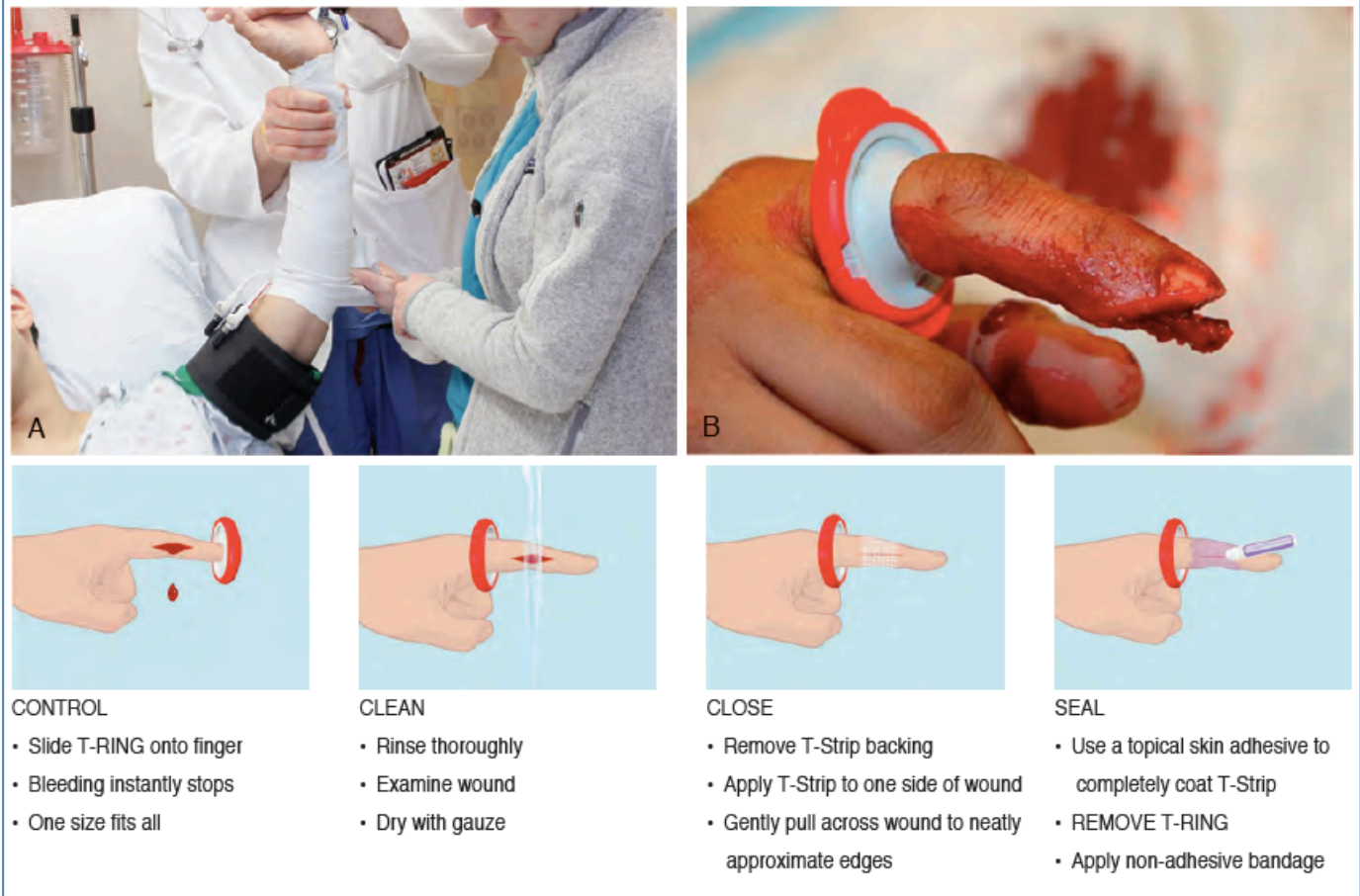


**FIGURE 16.49** Haemorrhage control A–B, **A**, Haemorrhage control: use of tourniquets.<sup>108</sup> **B**, The T-RING™ digit tourniquet immediately stops bleeding on any size digit, and avoids the risks associated with other methods.



*B. Courtesy of Precision Medical Devices, LLC, <http://www.thetring.com>*

## Digit Tourniquets

Life threatening hemorrhage will not occur from a finger or toe wound and a simple pressure dressing and elevation will achieve haemostasis. A tourniquet on a digit will then only be needed to create a bloodless field for wound care. Traditional methods of tourniquet application to digits (e.g. surgical glove, Penrose drain tubing, Tourni-cot™) have all been found to exceed the pressure required for digital haemostasis, and so dramatically increase the risk of neurovascular injury. These potential injuries can be devastating for the patient. The T-Ring™ tourniquet is now used to replace these other methods. It is a one-size-fits-all tourniquet, which applies even pressure to any digit, creating the required bloodless field with minimal pressure.