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HOW TO PERFORM ALL VASCULAR OPERATIONS THROUGH SMALL INCISIONS: TECHNICAL TIPS. WHY IS IT ADVANTAGEOUS AND RESULTS: WHEN IS IT CONTRAINDICATED



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TECHNIQUE-RETROPERITONEAL
Important aspects of the operator's technique

Incision in the groin
4.5 cm skin incision is done over femoral bifurcation reaching the artery by tissue separation

Artery separation
Vessel loops are placed on CFA, SFA and DFA. Longitudinal arteriotomy is made over CFA or SFA after proximal anastomosis is performed.

GROIN

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Incision
8-10 cm vertical (slightly curved) incision must be done at the level of umbilicus and down; 6-8 cm laterally to midline

Reaching
Reaching the fascia by adipose tissue separation

Fascia incision
Longitudinal incision of anterior layer of exterior oblique abdominis muscle aponeurosis

Arcuate Line
Careful separation of peritoneum must be done from the level of Arcuate Line (Peritoneum tearing should be sutured at once!!!)

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RETROPERITONEAL INCISION LEFT SIDE

Intestine retraction
With the use of abdominal pads intestines are retracted cephalad and medially to visualize the aorta bifurcation

Vessel Loops
Vessel loops are placed on EIA IIA and opposite CIA

Aorta separation
Posterior layer of peritoneum is separated from aorta as high as possible (usually to the level of IMA) and aorta is separated from VCI to enable clamping

Clamping
Clamping on aorta must be done as high as possible with Satinsky (additional vessel loop is placed on aorta for secure)

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Artery Presentation
Pulling the IIA and EIA loops down and to the opposite side (30 degree angle) reveals the level of aorta bifurcation

Aorta incision
About 15mm longitudinal incision at the level of bifurcation is performed

Anastomosis
End to side anastomosis with 3.0 Prolene is made

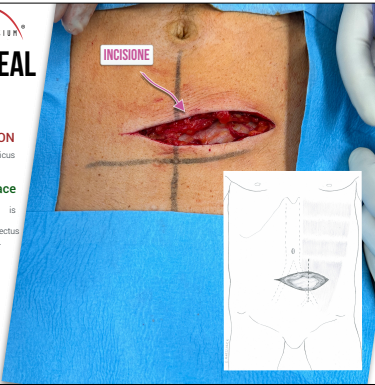
Embolectomy or endarterectomy
When necessary embolectomy or endarterectomy is made via small longitudinal incision over prosthesis

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NEW OPTION
 Transverse incision just 2 cm below umbilicus

Different access to the retroperitoneal space
 Lamina anterior of the rectus abdominis muscle sheath is vertically incised. Reaching the retroperitoneal space by entering between rectus abdominis and lamina posterior below linea arcuata.

Better visualization of distal portion of CIA
 This access gives better insight to the IIA, distal portion of CIA, and proximal part of EIA



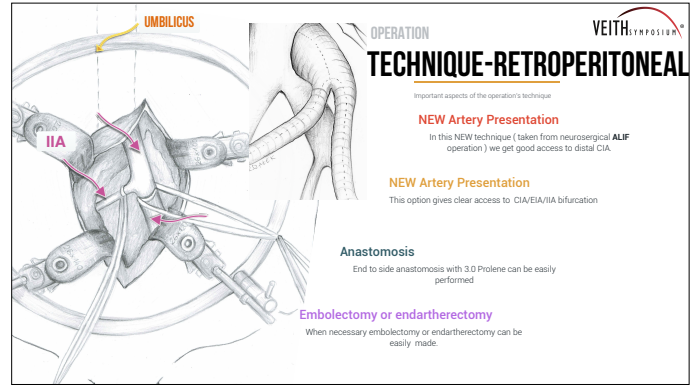
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NEW Artery Presentation
 In this NEW technique (taken from neurosurgical ALIF operation) we get good access to distal CIA

NEW Artery Presentation
 This option gives clear access to CIA/EIA/IIA bifurcation

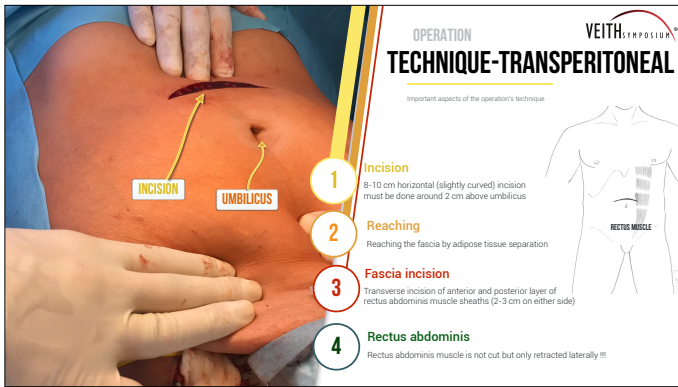
Anastomosis
 End to side anastomosis with 3.0 Prolene can be easily performed

Embolectomy or endarterectomy
 When necessary embolectomy or endarterectomy can be easily made.



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- 1 Incision**
 8-10 cm horizontal (slightly curved) incision must be done around 2 cm above umbilicus
- 2 Reaching**
 Reaching the fascia by adipose tissue separation
- 3 Fascia incision**
 Transverse incision of anterior and posterior layer of rectus abdominis muscle sheaths (2-3 cm on either side)
- 4 Rectus abdominis**
 Rectus abdominis muscle is not cut but only retracted laterally !!!

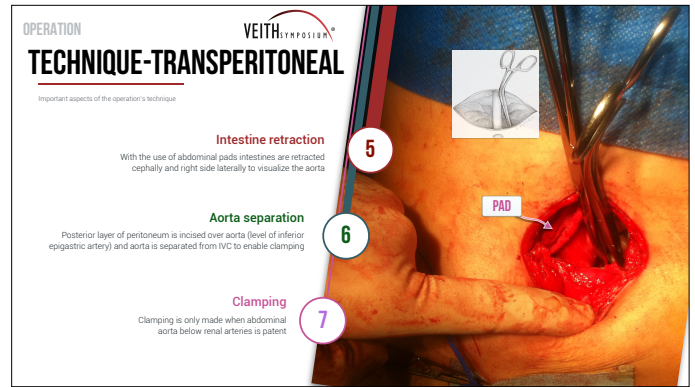


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Intestine retraction **5**
 With the use of abdominal pads intestines are retracted cephalad and right side laterally to visualize the aorta

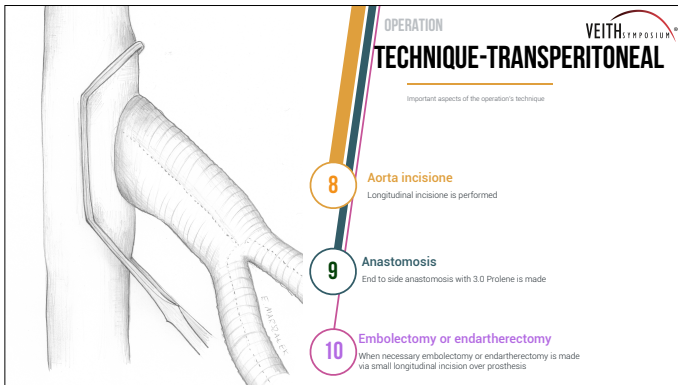
Aorta separation **6**
 Posterior layer of peritoneum is incised over aorta (level of inferior epigastric artery) and aorta is separated from IVC to enable clamping

Clamping **7**
 Clamping is only made when abdominal aorta below renal arteries is patent



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- 8 Aorta incisione**
 Longitudinal incisione is performed
- 9 Anastomosis**
 End to side anastomosis with 3.0 Prolene is made
- 10 Embolectomy or endarterectomy**
 When necessary embolectomy or endarterectomy is made via small longitudinal incision over prosthesis

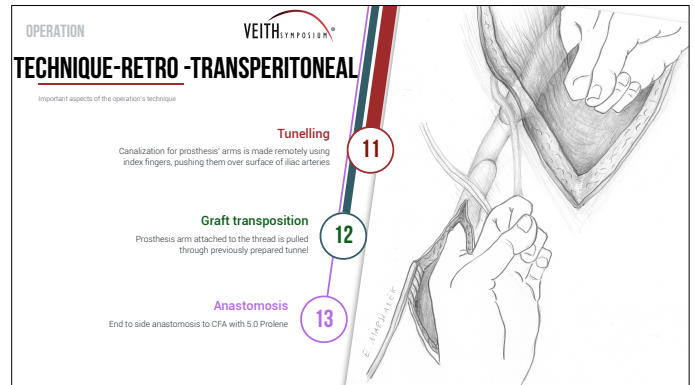


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Tunelling **11**
 Canalization for prosthesis' arms is made remotely using index fingers, pushing them over surface of iliac arteries

Graft transposition **12**
 Prosthesis arm attached to the thread is pulled through previously prepared tunnel

Anastomosis **13**
 End to side anastomosis to CFA with 5.0 Prolene



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Anastomosis
End to side distal anastomosis with 5/0 Prolene is made

ALL ANASTOMOSES ARE PERFORMED WITH ARTERY ELEVATED

we use extensibility of the artery

TECHNIQUE ADVANTAGES

Minimal Incision For Retroperitoneal / Aorto-Bifemoral Bypass

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- In retroperitoneal /aorto-bifemoral bypass the abdominal breathing is not impaired
- Limited postoperative gastrointestinal atony
- Patient is discharged home on 2nd (usually)-3rd day what reduces costs and risk of hospital acquired wound infection
- Limited dermal paresthesia occurs
- Good cosmetic effect

IN OUR EXPERIENCE ONE ILLIAC VEIN COLLISION SAFELY AVOIDED

TECHNIQUE CONTRAINDICATIONS (RELATIVE)

Minimal Incision For Retroperitoneal / Aorto-Bifemoral Bypass

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- Distal aorta total occlusion /RELATIVE/ Remote endarterectomy/embolectomy connected with high risk of renal embolization
- Previous operation in retroperitoneal/upper abdomen
- Horseshoe kidney (one attempt with conversion in my experience)
- Previous radiotherapy
- Previous stenting in aorta bifurcation /RELATIVE/

IN OUR EXPERIENCE ONE RENAL ARTERY EMBOLISATION DUE TO EMBOLECTOMY ATTEMPT

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CUT OR NOT TO CUT

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END OF OCCLUSION

1 Incision
4-5 cm incision must be done on medial surface of the thigh

2 Incision
Should be done just below the end of occlusion

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END OF OCCLUSION

1A Posterior Incision **PREFERRED**
4cm incision (posterior fossa) must be done

2A Incision
Should be done just below the end of occlusion

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3 Reaching the Artery
Reaching the popliteal artery by tissue separation and fascia incision

4 Hook - like maneuver
In knee flexion, with index finger, "hook-like" maneuver is done to elevate the neurovascular bundle to the skin level

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5 Artery separation
Additional separation of the artery from other bundle structures enables to pull the artery even further

6 Proximal and distal vessel loops
Once the artery is separated, proximal and distal vessel loops are applied

7 Vein and nerve release
Vein and nerve are released into popliteal fossa typically; longitudinal arteriotomy is performed just below the end of the occlusion

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8 Endarterectomy
Endarterectomy when necessary

9 Catheter insertion
Catheter is inserted into distal part of popliteal artery

10 Control angiography
Control angiography of peripheral arteries is routinely made with angioplasty performed when necessary

VESSEL LOOP

ARTERY

CATHETER

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11 Anastomosis
End to side distal anastomosis with 5.0 Prolene is made (Great Saphenous Vein reverse/ in situ or PTFE helical vascular graft)

ANASTOMOSIS IS PERFORMED WITH ARTERY ELEVATED TO SKIN LEVEL !!!

TECHNIQUE CONTRAINDICATION
Minimal Incision For Femoro-popliteal

Quick operation, no limitation. IT IS NEVER CONTRAINDICATED

Possible to do in local anesthesia (and short sedation)

Patient is discharged home on next day what reduces costs and risk of hospital acquired wound infection

Limited dermal paresthesia occurs

Good cosmetic effect

IN OUR EXPERIENCE NO VEIN COLLISION

CONCLUSION
Conclusions after treating first series of patients with Minimal Incision For Retroperitoneal Aorto-Bifemoral Bypass

Minimal incision techniques give important advantages for the operated patients

LOW OPERATION RISK
By-pass operations with minimal incision is a safe procedure, with a small risk of complications

QUICK RECOVERY AFTER SURGERY
Minimal incision reduces level of patients' discomfort and aids quick recovery after surgery

PRECAUTIONS AND CONTRAINDICATIONS
NO absolute contraindications for Minimal Incision For Retroperitoneal / Aorto-Bifemoral Femoro-popliteal Bypass

FURTHER STUDY REQUIRED
Minimal Incision are completely safe, in special situation it is possible to enlarge it quickly

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ANOTHER MINIMAL INCISION

MICE – Minimal Incision Carotid Endarterectomy – What would You like to do?

SCARE LENGTH

SCARE LENGTH MICE

Scare Length
SAME PATIENT

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME

Presented technique and data soon to be published

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