Removal of Adherent Ventricular Catheters

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Dear Sir,

I read with interest the recent article by Chambi and Hendrick [1]. Since 1985, I have been using a similar technique to remove adherent ventricular catheters after reading a similar report by Chehrazi and Duncan [2]. I have had no complications with its use in over 50 patients.

I believe this technique represents a useful adjunct in the avoidance of intraventricular bleeding during removal of catheters adhering to the choroid plexus.

References
