

# Robotic surgery for CRC

## National cancer Institute experience

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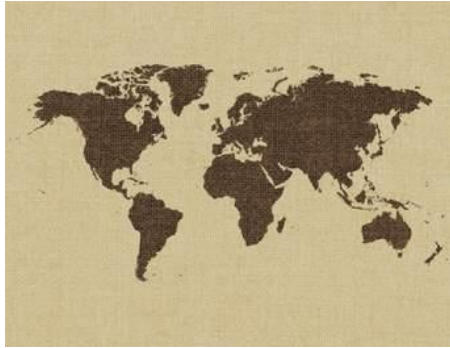
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# Robotic surgery in Egypt



- The first colorectal laparoscopic procedure was performed by Jacobs in 1991. Ten years later, in **2001**, the robotic system was applied to colorectal surgery



- *The 1<sup>st</sup> robotic surgery in Egypt was done in **2011** and the 1<sup>st</sup> robotic colorectal surgery was performed in **2013** ( Zagloul, Ahmed Mostafa).*



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*Patients and methods:* A case series study which was carried out in surgical department at National Cancer Institute, Cairo University. Ten Egyptian cases of colorectal cancer (age ranged from 30 to 67, 5 males and 5 females) were recruited from the period of April 2013 to April 2014. Robotic surgery was performed to all cases.



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**Table 2** Histopathological data.

Variable	Percentage/range
Stage I	3 (30%)
Stage II	5 (50%)
Stage III	2 (20%)
Number of removed LN	10.7 (5–23)
Distal margin (cm)	4.6 (0–15)
Positive circumferential margin	0
Positive distal margin	1 (10%)

**Table 4** Morbidity and mortality.

Variable	Number of patients (%)
Intraoperative bleeding (more than 1000 cc)	0
Re-operation	1 (10%)
Postoperative ileus	2 (20%)
Mortality	0



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**Table 3** Operative data.

Variable	Percentage/range
<i>Type of operation</i>	
Low anterior resection	3 (30%)
Total proctectomy & colo-anal anastomosis	1 (10%)
APR	1 (10%)
Anterior resection	3 (30%)
Lt hemicolectomy	1 (10%)
Colostomy	1 (10%)
Docking time (minutes)	39.5 (30–50)
Robotic time (hours)	4.9 (3–7)
Total operative time (min)	333 (215–480)
Blood loss (cc)	340 (300–500)
Hospital stay (days)	7.4 (5–16)
Conversion to open	1 (10%)



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## **Conclusion**

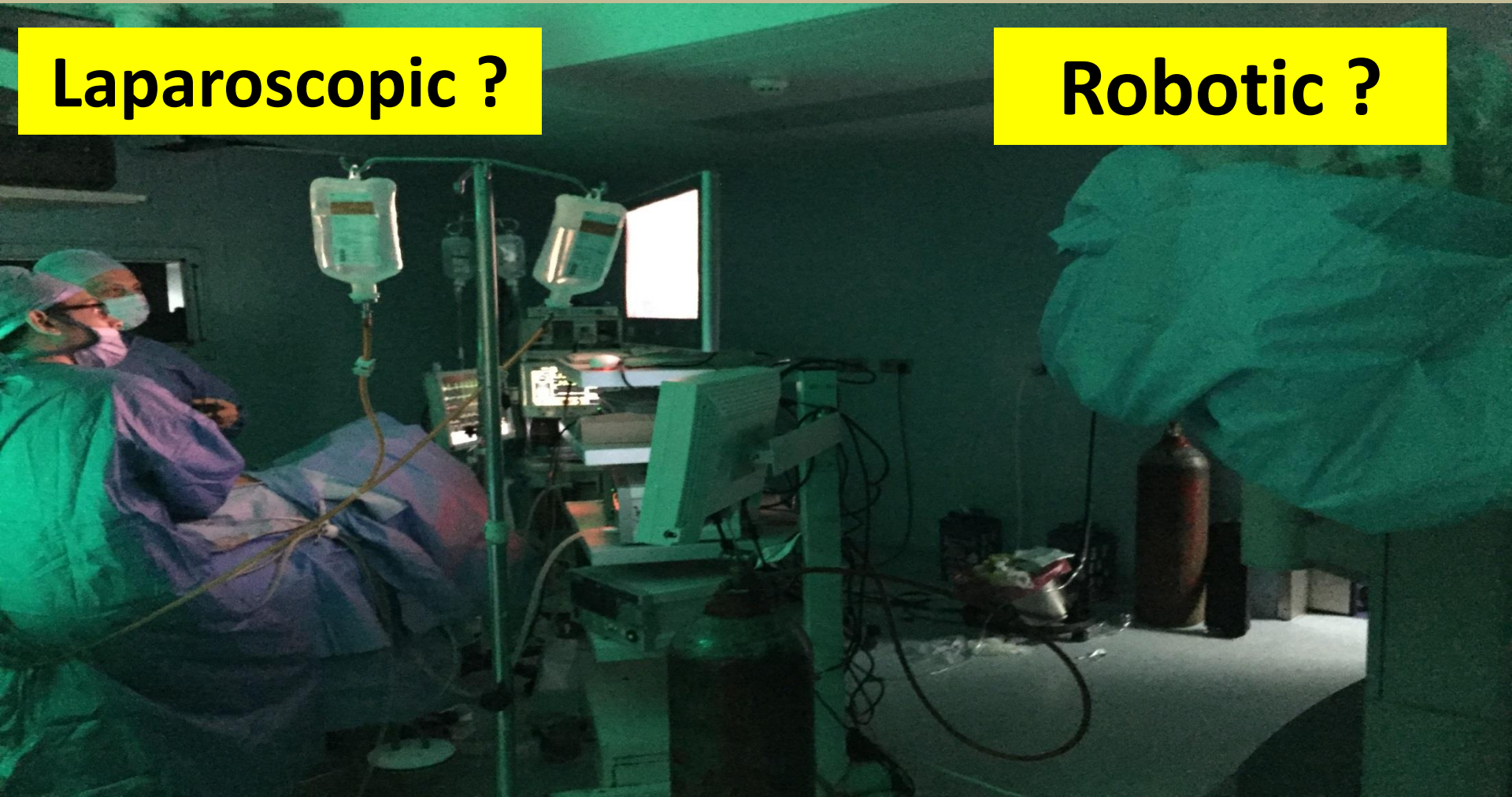
Robotic colorectal surgery is safe and applicable approach in our patients. Colorectal cancer surgeons who lack extensive laparoscopic experience and wish to perform a transition from open to minimally invasive surgery may benefit from this modality. Future studies are necessary to assess the long term oncological outcomes of the robotic colorectal surgery in comparison with open and laparoscopic procedures and thereafter determine the feasibility of its widespread application.



# Robotic-assisted Versus Conventional Laparoscopic approach for Rectal Cancer Surgery, First Egyptian Academic Center Robotic Experience

**Laparoscopic ?**

**Robotic ?**



57 Patients underwent randomization

28 were assigned to undergo robotic assisted surgery

29 were assigned to undergo laparoscopic surgery

7 Patients were excluded;

- ② Withdrew consent
- ⑤ Had metastases

5 Patients were excluded;

- ① Withdrew consent
- ③ Had metastases
- ① Had emergency surgery

21 Patients were included in the analysis

Of which 1 Converted to open surgery

24 Patients were included in the analysis

Of which 2 Converted to open surgery



# Intraoperative parameters

	Robotic No. 21	Laparoscopic No. 24	<i>p</i> value
<b>Type of operation</b>			
• Anterior resection	9 (42.9%)	13 (54.2%)	
• Low anterior resection (LAR)	7 (33.3%)	7 (29.1%)	
• Ultra-LAR	4 (19%)	1 (4.2%)	
• APR	1 (4.8%)	3 (12.5%)	
Median preparation time (min)	55 (39-113)	28 (19-80)	<0.001
Median actual operative time (min)	201 (140-280)	134.5 (110-190)	<0.001
Median estimated blood loss (ml)	200 (50-650)	325 (100-800)	0.050
Convention to open surgery	1 (4.8%)	2 (8.3%)	
<b>Pathological stage</b>			0.203
• II	11 (52.4%)	17 (70.8%)	
• III	10 (47.6%)	07 (29.2%)	
Median proximal margin (cm)	13 (10-20)	15 (11-23)	0.270
Median distal margin (cm)	2.8 (1.4-4)	1.8 (1-2.8)	<0.001
<b>CRM quality</b>			0.079
• Complete	18 (85.7%)	15 (62.5%)	
• Partly complete	03 (14.3%)	09 (37.5%)	
Median LN retrieved (no.)	14 (8-20)	13 (9-21)	0.498

# Postoperative parameters

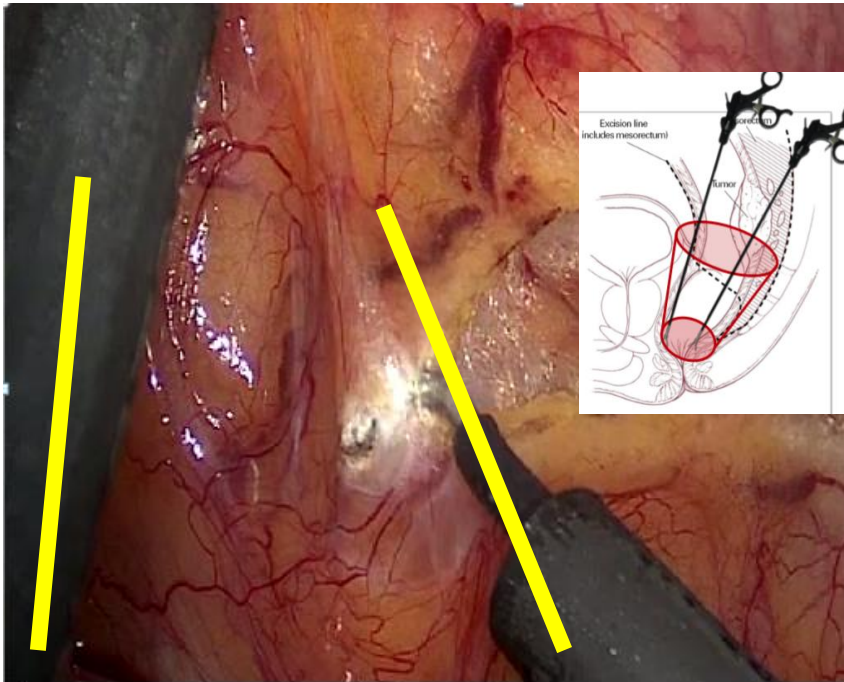
	<b>Robotic No. 21</b>	<b>Laparoscopic No. 24</b>	<b><i>p</i> value</b>
<b>Flatus (median days)</b>	2 (1-4.3)	1.6 (0.5 -5)	0.017
<b>LOS (median days)</b>	3 (2-14)	2 (2-11)	0.116
<b>Complications</b>			
<b>Anastomotic leakage</b>	1 (4.8%)	1 (4.2%)	
<b>Ileus (median days)</b>	2 (9.5%)	3 (12.5%)	
<b>Wound problems</b>	2 (9.5%)	2 (8.3%)	
<b>Others</b>	1 (DVT)	1( erectile dysfunction)	
<b>Reoperation</b>	0	1 (4.2%)	
<b>Readmission</b>	1 (4.8%)	1 (4.2%)	
<b>Death</b>	0	1 (4.2%)	



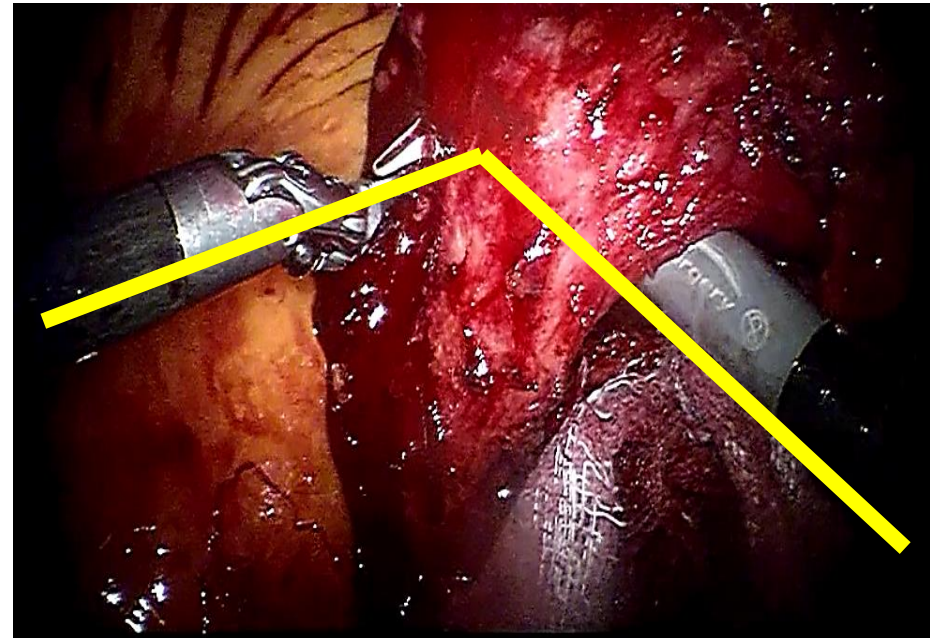
**What is the difference ?**

# Parallelism vs wide articulation

Laparoscopic LAR



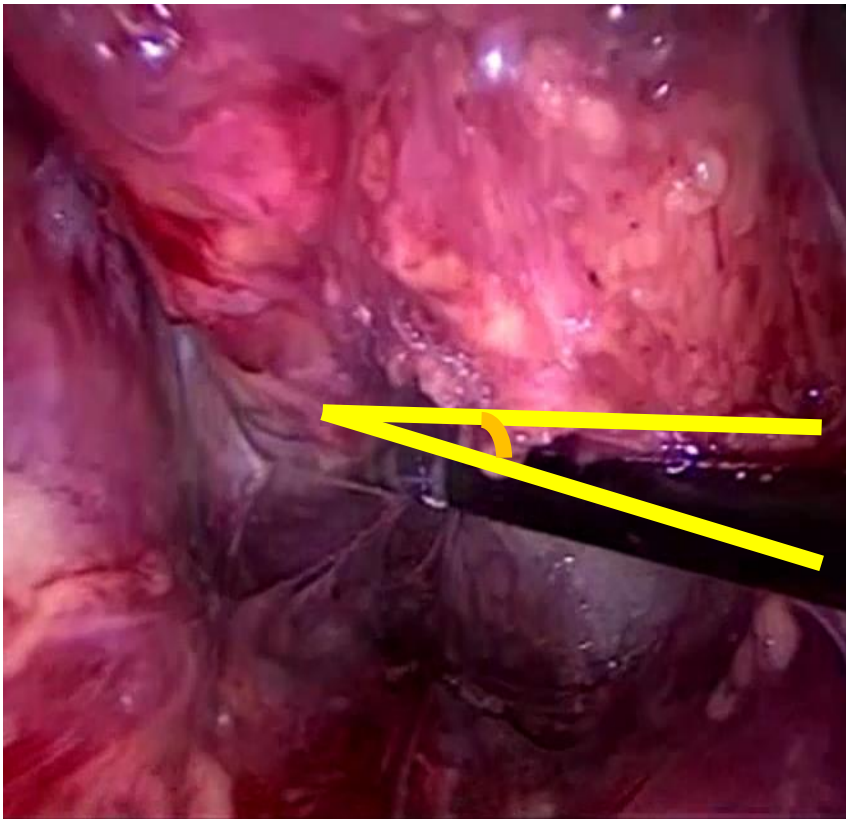
Robotic LAR



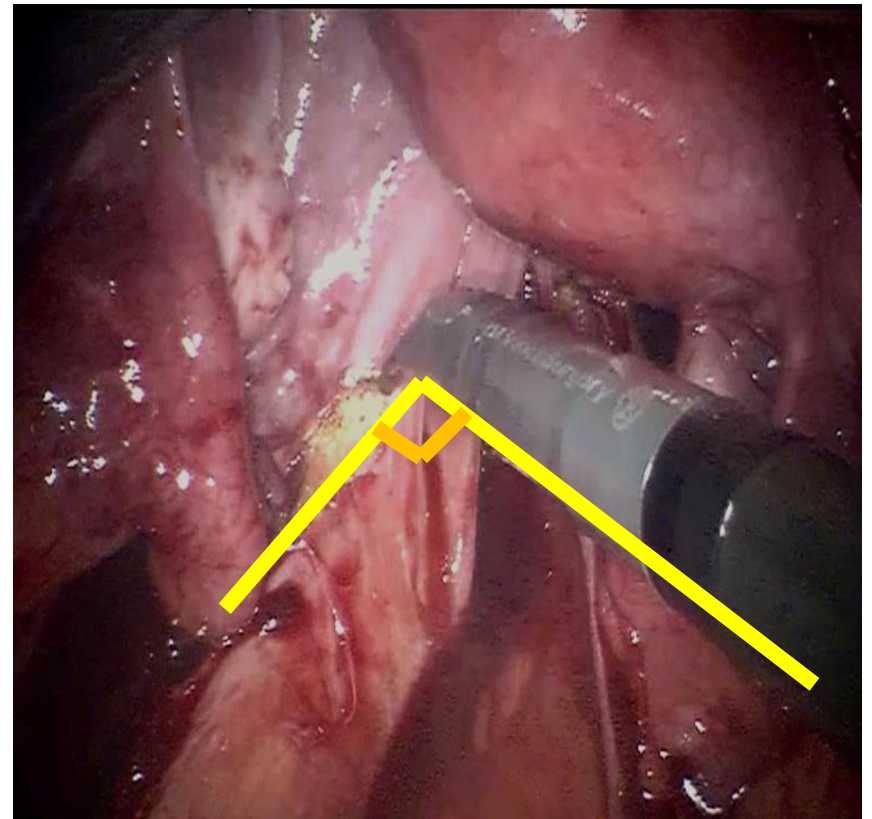


# Acute angle vs right angle

Laparoscopic LAR

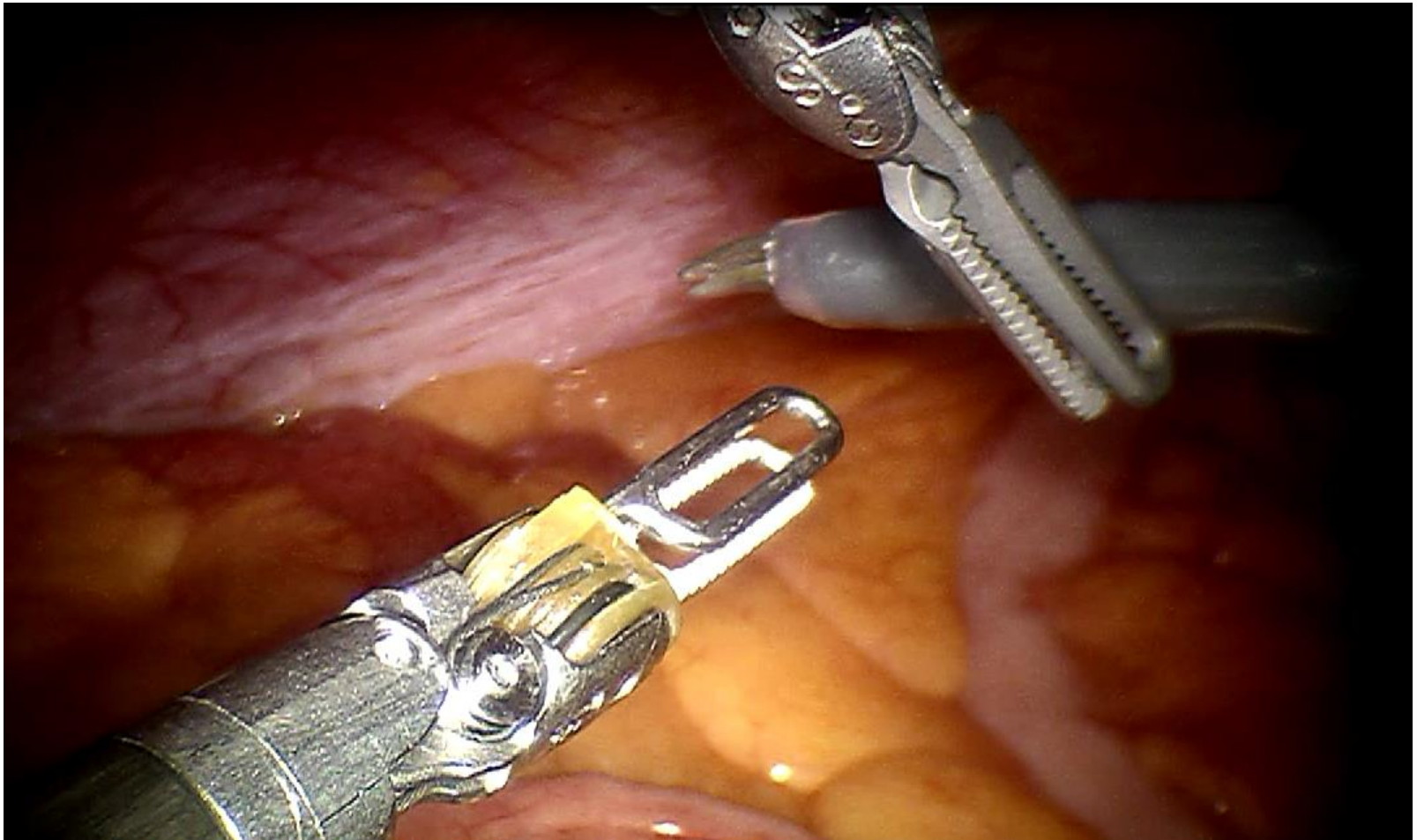


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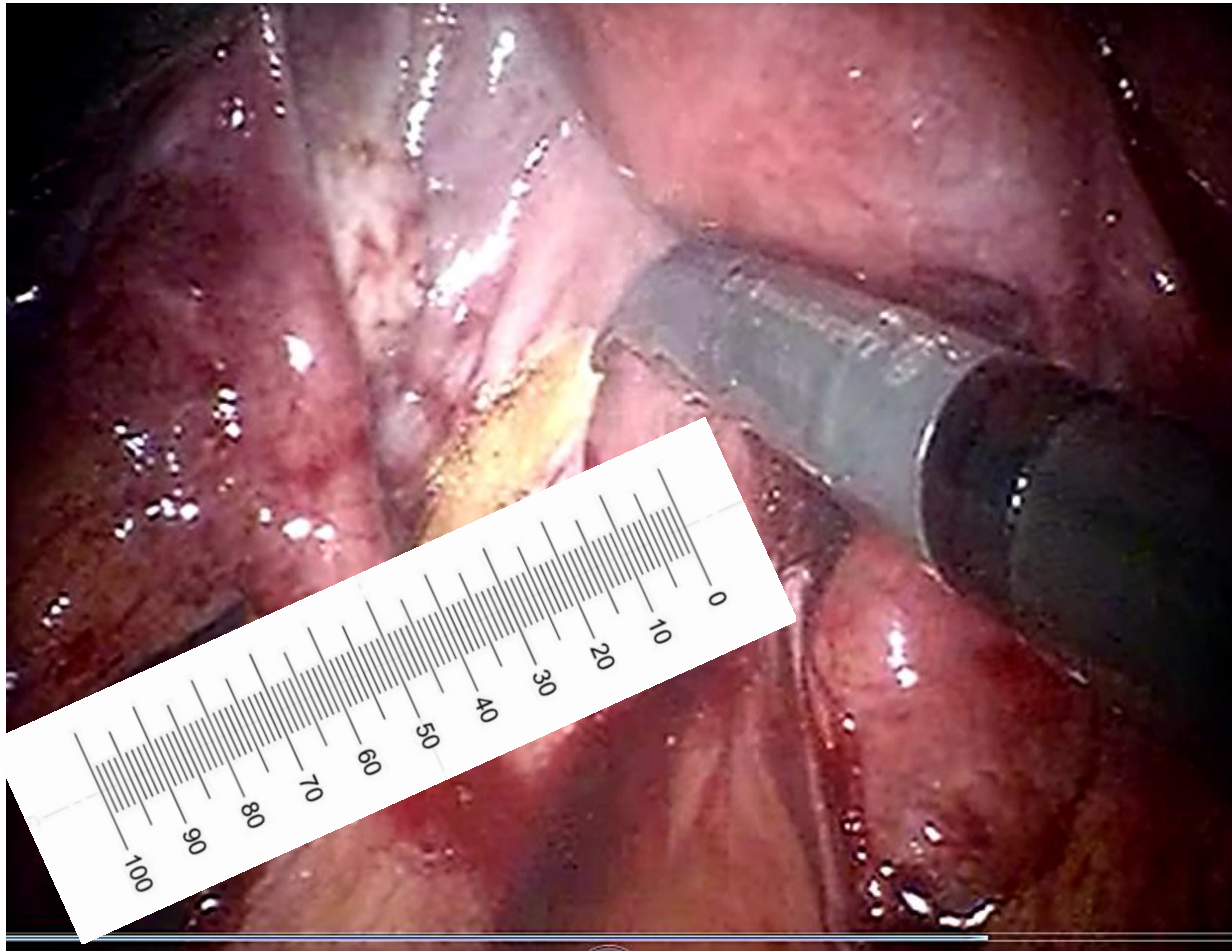




# Robotic advantages

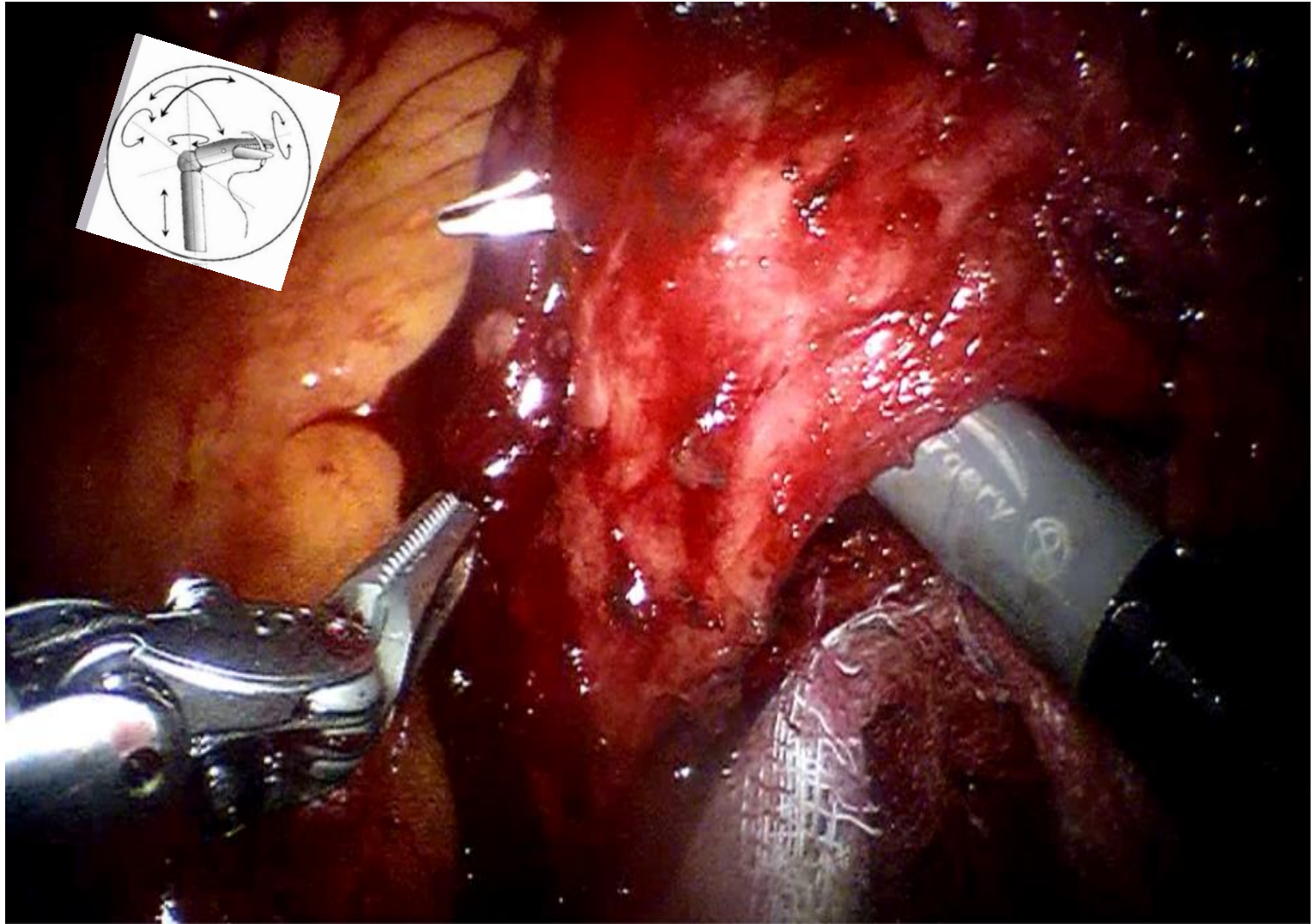


# Robotic advantages





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# Magnified stable 3d vision

Inferior  
mesenteric  
plexus

Inferior  
hypogastric  
plexus

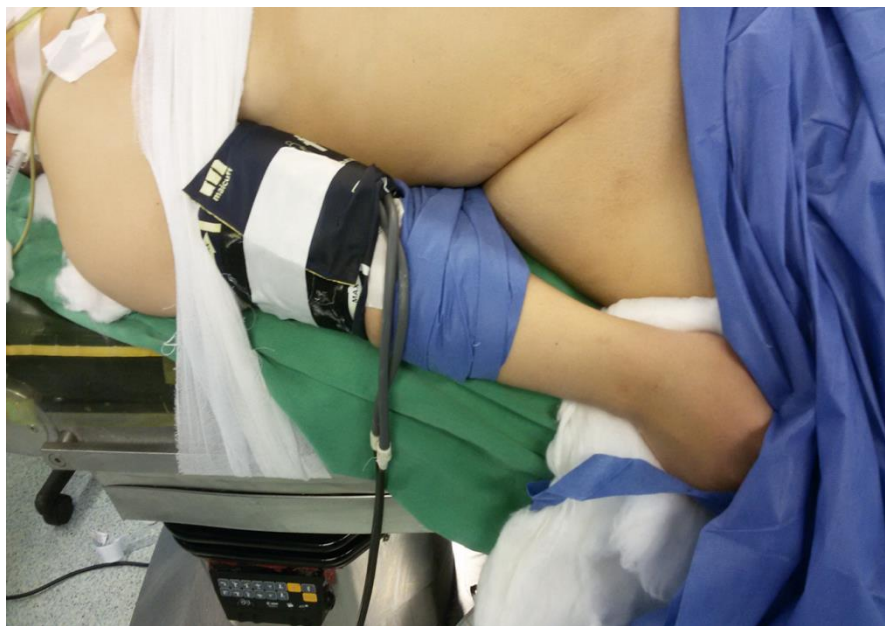
Superior  
hypogastric plexus  
and hypogastric  
nerves



# OR-NCI





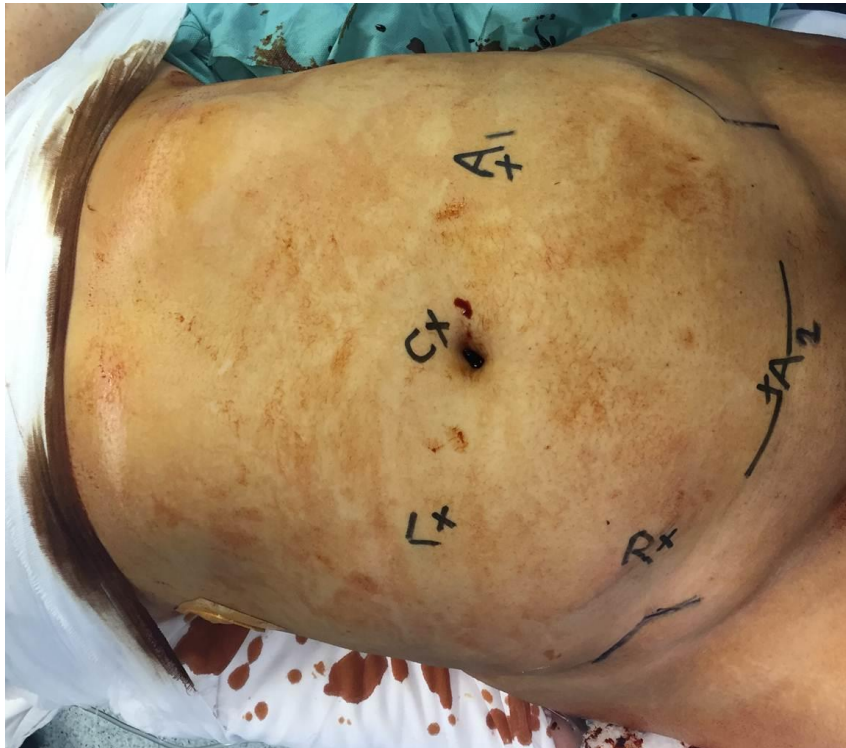


Details are the  
Secret Of Success



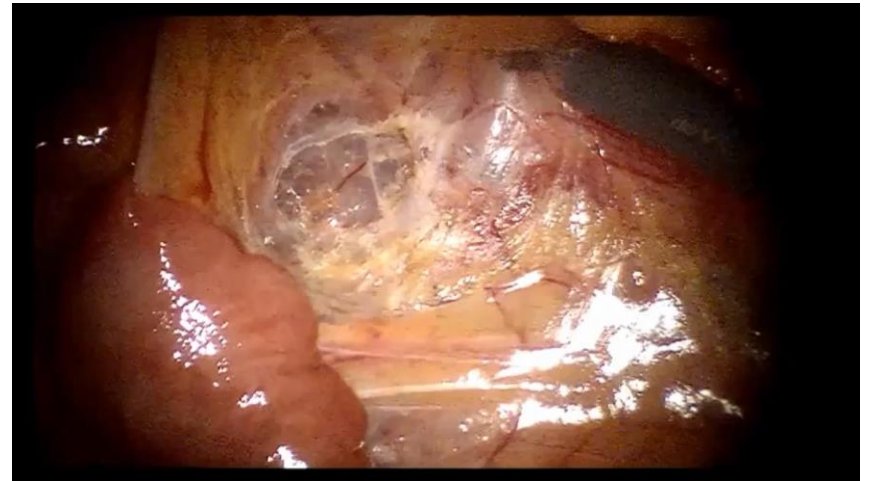
# Trocar Site Planning

## Laparoscopic LAR



## Robotic LAR

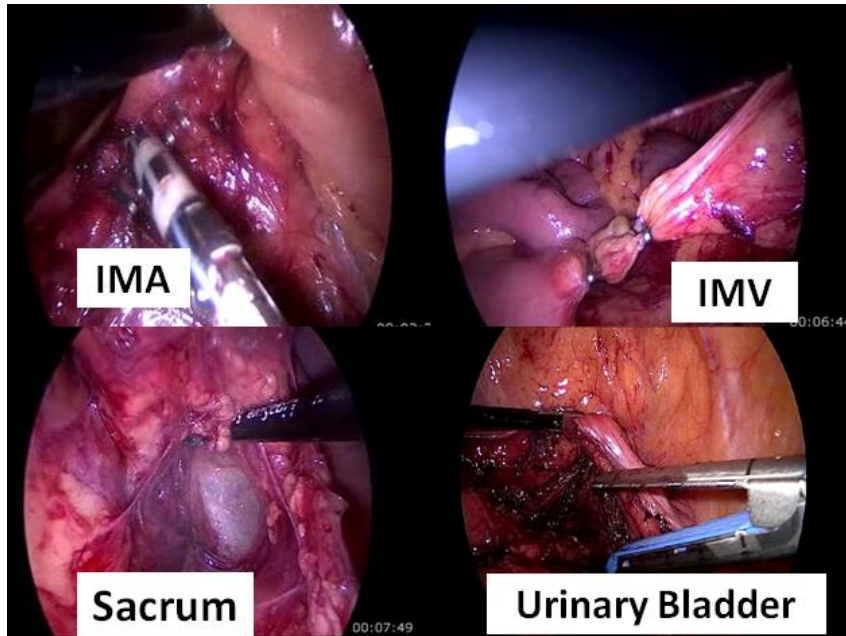




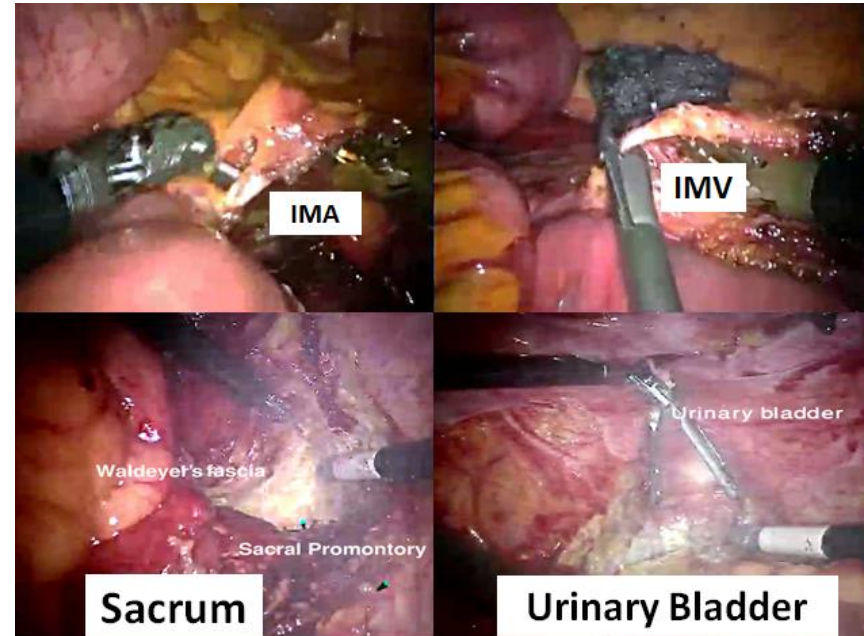


# Laparoscopy vs Robotic LAR

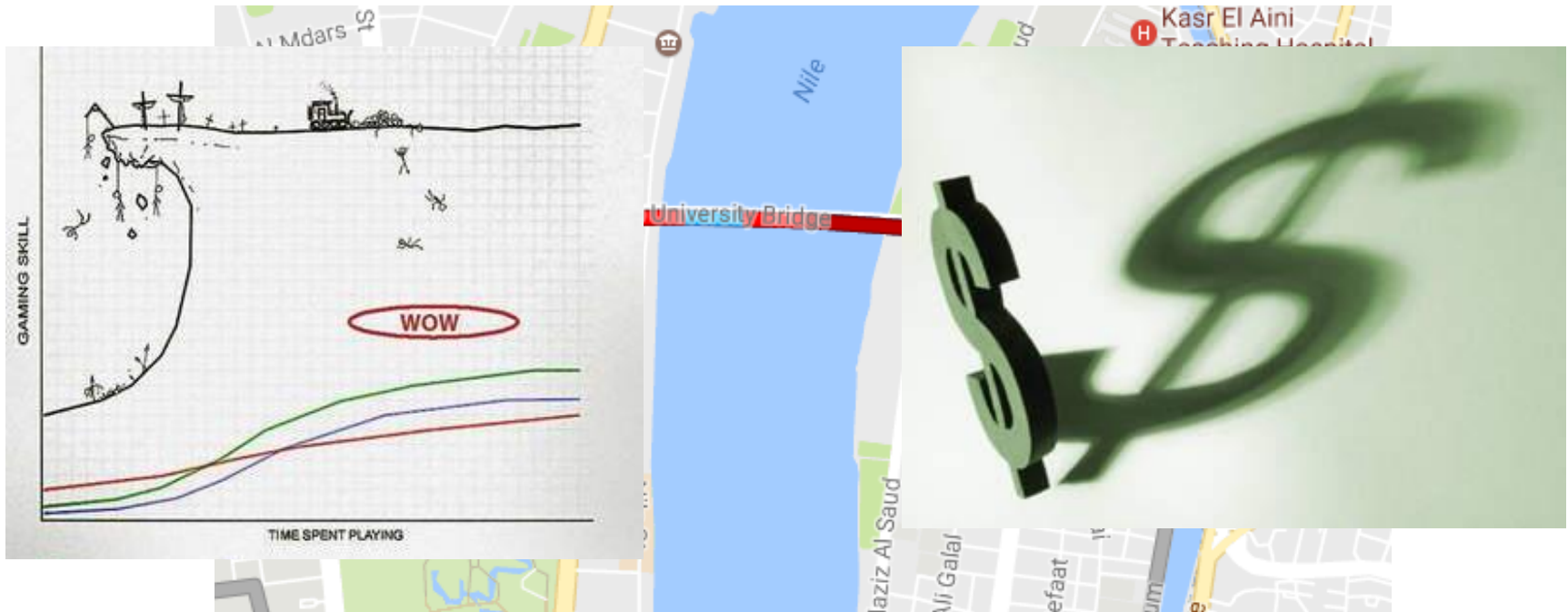
Laparoscopic ?



Robotic ?



# Laparoscopy vs Robotic surgery





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