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Echocardiography guided closure of left atrial appendage

Atrial fibrillation is a major arrhythmia, which has a high prevalence among population and the risk of stroke increases gradually by increasing age. Thromboembolism typically arises from a clot in left atrial appendix (LAA). Oral anticoagulation, surgical occlusion of the LAA and occlusion of LAA using less invasive percutaneous, catheter based methods are the choices for preventing stroke. This presentation will focus on the LAA closure by percutaneous method.

Biography

Cetin Erol is the Professor of Cardiology in the Cardiology Department at İbn-i Sina Hospital, Ankara, Turkey. He is the Head of the Cardiology Department and Head of the Dept. of Medical Sciences (2003-2012), Board member of EAE (National Societies Committee (2004-2006), Credential Committee member (2006-2008), Research and Training Grant Committee member (2006-2008), President of Turkish Society of Cardiology (2006-2010), President of Turkish World of Cardiology Association (2008-2012), Member of the ESC Nominating Committee (2008-2010), Research and Training Grant Committee member (2010-2012), Member of the Committee for Practice Guidelines (ESC) (2012-2014), Member of The Higher Education Council for Turkey 2013-2017, Councillor of the ESC Board (2014-2016). He was honoured with FESC in 1996, Research award for Behçet's Disease from The Turkish Scientific and Technical Research Association in 2000, FACC in 2001, Member of ASE in 2002.

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