

Primary Surgical Correction of Hemitruncus Arteriosus

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We describe a successful primary repair of hemitruncus arteriosus (anomalous origin of the right pulmonary artery from the ascending aorta) in a 22-day-old infant. Early diagnosis of hemitruncus arteriosus is mandatory and demands subsequent surgical correction. The operation should be performed with the aid of extracorporeal circulation because it facilitates dissection for the preparation of a direct anastomosis as a surgical method of choice.

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