

Electroacupuncture

see [Electroacupuncture for Neuropathic Pain](#).

see [Electroacupuncture for subarachnoid hemorrhage](#).

Electroacupuncture (EA) is a form of [acupuncture](#) where a small electric current is passed between pairs of acupuncture needles. According to some acupuncturists, this practice augments the use of regular acupuncture, can restore health and well-being, and is particularly good for treating pain.

EA appears to reduce [immunosuppression](#) of both the humoral and cellular components during surgery.

Sidhu et al., presented a case of a 65-year-old man who presented with right-sided body [weakness](#). He had a past [medical history](#) of uncontrolled [diabetes mellitus](#), [hypertension](#), and obstructive [sleep apnea](#) requiring use of a nasal continuous positive airway pressure device during sleep.

They performed a computed tomography brain scan, which revealed a left-sided acute on [chronic subdural hematoma](#). Due to his multiple comorbidities, they decided to perform the surgical procedure under electroacupuncture [anesthesia](#). The aim of this case report is to describe a [craniotomy](#) performed under electroacupuncture on an [elderly patient](#) with multiple comorbidities who was [awake](#) during the [procedure](#) and in whom this procedure, if it had been performed under [general anesthesia](#), would have carried high [risk](#) ¹⁾.

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