

The venous stretching valvuloplasty: results in the first series of 32 cases.

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Abstract.

The varicose veins (VVs) treatment comprises several techniques, the most of them aim to destroy or ablate diseased veins. All of them show good results at short term f-u, but unresolved matter is the varicose recurrence at mid/long term f-u in a large number of cases. On this perspective, conservative strategies show better results than ablative in the recent literature.

Today an innovative conservative technique has been introduced in clinical practice, the Venous Stretching Valvuloplasty (VSV). This technique, by means of imposing a traction action onto the intercommissural diameter of an incompetent valve, may recover the valve function thus being curative of the reflux. It might be a reasonable complement of the hemodynamic technique (CHIVA) or even the key for a conservative strategy in VVs treatment.