

THE KEY FINDINGS FROM 'EFFECTIVENESS OF TOPICAL HAEMOSTATIC AGENTS FOR MANAGEMENT OF EXTERNAL BLEEDING: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW'

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Currently, haemorrhage is the leading cause of preventable death in combatants. During the last twenty years, especially as a result of the war conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, new haemostatic agents capable of controlling bleeding in a tactical environment have been developed. The objective of the systematic review is to compare topical haemostatic agents and analyse current evidence in order to define the most effective agents for use in battlefield and civil emergency situations.

KEY FINDINGS

CELOX RAPID – has proven to be the most effective haemostatic agent

CELOX – superior qualities when compared to other haemostats

CELOX RAPID – favoured due to its capabilities in patients with coagulopathy

CELOX RAPID – reported lowest values for blood loss

CELOX RAPID – the most attractive product today because of its speed and ease of application.

CONCLUSION

CELOX Rapid has proven to be the most effective haemostatic agent, and chitosan-based agents respond best in consumption coagulopathy conditions.



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