

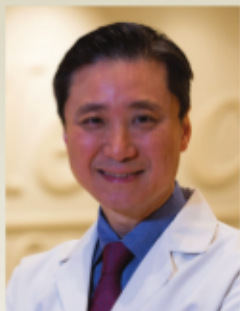


The 8th Annual Minimally Invasive Robotics Course

Robotic Gynecology 2018

Challenging Cases

and Cadaveric Workshop



A Continuing Medical Education Symposium

September 6, 7 & 8, 2018

Course Director: Dwight D. Im, M.D., FACOG

*Conference at The Four Seasons – Baltimore, MD
Thursday and Friday – September 6 and 7*

Cadaveric Workshop – Saturday, September 8

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Agenda for Thursday, September 6, 2018 at The Four Seasons

7:00 – 7:45	Registration/Breakfast/Welcome	
7:45 – 8:45	Pelvic Anatomy through the Eyes of the Robot	Salvatore LoCoco
8:45 – 9:45	Vesicovaginal Space	Dwight Im
9:45 – 10:00	Break	
10:00 – 11:00	Pre-Vesical and Retro-Rectal Space: Robotic Burch and Sacrocolpopexy	Ricardo Estape
11:00 – 12:00	Para-Rectal Space: Retroperitoneal Hysterectomy IMSWAY	Dwight Im
12:00 – 12:45	Lunch	
12:45 – 1:45	Challenging Cases	Salvatore LoCoco
1:45 – 2:45	Challenging Cases	Ricardo Estape
2:45 – 3:15	Break	
3:15 – 4:15	How to perform 12 robotic cases a day / OR Efficiency	Dwight Im
4:15 – 5:00	Questions & Answers	
5:00 – 6:00	Reception	

Agenda for Friday, September 7, 2018 at The Four Seasons Hotel

7:00 – 7:30	Registration/Breakfast/Welcome	
7:30 – 9:15	Live Case #1	Dwight Im
9:15 – 10:15	Complications of Robotic Surgery	Ricardo Estape
10:15 – 12:00	Live Case #2	Dwight Im
12:00 – 12:45	Lunch	
12:45 – 1:15	Break-out Session #1 ^{*1}	
1:15 – 1:45	Break-out Session #2 ^{*1}	
1:45 – 2:15	Break-out Session #3 ^{*1}	
2:15 – 2:45	Break-out Session #4 ^{*1}	
2:45 – 3:00	Break	
3:00 – 3:30	Break-out Session #5 ^{*1}	
3:30 – 4:00	Break-out Session #6 ^{*1}	
4:00 – 4:30	Questions & Answers	

*1 – See back page for complete Break-out Sessions details.

Agenda for Saturday, September 8, 2018 at The Johns Hopkins Hospital

7:45 – 8:00	Welcome	
8:00 – 12:00	Fundamentals Session	Dwight Im
12:00 – 12:45	Lunch	
12:45 – 1:00	Welcome	
1:00 – 5:00	Advanced Session	Dwight Im

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12:45 – 1:15	Break-out Session #1 -(Sienna)Robotic Omentectomy / Cytoreductive Surgery -(Ballroom)Robotic Treatment of Endometriosis	Salvatore LoCoco Gaby Moawad
1:15 – 1:45	Break-out Session #2 -(Sienna)Robotic Pelvic Extenteration -(Ballroom)Robotic Myomectomy	Salvatore LoCoco Gaby Moawad
1:45 – 2:15	Break-out Session #3 -(Sienna)Robotic Radical Hysterectomy -(Ballroom)Tissue Extraction	Dwight Im Gaby Moawad
2:15 – 2:45	Break-out Session #4 -(Sienna)Robotic Pelvic Lymphadenectomy -(Ballroom)Movement to Outpatient Hysterectomy	Dwight Im Gaby Moawad
3:00 – 3:30	Break-out Session #5 -(Sienna)Robotic Para-Aortic Lymphadenectomy -(Ballroom)IMSWAY Revisited	Ricardo Estape Dwight Im
3:30 – 4:00	Break-out Session #6 -(Sienna)Robotic HIPEC / Splenectomy -(Ballroom)IMSWAY Revisited	Ricardo Estape Dwight Im

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DAY 1

09/06/2018

Pelvic Anatomy through the eyes of the robot.



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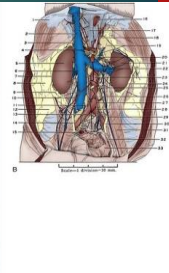
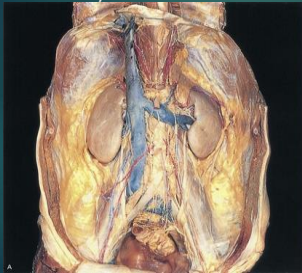


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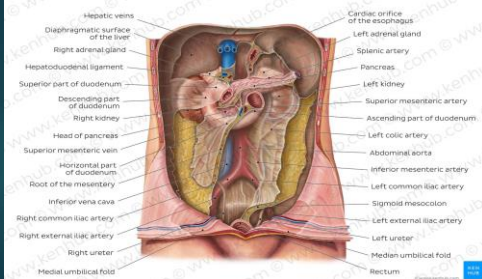
- ▶ (Re-) Introduction to Pelvis and Lower Abdomen
- ▶ Remarkable Uniformity of the anatomy in nearly all patients
- ▶ Discuss a variety of approaches to handling complex pathology and using landmarks to keep us on course

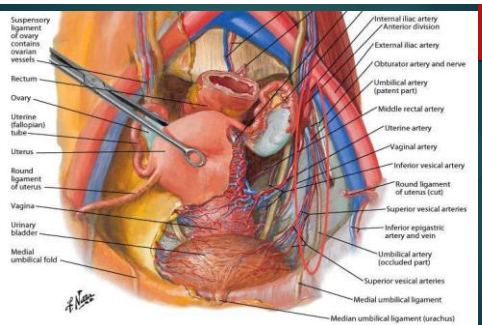


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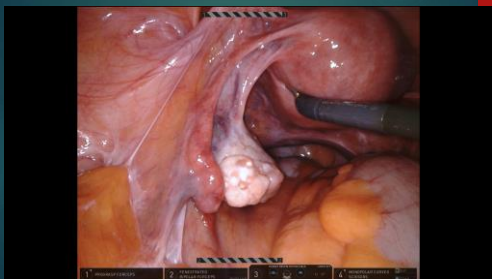


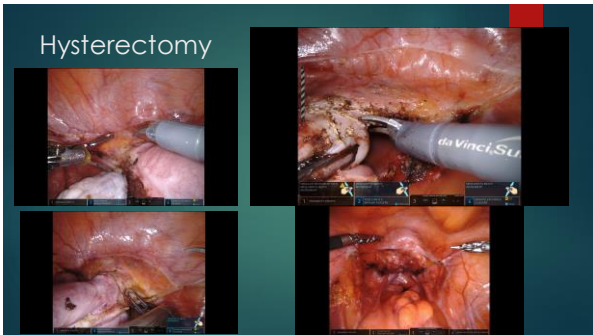
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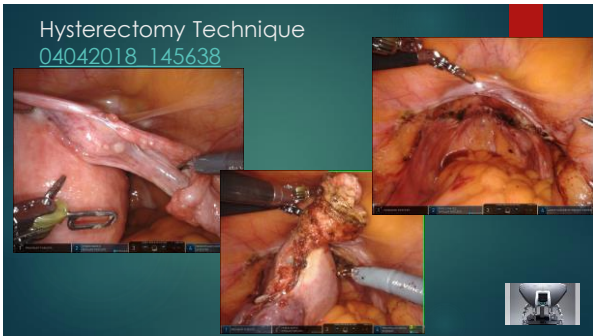


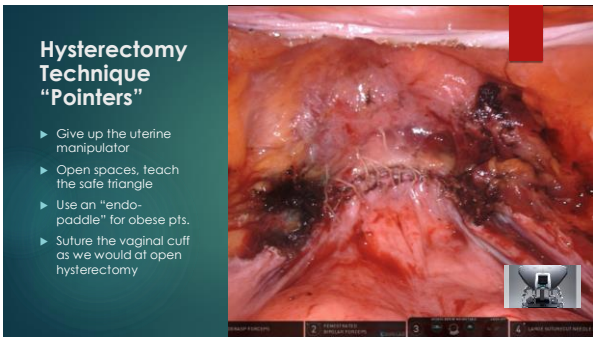


Standard Hysterectomy



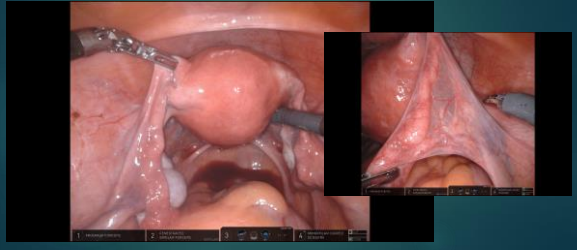




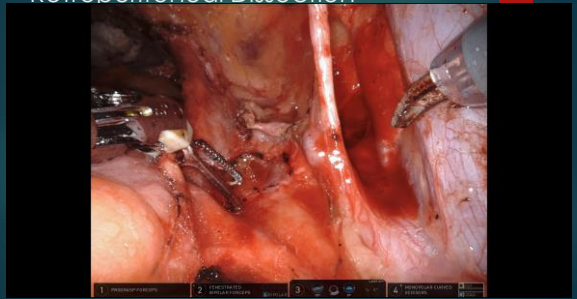


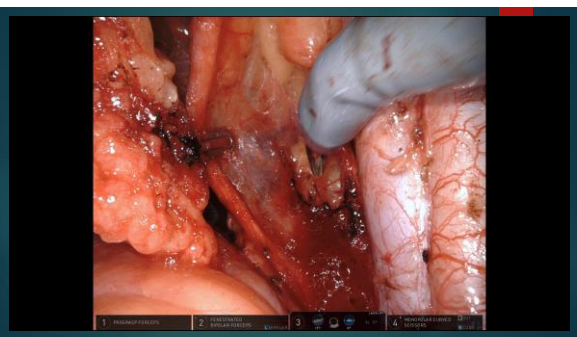
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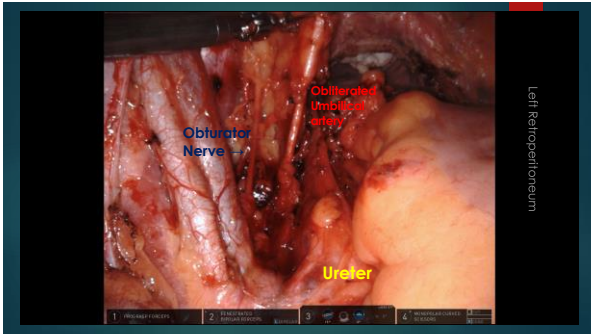
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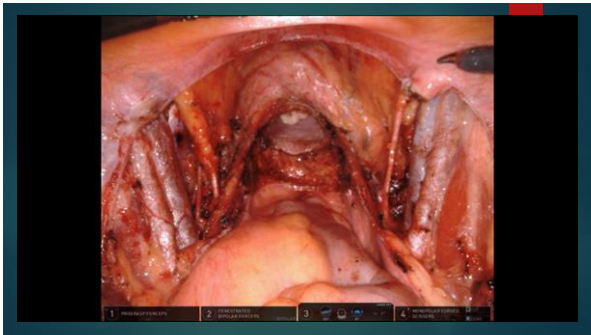


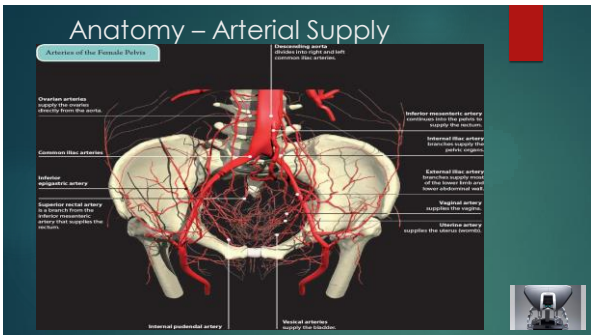
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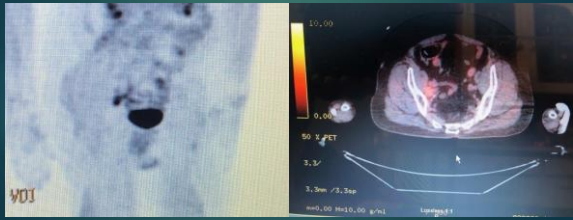






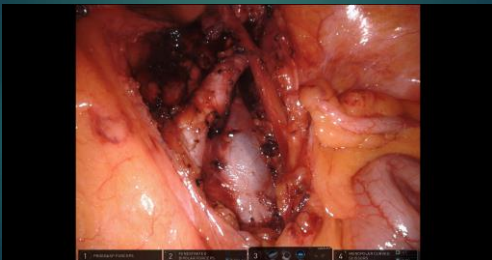


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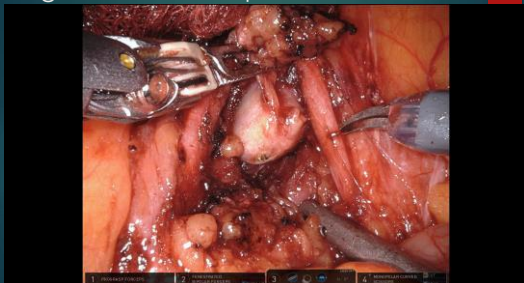


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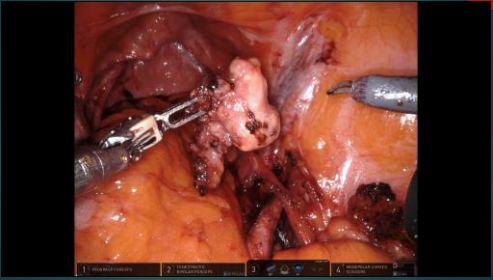
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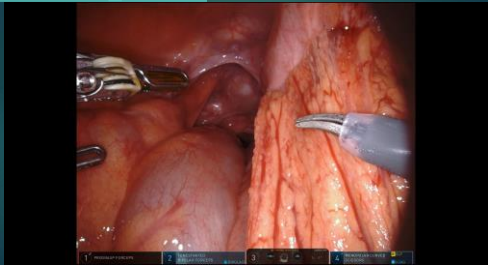
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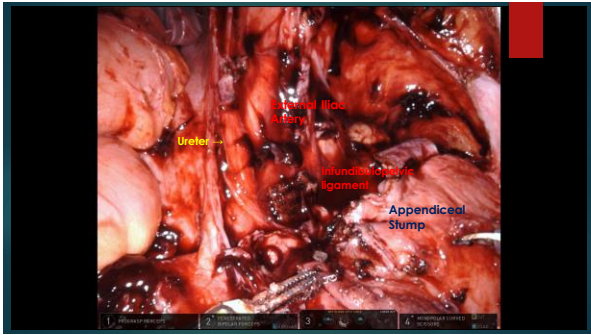


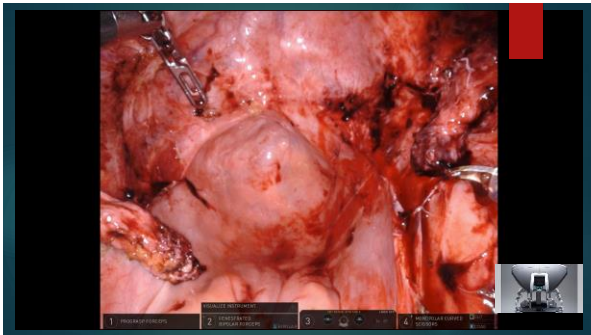
“Nanu
time for
a break”

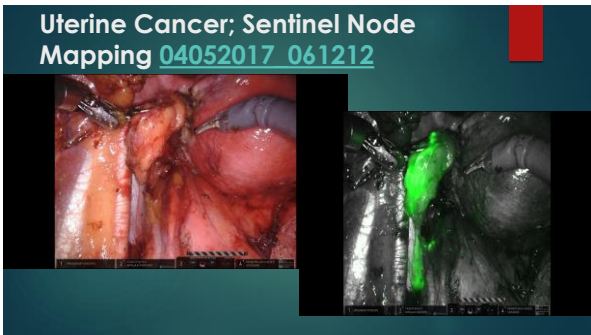


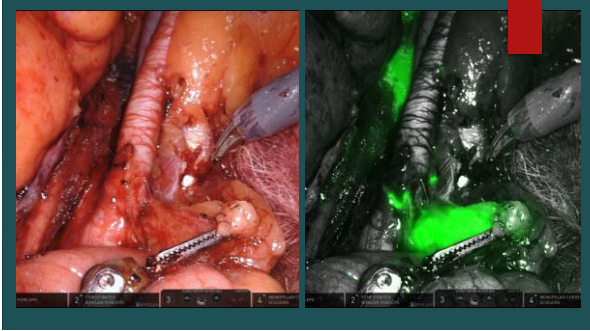
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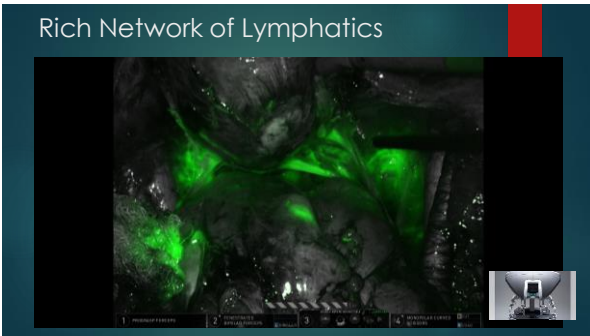


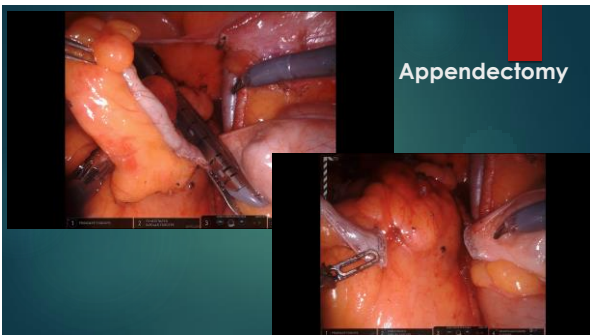












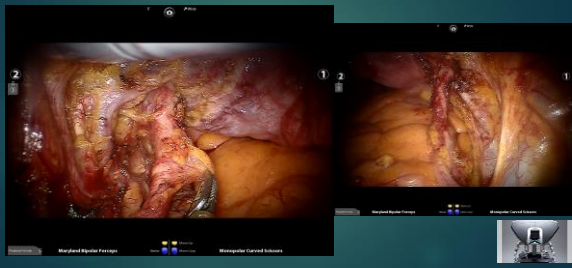
Recurrent Vulvar Cancer-Pelvic Nodes

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Anterior Pelvic Exenteration/Ileal Conduit

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Pelvic Anatomy in the Eyes of the Robot - Summary

- ▶ Develop skill set to "master" the use of the robotic device.
- ▶ Approach cases by developing a surgical strategy in the context of an "open case"
- ▶ Abandon the "uterine manipulator", use the third arm to retract
- ▶ Get familiar with the landmarks in the abdomen, pelvis and retroperitoneum through the robotic, total immersion 3D, high-def view.



“Nanu can we
take a
refreshment and
nutrition break
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Vesico-Vaginal Space (VVS)

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VVS

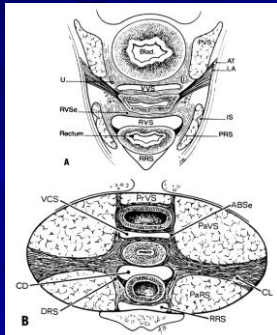
Objectives:

1. Learn how to develop VVS in routine hyst
2. Learn how to develop VVS in complex case
3. Learn how to manipulate uterus properly

Pelvic Anatomy

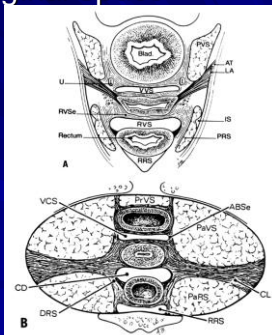
Avascular Spaces

1. Prevesical
2. Vesicovaginal
3. Rectovaginal
4. Retrorectal
5. Paravesical
6. Pararectal

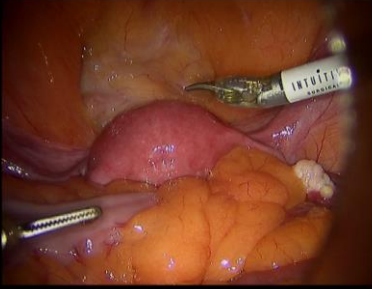


Vesicovaginal Space

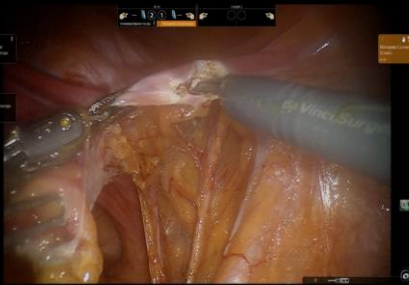
- Between bladder and cervix/vagina
- Bladder Flap
- Can be challenging
 - Previous C/S
 - Myomectomy



Vesicovaginal Space 1



Vesicovaginal Space



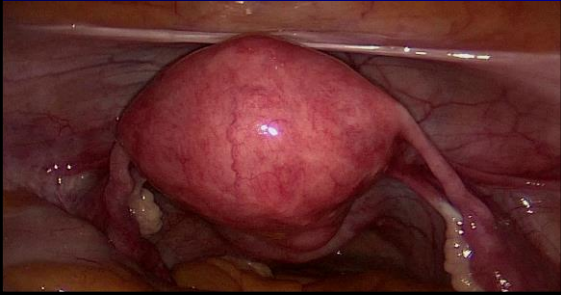
Vesicovaginal Space

Vesicovaginal Space / Bladder Flap

- Lift up vesico-uterine fold
- Do NOT stay close to cervix
- Develop from lateral to medial
- Learn how to manipulate uterus properly

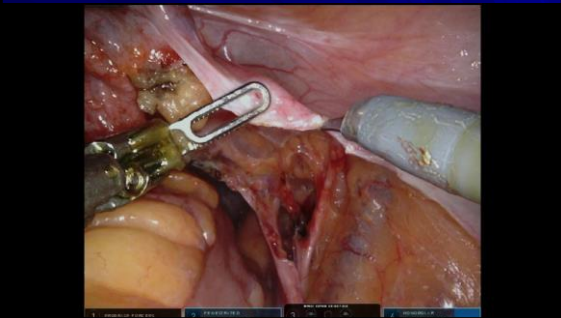
Vesicovaginal Space

Uterine Manipulation



Vesicovaginal Space

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Vesicovaginal Space

Where do you start?

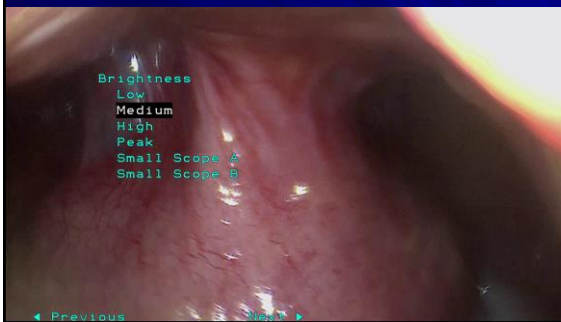


VVS: Complex Cases

Case 1

- 40 y.o. P 3003 with menorrhagia
- C/S x 3

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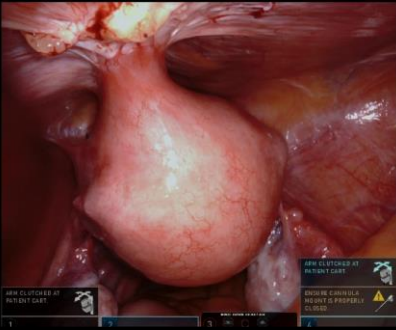


VVS: Complex Cases

Case 2

- 44 y.o. P 4004 with pelvic pain
- C/S x 3; open APPY; CCY; BTL
- Dx lap: 2 weeks ago.

VVS: Complex Case 2



VVS: Complex Cases

Case 3

- 66 y.o. P 1011 with recurrent PMB
- C/S x 1

VVS: Complex Case 3



VVS: Complex Cases

Case 4

- 31 y.o. P 3023 with dyspareunia
- s/p supracervical hyst 2009
- c/s x 1
- CCY

VVS: Complex Case 4



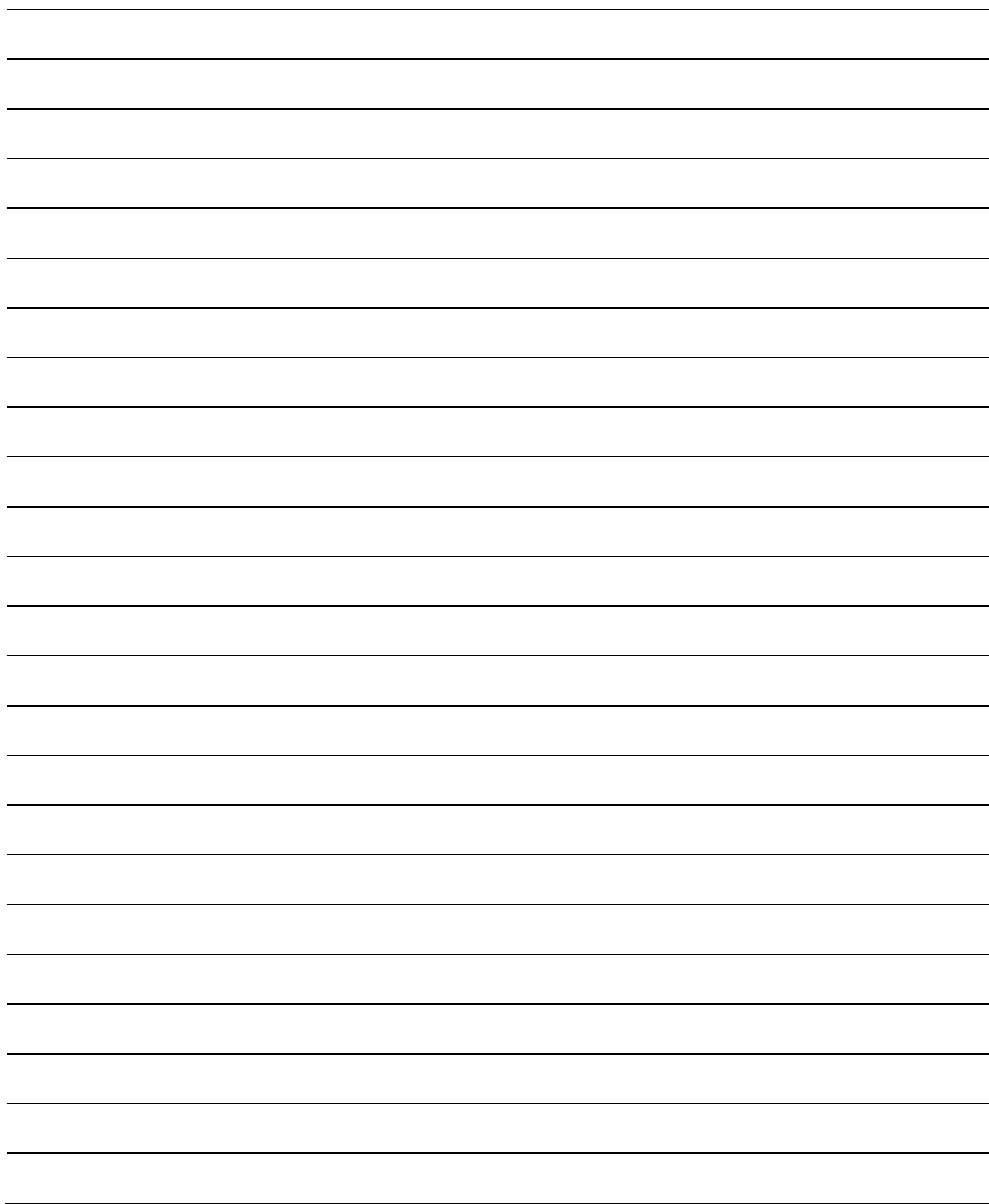
VVS

Final Thoughts

- Do not get too close to cervix
- Leave adhesions to the abd wall until end
- Ligate uterine vessels first
- Learn how to repair cystotomy

*Pre-Vesical and
Retro-Rectal Space:
Robotic Burch and
Sacropopexy*

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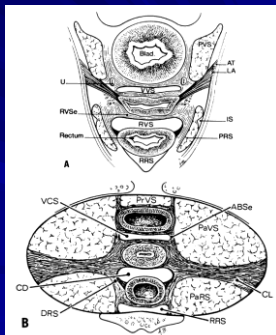
Objectives

- Learn how to develop Para-Rectal space
- Learn how to develop Para-Vesical space
- Learn how to skeletonize the ureter
- Learn how to coagulate uterine vessels at origin

Pelvic Anatomy

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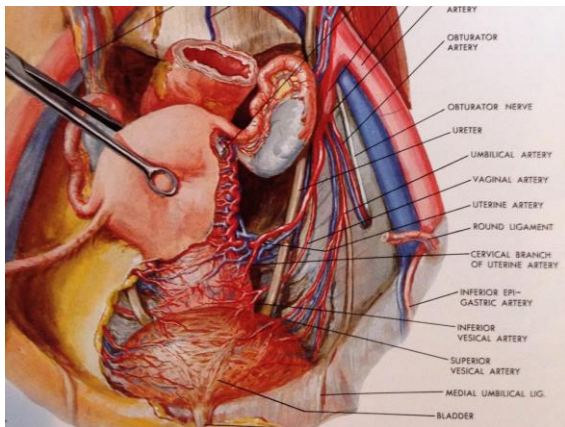


What makes a hysterectomy complex?

- Inadequate exposure
- Difficult dissection
- Pelvic adhesive disease
- Retroperitoneal fibrosis

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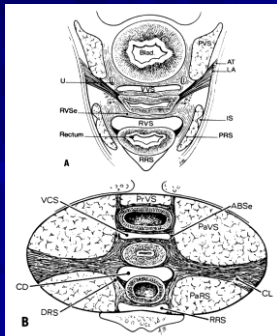
“I don't know where I am.”



Pelvic Anatomy

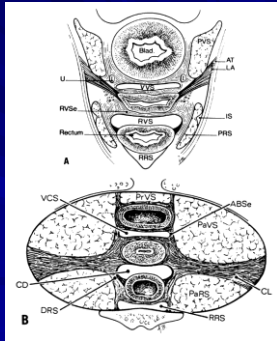
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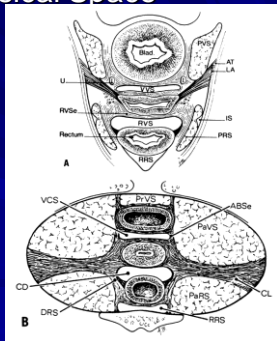
Para-Rectal Space

- Challenging space to develop
- Use IP and ureter to develop

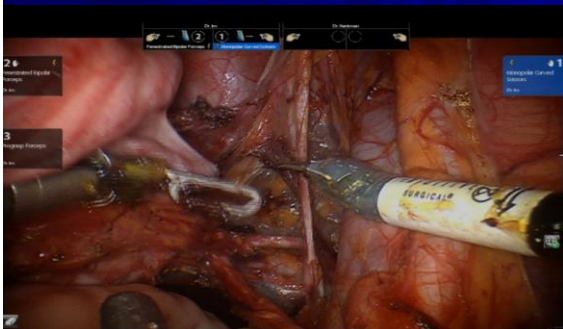


Para-Vesical Space

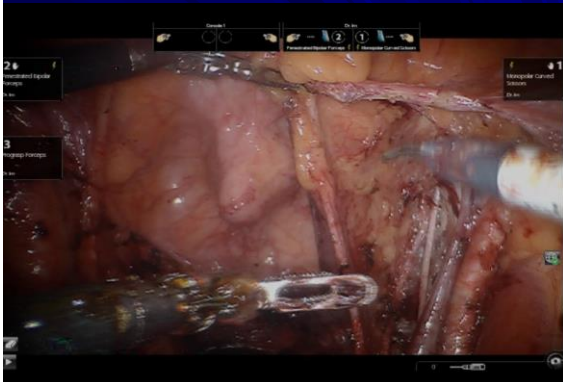
- Between bladder and pelvic sidewall
- Radical hysterectomy
- In assoc with para-rectal space



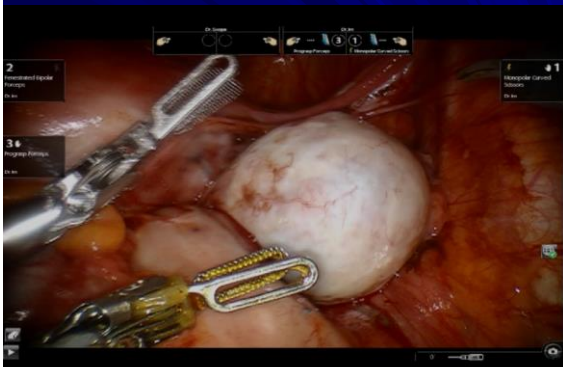
Para-Rectal and Para-Vesical Space



Pelvic Sidewall



Recto-Vaginal Space



Robotic Complex Procedures: Retroperitoneal Approach

- Access Retroperitoneal Space
- Skeletonization of:
 - Ureter
 - Hypogastric artery
 - Uterine artery
 - Pararectal space
- Ligation (coagulation) of uterine artery at origin

Para-Rectal Space / IMSWAY

- Infundibulopelvic ligament
- Medial leaf of the peritoneum
- Skeletonize ureter
 - Medial
 - Lateral
- Water under the bridge
- At origin of uterine artery
 - Seal uterine artery

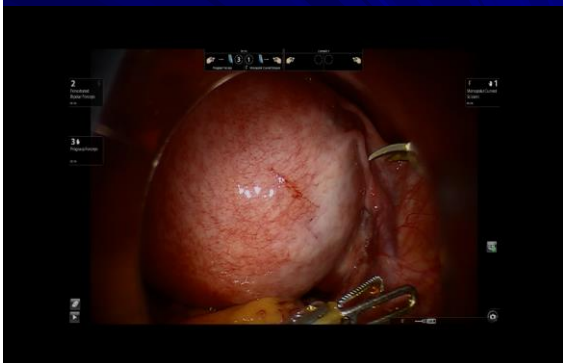
Para-Rectal Space / IMSWAY

THE KEY

Finding Para-Rectal Space

- Medial border: Ureter
- Lateral border: Hypogastric artery
- Anterior border: Base of cardinal lig.
- Floor: Levator Ani

Para-Rectal Space



Para-Rectal Space

- **Very useful in:**
 - Finding uterine vessels
 - Finding hypogastric artery
 - Dissection of pelvic sidewall
- **Not easy to develop**
- Need a systematic, reproducible method

Pararectal Space / IMSWAY

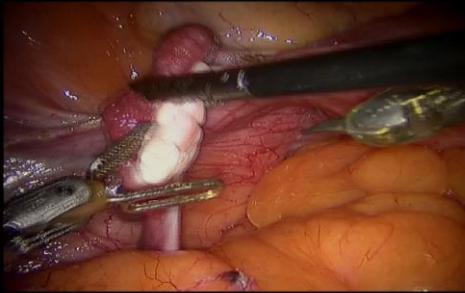
Is there an easier way to find the para-rectal space?

IMSWAY

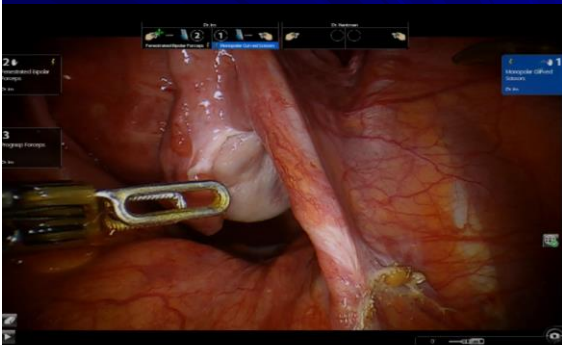
Infundibulopelvic Ligament Friend or Foe?

- Use it as guide to find ureter
- Skeletonization of IP Ligament
- The most important step in IMSWAY
- Gentle traction on the IP
 - Lift IP anteriorly
- Incision parallel to IP
 - Stay close to IP
 - Accessory vessels
- "Still can't find the ureter?"
 - Move more cephalad
 - See ureter on medial leaf of peritoneum

How NOT to use IP Ligament



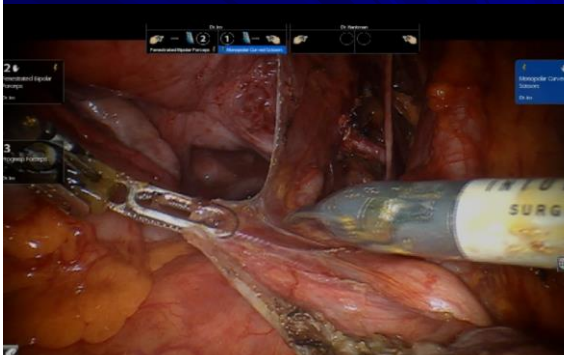
Infundibulopelvic Ligament



Skeletonize Ureter

1. **Dissect ureter off medial leaf of peritoneum**
Stay close to ureter
2. **Dissect lateral to ureter**
Stay closer to ureter
3. **Follow ureter to the "tunnel"**
 - Vesicouterine ligament
 - Use ureter as the guide to:
 - Locate internal iliac artery, uterine artery/vein
 - Para-rectal space

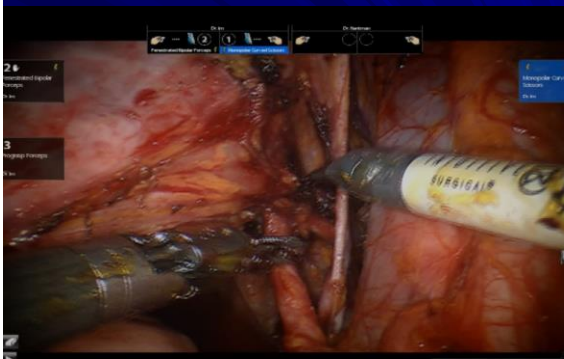
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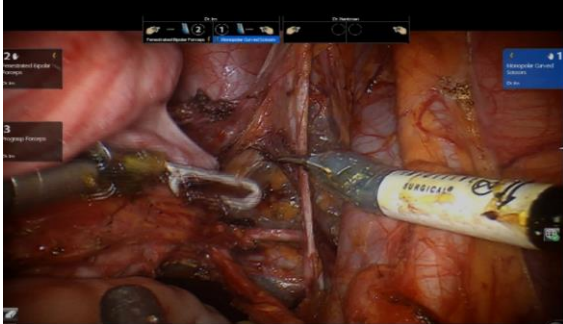
Water under the Bridge

- Uterine artery crossing anterior to ureter
- Dissect uterine artery
- Dissect hypogastric artery
- Dissect around water under the bridge to further develop pararectal space

Water under the Bridge



At Origin of the Uterine Artery
Clamp, Coagulate, +/- Cut



Para-Rectal Space/IMSWAY

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- Medial leaf of peritoneum
- Skeletonize ureter
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- At origin of uterine artery
- Yes! A Success!

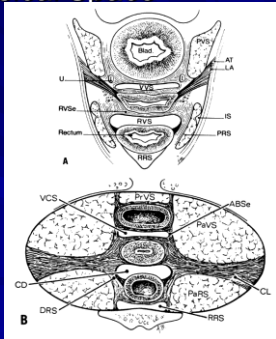
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IM'S WAY

Para-Vesical Space

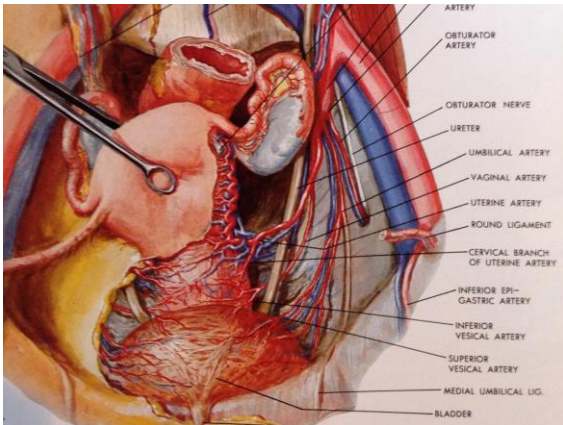
- Between bladder and pelvic sidewall
- Radical hysterectomy
- In assoc with pararectal space
- Use IMSWAY to locate the space



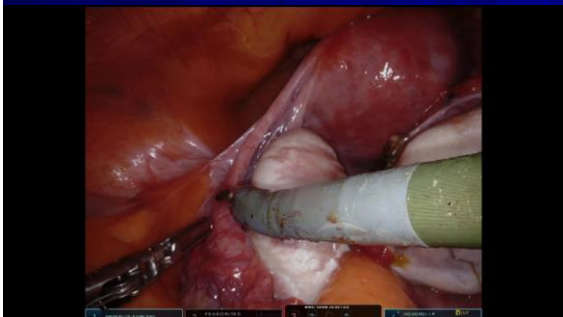
Frogger

IMSWAY: RIGHT SIDE

IMSWAY: LEFT SIDE



IMSWAY: LEFT SIDE



IMSWAY

- 48 y.o. P1001
- Fibroids & AUB

Retroperitoneal Approach IMSWAY

- The Key: Skeletonize IP to find ureter
- Use of ureter to find para-rectal space
- Use uterine vessels to find obliterated hypogastric artery (MUL)
- Use MUL to find para-vesical space
- Coagulation of uterine vessels at origin
- A systematic, reproducible way to access retroperitoneal space

THANK YOU!

IMSWAY

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- Skeletonize ureter
- Water under the bridge
- At origin of uterine artery
- Yes!



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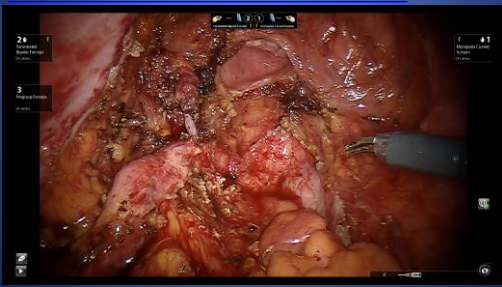
Ovarian Cancer-Obstructed Ureter

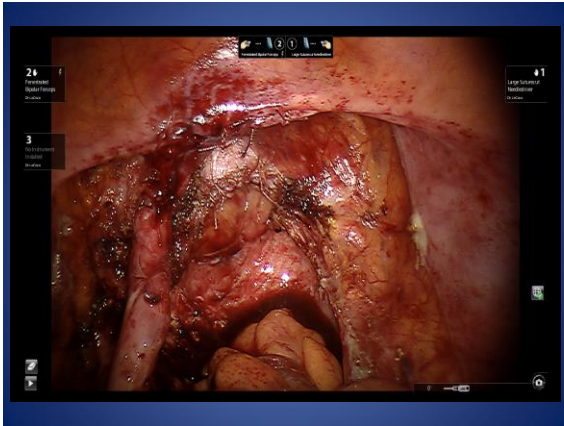
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Ovarian Cancer – Ureteral Repair

- [Ureteral reanastomosis Ov Cancer.MPG](#)



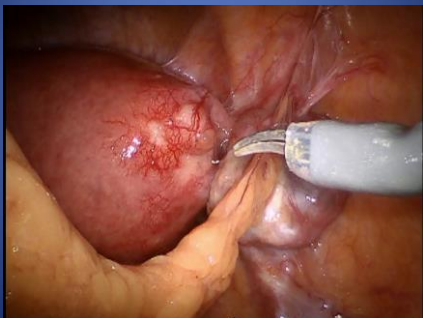


21 wk Intrauterine Pregnancy with
23 cm ovarian mass (torsion)

- [21wk IUP 23cm pelvic mass.MPG](#)

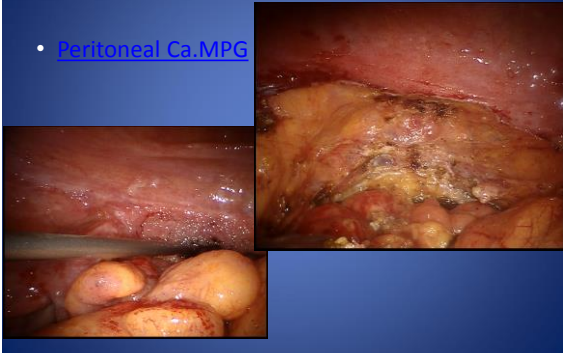


Advanced Endometrial Cancer
[Obturator nodes End Ca.MPG](#)



Peritoneal Carcinomatosis

- [Peritoneal Ca.MPG](#)

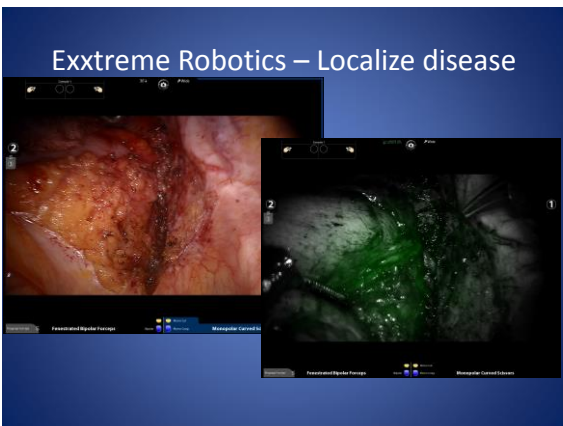


Exxtreme Robotics– Localize Disease

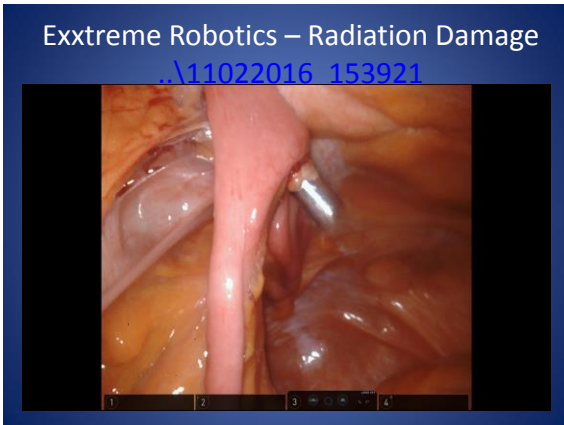
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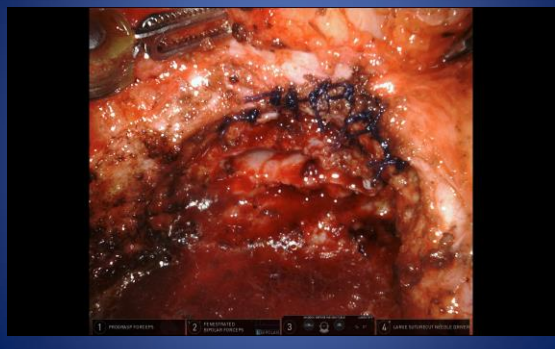




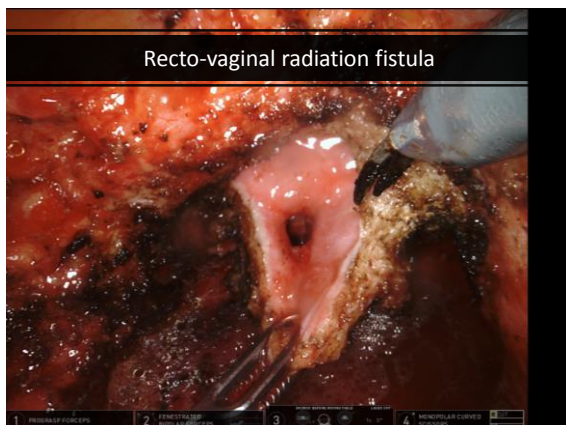


Vesico-vaginal and rectovaginal fistulas

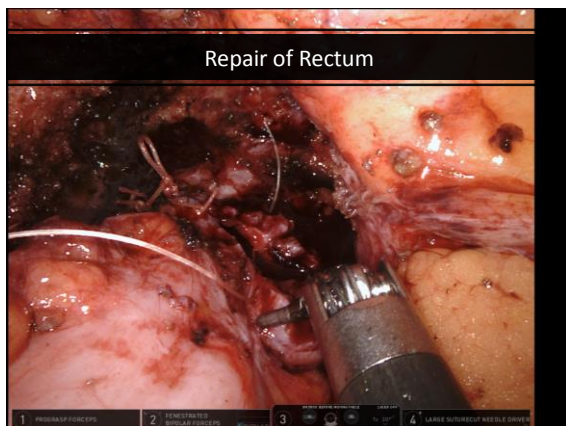
Vesico-vaginal Fistula repaired



Recto-vaginal radiation fistula



Repair of Rectum

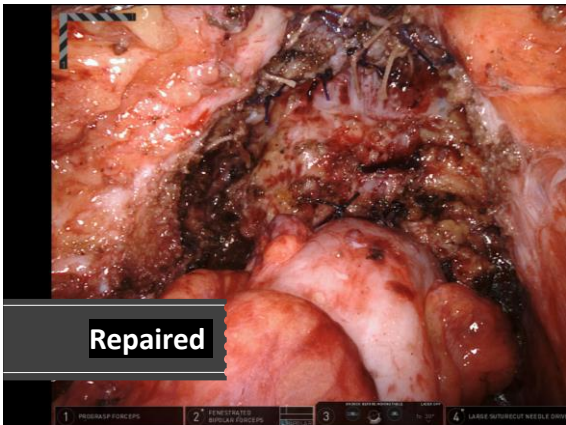


Closure of rectum, vagina and bladder

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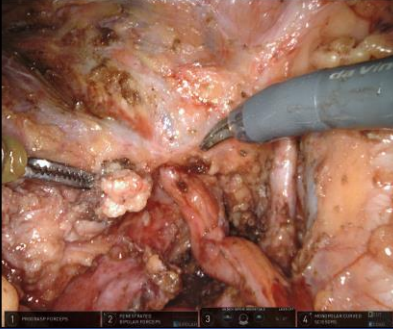


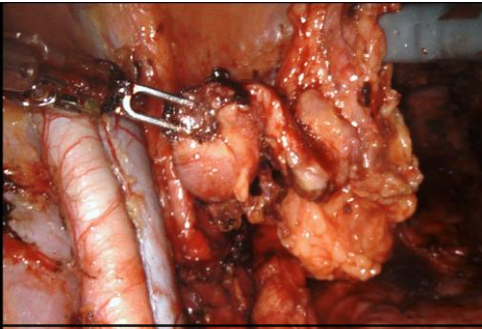
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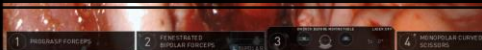


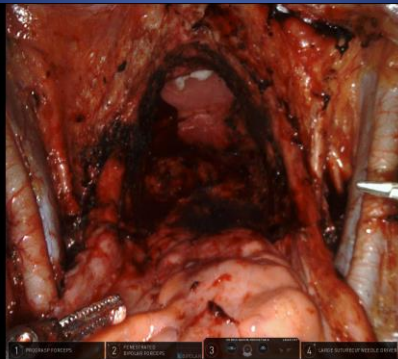
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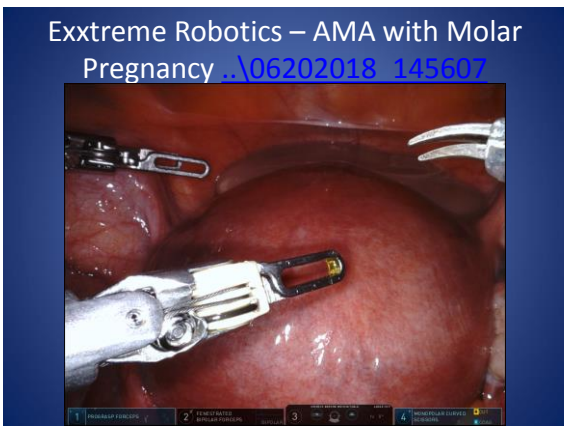
More Pathologic Nodes









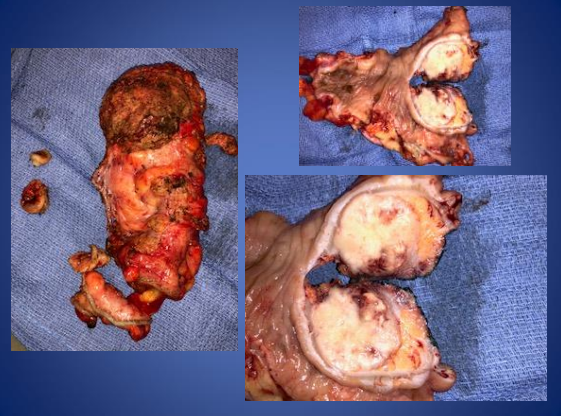


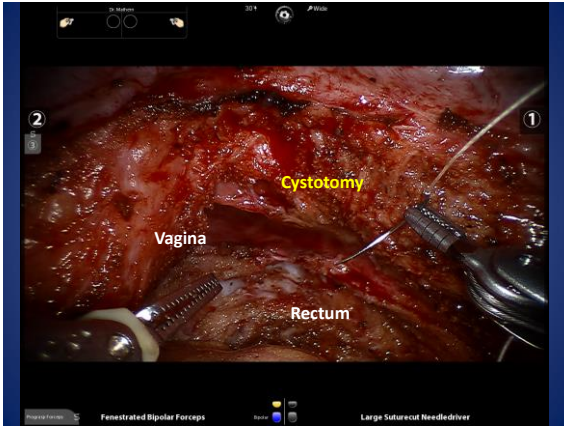
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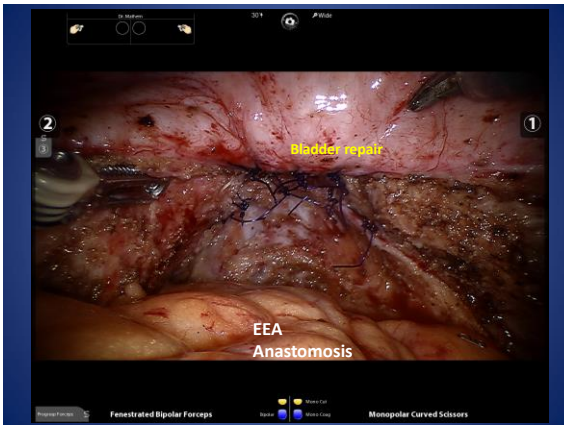


Disease Cleared










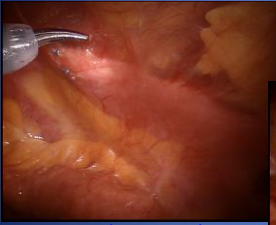
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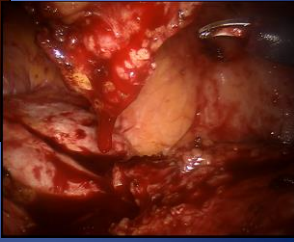
- Bladder repaired
- Primary rectal anastomosis
- Protective loop ileostomy

Exxtreme Enterolysis

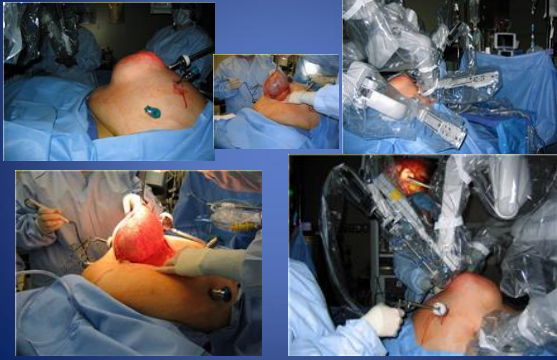
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- [Enterolysis STOPI.MPG](#)



Endometrial Cancer- Ventral Hernia











**Keep Climbing,
The Sky is the Limit!**



Thank You ☺

Greetings from Texas!



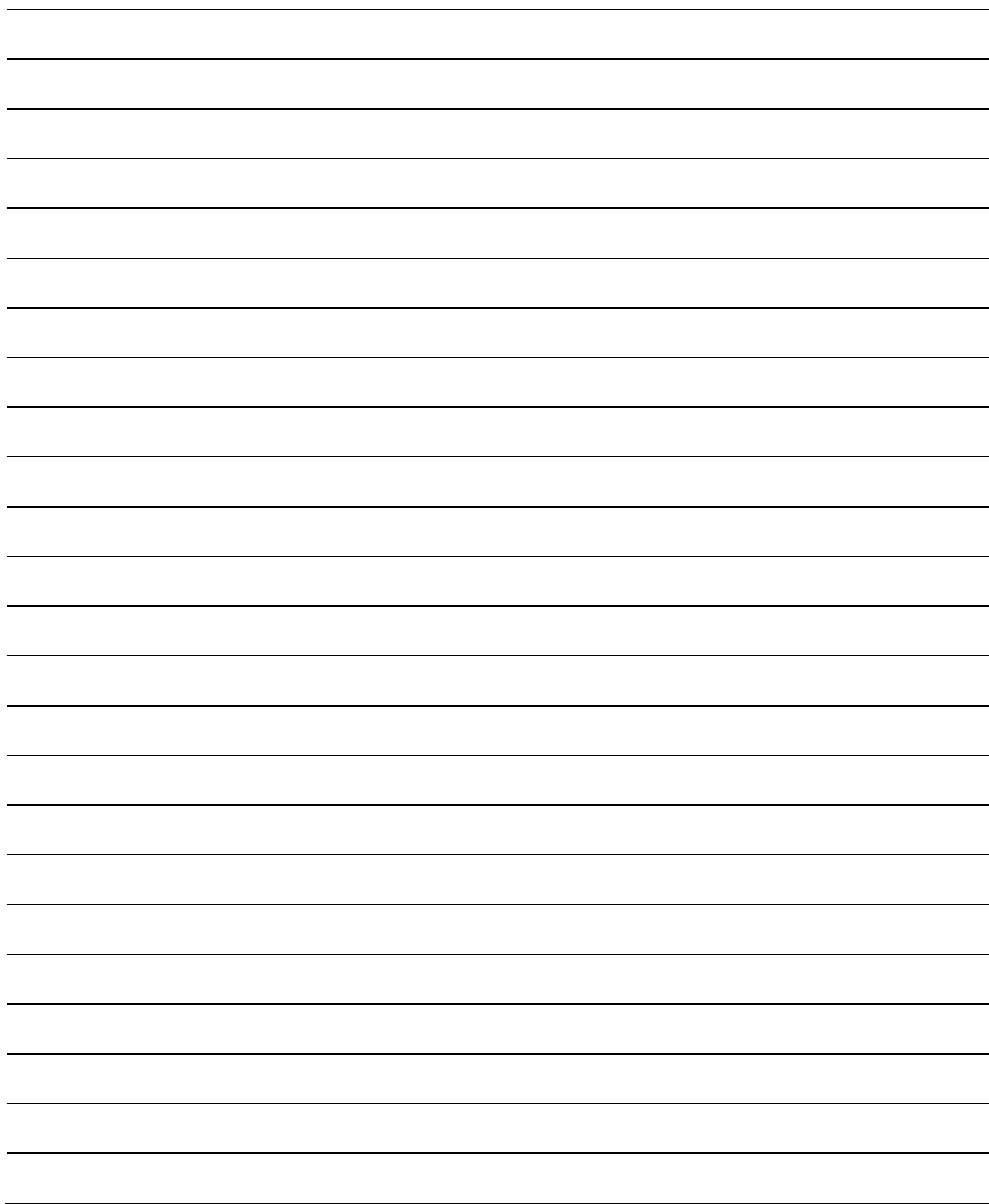




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Challenging Cases

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OR Efficiency:
How to perform 12 robotic
cases per day

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OR Efficiency

Objectives

- Learn how to Reduce Variability to Minimize Complexity
- Learn how to invest in Teams to Increase Consistency
- Learn how to perform an Efficient Hysterectomy

Question #1

I can routinely perform x hysterectomies a day in one room

- A. 1 to 2
- B. 3 to 4
- C. 4 to 5
- D. More than 5

Question #2

The rate limiting factor in my inability to do more cases

- A. Inadequate support from hospital
- B. "I am not an efficient surgeon."
- C. Both

OR Efficiency-- Others

- Hospital
 - Instruments/OR Set up
 - Type of da Vinci system
 - Variability
 - OR staff / Time
 - Anesthesia
 - Circulator
 - Scrub Tech
 - First Assistant

OR Efficiency-- Others

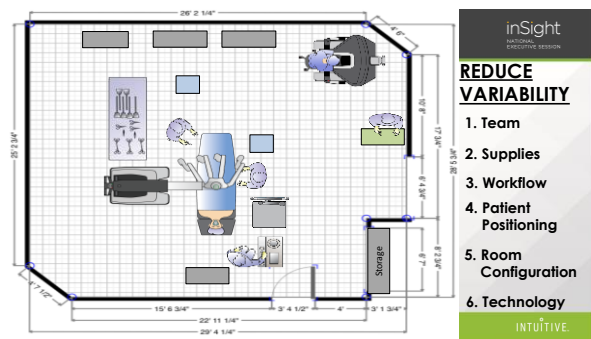
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 - Type of da Vinci system
 - OR Setup
 - Variability

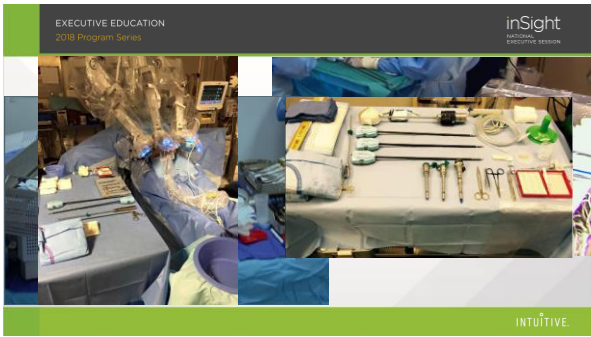
Number of da Vinci Systems at your hospital

- A. **One S**
- B. **One Si**
- C. **One Xi**
- D. **One Si and one Xi**
- E. **More than one Xi**

Reduce Variability to Minimize Complexity







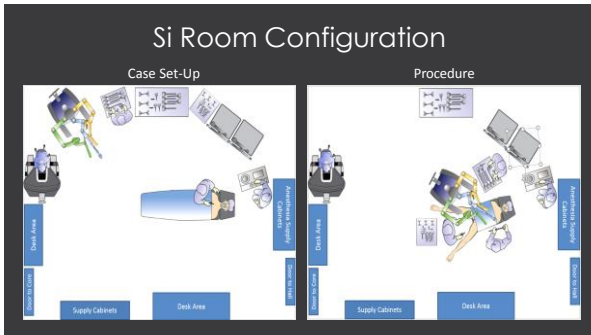
BEST Practices for Room Layout

- Clear pathway between door and bed for patient entry
- Bed oriented with head towards anesthesia for patient transfer, induction, and prep- may be rotated afterwards to accommodate procedure specific docking if needed
- Sterile field created along walls away from patient entry traffic
- Surgeon console positioned with line of sight to bedside

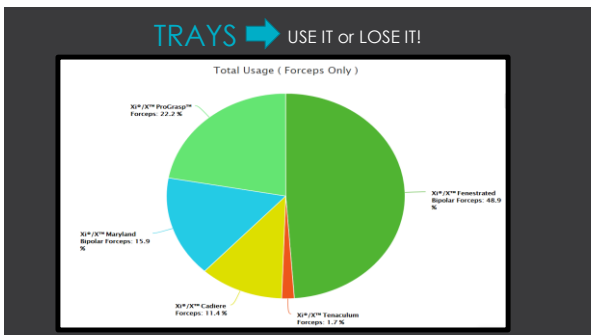
Xi Room Configuration

Case Set-Up

Procedure



- ### Room Layout- Additional Considerations
- Availability of dedicated circuit power outlets
 - Ability to maintain blue fiber optic cables along walls and away from traffic areas
 - Range of motion limitations on booms or overhead monitors and lights
 - Ability to safely store system components during down time or non daVinci cases



BEST Practices for Tray Configuration

- Create trays that can be used across all specialties, i.e., GYN, GEN, URO, COLON
- Determine number of trays based on daily case volumes and number of systems, i.e., if you average 3 cases per day and have 2 systems, create at least 6 trays
- Consider additional back up trays to support program growth or sterile processing challenges

3 Average cases per day

2 Systems

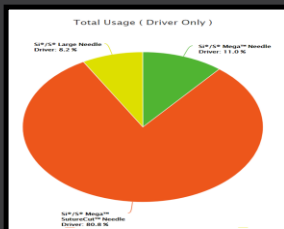
6 Trays

Tray Configuration- KNOW the NUMBERS

- Use **System Utilization Report** in the **Customer Portal** to determine **number of cases** done over the previous 3-6 months
- Use **Instrument Utilization Reports** in the **Customer Portal** to determine **instrument usage** over the previous 3-6 months
- Use the case volume and usage of each instrument to determine the **utilization percentage** for each instrument.

INSTRUMENT NAME	Type	TRAYS
SHL 100	SHL 100	100
SHL 100	SHL 100	100
SHL 100	SHL 100	100
SHL 100	SHL 100	100
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Tray Configuration- GO LEAN!



- Place **highly utilized** - (>70%) instruments in trays
- Place **lesser utilized** - (20 - 70%) instruments in peel packs/blue wraps and pull as needed per surgeon or case
- Determine clinical need for **lowest utilized** - (<20%) instruments and consider removing from supply stock

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- **More Consistency**
 - Process and expectations
 - Collective intelligence
- **Better Communication**
 - When to speak up
 - How to speak up
- **Situational Awareness**
 - What do you need/ need to know and when?
 - What's normal and what's not?

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TEAMS- Create Team Excellence

"Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection we can catch excellence."
Vince Lombardi


- Establish a **CORE TEAM** to support daVinci cases
- Maintain **3-4 expert teams** per system
- Ensure each team member is **assigned regularly** and is **trained across specialties** to maintain proficiency
- Evaluate level of **competency** via case observation and **supplement learning** needs through appropriate training pathway activities

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TEAMS
Training Pathway



- **Pre-work** - Online videos- complete davincisurgerycommunity.com
- **Hands-On/On-site Training** - **System In-service**- presented by a CSR or Genesis Team member
- **Case Observation** - **Observing period**- attend daVinci cases to familiarize
- **Practice** - **Proctoring period**- partner with experienced daVinci team member to practice skills
- **Operation** - **Solo support**- serve as primary support staff for daVinci cases
- **Review** - **Annual Competency**- yearly review of daVinci case support skills

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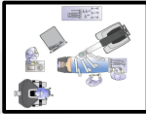
TEAMS- Building the Bench

- When the **CORE TEAM** isn't available, **mix and match** staff support **based on experience** to create consistent outcomes for patients and surgeons

	CN	ST	Surgeon	Anesthesia	FA
Team 1 (best)	Medium	High	Medium	Medium	Medium
Team 2 (better)	Low	Medium	High	High	Low
Team 3 (good)	High	Low	Low	Low	High

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STANDARDIZATION – 4 KEY AREAS



- Room Layout
- Trays
- Inventory Pars
- Teams

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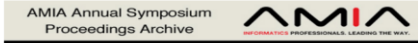
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Tested four hypotheses:

- Lack of tactile feedback lengthens learning curves ❌
- Immersion causes improved decision making ✅
- Ergonomics reduce surgeon stress ❌
- Surgeons depend more on teams for situational awareness ✅

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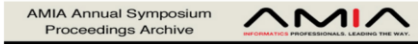
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"...when the surgeon trusts the team to make him aware of changes outside of his field of view, he feels confident to remain in the console, resulting in reduced distraction and increased concentration."

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Cost and benefit of the trained laparoscopic team

A comparative study of a designated nursing team vs a nontrained team

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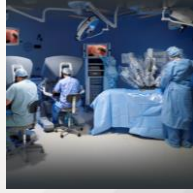
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Team Performance

- **Assign experienced staff to cover da Vinci® cases**
 - Circulator, Scrub, First Assistant and Anesthesia
 - Maintain 3.5 to 4 expert teams per system
- **For maximal impact:**
 - Invest in & empower your da Vinci® Coordinator
 - Dedicate resources (time) for training
 - Reduce unnecessary activities
 - Monitor "total team" experience levels

"But we can't..."

- Your "A-team" isn't always available...
 - Most impactful to OR time: SCRUB TECH
 - Most impactful to OP time*: FIRST ASSISTANT
 - Most impactful to PREP time: Anesthesia
- Adding "helpers" to the room did not positively impact results



When you can't always have your "A Team"

- When the "A team" isn't available, consider:
 - Mix and match based on experience

Optimizing Operating Room Efficiency in Robotic Surgery

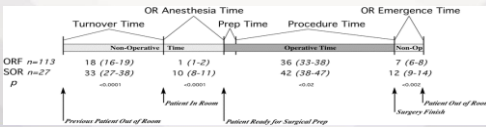
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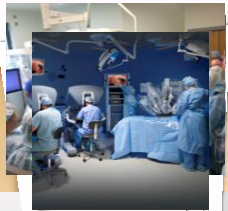
Want to improve efficiency? Focus on Non-Operative Time

- Patient enters to incision
- Incision closed to patient leaves
- Patient leaves to patient enters



Enable your Teams

- First get lean, then get efficient
- Invest time in training
- Utilize competency models
- Utilize workflow models
- Track experience & match skills to needs
 - Consider "Hybrid Teams" to scale experience



Robotic Efficient Hysterctomy

From IP to Cystoscopy

Robotic Simple Hysterctomy

1. Infundibulopelvic ligament;
Fallopian Tube/Utero-ovarian ligament
2. Bladder Flap
3. Uterine Vessels
4. Colpotomy
5. Vaginal Cuff
6. Cystoscopy

IP: Friend or Foe?

- Important structure for:
 - Dissection
 - Locating ureter and pelvic vessels
 - To "drop" the ureter
- Incision parallel to IP
- Do not over-skeletonize
- Minimize tension
- Avoid back-bleeding

IP: Friend or Foe?



Fallopian Tubes/Utero-ovarian Ligament

- Dissect ligaments prior to sealing
- No back-bleeding
- Salpingectomy without oophorectomy



Bladder Flap

- Where is the plane?
- Key: uterine manipulation
- Beyond the cup
 - 1-2 cm

Uterine Vessels

- Skeletonize uterine vessels
 - Endopelvic fascia
- Minimize tension on vessels
- Minimize back-bleeding
- Location of coagulation
- Complete one side first until colpotomy

Uterine Vessels

- Skeletonize uterine vessels; Selective Coagulation
- Minimize tension on vessels; no back-bleeding
- Can help with bladder flap development



Colpotomy

- Cut vs Coagulation mode
- Minimize time spent on colpotomy
- Do not coagulate small bleeders

Vaginal Cuff Dehiscence

- **Incidence after hysterectomy**

- Abdominal 0.1 - 0.26%
- Vaginal 0.08 - 0.25%
- Laparoscopic 0.79-1.5%
- Robotic 4.1%

Vaginal Cuff Dehiscence

- **Risk Factors**

- TLH
- Robot-assisted TLH
- Vaginal cuff cellulitis or abscess
- Vaginal trauma (intercourse, instrumentation)
- Smoking
- Pelvic organ prolapse
- Vaginal hematoma
- Pelvic radiation therapy
- Postmenopausal status
- Chronic condition (obesity, cough, constipation)
- Impaired wound healing (malnutrition, anemia, diabetes, immunosuppression)

Vaginal Cuff Dehiscence

- TLH / Robot-assisted TLH
- Use of thermal energy
 - Bipolar
 - Monopolar
 - Untrasonic
- Magnified view of operative site via laparoscope – Sutures too close to the vaginal cuff edge

Vaginal Cuff Closure

Minimize thermal injury

- Barbed sutures
 - Unidirectional
 - Bidirectional
- Adequate "bites"
 - More than 1 cm
- not too close to each other
- Use cuff closure to coagulate uterine vessels further

Cystoscopy

- "I perform cysto after every hysterectomy."
 - A. Yes
 - B. No
- "I use a dye."
 - A. Yes
 - B. No
- 5 mm laparoscope (0° or 30°)
- Suction Irrigator

OR Efficiency: Conclusions

- Surgeon
- Standardization
 1. Room Layout
 2. Trays/Instruments
 3. Teams
 - Anesthesia
 - Circulator
 - Scrub Tech
 - First Assistant

DAY 2

09/07/2018

Live Case 1
Carcinoma in situ of
Cervix

DWIGHT D. IM, M.D.

Live Case 1 Carcinoma in situ of Cervix

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Live Case 1: CIS of Cervix

68 y.o. P2032

- Routine cervical cytology: ASCUS +
- Colposcopy & Bx: HGSIL with + ECC
- CKC (6/25/18): CIS
- C/S x 2
- Right hemicolectomy 2006 for colon CA

Live Case 1: CIS of Cervix

- **P.E.**
Ht: 4' 10"
Wt: 90 lb
BMI: 18

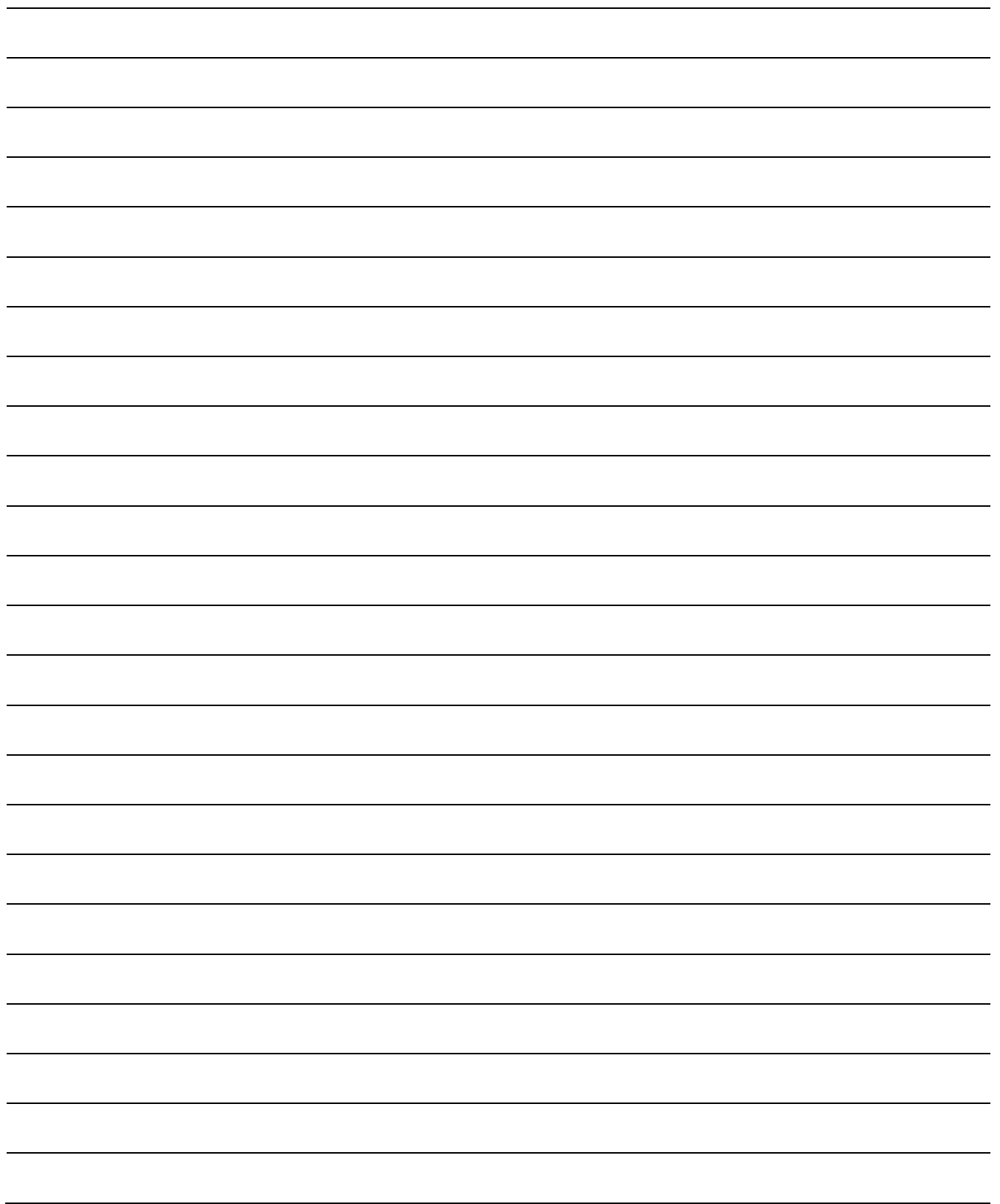
Live Case 1: CIS of Cervix

Proposed Approach and concerns

1. Retroperitoneal hysterectomy using IMSWAY
2. Intraabdominal adhesions expected
3. Meticulous development of bladder flap

Complications of Robotic Surgery

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Live Case 2
Endometrial Cancer

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Live Case 2 Endometrial Cancer

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Live Case 2: Endometrial Cancer

83 y.o. P4043

- PMB x 2 months
- Endometrial biopsy (7/18/18): FIGO Grade 1 endometrioid adenocarcinoma
- PMHx: Atrial fib, CVA, HTN
- BTL

Live Case 2: Endometrial Cancer

- **P.E.**

Ht: 5' 4"

Wt: 186 lb

BMI: 32

Live Case 2: Endometrial Cancer

Proposed Approach and concerns

1. Develop pelvic spaces
 1. Pararectal space
 2. Paravesical space
 3. Obturator space
2. Retroperitoneal hysterectomy and bilateral pelvic lymph node dissection using IMSWAY
3. Meticulous dissection and minimize bleeding




Robotic Omentectomy/ Cytoreductive Surgery

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Objectives

- ▶ Case Presentations of techniques
- ▶ Discuss philosophy of approach
- ▶ Ponder how to advance use in the application to ovarian cancer.

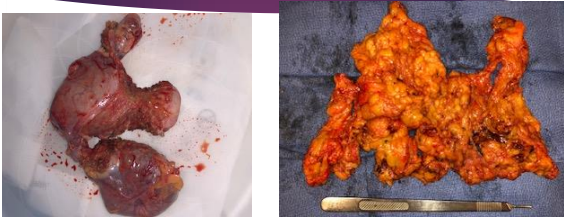
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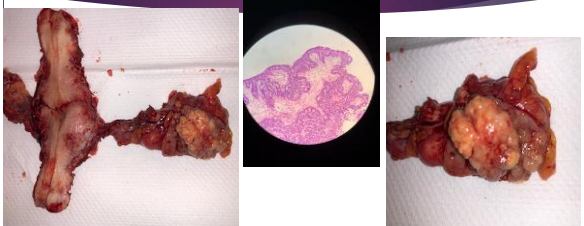
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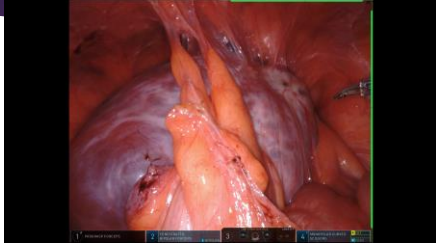
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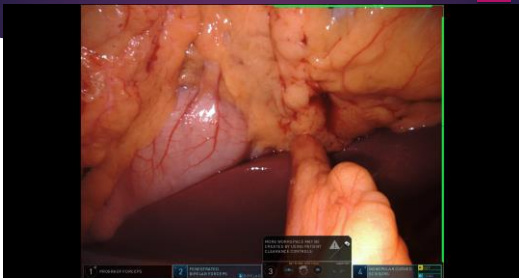
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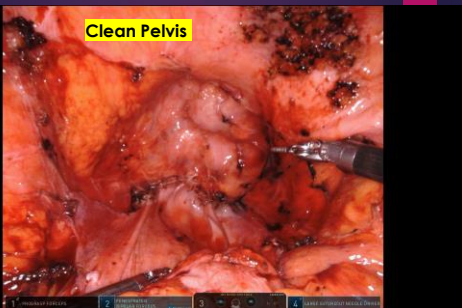
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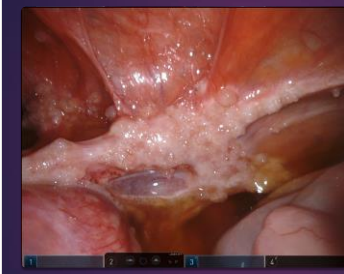


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Clean Pelvis

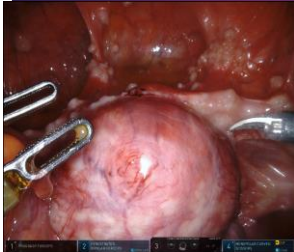




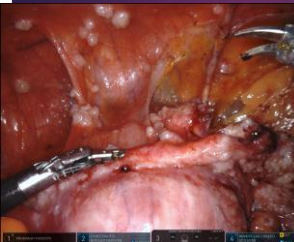
Pelvic Carcinomatosis

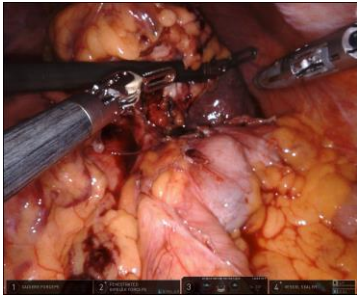
Retroperitoneal Approach

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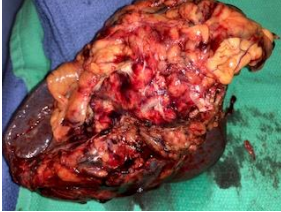
Clear Surface Disease Easily





Neoadjuvant
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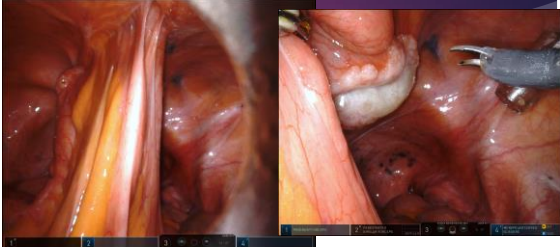
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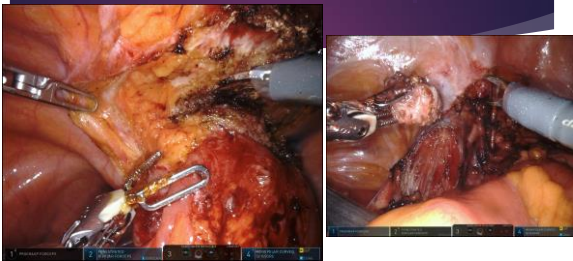
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Carcinomatosis, Locally advanced disease ..\05162018 121550



Locally advanced disease



Radical Techniques ..\05162018 144238\ch1_video_01.mpg



Lessons Learned

- ▶ "Crawl" before you can walk
- ▶ No "peak and shriek" through Exp Lap
- ▶ Assess resect "ability" with more precision
- ▶ As with all other procedures, continue to develop the skill set necessary



Thank You 😊



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*Robotic Radical Hysterectomy
Bilateral Pelvic Lymphadenectomy*

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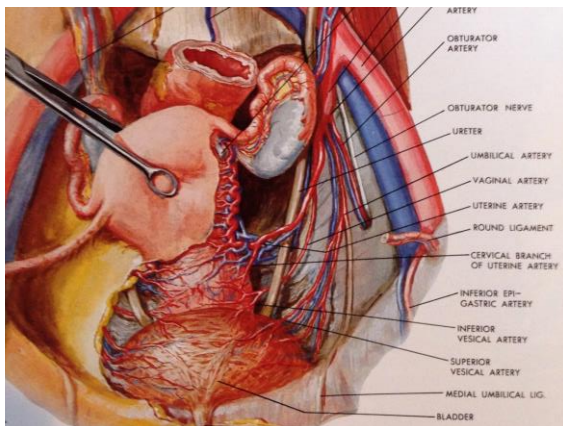
Robotic Radical Hysterectomy Pelvic Lymphadenectomy

Objectives

- Learn step-by-step approach in robotic hysterectomy
- Learn step-by-step approach in pelvic lymphadenectomy

What is a Radical Hysterectomy?

- En bloc resection of uterus, cervix, parametria, uterosacral ligament, upper vagina
- Intracacies
 - Dissection of Parametria/Paracolpos
 - Unroofing of ureter from the ureteric canal in cardinal ligament
- Most common indication: Stages I and IIA cervical cancer



Types of Radical Hysterectomy

- Rutledge (Piver-Rutledge-Smith) Classification
 - Class I: Extrafascial
 - Class II: Extrafascial with removal of parametria medial to ureter
 - Class III: En bloc resection of uterus, cervix, parametria, uterosacral ligament, upper vagina
 - Class IV: Class III with a complete ureteral dissection and removal of three-fourth of vagina
 - Class V: Including partial resection of ureter, bladder
- Modified radical (Type II) vs Radical (Type III)
- Modified radical vs Wertheim vs Meigs-Okabayashi

Types of Radical Hysterectomy

- Modified Radical Hysterectomy
 - Unroofing the ureter without dissecting it completely from its bed in the cardinal ligament and bladder pillar
 - Ureter rolled laterally
 - Resection of proximal 1/3 of parametria
 - Little disruption of the autonomic nerve supply to the lower urinary tract or of the blood supply to the distal ureter

Types of Radical Hysterectomy

- Modified Radical Hysterectomy
 - Indications controversial
 - Wider local treatment margin than simple hyst
 - Suggested indications
 - Microinvasive cervical Cancer
 - Stage IA1 + LVI
 - Stage IA2
 - Postradiation hyst with minimal residual disease
 - Endometrial ca with LUS involvement or + ECC

Types of Radical Hysterectomy

- **Radical Wertheim Hysterectomy**
 - Ureter completely mobilized
 - More radical than modified radical
 - Cardinal ligament is not completely transected
 - Wider margin of resection around cervical tumor
 - Preservation of posterior cardinal ligament
 - Autonomic nerves that supply bladder and rectum
 - 1-2 cm resection of vagina

Types of Radical Hysterectomy

- **Meigs-Okabayashi Hysterectomy**
 - More radical than Wertheim hysterectomy
 - Increased margin of resection – larger lesions
 - Cardinal ligament is completely transected
 - High incidence of prolonged or permanent bladder dysfunction
 - Shortened vagina (1/3 to 1/2) – sexual dysfunction

Robotic Surgery in Cervical Cancer

- ARH
 - Traditional SOC for FIGO stage 1A2-IIA
- 1st RRH – 2006
 - 43 y.o. with IB cervical ca

Robotic Surgery in Cervical Cancer

RRH vs ARH
Boggess J et al., 2008

51 vs 49 pts Stage IA1 to II

- Higher lymph node yield (33.8 vs 23.3)
- Lower EBL (96 vs 411 ml)
- Lower LOS (1 vs 3.1 d)
- OR time (210 vs 247 min)
- Post op complication rates lower but not SS

Am J Obstet Gynecol 199, 2008,3575

Robotic surgery in Cervical Cancer

Robotic radical hysterectomy: comparison with laparoscopy and laparotomy.

Magrina JF, et al. (*Gynecol Oncol* 2008, 109, 86)

RRH vs TLRH vs ARH

- 27 pts vs 31 pts 35 pts
- Lowest EBL (100 vs 200 vs 350 ml)
- Lowest LOS (1 vs 2 vs 3 d)
- OR time (189 vs 216 vs 157 min)

Robotic Surgery in Cervical Cancer

Robot-assisted radical hysterectomy (RRH)

- Compared to ARH
 - Lower EBL, shorter hospital stay
 - Fewer complications
 - Nerve-sparing
 - But most reports are retrospective

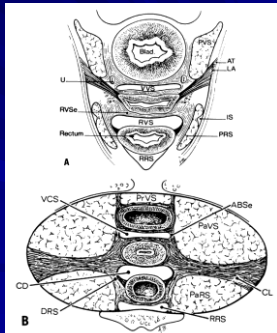
Robotic Radical Hysterectomy

- Pelvic Anatomy through the eyes of the robot
- IMSWAY

Pelvic Anatomy

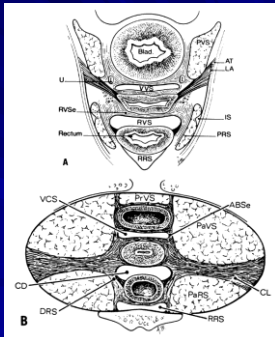
Avascular Spaces

1. Pre-Vesical
2. Vesico-Vaginal
3. Recto-Vaginal
4. Retro-Rectal
5. Para-Vesical
6. Para-Rectal



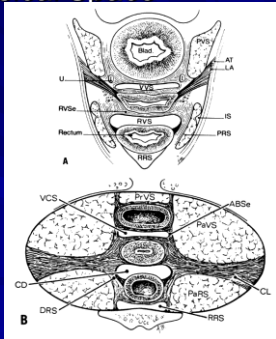
Para-Rectal Space

- Challenging space to develop
- Use IP and ureter to develop



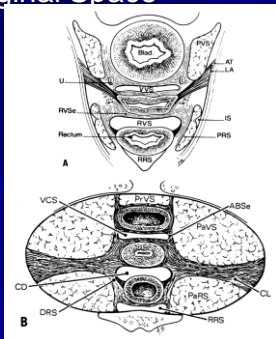
Para-Vesical Space

- Between bladder and pelvic sidewall
- In assoc with para-rectal space



Rectovaginal Space

- Between vagina and rectum
- Radical hysterectomy
- In assoc with para-rectal space



IMSWAY

- Infundibulopelvic ligament
- Medial leaf of the peritoneum
- Skeletonize ureter
 - Medial
 - Lateral
- Water under the bridge
- At origin of uterine artery
 - Seal uterine artery

Robotic Radical Hysterectomy

- **Continuation/Extension of IMSWAY**
 - Use IMSWAY to develop avascular spaces
 - Further skeletonization of ureter
 - Connect pararectal to paravesical space
 - Connect pararectal space to rectovaginal space

Case of Cervical Cancer

27 y.o. P4004

- Stage IB1 cervical Cancer

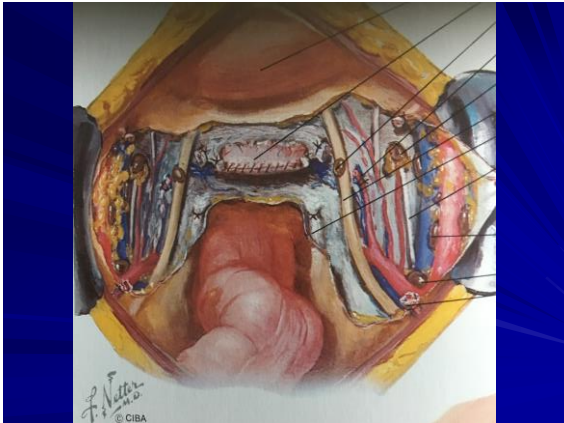
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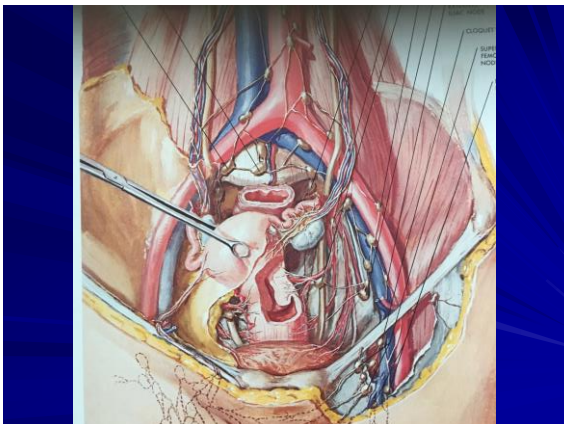
46 y.o. P1031

- Stage IB1 cervical Cancer

Pelvic Lymphadenectomy

- Boundaries
 - Superior: Aortic bifurcation
 - Distal: Deep circumflex iliac vein
 - Lateral: Genitofemoral nerve
 - Medial: Median umbilical artery (superior vesical, obliterated hypogastric)
 - Deep: Obturator nerve





Pelvic Lymphadenectomy

- Type of resection
 - Sentinel node sampling
 - Lymph node sampling
 - Lymphadenectomy
- En bloc resection if possible
- Develop para-vesical and obturator spaces

Pelvic Lymphadenectomy

Systematic Approach

1. Para-Vesical space
2. Obturator space
3. Bifurcation of common iliac
4. Circumflex iliac vein
5. Obturator nerve
6. Return to Bifurcation

Pelvic Lymphadenectomy

Systematic Approach

1. Para-Vesical space
 1. Tension on MUA (Median Umbilical Artery)
 2. Dissect off MUA
 3. Dissect off bone (ileopectineal ligament)
2. Obturator space
3. Bifurcation of common iliac
4. Deep circumflex iliac vein
5. Obturator nerve
6. Return to Bifurcation

THANK YOU!

Phase III randomized trial of laparoscopic or robotic versus abdominal radical hysterectomy in patient with early-stage cervical cancer: LACC Trial
P.T. Ramirez, et al. (SGO, March 2018)

MIS (RRH/ TLRH) vs ARH

- Prospective, randomized, phase III
- Stage 1A1 to 1B1 (92 % 1B1 in both arms)
- 319 MIS (83% lap, 16% robotic) vs 312 ARH
- At 4.5 yrs
 - Recurrence 27 vs 7
 - Deaths 19 vs 3

IMSWAY REVISITED

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Para-Rectal Space IMSWAY

Objectives

- Review step-by-step approach in IMSWAY
- Learn how to handle challenging cases
- Learn how to manage complications using IMSWAY

Retroperitoneal Approach IMSWAY

- The Key: Skeletonize IP to find ureter
- Use of ureter to find para-rectal space
- Use uterine vessels to find obliterated hypogastric artery (MUL)
- Use MUL to find para-vesical space
- Coagulation of uterine vessels at origin
- A systematic, reproducible way to access retroperitoneal space

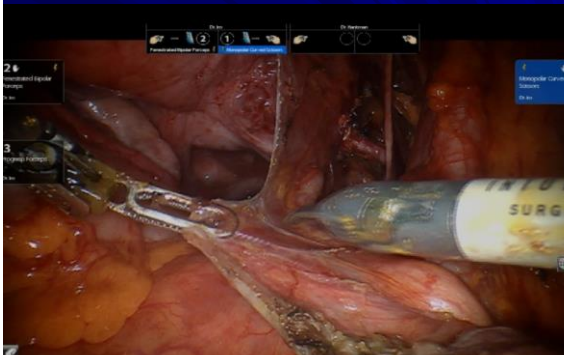
IP Ligament

- Skeletonize IP
- "Paint the IP"
- The most important step in IMSWAY

Skeletonize Ureter

1. Dissect ureter off medial leaf of peritoneum
Stay close to ureter
2. Dissect lateral to ureter
Stay closer to ureter
3. Follow ureter to the "tunnel"
 - Vesicouterine ligament
 - Use ureter as the guide to:
 - Locate internal iliac artery, uterine artery/vein
 - Para-rectal space

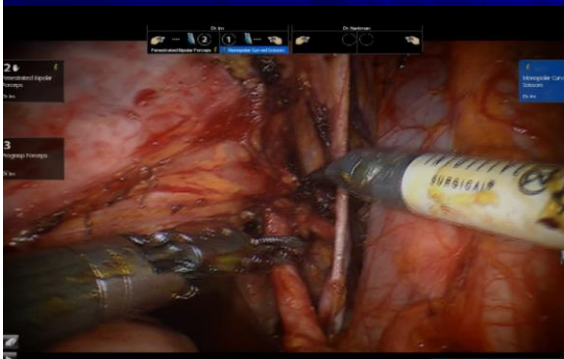
Skeletonize Ureter



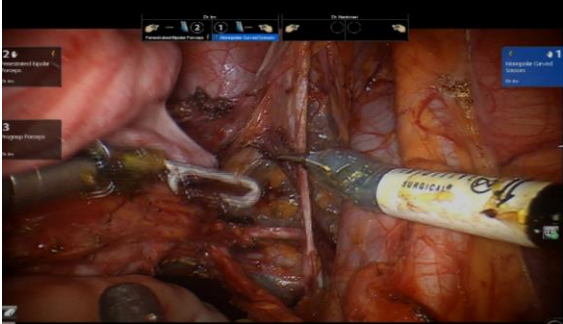
Water under the Bridge

- Uterine artery crossing anterior to ureter
- Dissect uterine artery
- Dissect hypogastric artery
- Dissect around water under the bridge to further develop pararectal space

Water under the Bridge



At Origin of the Uterine Artery
Clamp, Coagulate, +/- Cut



IMSWAY

- 55 y.o. P3003
- Fibroids & AUB

Case

- 57 y.o. P2022
 - Endometrial cancer
 - Broad ligament fibroid

Case

- 70 y.o. P1011
 - PMB – neg. endometrial bx
 - Pelvic sono – 5 cm solid right adnexal mass

Case

- 47 y.o. G0
 - Stage IV endometriosis
 - Attempted TLH

Case

- 56 y.o. P1001
- Fibroid uterus and 2 cm cervical mass
- s/p 2 myomectomies
- BMI 52

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