

Stop the Bleeding

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I have nothing to disclose

- Injuries are the third leading cause of death across all ages
- Active bleeding is the most common cause of death among trauma patients

Papakostidis C, Kanakaris N, Dimitriou R, Giannoudis PV. The role of arterial embolization in controlling pelvic fracture haemorrhage: a systematic review of the literature. Eur J Radiol 2012; 81: 897–904.

- While surgery is often considered the definitive treatment for bleeding control, it may not always be the optimal solution for stabilization of a patient with polytrauma
- Specifically, arterial hemorrhage arising from pelvic fractures and solid organ injuries

Zealley IA, Chakraverty S. The role of interventional radiology in trauma. BMJ 2010; 340: 356–60. Nicodemo A, et al. A treatment protocol for abdomino-pelvic injuries. J Orthopaed Traumatol 2008; 9: 89–95. Hoff WS, et al. East practice management guidelines work group: practice management guidelines for the evaluation of blunt abdominal trauma. J Trauma 2002;

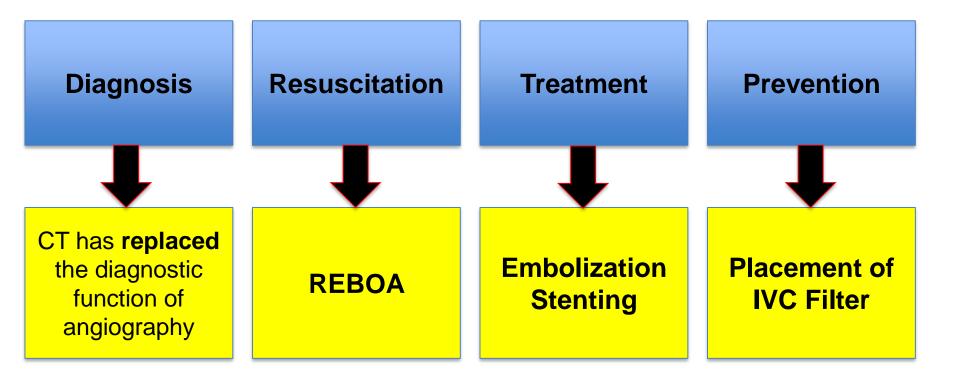
- The management of trauma patients has evolved in recent decades
- Specially with the introduction of advance endovascular intervention modalities







Endovascular Intervention Modalities

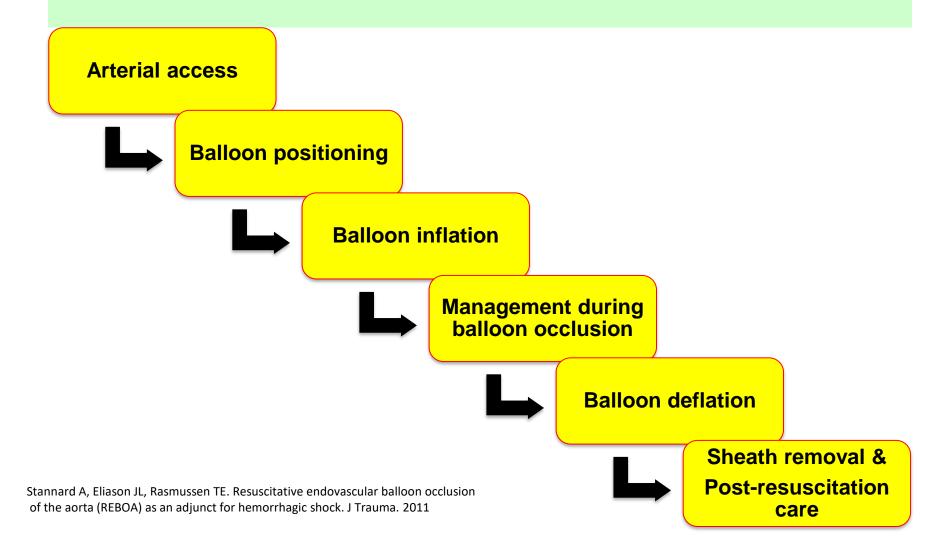


Resuscitation

Resuscitative Endovascular Balloon Occlusion of the Aorta (REBOA)

Non-Compressible Hemorrhage

Principles of REBOA Technique

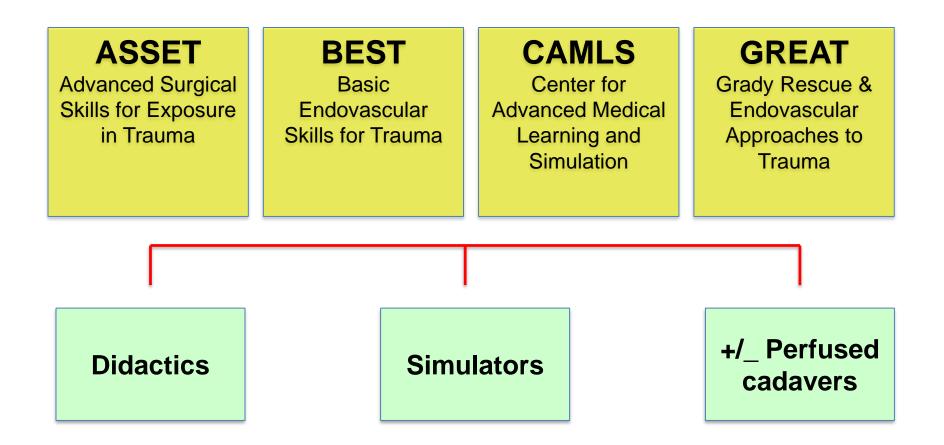


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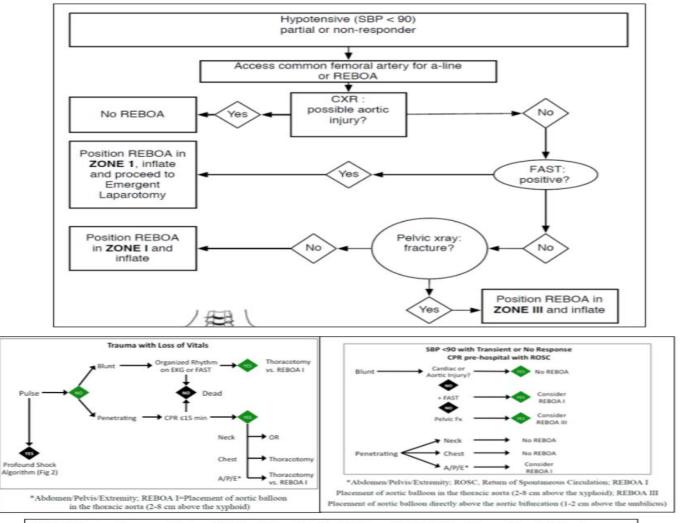
Planning

- Training
- Based on protocol and pathways
- Device / Occlusion Balloons
- Team work (multidisciplinary)
- Good communication

REBOA Training Courses

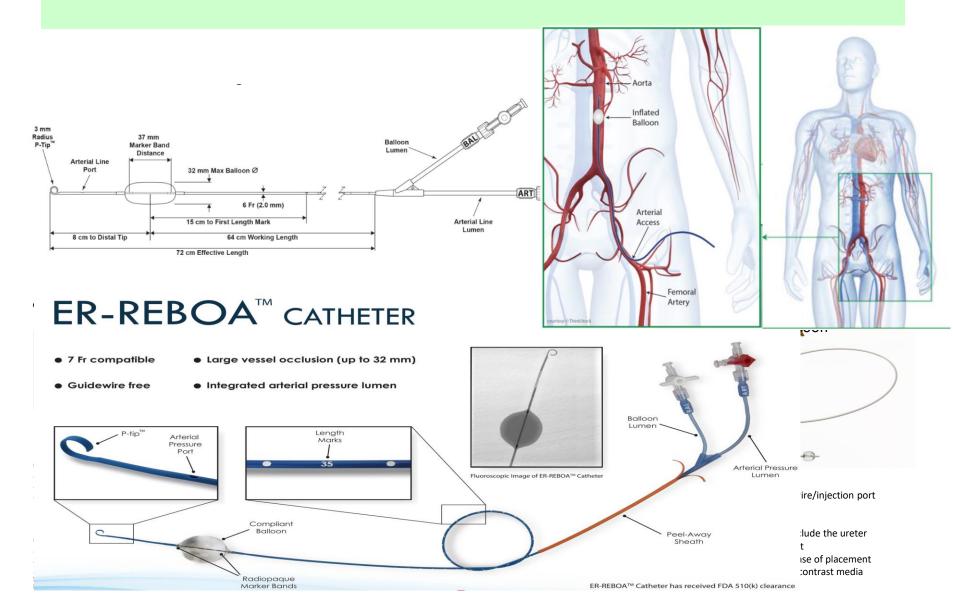


Protocol & Pathways in REBOA



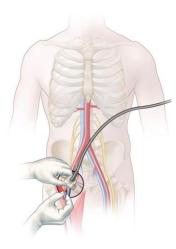
Joint Theater Trauma System Clinical Practice Guideline: REBOA for Hemorrhagic Shock. http://www.usaisr.amedd.army.mil/assets/cpgs/REBOA_for_Hemorrhagic_Shock_16Jun2014.pdf

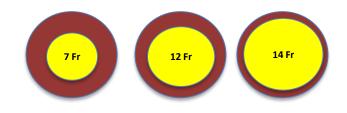
Device / Occlusion Balloons



Arterial access

Inability to obtain access Bleeding Improper location of arterial puncture Venous access

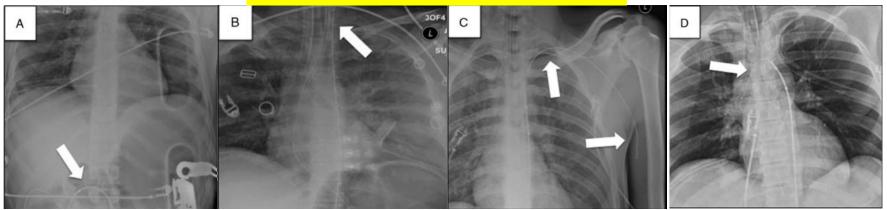




Balloon positioning

Wrong anatomical location Inability to pass wire/catheter

X-ray depictions of wire malposition



Exit of the wire through an injury in the aorta

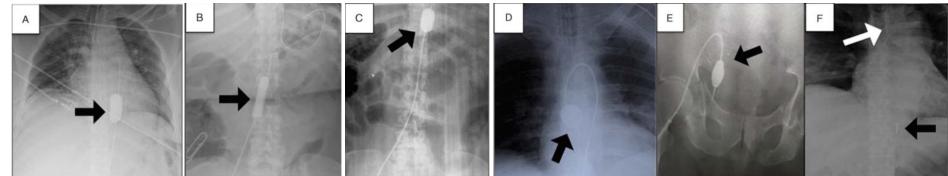
Inadvertent advancement of the wire into the left carotid artery

Inadvertent advancement of the wire into the left subclavian, axillary, and brachial artery Inadvertent advancement of the wire into the aortic arch. White arrows denote wire

Davidson et al. J Trauma Acute Care Surg 2017.

Balloon inflation

Arterial injury/rupture Balloon rupture Unintended ischemia Exacerbation of proximal injuries



Appropriate position within Zone1 of the aorta

Appropriate position within Zone3 of the aorta

Inadvertent position within Zone 2 of the aorta

Inadvertent position within Zone 0 of the aorta

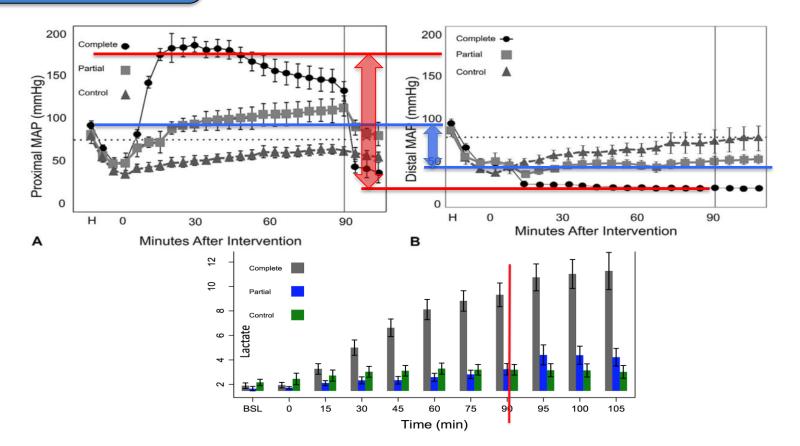
Inadvertent position within the Ipsilateral internal iliac artery Exacerbation of proximal aortic hemorrhage (white arrow, note widened mediastinum) following inflation of a distally located balloon (now deflated). Black arrows

Davidson et al. J Trauma Acute Care Surg 2017.

Management during balloon occlusion

> Balloon migration/prolapse Increasing ischemic burden Supraphysiologic proximal pressures Thrombosis of access site

Balloon deflation



Russo et al Partial Aortic Occlusion in Shocked Swine. J Am Coll Surg. Vol. 223, No. 2, August 2016

Sheath removal &

Post-resuscitation care

Hematoma or pseudoaneurysm Thromboembolism Arterial dissection Limb loss/amputation



Treatment



Embolization

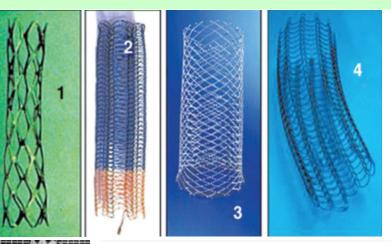
Defined as the intentional endovascular occlusion of an artery or vein

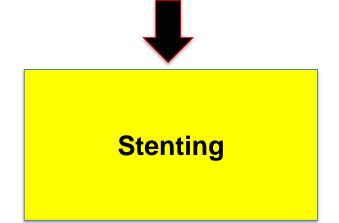


Stenting

Rigid devices used to provide support for hollow structures. Vary from tubular stent grafts composed of metal and fabric Or tubes made of woven PolyTetraFluoroEthylene (ePTFE)

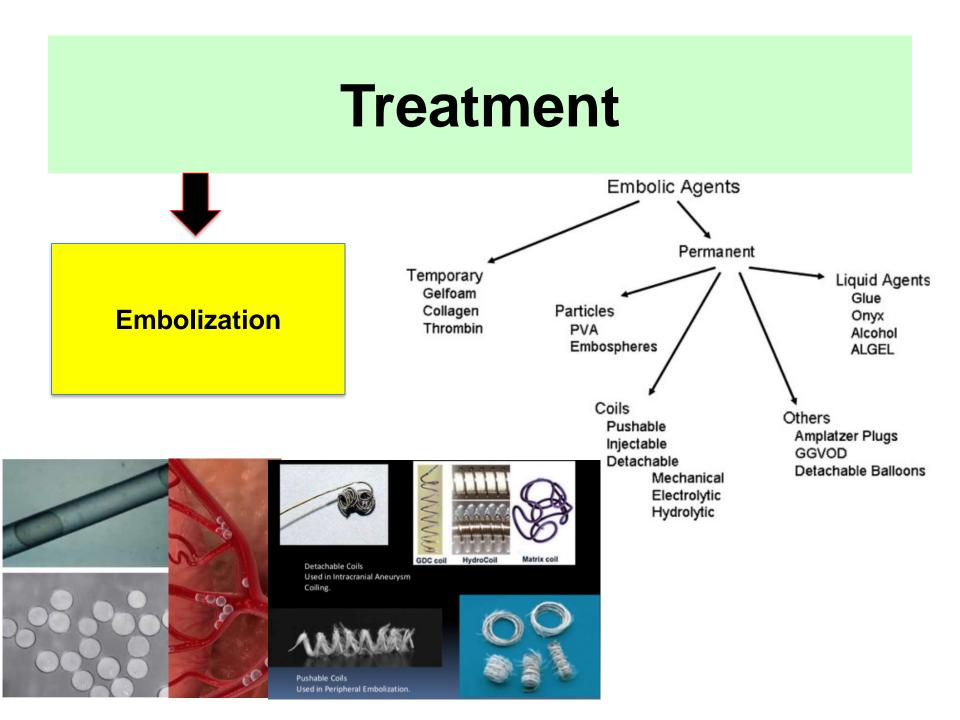
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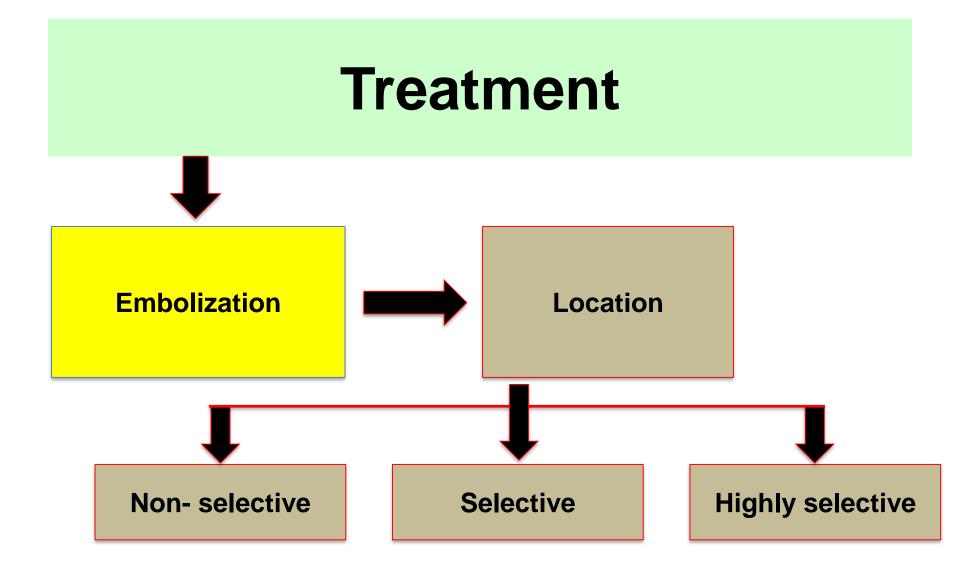


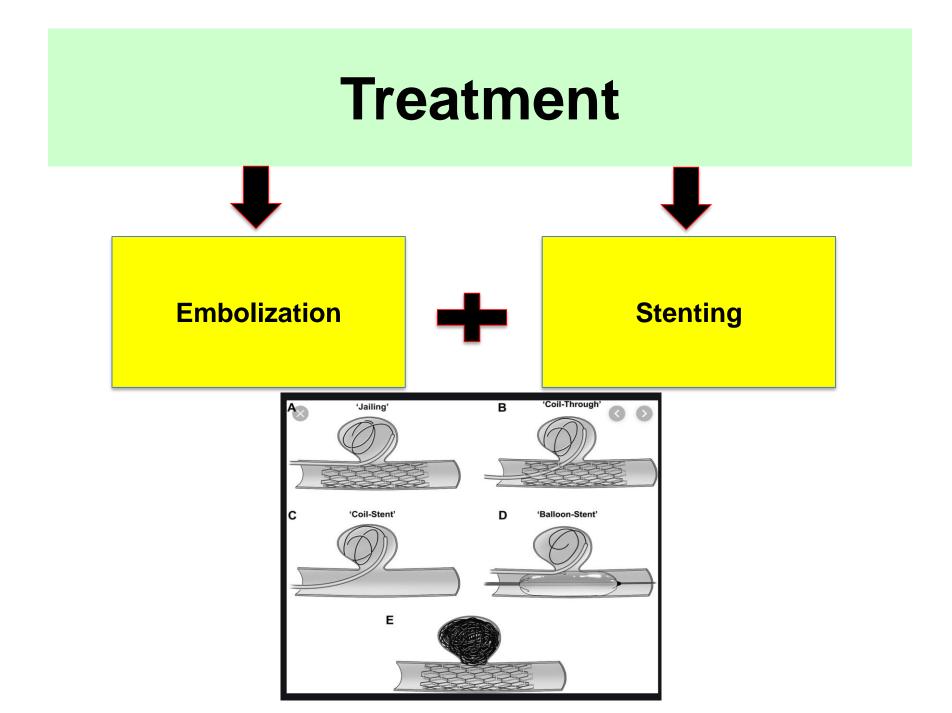


Dimensions

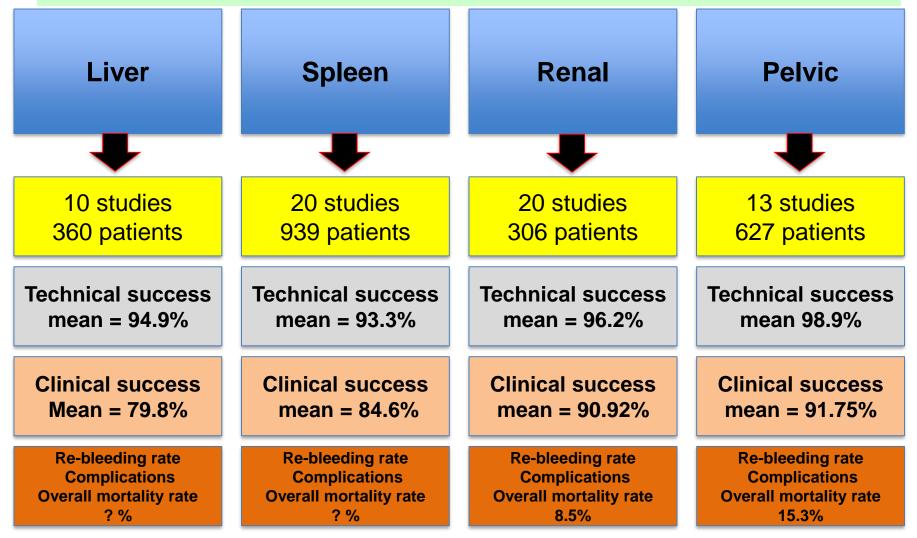
Stent	Expansion	Caliber (F)	Length (mm)	Material	Duration of use (months)
Urolume/Wallstent	Self-expandable	42	20–40	Steel "Superalloy"	Permanent
Titan	Balloon- expandable	33	19–58	Titanium	Permanent
Memotherm	Thermo- expandable	42	20–80	Nitinol	Permanent
Ultraflex	Self-expandable	42	20–50	Nitinol	Permanent







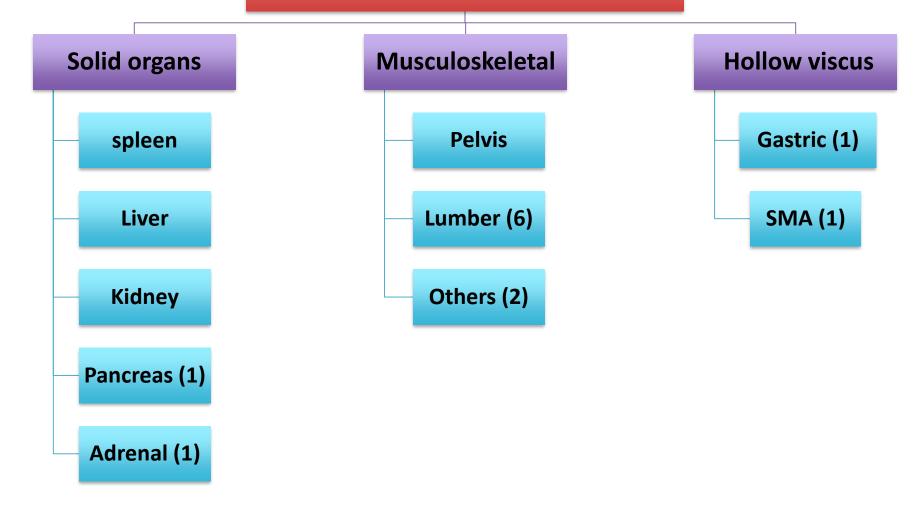
Review of literature

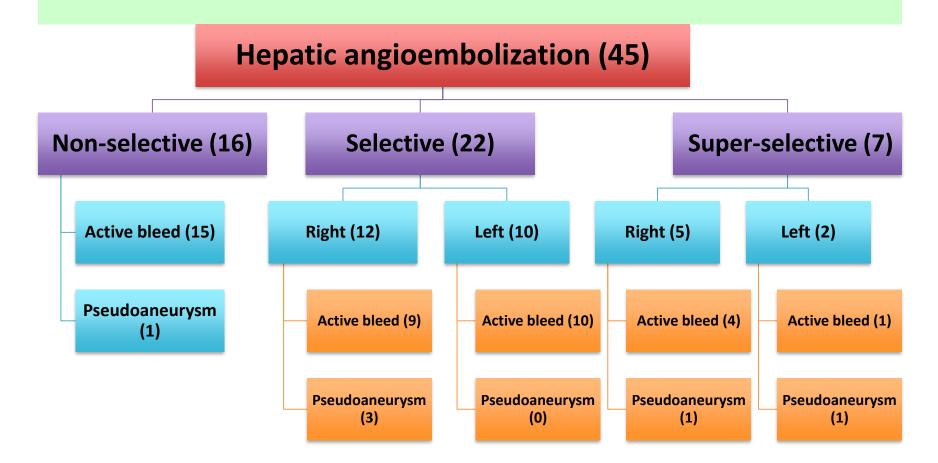


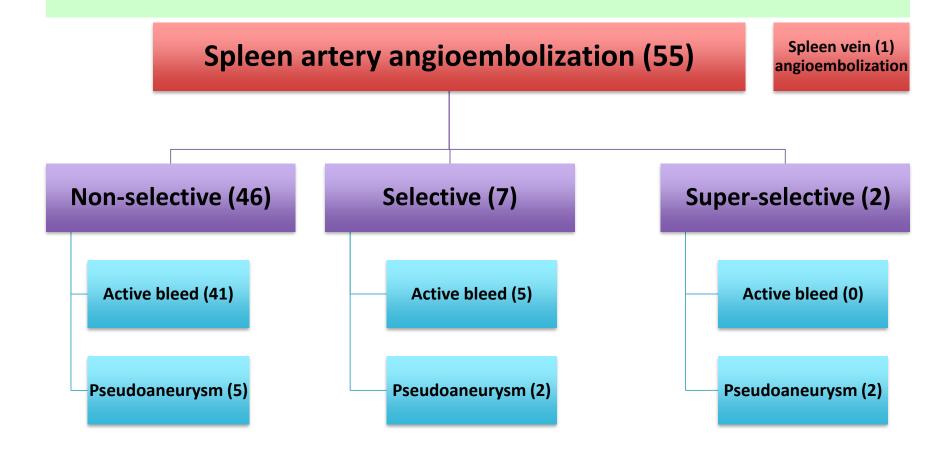
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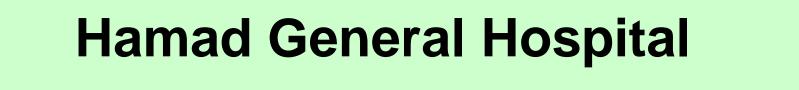
- 5 years (2014-2019)
- Total of 169 patients
- Had Angioembolization for abdominal trauma

Endovascular angioembolization

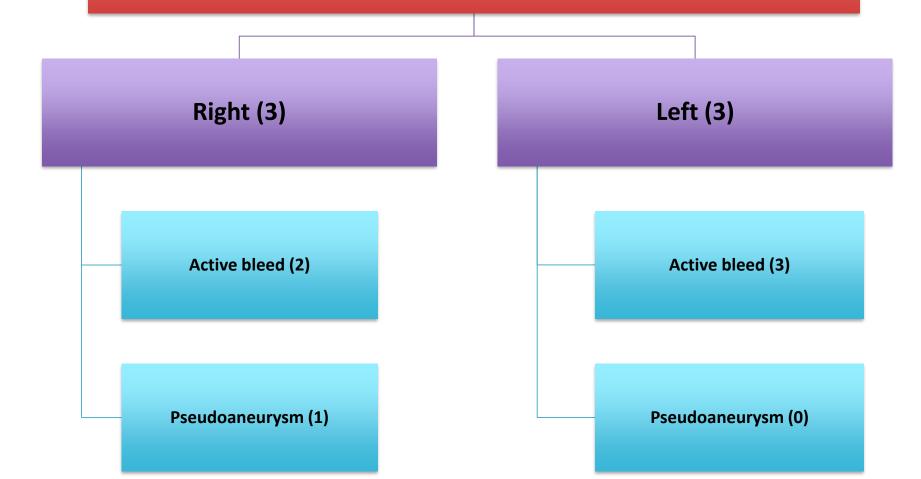


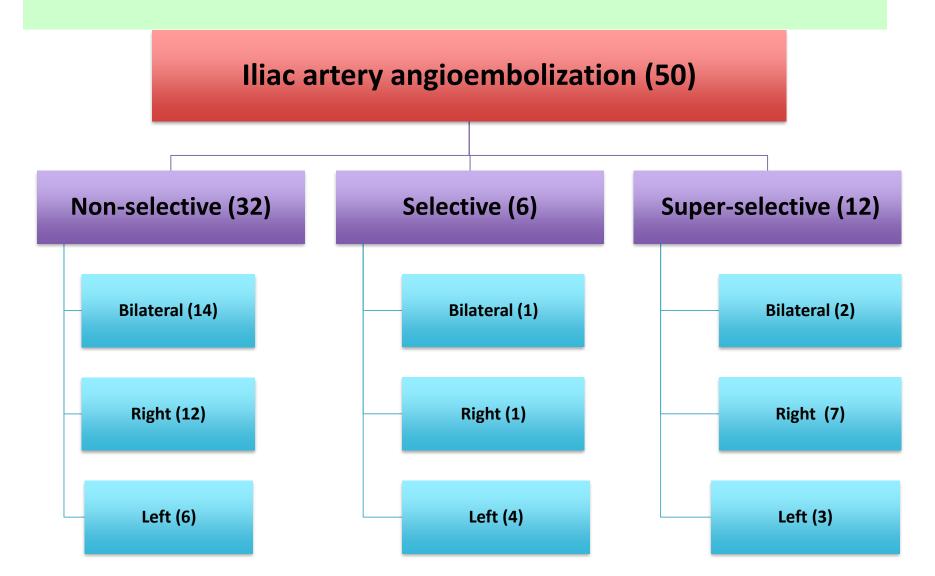






Renal artery angioembolization (6)





Conclusions

- Embolization has an accepted role as an adjunct to NOM of abdominal trauma in hemodynamically stable patients with a contrast blush seen on arterial phase CT
- In hemodynamically unstable patients embolization can be combined with other adjunct like REBOA or following laparotomy

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- Embolization has significantly improved the success rate of NOM in high grades solid organ injury
- But was not associated with any improvements in mortality, hospital length of stay, or transfusion requirements compared to patients treated with NOM alone

