

Mali-operation Barkhane/ Damage control resuscitation

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The French army has been deployed in the Sahelian theater since 2013. We will relate the experience of a forward surgical team deployed in a remote outpost in Mali. Cases of severe trauma patients will be discussed, highlighting specific challenges of this theater. The most challenging feature of this mission is probably the delay before the transfer of the patient to the role 2. This challenges our traditional approach to the prehospital care of our wounded. The use of fresh whole blood as well as the management of mass casualties incident will also be discussed.