Identification and Management of Ischemic Stroke in the Postanesthesia Care Unit
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Abstract

A thromboembolic stroke is a debilitating event that can occur with little or no warning. This report details the case of a 63-year-old male experiencing a stroke in the immediate postoperative period after total knee arthroplasty. Risk for perioperative stroke is influenced by age, sex, ethnicity, comorbidities, and some medications. The depressed neurocognitive state of patients recovering from anesthesia warrants special consideration for the identification and management of perioperative stroke.