

Transanal total mesorectal Excision (TA-TME) Early experience of kasr-Alainy (Single team approach).

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## *"Ta TME vs Robotic low anterior resection excision for malignant rectal lesions"*

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- Points of the presentation:
- 1. Technical points of the Ta TME single technique.
- 2. Kasr Alainy experience in Robotic versus TA TME Single team approach.
- 3. Ta TME "single team" Vs. Robotic LAR. Cairo University experience.
- 4. Conclusions.

• Advances in minimally invasive surgery have led to the development of many novel surgical techniques. Single incision laparoscopic surgery (SILS) and natural orifice trans luminal endoscopic surgery (NOTES) are among the techniques that are designed to reduce surgical trauma and enhance postoperative recovery. (Clark MP, et al 2012)

Minimally invasive surgery for colorectal disease was introduced in 1991
 Jacobs M. et. al.

- Robotic colorectal surgery (RCS) was first reported in 2002 (Weber PA et.al.). Since then, many studies of RCS have been widely reported.
- RCS has some advantages over conventional laparoscopic surgery (LCS). These advantages include a three-dimensional image, convenient movements of the robotic arm, no tremor, motion scaling, a short learning curve, dexterity and ambidextrous capability (D'Annibale et.al. 2004)

### Aim of the work

The aim of the present study is to compare the usage of the Trans anal SILS port (TaTME) and the Da vinci robot in resection of mid and low rectal carcinoma and to assess the feasibility of both techniques in resection of challenging low rectal cancer

### Patients and Methods

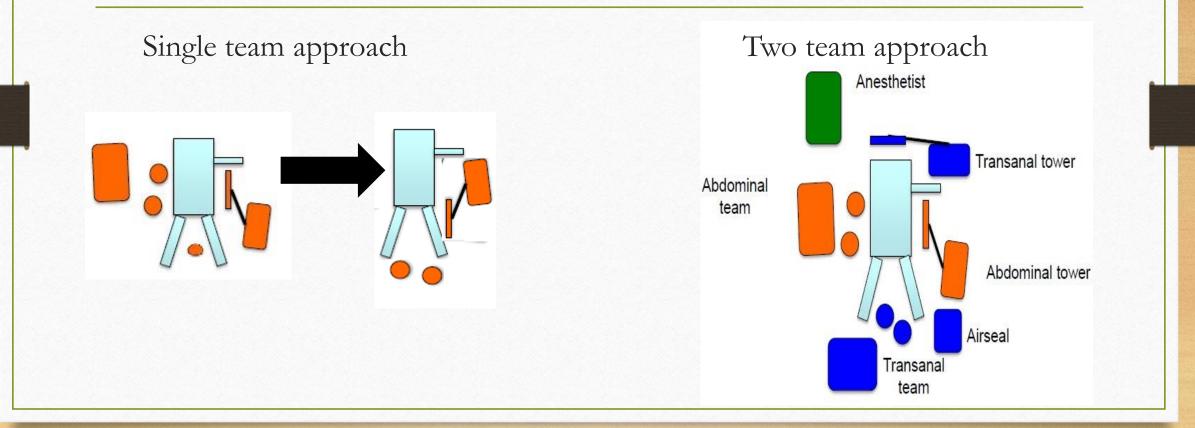


# 40 patients (males and females) 20 patients with The da 20 patients with TaTME Vinci Surgical System

# Surgery

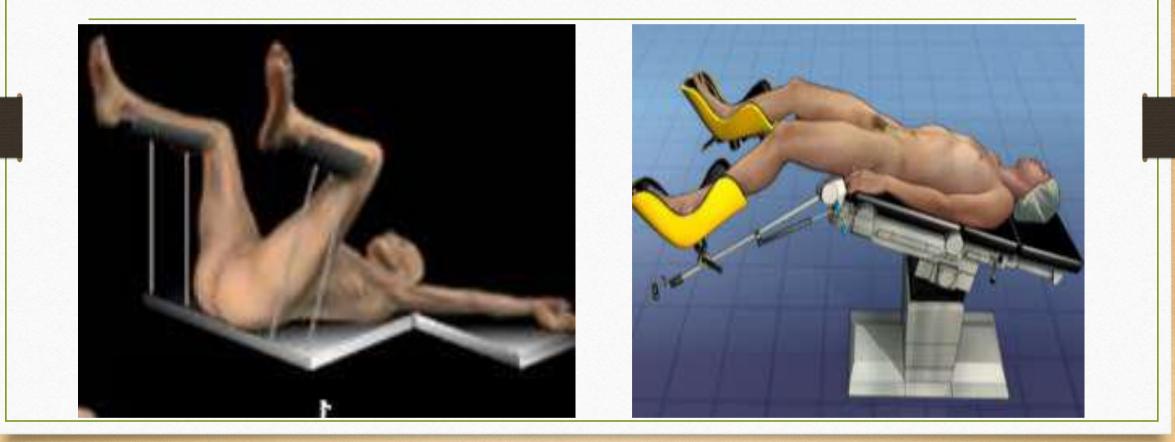
- Surgery was performed 6-8 weeks after last chemoradiation session.
- Routine ureteric catheterization to help in identification and minimize intraoperative ureteric injuries.
- Mark-Up and Trocar Placement.
- Single team approach.
- Conventional laparoscopy for the abdominal part.
- GelPOINT Mini Advanced Access Platform port for the transanal part.

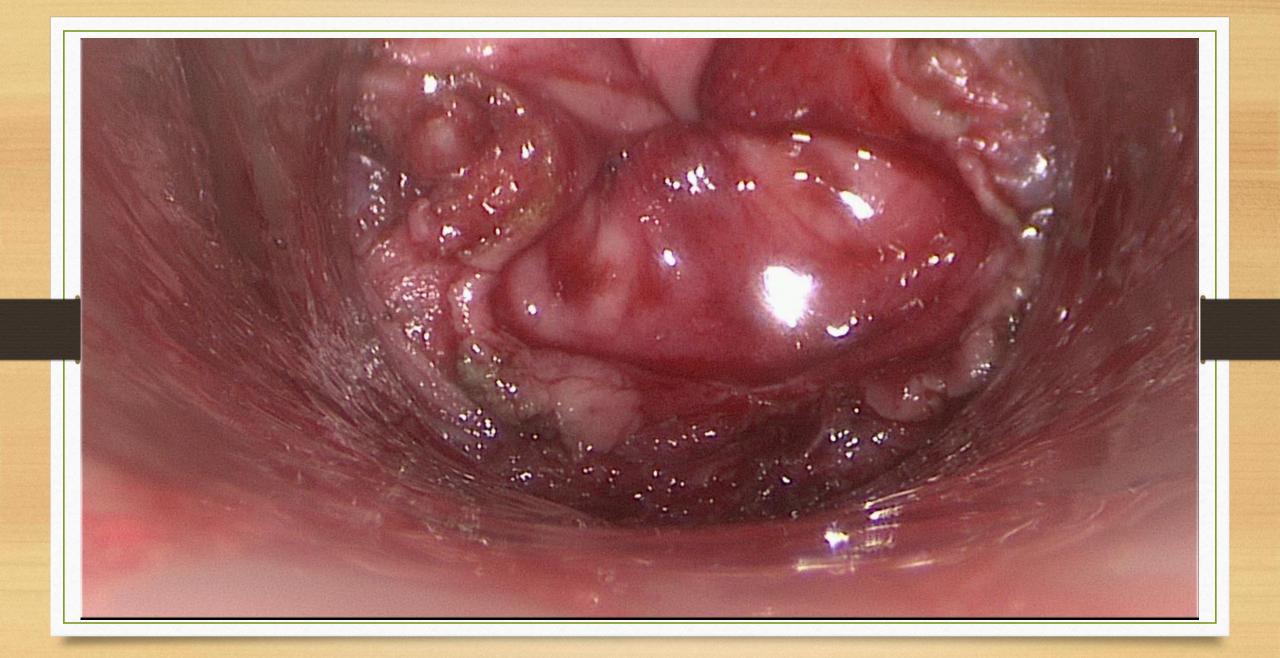
### Technical points of the TATA Rectal Resection

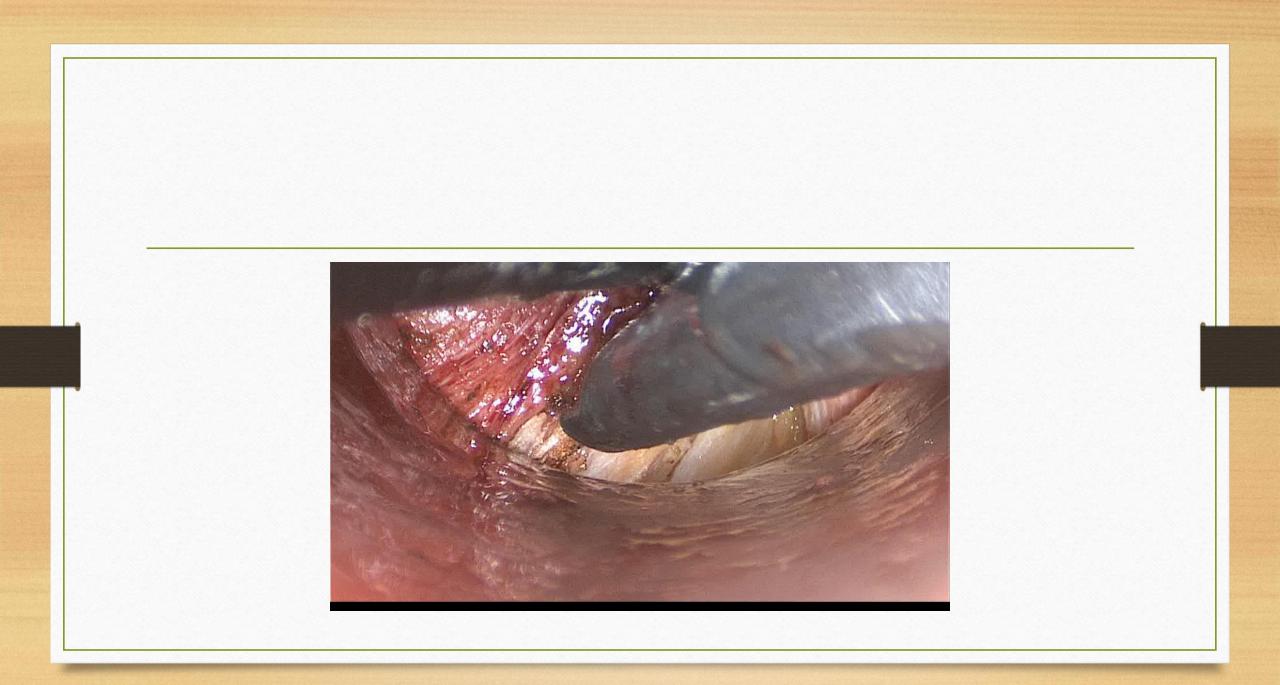


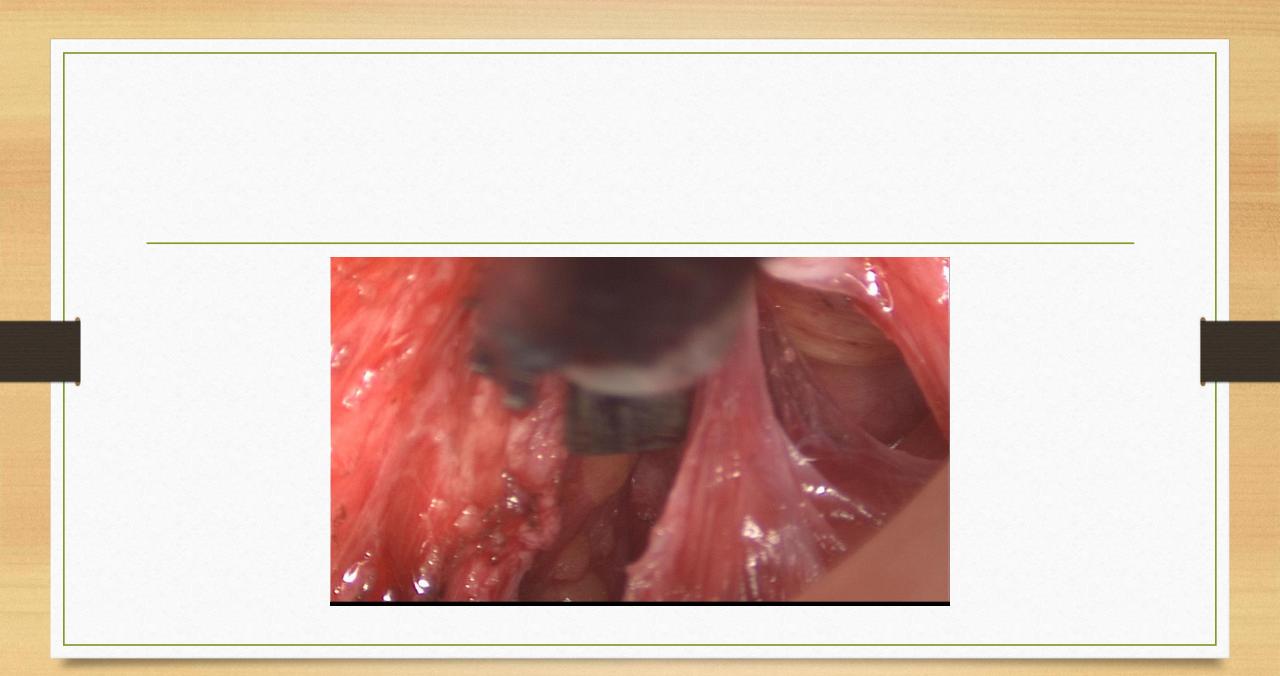


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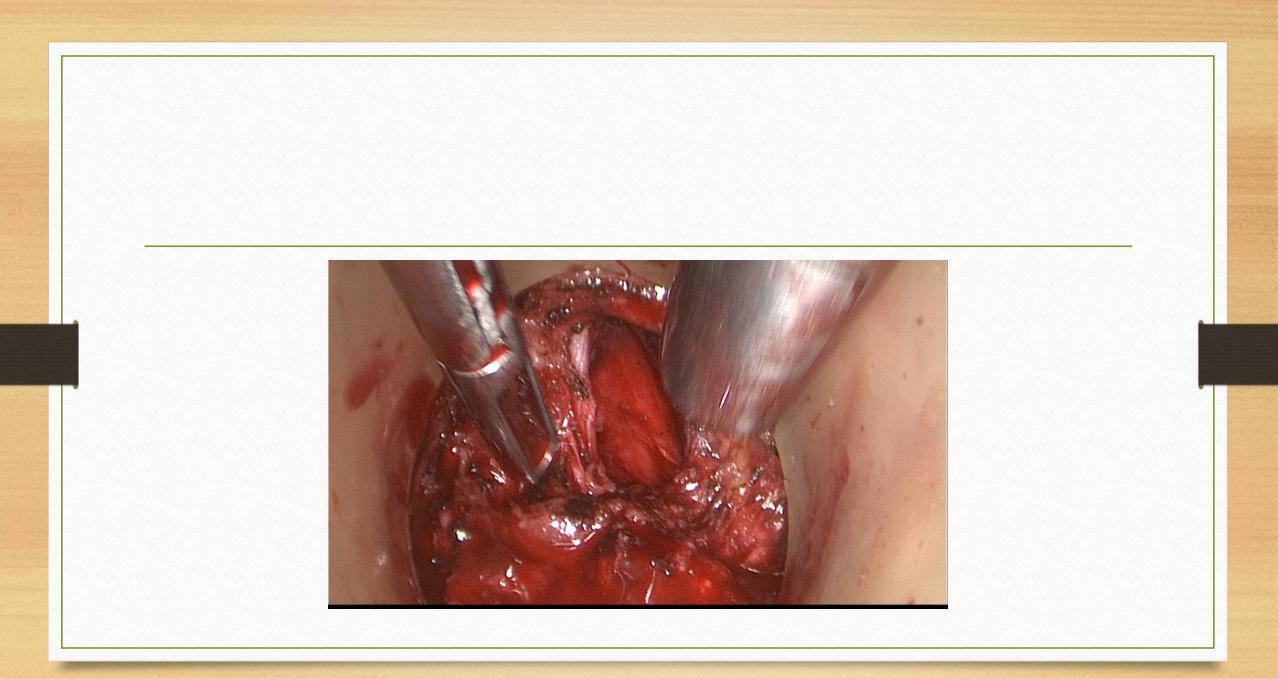
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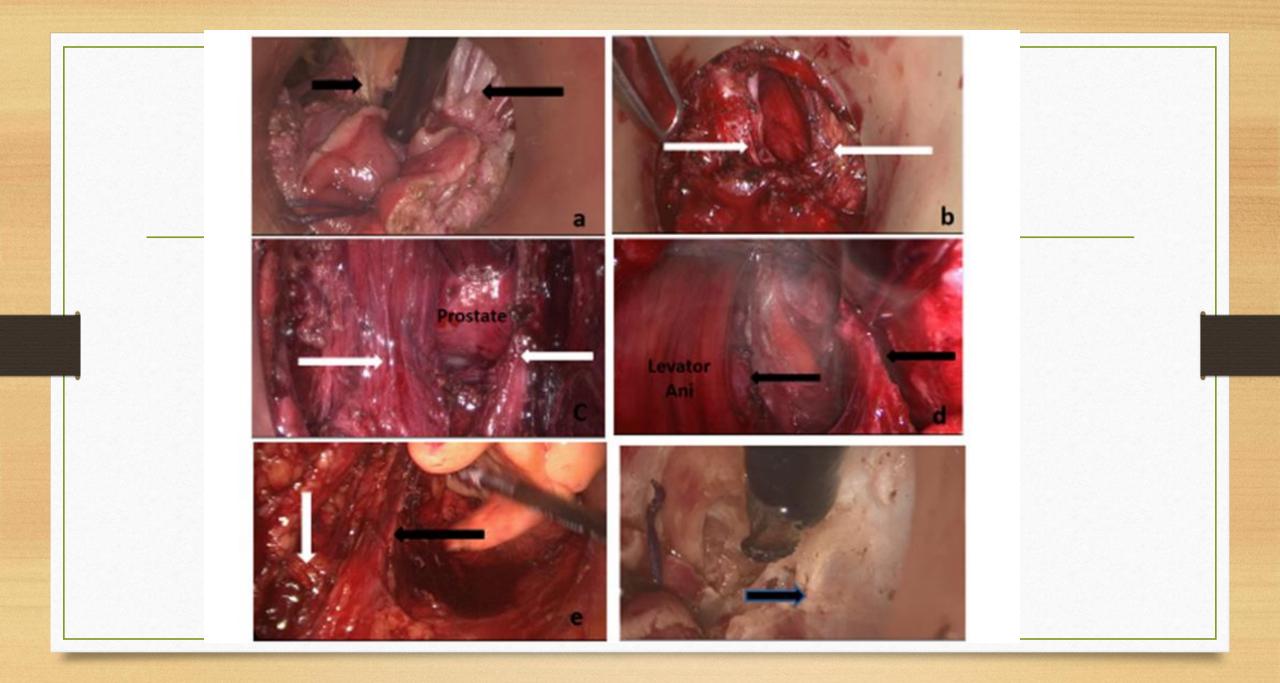
Prostato-sacral Ligament, description of a new anatomy in males, its clinical significance and anatomic similarity to female anatomy

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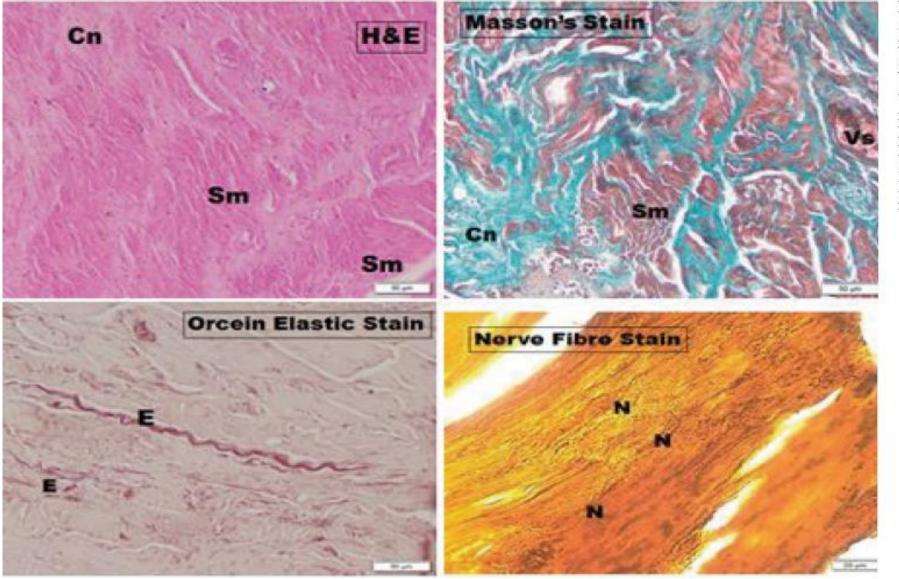
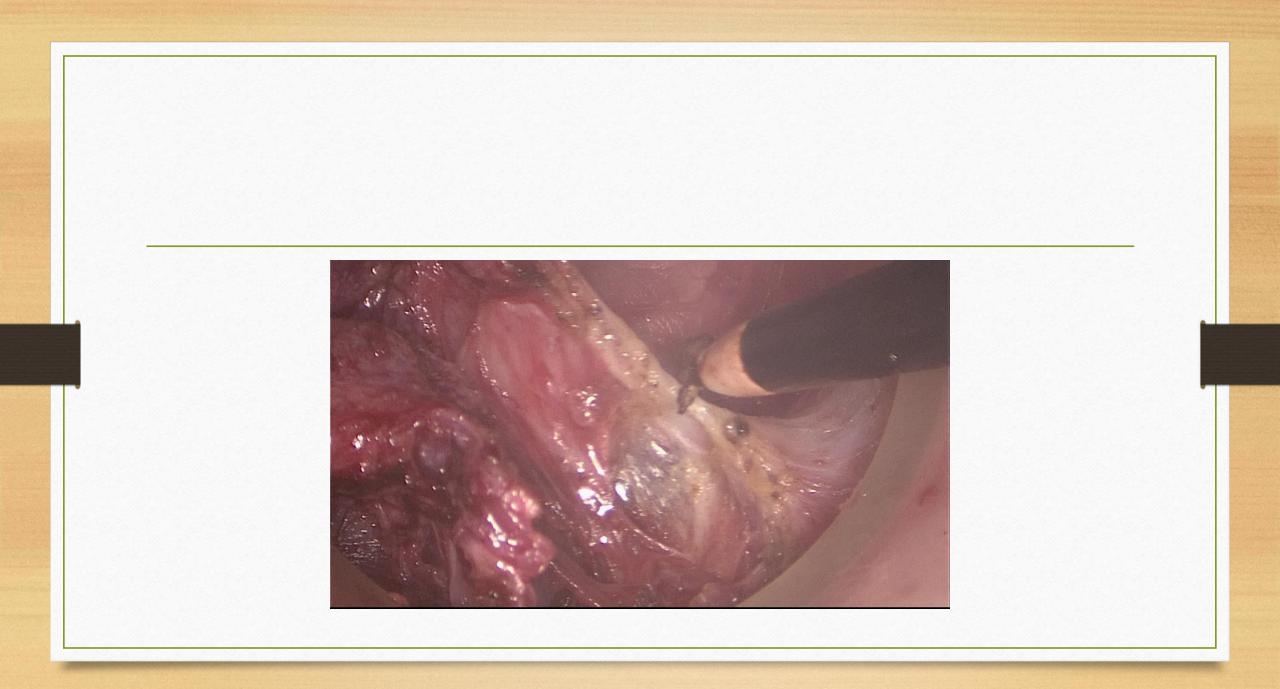


Figure (2): Histologic studies in a male revealed its Musclo-tendinous structure With abundant blood vessels, elastic fibers and nerves, Using H&E Masson's trichrome collagen stain, Orcein elastic stain and modified Palmgren's method for nerve fibres.



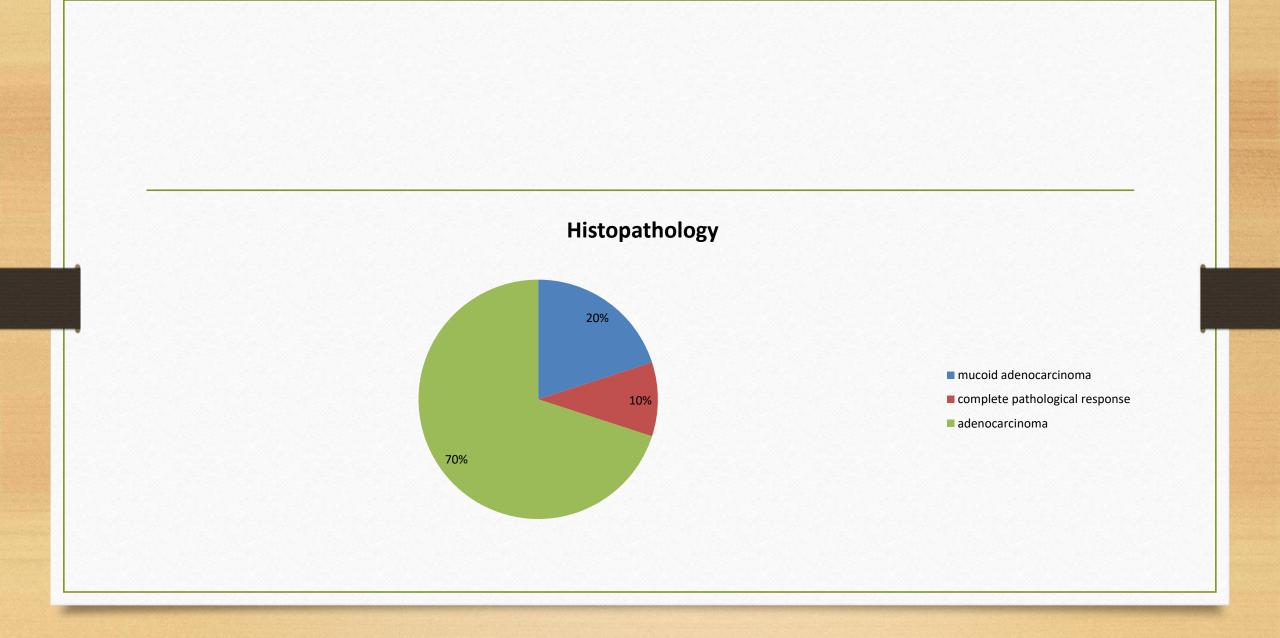
Gender		Male	Female	Total
	Frequency	8	12	20
TATME	Percentage	40%	60%	100%
Dahatia	Frequency	11	9	20
Robotic	Percentage	55%	45%	100%
77 - 1	Frequency	19	21	40
Total	Percentage	47.5%	52.5%	100%

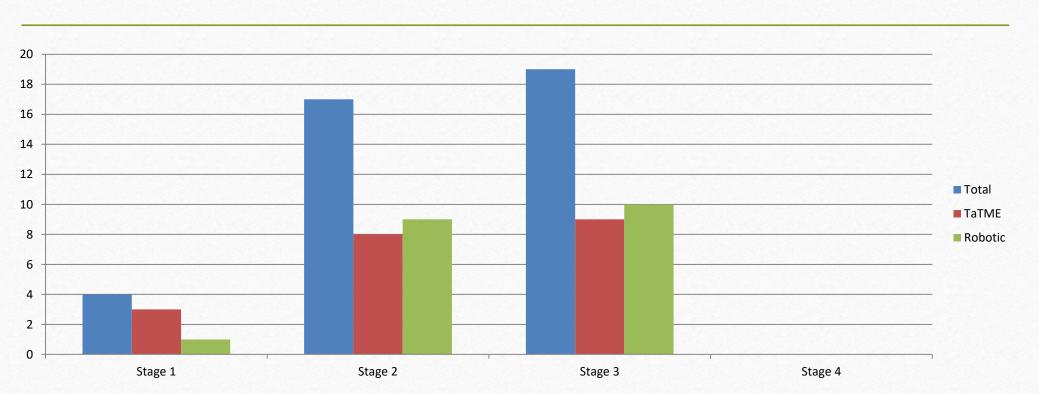
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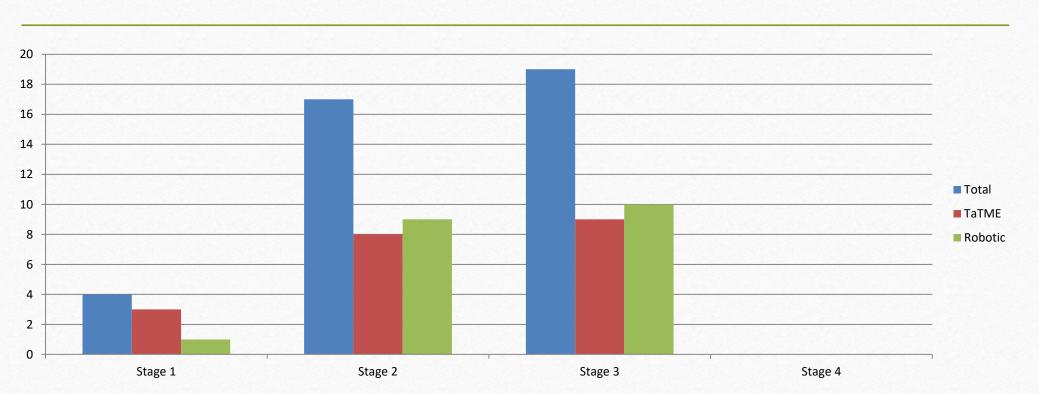
- Patients with resectable mid and low rectal cancer.
- Non metastatic colorectal cancer.
- Good general condition allowing surgical intervention.
- With or without history of neoadjuvant therapy.

### Exclusion criteria:

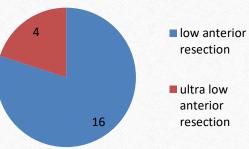
- Irresectable masses
- Inoperable cases
- Previous abdominal surgery
- Patients refusing the study.
- Patients with obstructed or perforated tumors.
- Contraindications of laparoscopy as cardiac failure, pulmonary failure.

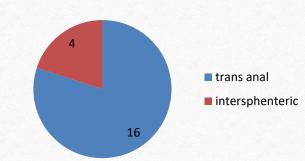






### Robotic





TaTME

# Operative Time

		Mean	Standard Deviation	Median	Minimum	Maximum	P Value
	Both groups	222.72	67.12	195.50	139.00	371.00	
Total time	TaTME	179.10	23.45	177.50	139.00	225.00	<mark>&lt;0.001</mark>
	Robotic	266.35	68.48	263.00	182.00	371.00	
D .	Both groups	46.35	25.45	36.00	19.00	113.00	
	TaTME	26.75	2.83	27.50	19.00	31.00	<0.001
Total time Preparation time time Actual time Total Hamily Preparation time Preparation time Pr	Robotic	65.95	22.65	56.50	41.00	113.00	
		176.37	44.91	151.00	113.00	280.00	
	TaTME	152.35	22.82	149.00	113.00	198.00	<mark>0.003</mark>
	Robotic	200.40	49.03	201.50	140.00	280.00	

### Estimated blood loss comparison

		Mean	SD	Median	Minimum	Maximum	P Value
	TaTME	130.50	75.76	110.00	50.00	400.00	
Bleeding (ml)	Robotic	212.00	141.15	170.00	50.00	650.00	<mark>0.017</mark>
	Both groups	171.25	119.18	137.50	50.00	650.00	

Safety margin

		Mean	Standard Deviation	Median	Minimum	Maximum	P Value
	Total	2.35	0.64	2.35	1.40	4.00	
distal margin	TaTME	2.02	0.42	1.90	1.50	2.90	0.002
0	Robotic	2.68	0.67	2.75	1.40	4.00	
	Total	14.30	2.66	14.00	10.00	20.00	
	TaTME	14.55	2.95	14.00	10.00	19.00	
proximal margin	Robotic	14.05	2.39	13.50	10.00	20.00	0.698

### **Circumferential margins**

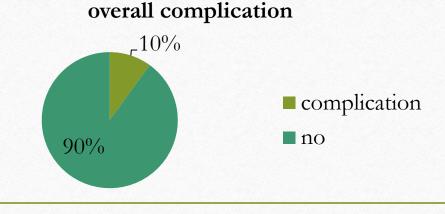
Although the circumferential radial margin (CRM) was complete in 18
patients only (90%) in the robotic group in contrast to 20 patients (100%) in
the TaTME group, it did not differ statistically with a P value = 0.487.

### L.N. retrieval

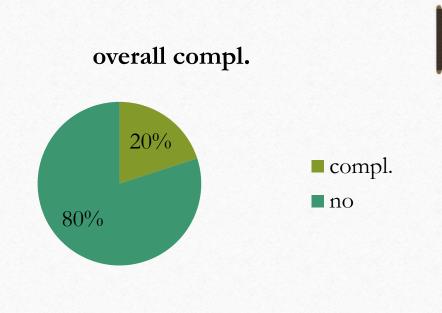
		Mean	Standard Deviation	Median	Minimum	Maximum	P Value
	Total	13.77	4.96	13.50	6.00	25.00	
Number of lymph	TaTME	13.60	6.44	12.00	6.00	25.00	0.678
nodes	Robotic	13.95	3.02	14.00	8.00	20.00	
	Total	4.13	3.84	3.50	0.00	13.00	
	TaTME	1.60	3.28	0.00	0.00	13.00	
Positive Lymph nodes	Robotic	6.65	2.46	6.00	2.00	12.00	< 0.001

### Complications

- Overall complication rate between the two groups showed no statistical significance (p value = 0.601)
- As for TaTME we had 2 cases with complications (10%)
  - One in the form of leakage after primary anastomosis
  - The other is conversion to open



- As for robotic group we had four complication (20 %)
  - One in the form of leakage
  - One in the form of conversion to open
  - Two in the form of ileus

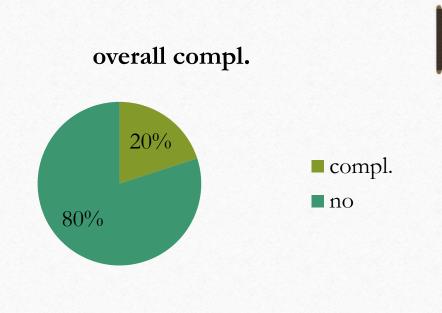


The length of hospital stay									
		Mean	Standard Deviation	Media n	Minimu m		P Value		
	Total	4.85	2.60	5.00	2.00	14.00			
Hospital Stay	TaTME	5.10 🕇	0.64	5.00	4.00	7.00 (	0.014		
Stay	Robotic	4.60 🗸	3.65	3.00	2.00	14.00			

### Total hospital cost per case (X 1000 L.E.)

		Mean	Standard Deviation	Median	Minimum		P Value	
			Deviation			m		
	Total	78.43	33.01	77.50	44.00	128.00		
cost	TaTME	46.15 🕹	1.14	46.00	44.00	49.00	< 0.001	
	Robotic	110.70	6.47	108.00	106.00	128.00		

- As for robotic group we had four complication (20 %)
  - One in the form of leakage
  - One in the form of conversion to open
  - Two in the form of ileus



- This study suggests that robotic surgery is safe and effective and has some advantages concerning low rectal resections and distal margin.
- However, robotic resection was associated with a significant increase in total costs relative to TaTME.
- Further well-designed, prospective controlled randomized trials should be conducted to assess the financial benefits and the long-term oncologic outcomes of both techniques.

- Although the experience with TaTME is still limited, it represents a promising complementary to laparoscopic TME regarding the step of low rectal dissection, especially for difficult cases where laparoscopy is too demanding.
- The preliminary data on complications and short-term oncological outcomes are good.
- We also emphasize the importance of careful patient selection

