

Tips And Tricks For A Successful Replantation Of The Upper Limb

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Traumatic amputation of the upper limb or hand is common after industrial injuries, motor vehicle accident and criminal assault. Time proven microsurgical instrumentation/techniques and subspecialty training of doctors in microsurgery have over the years improved the outcome of replantation/revascularization surgery.

While the principles of the surgery holds true to the test of time, certain unpublished, unconventional or perhaps even tabooed “anecdotes” have been practiced amounting to good results.

The author shares the experience in managing traumatic major amputation surgeries in a major Hand Surgery Unit in Malaysia.