Implantable Loop Recorder – A Good Opportunity to Diagnose Unexplained Syncope

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SUMMARY

Implantable loop recorder (ILR) is a method in cardiology, which is used for the diagnosis of unexplained syncope in patients who were not treated successfully using standard methods. Implantable loop recorder is a diagnostic device that is surgically implanted under the skin of the chest area. This device does not have the endovenous implantation of electrodes; instead, electrodes are attached to the machine housing. The device records the heart rhythm continuously, up to 14 months, and stores data outside the activator whenever symptoms appear, or by the automatic activation of the predefined program for bradycardia, asystole, and tachycardia. The aim of this paper was to describe the method for the detection of cardiac syncope with the use of implantable loop recorder.

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