Everything about suture, tie, clip and ligation devices for urologic surgery

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### Needle

- Selection of appropriate needle :
- 1. requirements of the procedure
- 2. nature of the tissue being sutured
- 3. accessibility of the operative area
- 4. gauge of suture material being used
- 5. surgeon's preference

## Needle

Components : the point, the body & the swage

The Point depends on the needle type (round or cutting)

► The Body has flattened section where the needle can be grasped by the needle holder. Some needles have longitudinal ribs on the surface which reduce rotational movement.

The majority of surgical needles are Eyeless (already swaged to the suture material)



## Needle Curve

## Most surgical needles are curved :

- 3/8 curve is the most common shape
- 1/2 or 5/8 curve needle are useful in small spaces
- 1/4 curve or a straight needle is adequate if there is no shortage of space
- Compound shapes include a J needle for confined spaces (as for femoral hernia repair).

Chord length: the linear distance from the point of the curved needle to the swage (bite width)
 Needle length: The distance measured along the needle from the point to the swage
 Radius: This is the distance from the body of the

needle to the centre of the circle along which the needle curves (bite depth)

◆ Diameter: The gauge or thickness of the needle



Needle length, <u>not chord</u> <u>length</u> (bite width), is the measurement supplied on suture packages

#### The needle should be long enough to:

- Pass through the tissue

- Show at the far side of the wound to be grasped by the needle holder or dissecting forceps



## Needle size

<u>Size</u>	Uses
7/0 and smaller	Ophthalmology, microsurgery
6/0	Face, blood vessels
5/0	Face, neck, blood vessels
4/0	Mucosa, neck, hands, limbs, tendons, blood vessels
3/0	Limbs, trunk, gut blood vessels
2/0	Trunk, fascia, viscera, blood vessels
0 and larger	Abdominal wall, fascia, drain sites, arterial lines, orthopaedics

#### (1) Round-bodied needles

Needle cross section

- Designed to separate tissue fibers rather than cut them.
- Used either for soft tissue or in situations where easy splitting of tissue fibers is possible.
- After the passage of the needle, the tissue closes tightly round the suture material, thereby forming a leak-proof suture line which is particularly vital in intestinal & cardiovascular surgery.
- (2) Cutting needles
- They are required where tough or dense tissue needs to be sutured.
- (3) In addition, there are surgical needles for special areas :
  - such as microsurgery, opthalmics & endoscopic surgery.

Needle type	Description	Typical application	F	PHILIPPE PHILIPPE
<b>Intestinal</b> The hole made by this needle is no larger than the diameter of the needle. The hole is then filled by the material, which reduces the risk of leakage.		Gastrointestinal tract; biliary tract; dura; peritoneum; urogenital tract; vessels; nerve.	Round-bodied Needle	
<u>Heavy</u>	In some situations where particularly strong needles are required, a heavy wire diameter needle would be appropriate.	Muscle; subcutaneous fat; fascia; pedicles.		
<u>Blunt</u> Taper-point	Where needle-stick injury is a major concern, particularly in the presence of blood borne viruses, the blunt taper-point needle virtually eliminates accidental glove puncture.	Uterus; pedicles; muscle; fascia.		
<u>Blunt-point</u>	This needle has been designed for suturing extremely friable vascular tissue.	Liver; spleen; kidney; incompetent uterine cx.		
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	Cutting Needle	Needle type Tapercut™ Cutting	<ul> <li>Description</li> <li>This needle combines the initial penetration of a cutting needle with the minimized trauma of a round-bodied needle. The cutting tip is limited to the point of the needle, which then tapers out to merge smoothly into a round cross-section.</li> <li>This needle has a triangular cross-section with the apex on the inside of the needle curvature. The effective cutting edges are restricted to the front section of the needle.</li> </ul>	<b>Typical application</b> Fascia; ligament; uterus; scar tissue. Skin; ligament; nasal cavity; tendon; oral.

## Clips – metal and polymer

- Disadvantage
- Poor holding power characterized by accidental dislodgement from a vessel or structure
- Foreign body and inflammatory reaction
- Erosion into adjacent anatomic structures pancreatitis and acute cholangitis from intraductal gallstone formation around a surgical clip
- Significant interference with radiologic studies including computerized tomography and magnetic resonance imaging
- Metal Clip 1908 yr first applied / Press origin
- ► Absorbable Polymer clip 1982 yr first applied / lock origin

## Clipping - skeletalization and exposure of the

#### HEM-O-LOK BEHIND THE CLIP

 Bosses are designed to retain clip in applier jaws

Integrated teeth interface with the vessel and are designed to prevent slippage Bow-shape allows removal with appropriate instrument

3 Locking mechanism provides tactile feedback and secure closure (5) Hinge allows flexibility in clip placement prior to clip locking

Source is interfered with CT, MRI, or X-ray diagnostics



#### **Urological Oncology**

#### Surgical Clip-Related Complications after Radical Prostatectomy

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#### **Case Report**

#### Floating Hem-o-Lok Clips in the Bladder without Stone Formation after Robot-Assisted Laparoscopic Radical Prostatectomy

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#### Late-onset Hem-o-Lok® migration into the bladder after robotassisted radical prostatectomy

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#### **Case Report**

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#### Migration of a Hem-o-Lok Clip to the Ureter Following Laparoscopic Partial Nephrectomy Presenting With Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms

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### Prevention ???

## First.....Not Clipping close to anastomosis site

Second ..... Using Early absorbable clips

## ligation device – Endo gIA

Radical Nephrectomy - pedicle control

- artery and vein : each
- En bloc
- Radical prostatectomy DVC control, but not doing recently

## RENAL HILUM CONTROL

## Renal vein ligation..

## Various techniques for renal artery ligation

- Simple tie (single vs. multiple)
- Suture ligation
- Oversew
- Metal hemostatic clip (single vs. multiple)
- Locking hemostatic clip (single vs. multiple)
- Stapler (GIA vs. TA)

## FDA WARNING !

#### Vascular control

- FDA warning against use of Hem-olok clip
  - in living laparoscopic DN
- 6 deaths for 10 years
- attributed to the of Hem-o-lok clip

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#### FDA Warns Against Certain Ligating Clips in Kidney Donors

Lynne Peeples DISCLOSURES | May 06, 2011

May 6, 2011 — Weck Hem-o-Lok Ligating Clips should not be used for renal artery ligation during laparoscopic living-donor nephrectomy, the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced yesterday.

Despite the manufacturer, Teleflex Medical, adding the contraindication to the product's instructions for use in 2006, after 12 injuries and 3 deaths were attributed to the medical device during the preceding 5 years, the ligating clips continued to be employed for this indication. They have since been responsible for another 3 kidney deper deaths, prompting the EDA's

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Total (n = 149) -



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#### Technique

#### Transfixion

Suture ligature	3 (1–5)	nent of choice for many
Suture ligature + simple tie	4 (1–5)	renal disease (1). As the -stage renal disease is
Oversew	4 (1–5)	and for kidney donors is
GIA <sup>TM</sup> surgical stapler	4 (1–5)	shortage, and there
TA <sup>™</sup> surgical stapler	4 (1–5)	ages associated with ,3,4). Furthermore, as
Non-Transfixion		aken, there is a general safe (5.6). Recent data
Single simple tie	1 (1–4)	live kidney donors at
Multiple simple ties	2 (1–5)	3%. One of the most g LDN is securing the
Single hemostatic clip	1 (1–3)	varied vascular control
Multiple hemostatic clips	2 (1–5)	ransfixion techniques,
Single locking hemostatic clip	2 (1–4)	es, the suture material
Multiple locking hemostatic clips	3 (1–5)	ransfixing the staple or in. When transecting a
European coviet) tot etgan transplantation memorie		shance of hemorrhage,

## Still in real practice..

- Many surgeons do not use the vascular closing technique that they consider most safe.
- Failure of non-transfixion techniques is associated with greater risks for the donor.
- Control of major vessels in LDN must employ transfixion techniques for optimal donor safety

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Multiple simple ties	2 (1-5)	
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Multiple hemostatic clips	2 (1-5)	
Single locking hemostatic clip	2 (1-4)	
Multiple locking hemostatic clips	3 (1–5)	

## How about en bloc stapling ?

#### Benefits

- More secure (transfixion)
- Faster (no need of separate ligation)
- Safer (less dissection, no bothering clips for stapling)
- Economic

## En bloc ligation of renal hilum

#### Concern of AV fistula

- First report in 1934 (Hollingsworth KW. Am J Med Sci.)
- abdominal bruit, tachycardia and development of CHF
- Very rare: less than 90 cases worldwide
- Mostly after open en bloc ligation of the renal hilum in a patient with

inflammation and adhesion





## Concern of AV fistula

### Due to close proximity

Maybe associated with silk sutures which can act as a nidus for persistent bacteria seeding and inflammatory changes leading to breakdown at the site of sutured vascular stumps.

Kouba E, Smith AM. Urology. 2007;69:226-229.





## Concern of AV fistula

#### Controversy

- AVF can form in the setting of serial and separate vascular ligation as well as from other pathological processes, including infection
- Mainly in the era predating staple ligation
- Titanium staples deployed by endovascular staplers have better biocompatibility and may be less prone to propagation of infection or inflammatory reaction

#### Scheidbach H, Eur Surg Res. 2004









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#### Abstract

Three cases of postnephrectomy renal arteriovenous fistula are described. A review of the literature shows the rarity of this complication since only 62 cases (including the author's cases) are known. Reported cases have been recognized after intervals up to forty years. The major complication is cardiac failure. Surgical treatment gives satisfactory results, but nonsurgical closure has now become possible. Early diagnosis is easy by auscultation of the loin which constantly reveals a continuous bruit.

- Review of 62 cases of postnephrectomy AVF formation from 1934 to 1985
- only 12 were reported to have included en bloc ligation
- Half of the 62 cases were associated with postoperative infections, which represents a confounding risk factor for fistula formation.

#### Postnephrectomy Arteriovenous Fistula: \*

Case Report and Review of Literature

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RENAL arteriovenous fistulas may be congenital, traumatic, neoplastic, or surgically induced. Twenty-seven of these have been reported,<sup>5, 14, 15</sup> eight of which occurred subsequent to nephrectomy.<sup>2, 3, 6, 8, 10, 16, 18</sup> The presently reported case is apparently the ninth, a very rare complication of a common surgical procedure. sign was positive at 60 degrees on the right and was negative on the left. There was tenderness over the lower dorsal spine and the lumbosacral regions. Routine laboratory data were within normal limits. Roentgenograms of the chest and spine, upper gastro-intestinal series, barium enema, and cervical and lumbar myelography were not remarkable. Intravenous pyelography demonstrated absence of the right kidney and a normal left kidney. Bone survey revealed osteoarthritic

> "post-nephrectomy infection and not en bloc ligation was the cause of AVF formation"



## En bloc Stapling

#### Laparoscopy and Robotics

#### En Bloc Stapling of the Renal Hilum During Laparoscopic Neph Double-institutional Analy and Efficacy

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OBJECTIVE	To explore the safety and efficacy of en bloc : scopic nephrectomy (LNx) in a large double-in	
METHODS RESULTS	scopic nephrectomy (LNx) in a large double-in We performed a retrospective review of patier 2014 at 2 academic medical centers. Data ana tive time, estimated blood loss, and periopera arteriovenous fistula (AVF) formation was ass amination, or new-onset diastolic hypertensic A total of 428 patients (mean age: 63 years) t renal units with EBSH (226 left renal units, 2) minutes (range: 51-489 minutes). Mean e	Stapler-related complication durin Follow-up Median Mean Range Average postoperative diastolic bl
	2000 mL). Mean tumor size was 5.6 cm (ran tients with chronic infectious and inflammator received post-procedural imaging. No patients at a mean follow-up of 51 months.	A/P CT with IV contrast A/P CT with IV contrast A/P CT without IV contrast Retroperitoneal ultrasound

#### Thwaini A et al. BJU Int. 2008 Aug;102(3):401

Mean operative time Estimated blood loss Conversion to open	169 min 155 cc (50-2000) 1 enterotomy
	1 vena cavotomy
	1 spienic laceration
	1 extraction of renal mass
	1 bleeding lower pole vessel
Stapler-related complication during EBSH	1/428 (0.2%)
Follow-up	
Median	32 mo
Mean	51 mo
Range	12-112 mo
Average postoperative diastolic blood pressure	71.9 (54-96)
Postoperative imaging	300/428
A/P CT with IV contrast	128
A/P CT without IV contrast	92
Retroperitoneal ultrasound	58
MRI with gadolinium	18
Evidence of AVF	0/300

A/P, abdominal/pelvic; AVF, arteriovenous fistula; CT, computed tomography; EBSH, en bloc stapling of the renal hilum; IV, intravenous; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging.

## Meta Analysis (2017)

Trauma/Reconstruction/Diversion

### Safety and Efficacy of En Bloc Renal Hilar Vascular Staple Ligation: A Meta-Analysis



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**Purpose**: We reviewed the literature on the safety of en bloc ligation. We also performed a meta-analysis of the effect of using this technique with vascular staplers on perioperative factors compared to conventional renal pedicle dissection and isolated staple ligation of the renal artery and vein.

Materials and Methods: A literature search was performed to include all primary studies related to the safety of en bloc ligation of the renal hilum. After exclusion criteria were applied 9 studies were identified for review, of which 4 included a control group and were used in the meta-analysis. The primary end point was the incidence of arteriovenous fistula. Secondary end points were procedure duration, blood loss and the number of perioperative complications.

**Results**: None of the total population of 595 patients in whom en bloc ligation was performed for nephrectomy were diagnosed with arteriovenous fistula formation at an average postoperative followup of 26.5 months. When comparing en bloc and isolated ligation of the renal artery and vein, the meta-analysis showed a significant improvement in procedure duration for en bloc nephrectomy. There was no difference in estimated blood loss or the number of complications.

**Conclusion**: En bloc ligation appears to be as safe as and potentially more beneficial in terms of perioperative factors than conventional renal pedicle

#### Abbreviations and Acronyms

- AVF = arteriovenous fistula
- CHF = congestive heart failure
- $\mathsf{EBL} = \mathsf{estimated blood loss}$
- SMD = standard mean difference

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## Meta Analysis (2017)



- En bloc ligation has historically been associated with AVF formation in the renal pedicle stump.
- However, in the last 20 years several studies of outcomes in almost 600 patients did not show a single patient with AVF on postoperative followup.
- Moreover, based on our meta-analysis en bloc ligation could decrease operative time. Therefore, en bloc ligation appears to be as safe as and potentially more time saving than the conventional isolated vascular ligation approach.

J Urol 2017 Jan;197(1):175-181 Lai WS et al.

## Stapler: concerns

- Tissue damage
  - Crushing injury
  - Ischemia
- Bleeding
  - Less secure than clip of tie ?
- Device malfunction

# Stapler: conventional Anvil Anvil $\mathbf{C}_1 \ \mathbf{C}_1 \ \mathbf$

## Stapler: tissue effects





Stress concentration location for Universal reload



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