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High hematocrit hemoconcentration of residual pump volume. Techniques and outcomes.

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The long standing debate over the benefits of blood processing of residual pump volume of cell salvage over hemoconcentration has always been limited by the difference in final return blood product hematocrit. In developing a technique of hemoconcentration that achieves similar hematocrit levels of a cell saver, we looked into its safety and clinical outcomes to check we were not actually doing harm.