

# Surgical management of Inflammatory bowel disease

- indication of surgical intervention
- understand the risk involved
- option and rationale of surgical treatment



# Multi-disciplinary care

- ◉ Named personnel comprising
  - > gastroenterologists,
  - > colorectal surgeons
  - > clinical nurse specialists,
  - > dietician,
  - > pathologist
  - > GI radiologist
  - > pharmacist,
- ◉ Access to
  - > a psychologist/counsellor, rheumatologist, ophthalmologist,
  - > dermatologist, obstetrician, nutrition support team, a paediatric gastroenterologist
  - > gastroenterology clinical network, general practise



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# Surgical management of Ulcerative colitis



# Risk of Surgery / UC

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- 20 – 30 % of patients will require surgery
- 5-10 % present with acute severe colitis
- 30 % of severe case will require emergency surgery
- After acute severe ulcerative colitis 50% with incomplete remission with steroids will require colectomy within 1 year.

# Acute Severe Colitis

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- 6 bloody stools/day
- Abdominal tenderness
- signs of systemic Toxicity (HR>90, T>37.8, Hb# 10.5 or ESR>30)
- Anemia
- Fulminant colitis ( stool > 10 / day , Anemia requiring transfusion , signs of systemic toxicity , abdominal distension, tenderness , fever and leukocytosis.

*Truelove and Witts' criteria , Br Med J, 1955*

*Sands BE J Gastrointestinal Surg, 2008*

- Colectomy rate about 30 %
- Rate of Colectomy did not change in last 40 years

*Turner D, et al Gastroenterol Hepatol 2007*



	Mild	Moderate	Severe
1. Number of evacuations/day	≤4	5	≥6
2. Bright-red blood in stool	±	+	++
3. Temperature (°C)	Normal	Intermediate values	Average temperature at night >37.5 °C or ≥37.8° C in 2 days within 4 days
4. Pulse (bpm)	Normal	Intermediate	>90 bpm
5. Hemoglobin(g/dL)	>10	Intermediate	≤10.5
6. *HSS (mm, 1st hour)	≤30	Intermediate	>30

\*HSS = Hemocrit sedimentation speed

**FIGURE 2.** Classification of nonspecific ulcerative colitis (UC) according to severity of acute episode (Truelove & Witts<sup>(93)</sup>)

# Rule of Surgery in Acute Presentation

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- Perforation
- Haemorrhage
- Toxic megacolon (diameter  $>5.5$  cm, or caecum  $>9$  cm)
  - > Systemic toxicity
  - > Steroids mask clinical picture.
- Failed medical treatment



## Colectomy in Acute presentation

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- Up to 40 % mortality for **perforation**
- 2-8 % mortality if before perforation





## Rule of Surgery in Acute Presentation . Cont.

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- ◎ GI team care. Surgeon aware.
  - > Routine bloods ( CBC/ U&E's / CRP/Albumin)
  - > Regular abdominal exam
  - > AXR
  - > Stool for bacteriology/ C diff / CMV
  - > +/- Flexible sigmoidoscopy
  - > DVT prophylaxis
  
- ◎ IV steroids



## Rule of Surgery in Acute Presentation . Cont.

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- ⊙ A stool frequency of >8/day or CRP >45 mg/l at **3 days** appears to predict the need for surgery in 85% of cases

*Travis, S. P. Let al Gut. 38(6):905-910, June 1996.*

- ⊙ Intravenous steroids are generally given for up to **5 days**. There is no benefit beyond 7-10 days

*Turner D et al Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol 2007;5:103e10.*



## Rule of Surgery in Acute Presentation . Cont.

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⦿ Day 1

⦿ Day 3 : *Surgery Discussed / Stoma therapist input.*

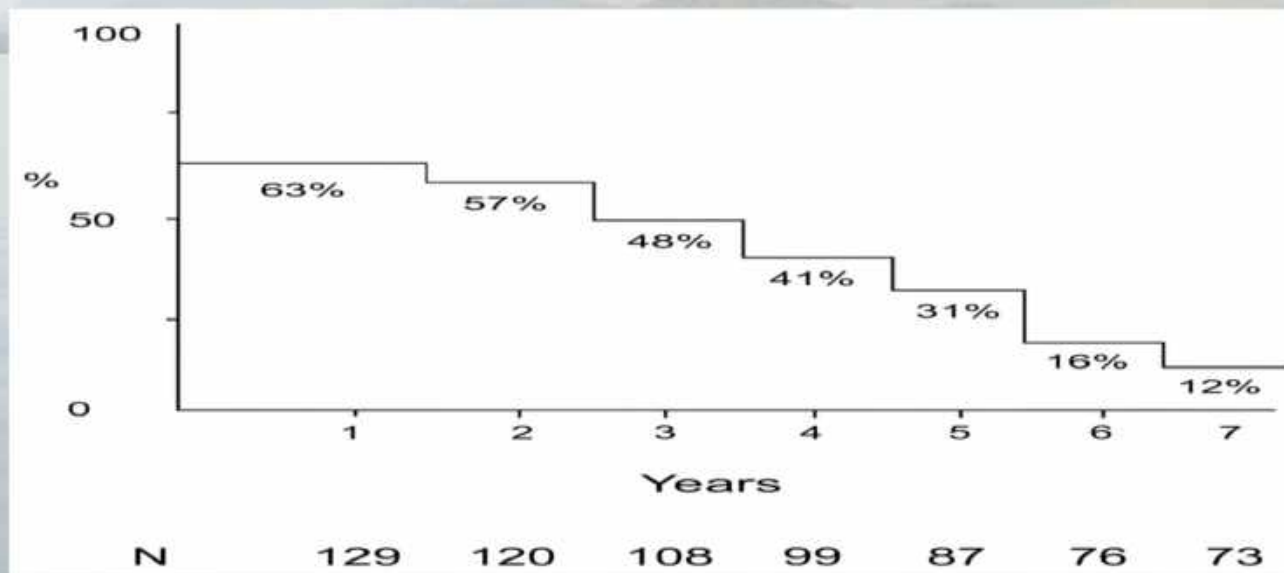
⦿ Day 5

⦿ → Consideration of **colectomy** or **rescue** therapy with either intravenous cyclosporine OR Biologic

## Rescue / Salvage therapy cont.



- Colectomy rate (36 - 69%) in the 12 months following introduction of CsA



Moskovitz DN et al , Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol 2006;4:760e5

## *Rescue / Salvage therapy cont.*

- ◎ CONSTRUCT UK trial  
clinical- and cost-effectiveness of  
infliximab and ciclosporin in the  
treatment of acute severe ulcerative  
colitis that fails to respond to intravenous  
steroids



## Surgery in Acute presentation cont.



- Proctocolectomy and Ileostomy
  - > High mortality
  - > Permanent stoma
  - > Pelvic dissection / nerve damage / sepsis
- Proctocolectomy and Pouch
- Subtotal Colectomy and Ileostomy



# Subtotal Colectomy and Ileostomy

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- ⦿ ~ 3% mortality
- ⦿ ~ 2 -12 % rectal stump blowout.
- ⦿ Close stump / Mucus fistula / SC Stump

## Advantage

- > Confirm diagnosis
  - > Off medication
  - > Improve nutritional status
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- ⦿ *6 months to next stage.*



# Options after surgery for acute colitis

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- Ulcerative colitis / Indeterminate
  - > Completion proctectomy and Pouch
  - > Completion proctectomy and end ileostomy
  - > Completion proctectomy and Continent ileostomy
  
- Crohn's Disease ? .....





# Elective Surgery for Ulcerative Colitis

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- Medical Intractability ? Failed medical treatment
  - > MDT
- Chronic disease
  - > Quality of life
  - > Off work / Hospitalization
  - > Never remission / Anemia / Amenorrhea/ ,malnutrition
- Steroid dependence / refractory
- Extra-alimentary manifestation
- Malignancy



## ◎ Extra intestinal Manifestations

- > Peripheral arthritis
- > Uveitis
- > Iritis

Respond to colectomy

- > Ankylosing spondylitis
- > Sacroilitis
- > Primary sclerosing cholangitis

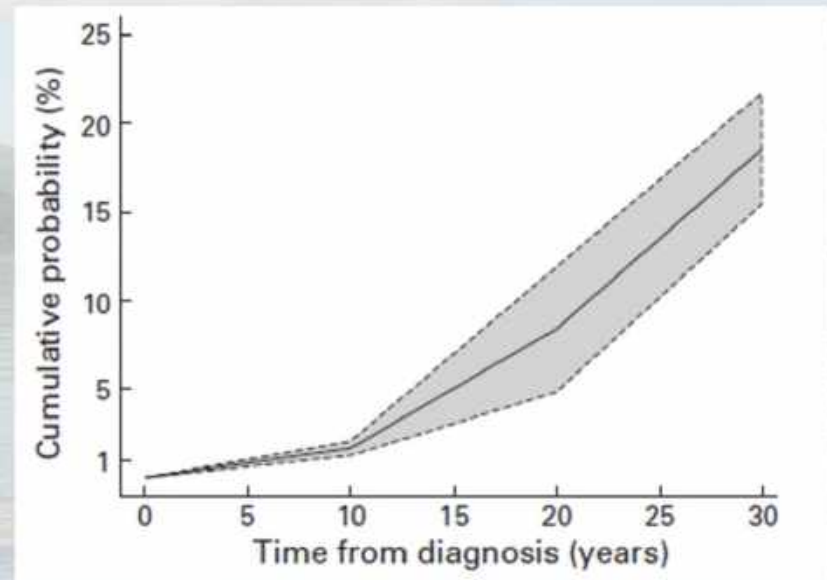
do not respond to colectomy



# Malignancy



- 1 -2 % per year after 10 years
- PSC 9% after 10 years  
50 % after 25 years
- Surveillance
- High Grade Dysplasia vs low grade dysplasia
- Pancolitis



# Risk of malignancy in UC

- ◉ Pancolitis
- ◉ PSC ( primary sclerosing cholangitis )
- ◉ Dysplasia



◎ Risk of concomitant Cancer

- > HGD / DALM            up to 58 %
- > LGD                      up to 19%

◎ Progression of LGD to HGD or cancer

- 0.5% - 54%

- 42 patients with UC and LGD followed for mean 4 years and 43 bx per colonoscopy

- > 81 % of LGD failed to progress over 4 year
- > More than 3 LGD Bx risk increase by six fold.

TABLE 3. Characteristics of LGD Patients: Progressors vs. Nonprogressors

Risk Factor	Progressors (n=8)	Nonprogressors (n=34)	Risk Ratio [95% CI] <sup>a</sup>	P-value
Average age UC onset (yrs)	28	32	0.99 (0.93-1.05)	0.79
Onset of UC age ≥30	3	15	1.12 (0.25-5.09)	0.88
Average age at LGD (yrs)	44	51	0.95 (0.88-1.02)	0.13
Age at LGD ≥50	2	17	0.99 (0.10-2.57)	0.40
Duration of UC (yrs) at LGD	15.5	18.5	0.95 (0.88-1.02)	0.17
Duration of UC ≥20 yrs	3	17	0.36 (0.07-1.87)	0.23
No. biopsies taken (mean)	39	43	0.97 (0.92-1.03)	0.34
No. of biopsies with LGD(mean)	2.6	1.5 <sup>a</sup>	2.83 (1.44-5.55) <sup>b</sup>	<0.01
≥2 biopsies with LGD	6	13	7.2 (0.86-60.07)	0.07
≥3 biopsies with LGD	4	5	5.8 (1.29-26.04)	0.02
Left-sided dysplasia	4	16	1.14 (0.25-5.13)	0.86
Visible lesion	4	19	0.61 (0.14-2.73)	0.51
Primary sclerosing cholangitis	4	7	1.78 (0.39-8.11)	0.45

<sup>a</sup>95% confidence interval.

<sup>b</sup>One outlier patient with 40 biopsies of LGD was excluded from calculations.

• Zisman et al Inflamm Bowel Dis 2012

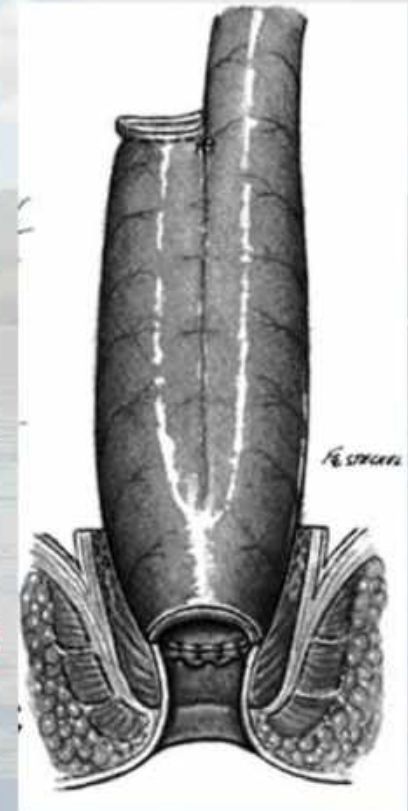


## Options of elective surgery

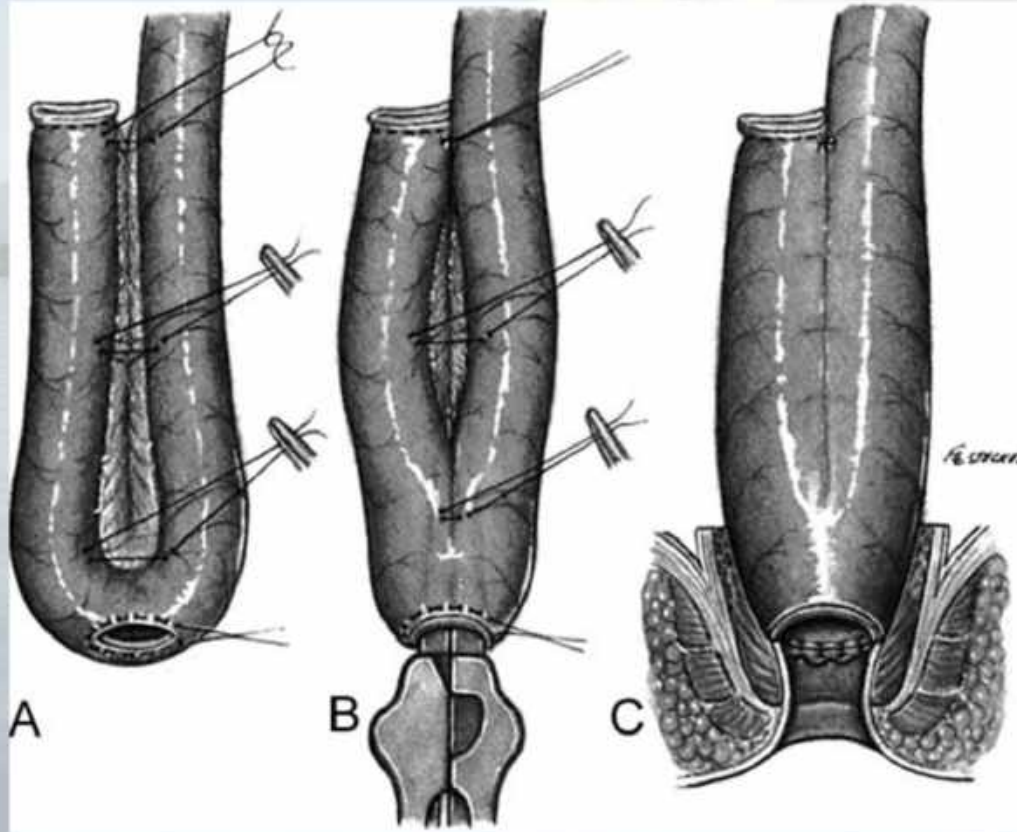
- ◎ **Restorative proctocolectomy**
  - > **One or Two stages**
  - > **Reduce steroid to minimum**
  
- ◎ **Proctocolectomy and end ileostomy**

# Restorative proctocolectomy

- Elective
- Off steroids
- One or two stages - w/o ileostomy
- Specialized Units
  - > At least 10 per year BSG 2010 ( UK)
- stapled or hand-sewn pouch
- pouch configuration (W, S, J)
- hand-sewn or stapled ileo-anal anastomoses

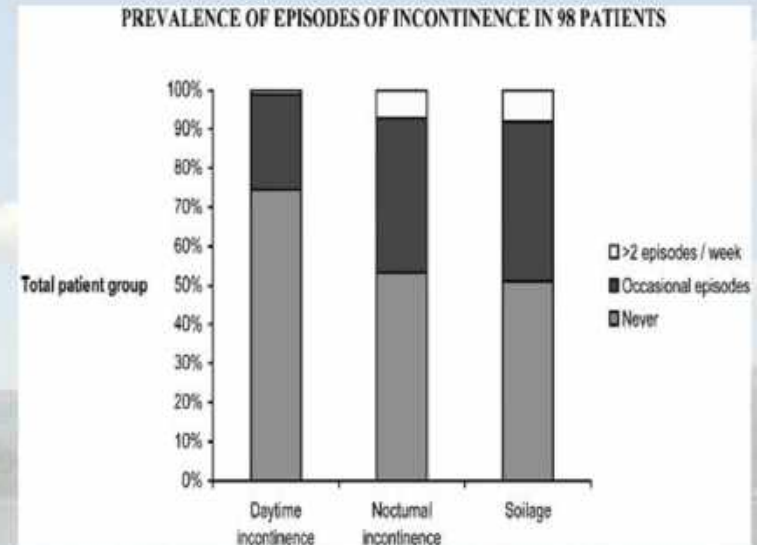






# Life style operation

- ⊙ The median frequency of defaecation/24
  - > 5 day
  - > 1 night
- ⊙ Nocturnal seepage
  - > 8% at 1 year
  - > 15 % at 20 years
- ⊙ Urgency
  - > 5.1% at 1 year
  - > 9.1 % at 15 years



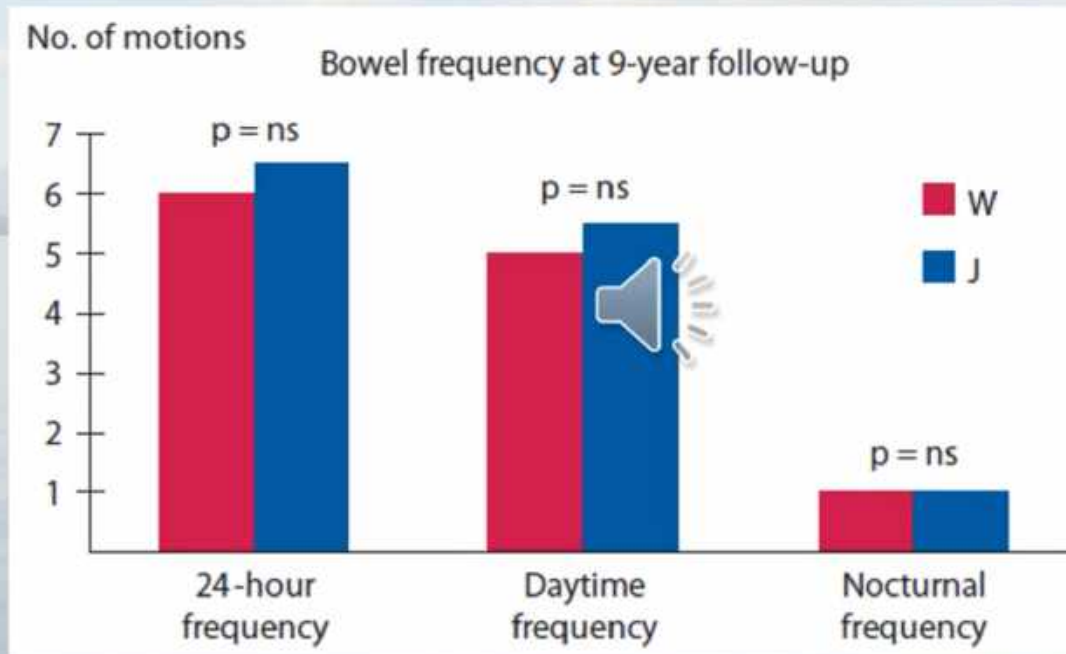
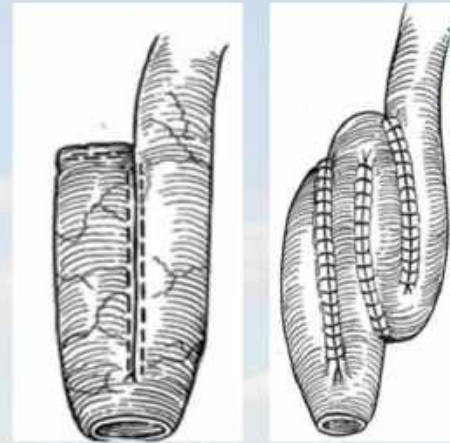
*Tekkis PP et al Colorectal Dis 2010*

- ⊙ Fecundity reduced by 40 – 50 %

*Gorgun E et al Surgery 2004*



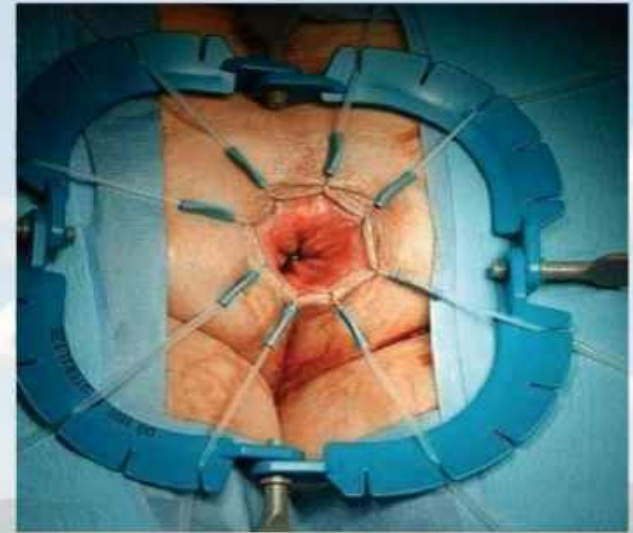
# J or W pouch



McCormick, P. H. et al *Diseases of the Colon & Rectum.*, December 2012.

## Risk of malignancy and dysplasia in rectal cuff

- ◉ Low risk / is infrequent



*Remzi , Dis Colon Rectum. 2003;*

*Fazio 1994*

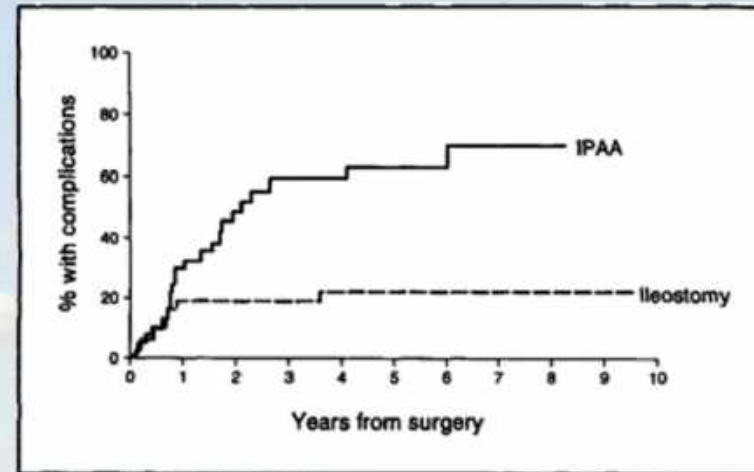
- ◉ Cuff surveillance is not necessary
  - > Unless dysplasia and cancer in original sp.



*Coul Colorectal Disease. 2007.*

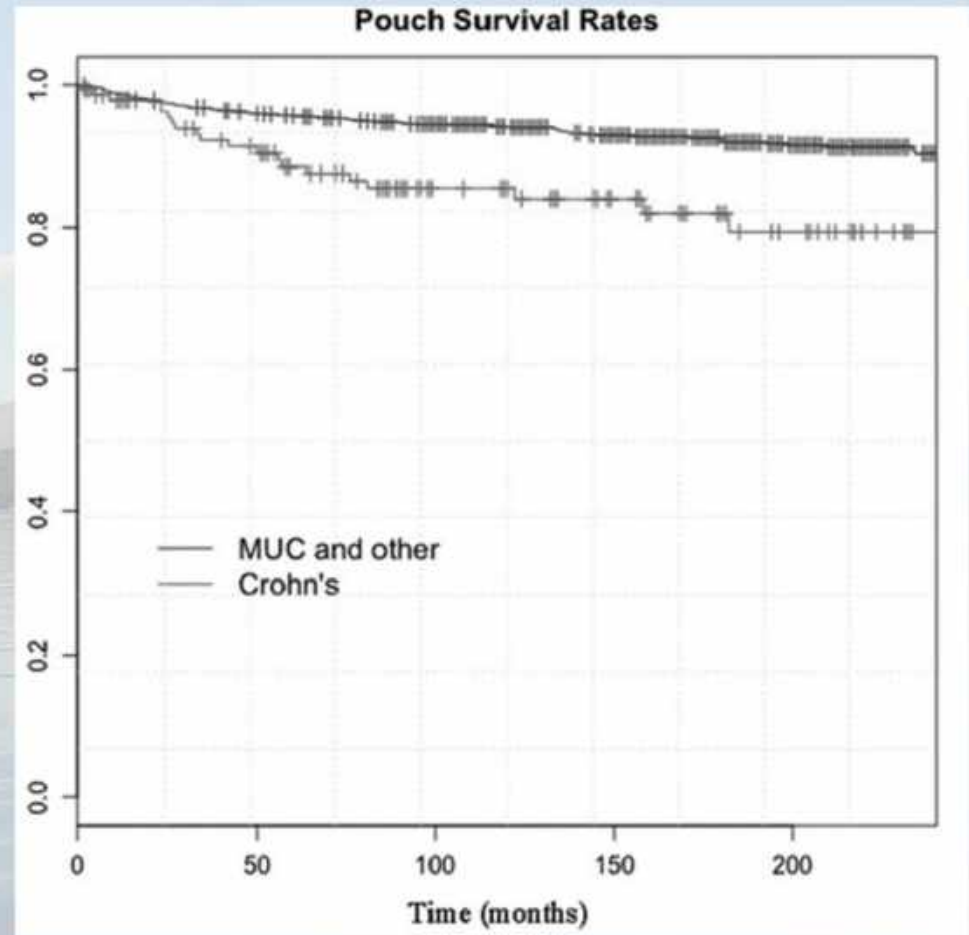
## Complication after RPC

- ⊙ Pouchitis up to 50 %
  - > Consider CD.
  - > Antibiotics/ Probiotics/ Biologic/ Ciclosporin
- ⊙ Pouch vaginal fistula
  - > Technical
  - > Advancement flaps / redo-pouch
- ⊙ Vitamin B12 and iron deficiency
- ⊙ Infertility
- ⊙ Stricture
- ⊙ Malignancy



# Pouch failure

- 5.9 % at 10 years
  - > Pelvic sepsis
  - > Anastomotic leak
  - > Fistula
  - > Crohn's disease



Fazio *Annals of Surgery* 2013

# Surgery of Ulcerative colitis



- Curative
- Risk of cancer / Dysplasia
- Dealing with complication and failure
- Re-operative / Re-do Surgery
- Attractive for minimally invasive surgery
- Controversies remains

# Surgery for Crohn's disease

## ◉ Indication

- > Stenosis ( stricture ) causing obstructive symptoms
- > Enterocutaneous or intra-abdominal fistula
- > Intra-abdominal or retroperitoneal abscess
- > Acute or chronic bleeding
- > Free perforation



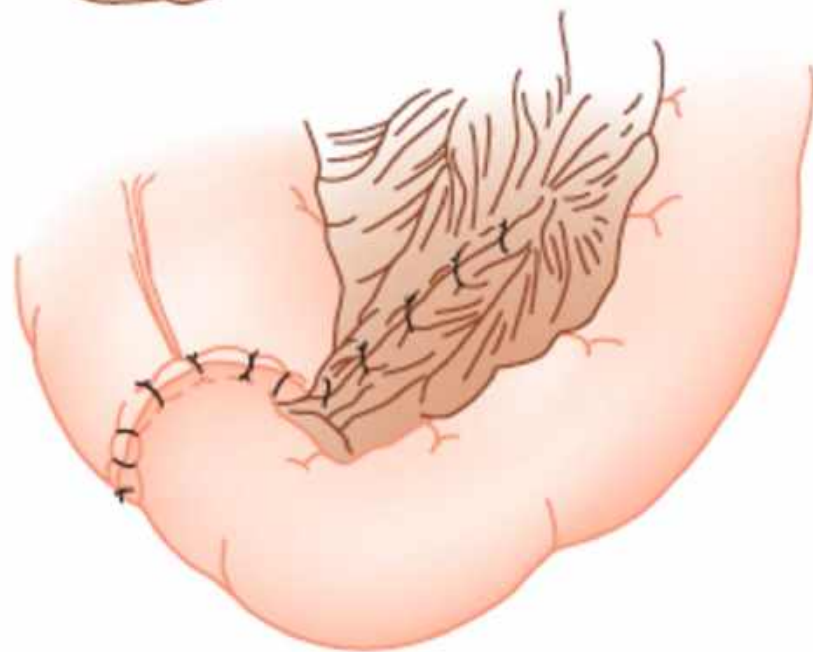
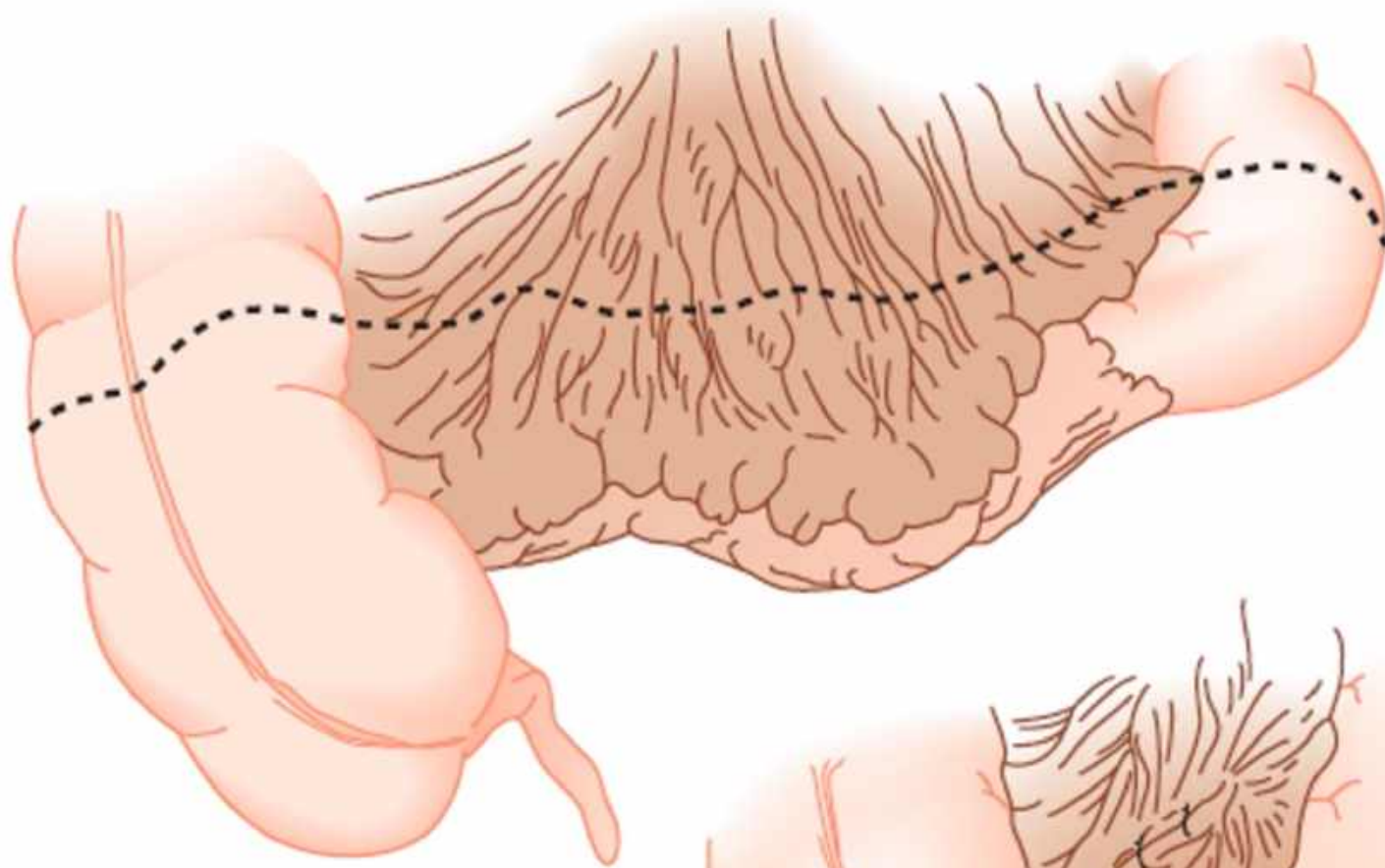
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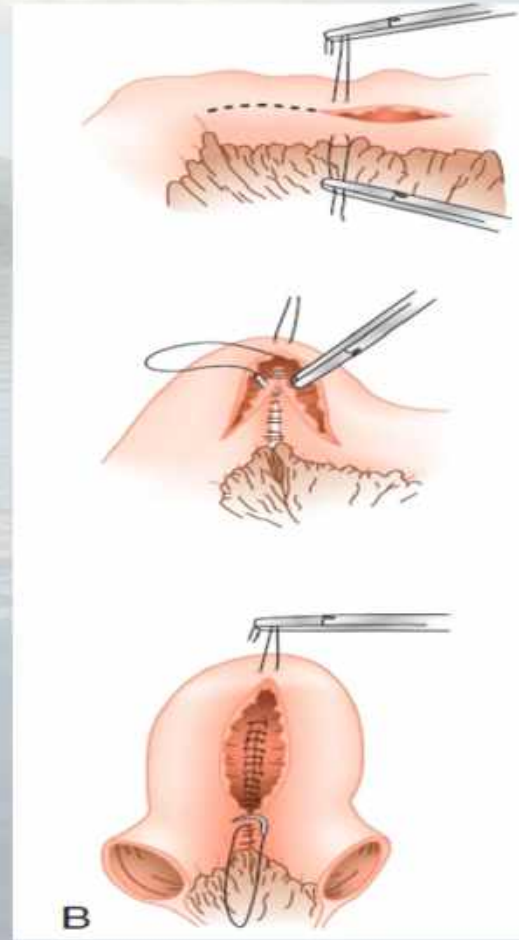
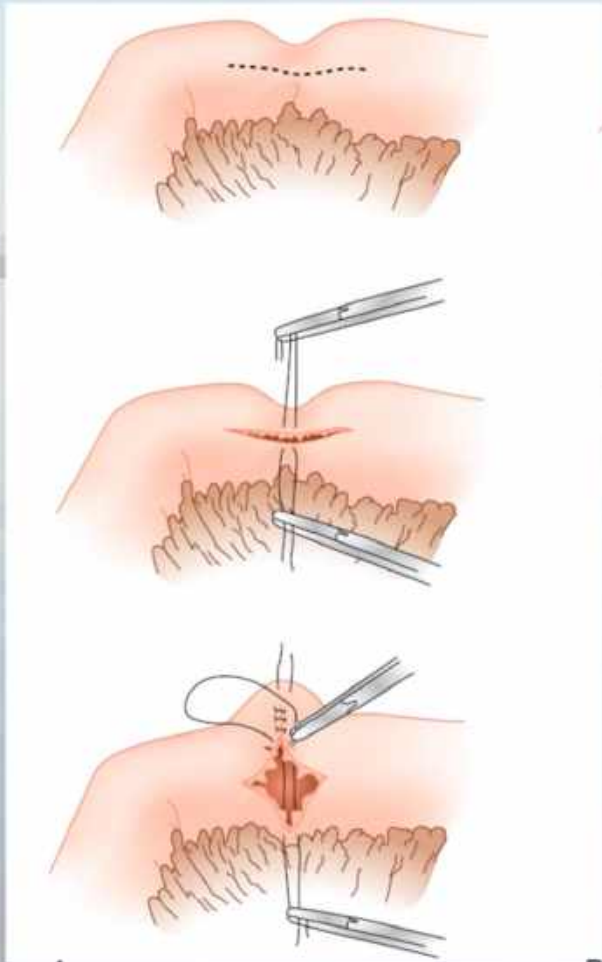
# Surgery CD cont.



- Segmental resection
- Avoid wide resection
- May need stoma
  - > Malnutrition
  - > Immuno-suppression
  - > Intra-abdominal sepsis
- Risk of malignancy



# Strictureplasty





# Smoking ....

- ⦿ Tobacco abuse as a causative factor in the development of Crohn's disease has been difficult to prove
- ⦿ Increase the incidence of relapse and failure of maintenance therapy.
- ⦿ Associated with the severity of disease in a linear dose-response relationship.

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