

Descriptive Information	
Condition	Prostate cancer (PCa)
Official Title	Modified posterior reconstruction of the rhabdosphincter by iliopectineal ligament suspension during robot-assisted laparoscopic radical prostatectomy: description of the technique & implications on early recovery of urinary continence (Randomized Controlled Trial)
Brief Summary	<p>The robot-assisted laparoscopic radical prostatectomy (RALP) is a widespread and rapidly expanding procedure around the world. Several studies have shown that RALP is feasible with lower positive surgical margin rates, shorter hospitalizations, lower post-operative leakage rates, lower transfusion requirements and a shorter period of urinary catheterization.</p> <p>However, functional outcomes in terms of continence, and erection still lag behind ,markedly reducing the quality of everyday life for patients, especially those who are younger and more active</p> <p>The proportion of continent patients at 12 mo after surgery ranges from 69% to 96% However, the early recovery of urinary continence remains a challenge to be overcome. The functional outcomes in the first 3 mo after radical prostatectomy (RP) are still variable, which has been attributed to differences in the surgical technique and variations in the definition and assessment of continence</p> <p>Based on this information, some technical variations have been described to improve the early urinary continence rates after RRP, such as preservation of the bladder neck, nerve-sparing (NS) techniques, preserving maximum length of the urethra, preserving the puboprostatic ligament and endopelvic fascia, posterior rhabdosphincter reconstruction, anterior reconstruction, and suture of the arcus tendineus to the bladder neck. Among these techniques, PR is currently the most widely adopted by the highest-volume RARP centers. However, the results are controversial.</p> <p>This study was motivated by our technique for performing the reconstructive phase of RALPP, combines the benefits of the Rocco technique with reinforcing rhabdosphincter by iliopectineal ligament suspension to create a hammock to support the vesicourethral anastomosis .We believe that the suspension of the rhabdosphincter complex can provide additional posterior support to the vesicourethral anastomosis stabilizing the posterior urethra in its anatomical position in the pelvic floor. This restores the normal posterior urethrovesical angle during the increase of abdominal pressure.</p> <p>The use of this suspension technique and their outcomes in RALP, however, has not been described. In this study, we report the application of this technique and its impact on early recovery of urinary continence in comparing with the posterior reconstruction (PR) of the rhabdosphincter technique, as described by Rocco and colleagues</p>

Study Design			
Study Type	Interventional (Clinical Trial)		
Study Design	Intervention Model:	Parallel Assignment	
	Allocation:	Randomized	
	Masking:	None (Open Label)	
	Primary Purpose:	Treatment	
Estimated sample	200 patients		
Sampling Method	Non-Probability Sample		
Study Population	It will include patients diagnosed with locally advanced prostate adenocarcinoma treated at the Hôtel-Dieu de Québec (HDQ) by Robot-assisted Radical Prostatectomy with pelvic lymph node dissection. Subjects without previous radiotherapy and / or Hormotherapy		
Study Groups	1: Group	Intervention	
	Robot-assisted radical prostatectomy (RARP) / technique urethrovesical anastomosis (UVA) 1	The posterior reconstruction (PR) of the rhabdosphincter technique, as described by Rocco.	
	2 : Group	The posterior reconstruction (PR) of the rhabdosphincter technique, as described by Rocco with iliopectineal ligament suspension.	
	Robot-assisted radical prostatectomy (RARP) / technique urethrovesical anastomosis (UVA) 2		
Biospecimen	Non		
Eligibility Criteria	Ages Eligible for Study	45 Years to 80 Years (Adult, Senior)	
	Sexes Eligible for Study	Male	
	Inclusion Criteria		
	Patients with prostate cancer (PCa) of clinical stage T3 or less with no evidence of metastasis were considered candidates for RALP	Exclusion Criteria	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>patients not suitable for RARP</li><li>any neoadjuvant hormonal treatment</li><li>prior radiation therapy</li><li>Prior transurethral resection of the prostate previous history of urethral stricture</li><li>Previous history of urinary incontinence.</li></ul>	

## Outcome Measures

Primary Outcome	Impact on early recovery of urinary continence. (< 3 mo)
Secondary Outcome	Impact on recovery of urinary continence. (12 mo)

## Data analysis

Preoperative	<p>Age, BMI, PSA, ASA score IPSS score, IIEF-5 score, TRUS prostate volume GS Positive DRE</p>
Intraoperative	<p>Operative time, min Anastomosis time (min) Estimated blood loss, ml Lymph node dissection Nerve-sparing procedure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-nerve sparing</li> <li>• Bilateral nerve sparing</li> <li>• Unilateral nerve sparing</li> </ul> <p>Transfusion Catheterization time, day complications (Clavien grade)</p>
Perioperative	<p>Duration of hospital stay (days) Urethral catheterization time (days) complications before hospital discharge (Clavien grade) Urine leakage on cystography</p>
Follow up 1,3,6,12 mo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Expanded Prostate Cancer Index Composite [EPIC] at 1, 3, 6, and 12 mo after the procedure.</li> <li>○ the 24-h pad weight test for 3 days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 1<sup>st</sup> test: The patients who were still incontinent at 3 mo</li> <li>▪ 2<sup>nd</sup> test: The patients who were still incontinent at 6 mo</li> <li>▪ 3<sup>rd</sup> test: The patients who were still incontinent at 12 mo</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• ED <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ IIEF-5 score at 1, 3, 6, and 12 mo after the procedure.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• complications (Clavien grade)</li> <li>• Histopathological data: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Positive margins</li> <li>○ Prostate volume</li> <li>○ Stage</li> <li>○ Pathological GS</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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