

Surgical Resection of Polyps



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Surgery for Colorectal Polyps

- Why is this a Problem?
- Special Situations & Strategies
 - Colon
 - Appendix / Cecum
 - Rectum

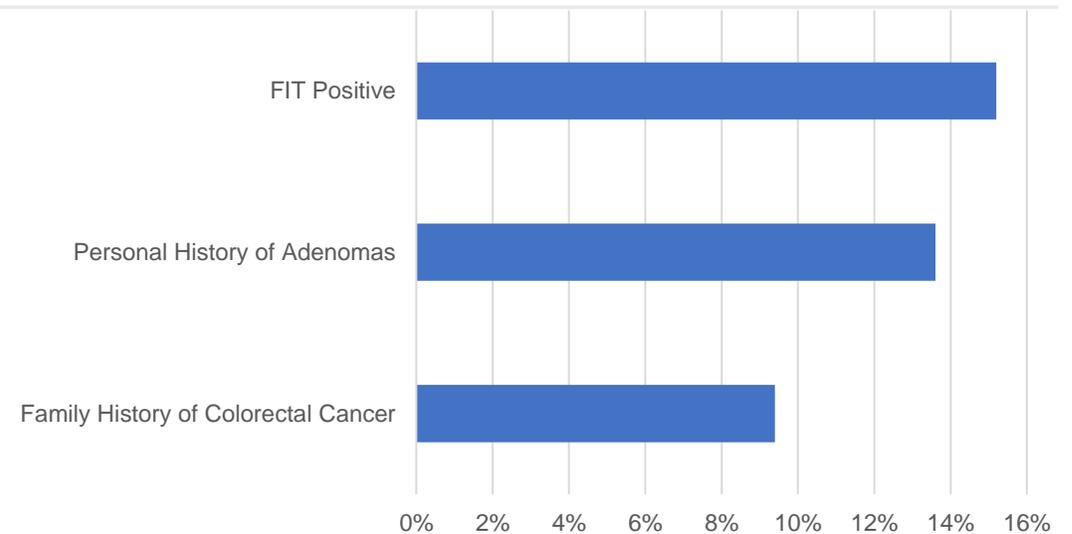
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- High Risk Polyp
 - > 10 mm in size
 - Advanced Pathological Features

Given current FIT+ scope volumes, you will see someone like this every few weeks!

BC Cancer Colon Screening 2017 Program Results

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- Peery et al (2018)

Rates of Surgery for Polyps are Increasing!

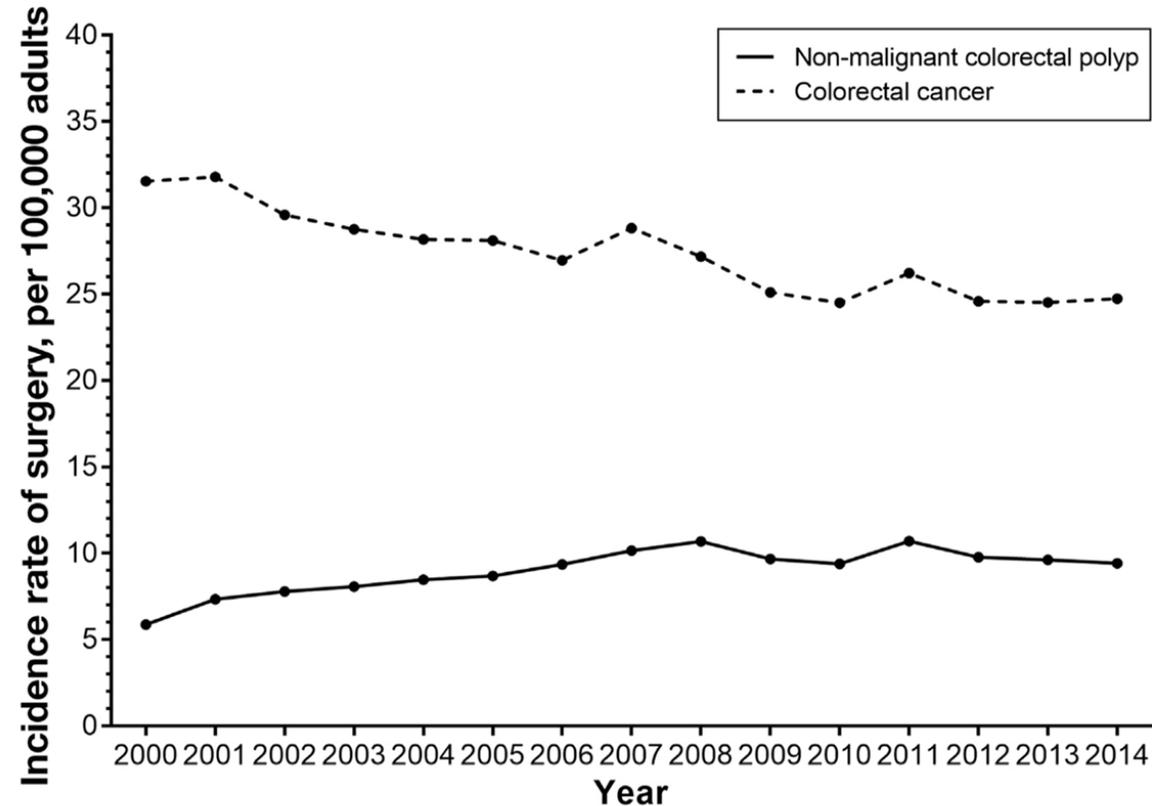
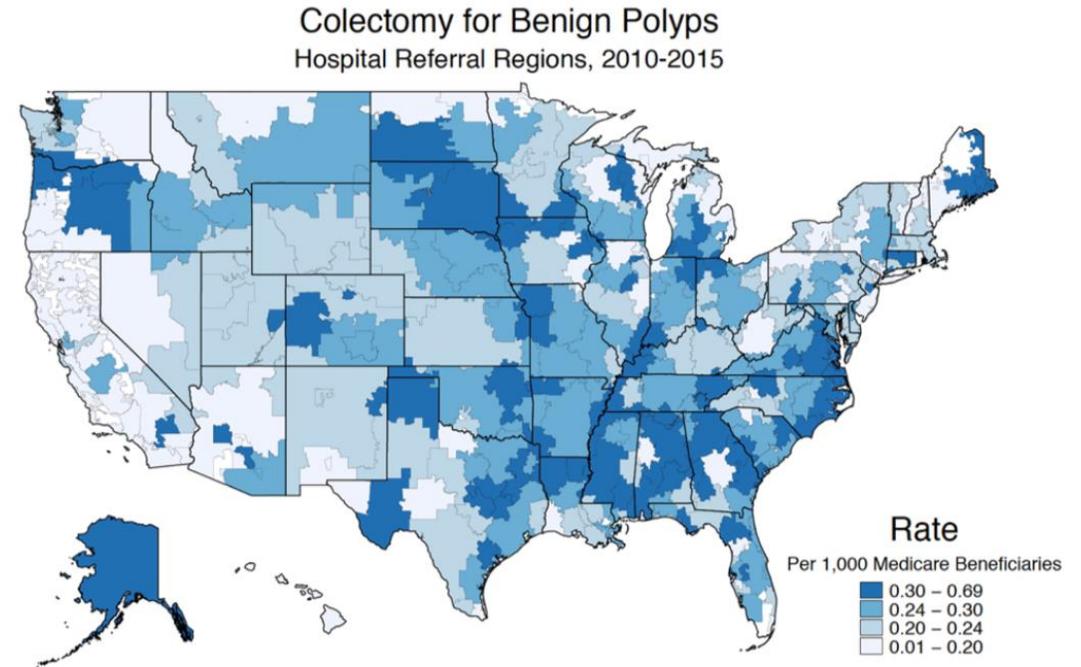


Figure 1. Annual incidence rate for nonmalignant colorectal polyp and colorectal cancer surgery per 100,000 US adults (≥ 20 years old) in the United States between 2000 and 2014.

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- Vu et al (Surg End, 2021)
 - Significant variability in surgery rates
 - No good explanation available



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- Who gets referred for surgery?
 - Polyps > 3 cm in size
 - Sessile or flat polyps
 - Right sided colonic polyps
 - Ileocecal valve or Appendix

Does Cancer Risk in Colonic Polyps Unsuited for Polypectomy Support the Need for Advanced Endoscopic Resections?



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ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTION

Colectomy for Endoscopically Unresectable Polyps: How Often Is It Cancer?

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE



The impact of the national bowel screening program in the Netherlands on detection and treatment of endoscopically unresectable benign polyps

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- Morbidity and mortality after surgery for nonmalignant colorectal polyps 



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<i>Mortality</i>	0.7%
<i>Major Complication</i>	14%
<i>Reoperation</i>	3.6%
<i>Anastomotic Leak</i>	2.6%

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- What is the Actual Cancer Risk in Patients Referred for Surgery?

10-18% depending on the case series

ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTION

Laparoscopic Colectomy Using Cancer Principles Is Appropriate for Colonoscopically Unresectable Adenomas of the Colon

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2011 SSAT PLENARY PRESENTATION

Oncologic Colorectal Resection, Not Advanced Endoscopic Polypectomy, Is the Best Treatment for Large Dysplastic Adenomas

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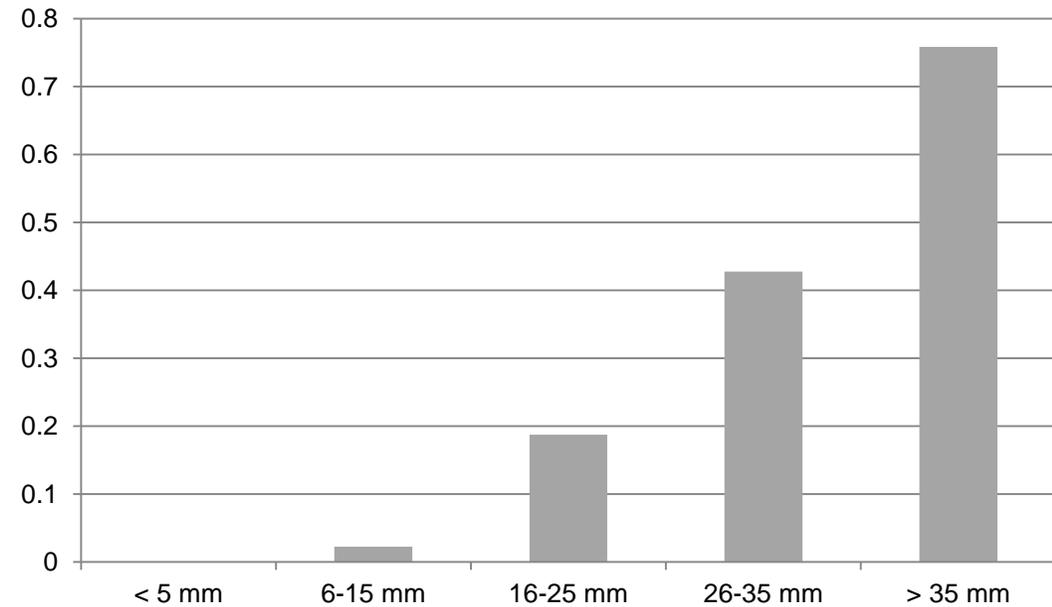
- What is the acceptable solution?

Polyps with a reasonable risk of harbouring malignancy should be referred for surgery

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*As Polyp Size
Increases,
Risk of Cancer
Increases*

Cancer Rate as related to Polyp Size



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Endoscopic Mucosal Resection Outcomes and Prediction of Submucosal Cancer From Advanced Colonic Mucosal Neoplasia

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CLINICAL-ALIMENTARY TRACT

COLORECTAL SURGERY

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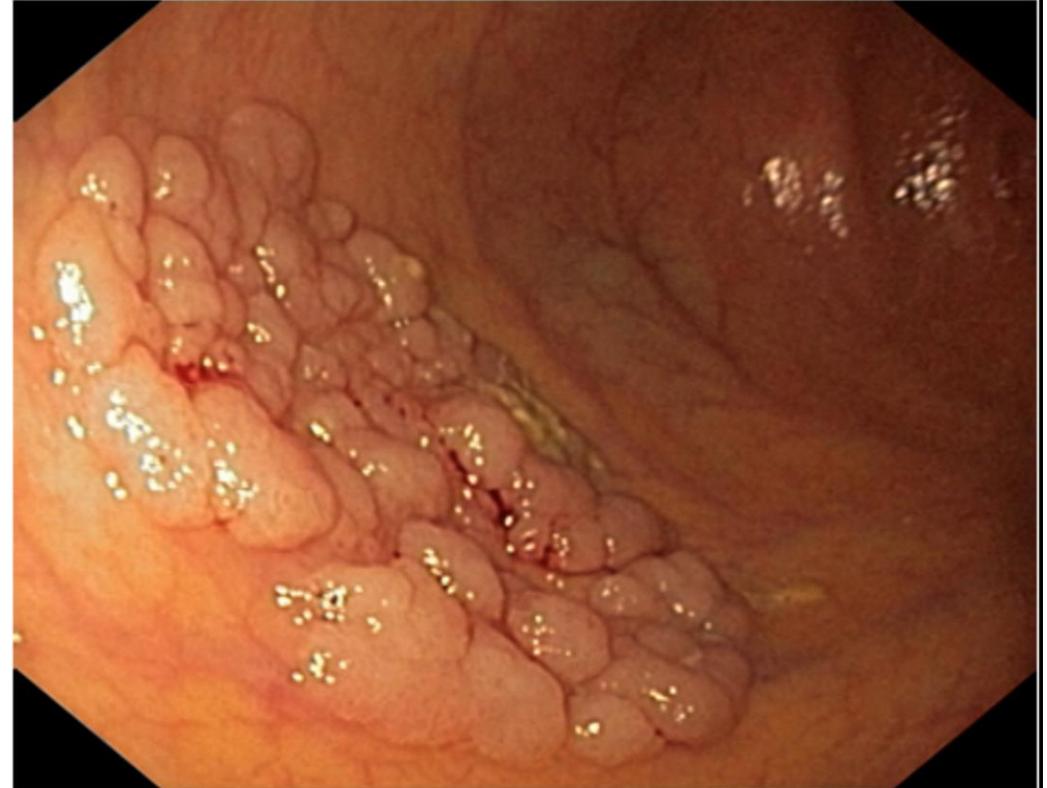
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You cannot risk stratify a polyp, without understanding the Paris or Kudo Classification

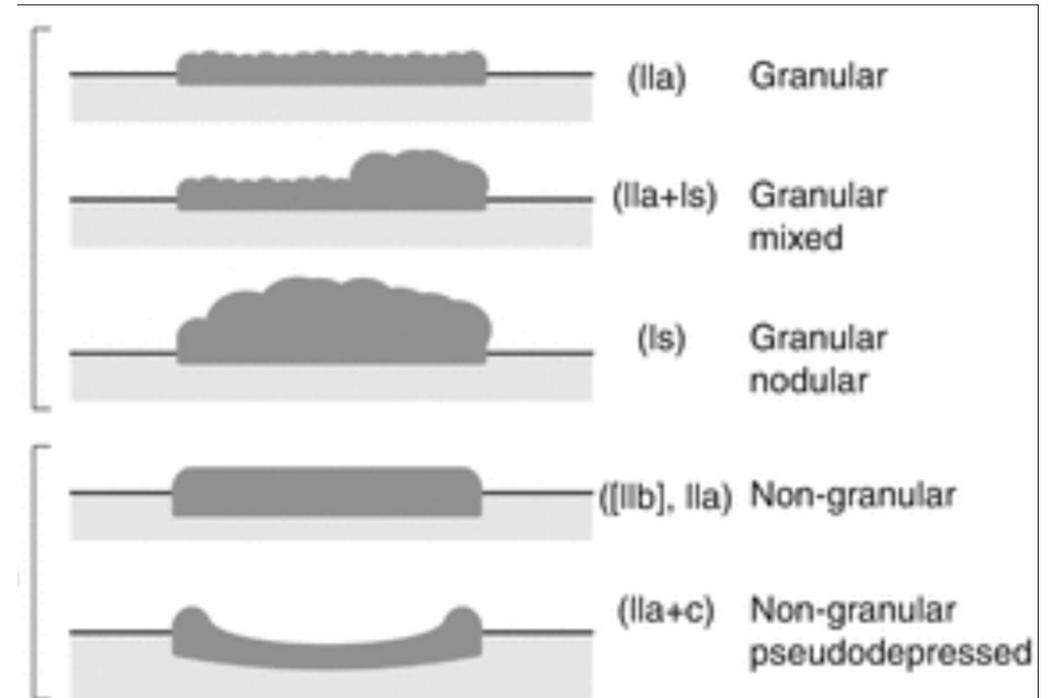
So? What do you do with a Difficult Colonic Polyp?

- Wash, Wash, Wash
- Assess Morphology
 - Paris Classification
 - Pit Pattern
 - What is the Size?
 - What is the Extent of the Polyp?



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ORIGINAL ARTICLE: Clinical Endoscopy

Large refractory colonic polyps: is it time to change our practice? A prospective study of the clinical and economic impact of a tertiary referral colonic mucosal resection and polypectomy service (with videos) 

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Management of the Difficult Colon Polyp Referred for Resection: Resect or Rescope?

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Risk Stratification System for Evaluation of Complex Polyps Can Predict Outcomes of Endoscopic Mucosal Resection

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Preoperative Colonoscopy Decreases the Need for Laparoscopic Management of Colonic Polyps

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Ask a friend, even if it means a repeat colonoscopy. Changes management 90% of the time!

So? What do you do with a Difficult Cecal Polyp?

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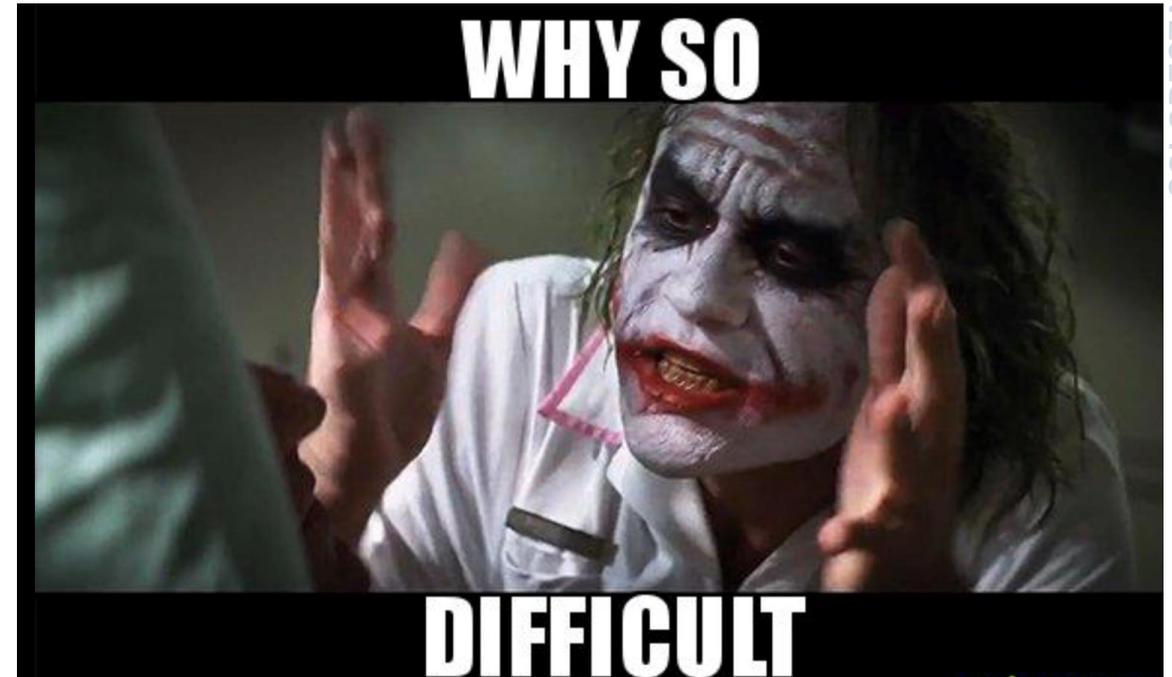
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- Is a cecal resection sufficient? Does the patient need a right hemicolectomy?
- Do you think the patient has a cancer?
- If > 30-40% concern regarding the presence of a cancer:
 - size > 3 cm,
 - Advanced Paris Classification
 - central ulceration
 - No lift sign
- Right Hemicolectomy is appropriate
- If none of the above
 - Cecal Resection / “Glorified Appendectomy” is reasonable

So? What do you do with a Difficult Rectal Polyp?

- Complex situation
- Decreased risk of perforation, so likely less risk with endoscopic resection
- If directed to surgery, higher risk of requiring an ostomy (albeit temporary)

- So, should you piecemeal it?

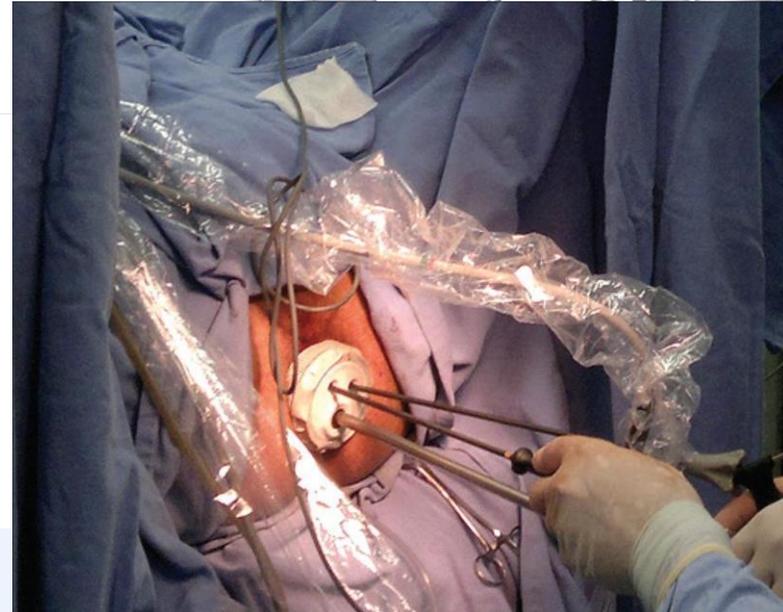
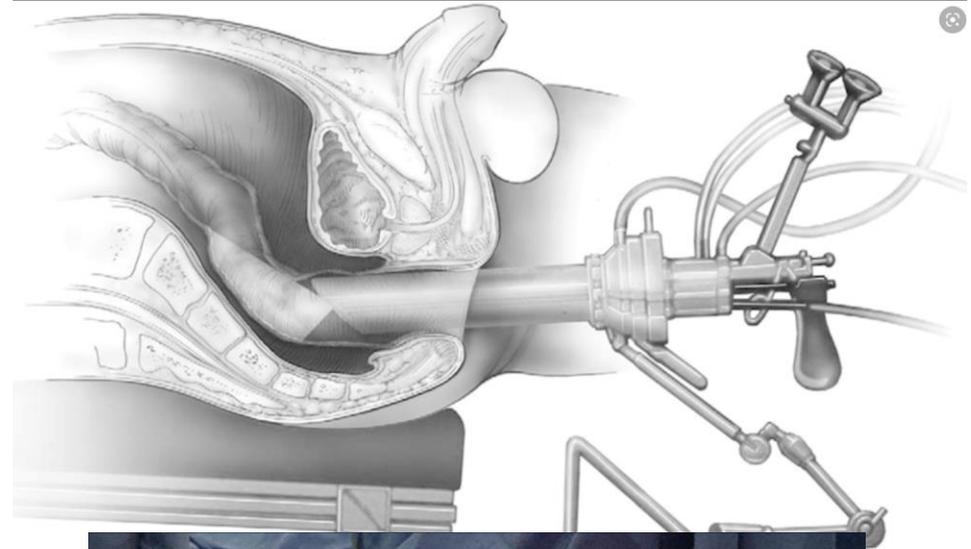


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- NO!
- Unable to assess margins, so a close or a positive margin will necessitate surgery.
- En-bloc resection is necessary
- If reasonable concern re: malignancy, en-bloc, full thickness resection **COULD** be curative

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- Transanal Resection
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Original Article

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Transanal endoscopic microsurgery as day surgery – a single-centre experience with 500 patients

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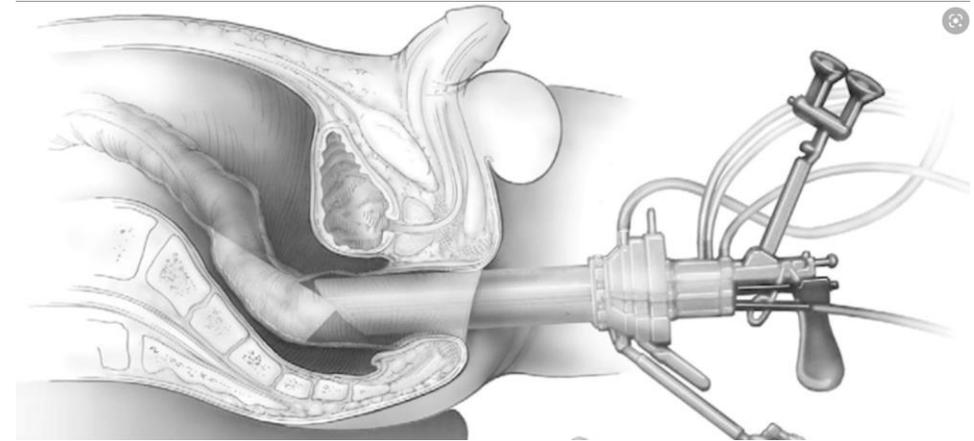
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Peritoneal perforation during transanal endoscopic microsurgery is not associated with significant short-term complications

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Assessing the safety and outcomes of repeat transanal endoscopic microsurgery

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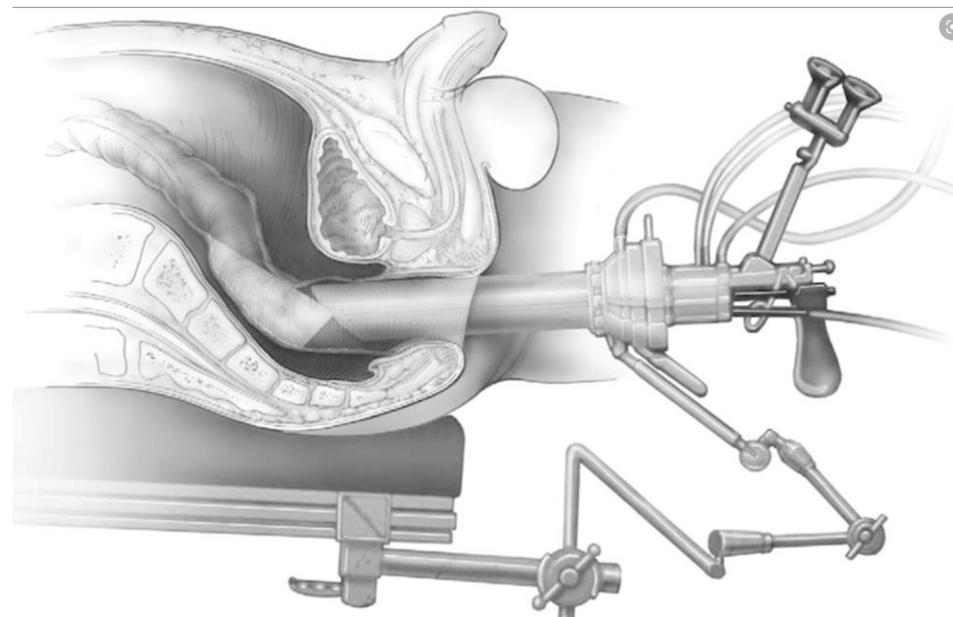
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patients

Male
622 (59.4%)

Female
426 (40.6%)

	Adenocarcinoma	Adenoma	Carcinoid
Pre-Op Diagnosis ²	25.9%	58.1%	5.0%

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	Mean	SD	Min
OR Duration ²	51.7	31.1	2.0

[2] N=990; Units in minutes; Records are missing 58 counts (5.5%)

	Full	Partial
Depth of Dissection ³	86.8%	5.6%

[3] N=1022; Records are missing 26 counts (2.5%); 36 counts (3.5%) are noted as N/A

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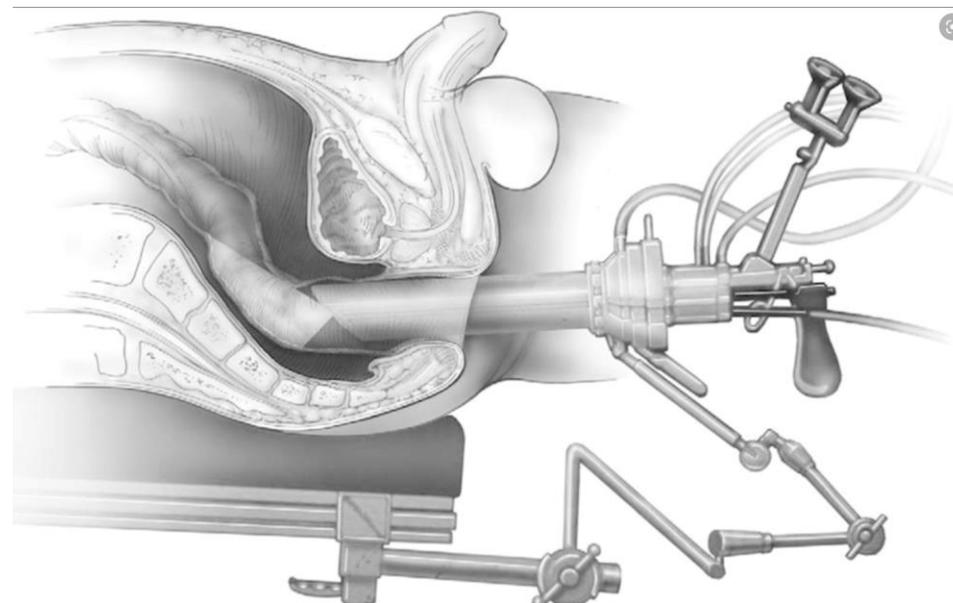
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	Mean	SD
Hospital Stay ³	0.5	1.6

[3] N=1030; Units in days; Records are missing 18 counts (1.7%)

	Bleeding	Infection
Complications	5.5%	7.3%

So? What do you do with Difficult Polyps?

- Any Difficult Colonic Polyp
 - Carefully Assess
 - Size
 - Classification
 - Ask a Colleague for a second opinion
 - If MDC available, then this is the time to use it!
 - Careful discussion with patient
 - If low risk of cancer or high-risk patient, endoscopic techniques
 - If high risk of cancer, surgical resection

So? What do you do with Difficult Polyps?

- Cecal or Appendiceal Polyp
 - If low risk of malignancy, and amenable to a cecal resection, go ahead
 - If high risk of malignancy, then right hemicolectomy
- Rectal Polyp
 - Emphasize en-bloc resection
 - If concern re: malignancy, then focus on full-thickness excision
 - Transanal Surgery is safe, appropriate with acceptable clinical outcomes
 - Low complications
 - Day

THANK YOU

