the basics of PBM in the intensive care unit, to critically examine the individual measures against the background of critically ill patients, and to give tips for implementation in practice. In doing so, all three pillars of PBM are fully analyzed and the importance of the individual measures is placed in the perioperative context.

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