

Management of the haemodynamically UNSTABLE patient with a fractured pelvis

ANGIOGRAPHY AVAILABLE

Resuscitate
Address other causes of instability*

Apply pelvic binder
Activate massive transfusion protocol
Consider tranexamic acid

Perform FAST

*OTHER CAUSES OF INSTABILITY
External exsanguinating haemorrhage
Tension pneumothorax/haemothorax
Cardiac tamponade

FAST positive

Laparotomy
+/- packing
Pelvis external fixation

Haemodynamically stable

As per destination guidelines
Transfer to ACH
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Haemodynamically unstable

FAST negative

Immediate angiography

Remains haemodynamically unstable

Yes

Repeat angiography
or
proceed to laparotomy

No

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