Fig 5. A, The venotomy is closed with fine monofilament suture, and a 3.5- to 4.0-mm arteriovenous fistula is constructed by sewing the transected end of the saphenous vein to the side of the superficial femoral artery. B, The distal posterior tibial vein is ligated. An infusion catheter (pediatric nasogastric tube) is brought into the wound through a separate stab wound in the skin and inserted and fixed in the proximal posterior tibial vein. The proximal posterior tibial vein and catheter are looped with No. 0 monofilament suture and fixed to the skin through a sterile button, which is used to snugly occlude the posterior tibial vein at the time of catheter removal.