Single Shot vs Continuous Catheter

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CPNB Benefits

• Prolonged titrateable analgesia

• ↓ supplemental analgesics (opioids!)

• Earlier participation in rehab

• ↓ time to discharge readiness
Ilfeld et al - Anesthesiology 2002; 96: 1297-1304

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CPNB Risks

- Infection, nerve injury
- s/e of prolonged local anesthetic infusion
- Inadequate analgesia
- Equipment malfunction
Mariano et al.: US vs NS for Infracavicular and Popliteal Sciatic blocks

• Successful blocks in 94-100% with US, 70-80% with NS

• Time 9 vs 15min for Infracavicular, 5 vs 10min for popliteal sciatic
OPERATING ROOM HUMOR

WHY ARE ANESTHESIOLOGISTS ASSUMED TO BE HONEST?
BECAUSE NUMBERS DON'T LIE!
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