Ascending aorta cannulation in totally thoracoscopic minimally invasive cardiac surgery

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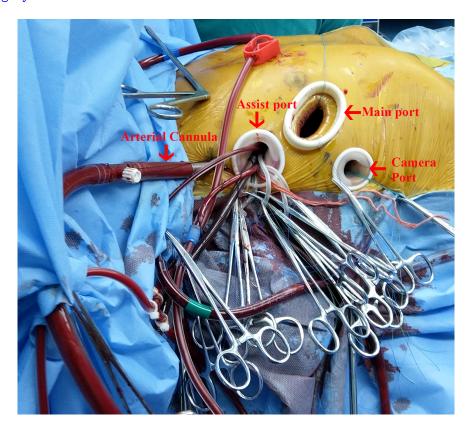
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Abstract

The Cannulation through the femoral artery is the preferred method of establishing peripheral extracorporeal circulation in totally thoracoscopic minimally invasive cardiac surgery (MICS). However, facing to contraindications of femoral artery cannulation, a modified aortic cannulation is an alternative approach for totally thoracoscopic MICS.

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