

Surgery Collaborative and Long-term Practical Experience Learning **SCaLPEL** Case report



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INTRODUCTION

- *M, 56 y.o.
- *12/2022 initial referral to oncology:
adenoca recti, poypus coli ascendensis (unresectable, high dysplasia)
- *History: spinal surgery, covid, PE (fragmin 2x7500 iu)
- *MDT: neoadjuvant chemoradiotherapy
(CapOx + short course)
- *preoperative colonoscopy
Adenoma vilotubulare (partially resected, mostly low dysplasia), adenoca recti (18-20 cm from ACJ)
- *preoperative MR and CT -> regression of the tumor

Now what?

- A) Right hemicolectomy + low anterior resection
- B Low anterior resection only + watchful waiting
-) Total colectomy
- C)

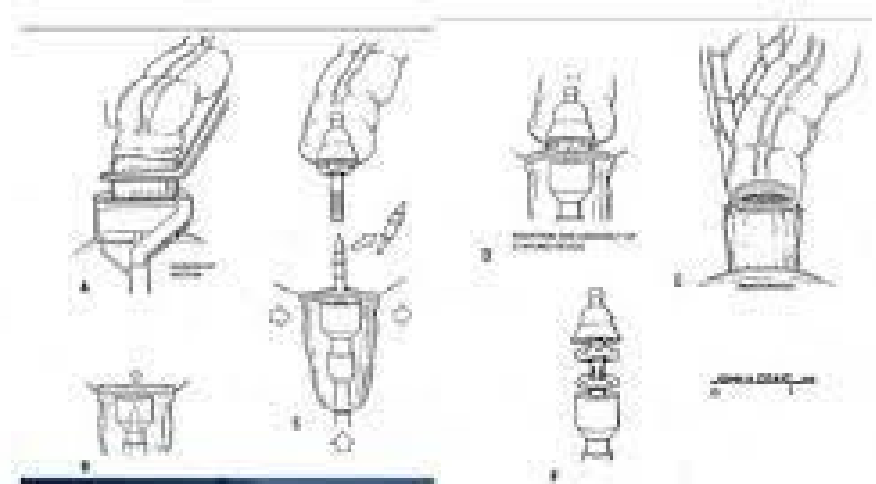
SURGERY

Low anterior resection
Colorectal anastomosis with
circular stapler No 31
(end-to-end)
Drainage, PHD

PHD:

Adenoca recti T3N1c, G2
Total mesorectal excision

LOW ANTERIOR RESECTION WITH TME



POSTOPERATIVE COURSE

Clinically stable, afebrile (**the first three days**)

Fever (38°C) and abdominal pain a few hours after drain removal (day 4 postop)

CRP: 1.2 (0) - 27.8 (1) - 31.6 (3) - 92.5 (4)

Now what?

- A) MSCT
- B Watchful waiting
-) Colonoscopy
- C)

MSCT

- *MSCT with per rectum contrast

- * anastomotic leak
- * collection 44x32mm



Now what?

- A) Revision
- B Conservative therapy
-)

Surgery...again

Intraoperatively confirmed anastomosis dehiscence

Resection of the anastomosis

Unipolar colostoma

Drainage

Postoperative course uneventful, discharge home on the 10th postop day (initial surgery)/ 6th postop day

Just the beginning...

- *On the 16th postop day consulted in the ER
 - abdominal pain, heavy fatigue
 - physical: no peritonitis, perineal pain, stoma wf

LABS

L 14.2, Nth 79.5%, CRP 112.5

->MSCT of the pelvis

MSCT

- * Progression of the pelvic collection to 58mm



Now what?

- A) Surgery
- B Conservative atb therapy
-) Intervention radiology (CT guided drainage)
- C)

Surgery

Which approach?

- * Medial laparotomy?

Surgery

*Transanal drainage of the abscess
Drainage

Postoperative course:

CRP drop 121 -> 71 (2) -> 29 (4)

Discharged home on the 8th postoperative day

Current status

Last check - up one month after last surgery:
Sporadic bloody discharge through anus
Stoma functioning

Plan:
Control colonoscopy in 3 months
Further oncological monitoring

Discussion

Drain types used
in GI surgery

- Blake drain
- Abdominal drain



Discussion

*Patient had total mesorectal excision
Partial (tumour specific) mesorectal excision?

➤ [Ann Coloproctol](#). 2023 Mar 31. doi: 10.3393/ac.2022.00689.0098. Online ahead of print.

**Partial mesorectal excision can be a primary option
for middle rectal cancer: a propensity-score matched
retrospective analysis**

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Local (5.3% vs. 4.3%, $P>0.999$) and systemic (8.5% vs. 16.0%, $P=0.181$) recurrence rates did not differ between the 2 groups, respectively, in patients with middle and upper rectal cancer.

The 5-year disease-free survival (81.4% vs. 74.0%, $P=0.537$) and overall survival (88.0% vs. 81.1%, $P=0.847$) rates also did not differ between the PME and TME groups, confined to middle rectal cancer.

Postoperative complication rate was higher in the TME than in the PME group (21.4% vs. 14.5%, $P=0.027$).

Conclusion: PME can be primarily recommended for patients with middle rectal cancer with lower margin of >5 cm from the anal verge.

Thank You!