

How to treat early gastric cancer

Surgery

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100 oesophagectomies / yr

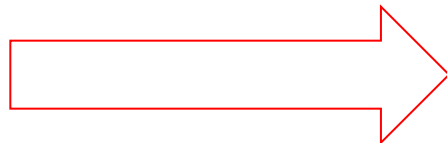
30 resections for gastric cancer / yr

no endoscopy by surgeons

Debate

Surgery or Endoscopy

- Is there a debate?
- Is surgery better for T1 tumours?

 NO

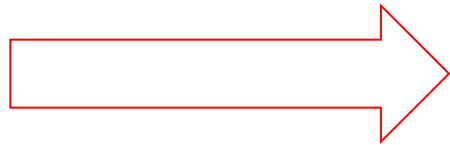
Decisions in treatment for EGC endoscopy vs surgery

- All comes down to
 - chances of lymphatic metastasis
 - comorbidity balance between cure and chances of disseminated disease

Guidelines in early gastric cancer

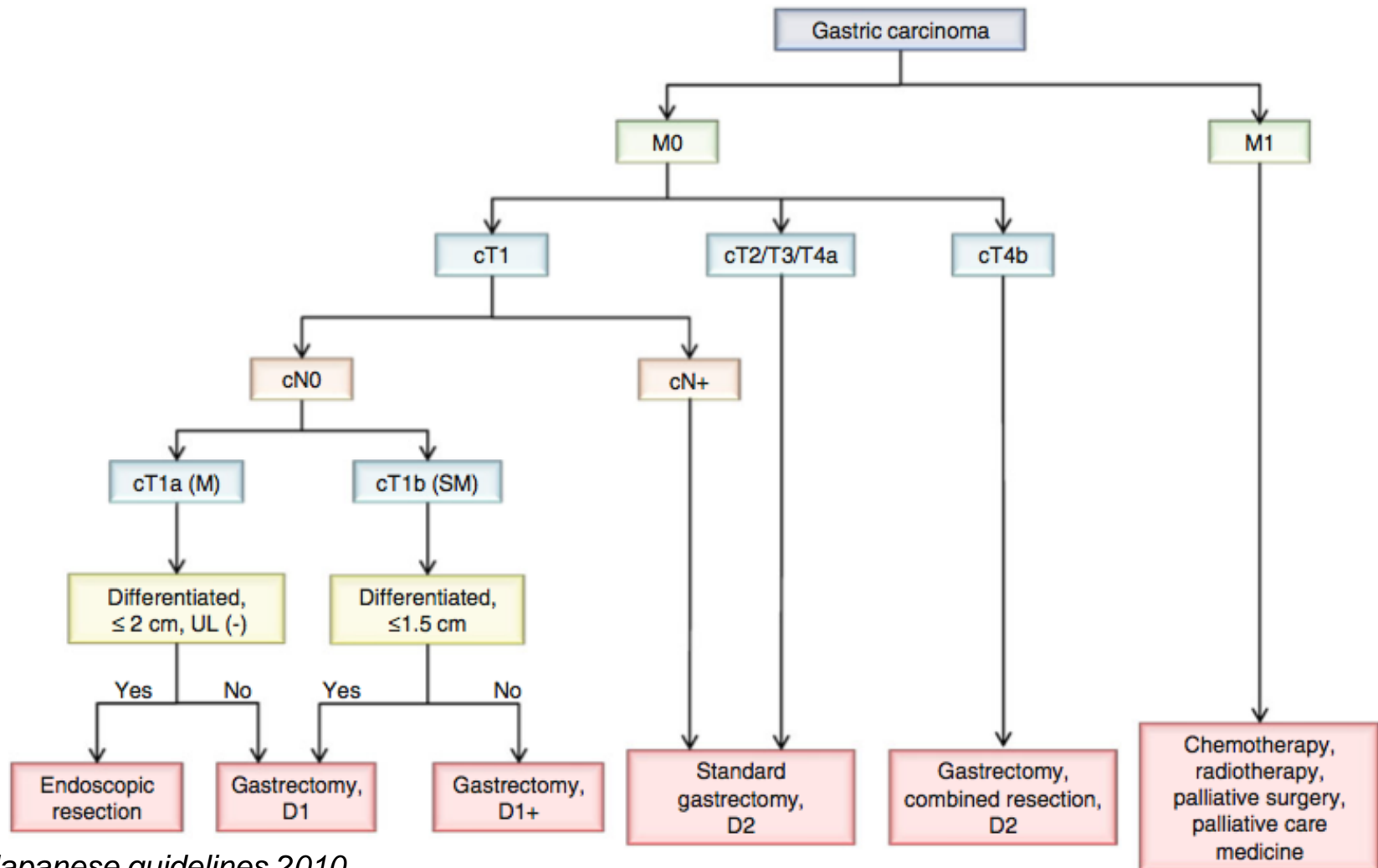
Dutch Guidelines - 2009

Japanese Guidelines - 2010



Which patients should undergo surgery?

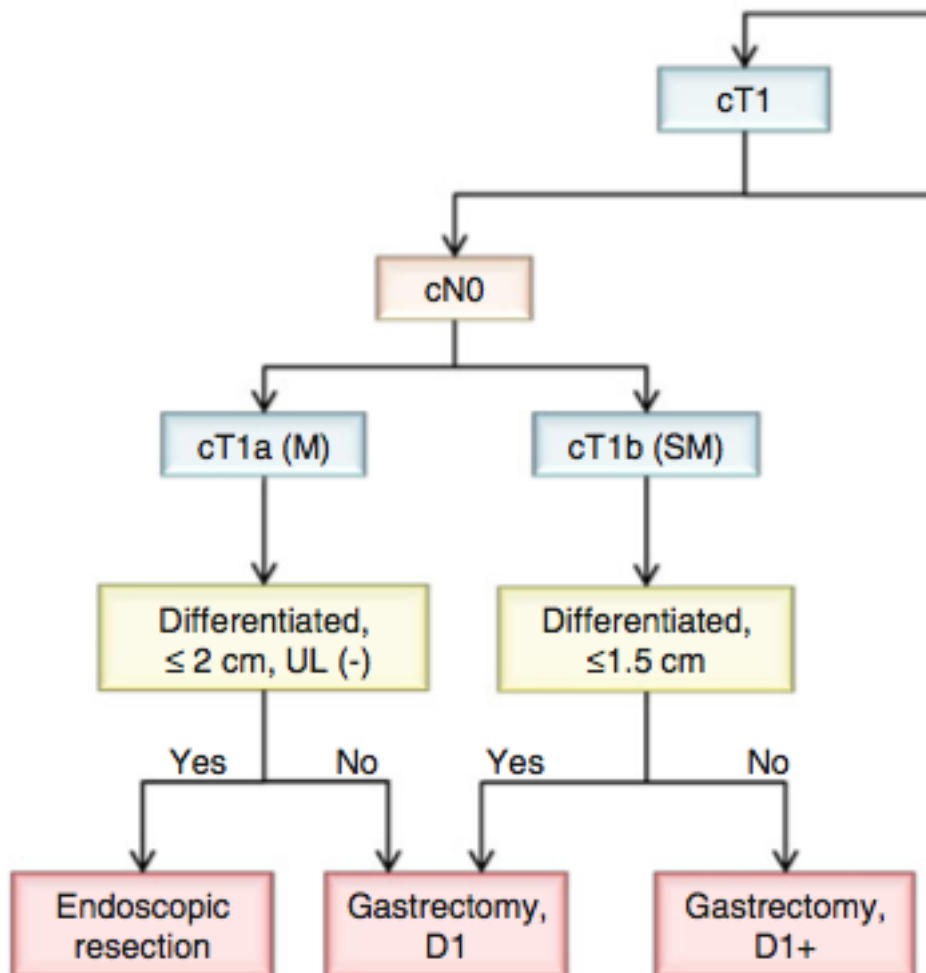
Japanese Cancer Association *Treatment flow chart EGC*



Japanese guidelines 2010



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Lymph node metastasis

Chances of lymphatic dissimination in EGC

Tumor	Diameter	Ulceration	No patients	95% CI
Differentiated mucosal	< 3 cm	Yes	0/1230	0-0.3 %
Diffentiated mucosal	Any	No	0/929	0-0.4 %
Differentiated Sm1 (<500um)	< 3 cm	No	0/145	0-2.5%
Undifferentiated mucosal	< 2 cm	No	0/141	0-2.6%
Dutch guidelines 2009				

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Lymph node metastasis

LNN dissection in

sm2 tumors and deeper

but questionable in SM1

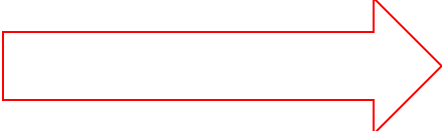
definitely not in mucosal tumors

Standard treatment ESD / EMR

In summary

- Clinically diagnosed T1 tumors:
 - < 2cm (size differs between guidelines)
 - Differentiated
 - No ulceration
 - Sm1 and lower
- Treatment within investigational protocols:
 - Differentiated / no ulceration > 2cm
 - Differentiated / ulceration <3 cm
 - Undifferentiated / no ulceration < 2cm

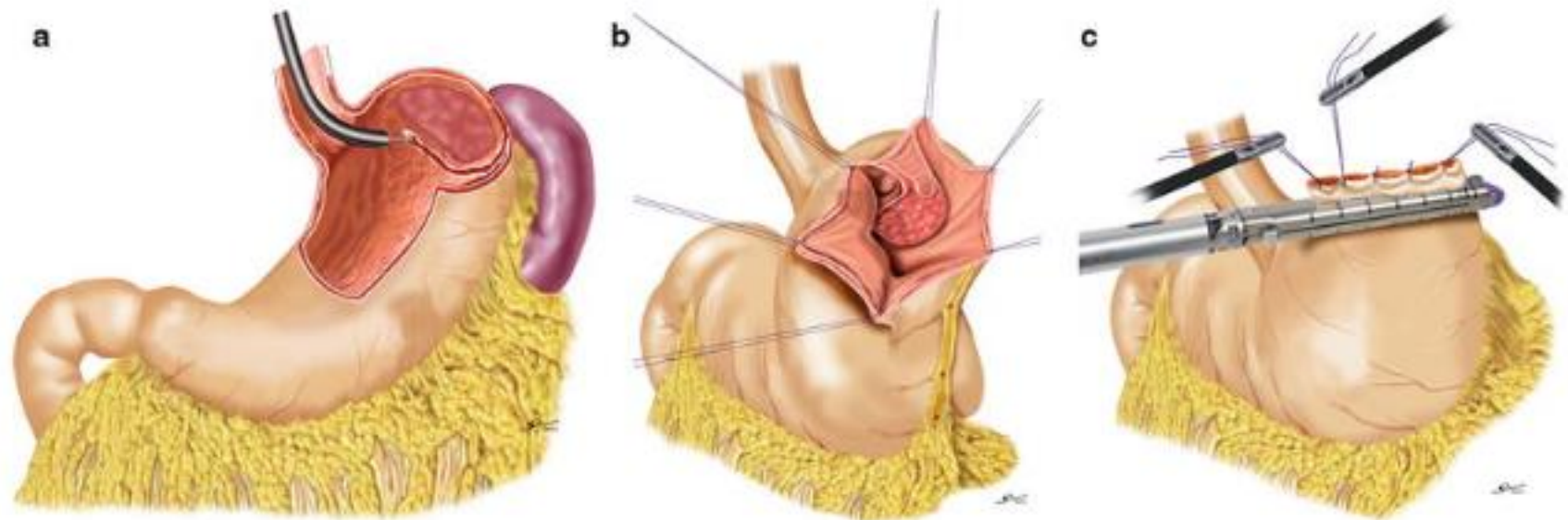
Standard treatment ESD / EMR

- Clinically diagnosed T1 tumors:
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 - No ulceration
- If ESD / EMR is not technically possible local surgical excision should be undertaken  Local resection

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Surgical therapy

- Local laparoscopic excision



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Local surgical therapy

- Local gastric excision
- Advantages: smaller resection, low morbidity, faster recovery
- Disadvantages: no lymphadenectomy; indication similar to ESD

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Local resection

A must for laparoscopic local excision

- Pre operative clipping or staining of the lesion
- Especially important in laparoscopic surgery

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Surgical steps

Extent of resection

Lymphadenectomy

Omentectomy

Surgical technique

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Extent of resection

As defined by stage:

<T1 (sm1 and smaller)

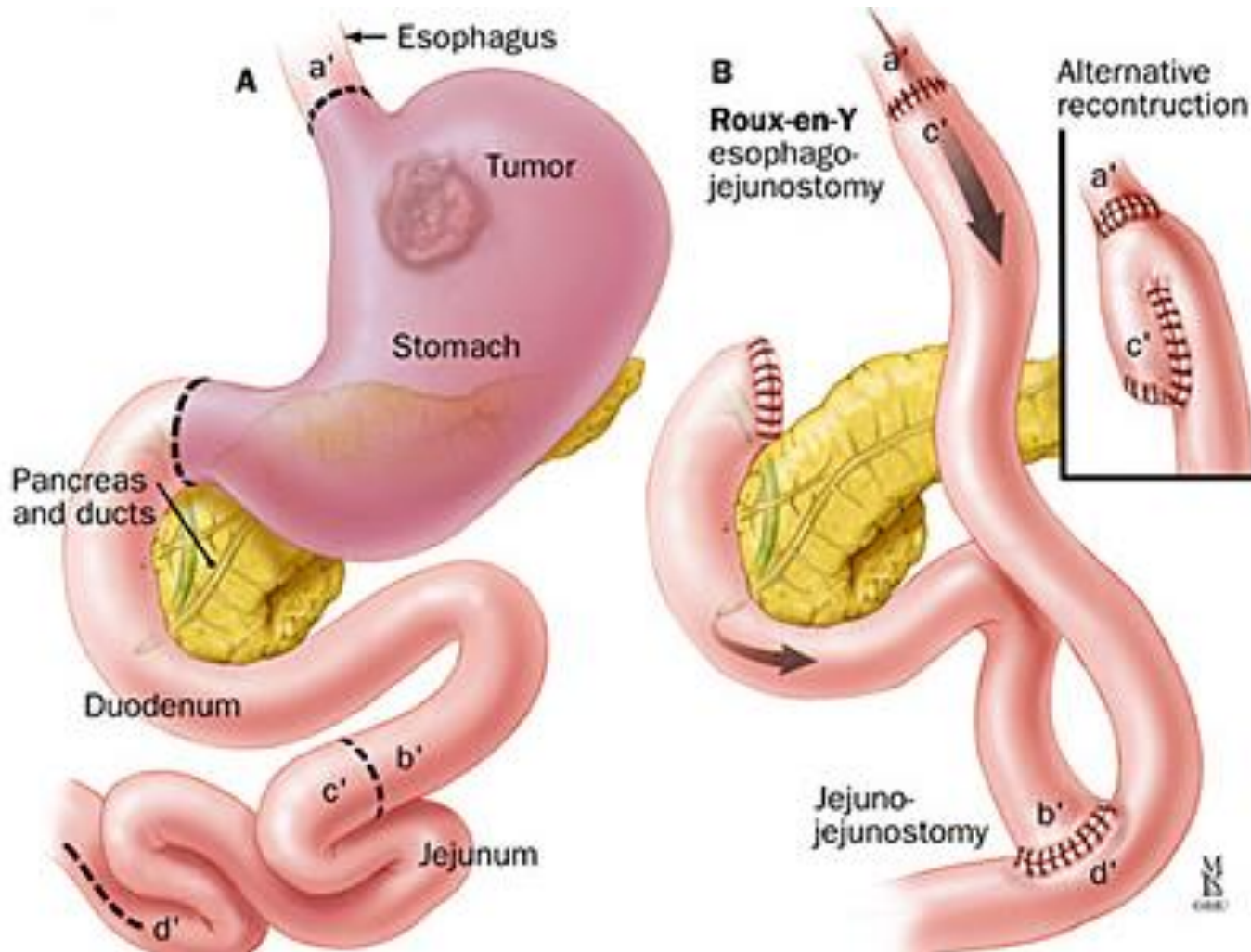
local excision with 2 cm margin

> T1sm1

radical surgery and lymphadenectomy

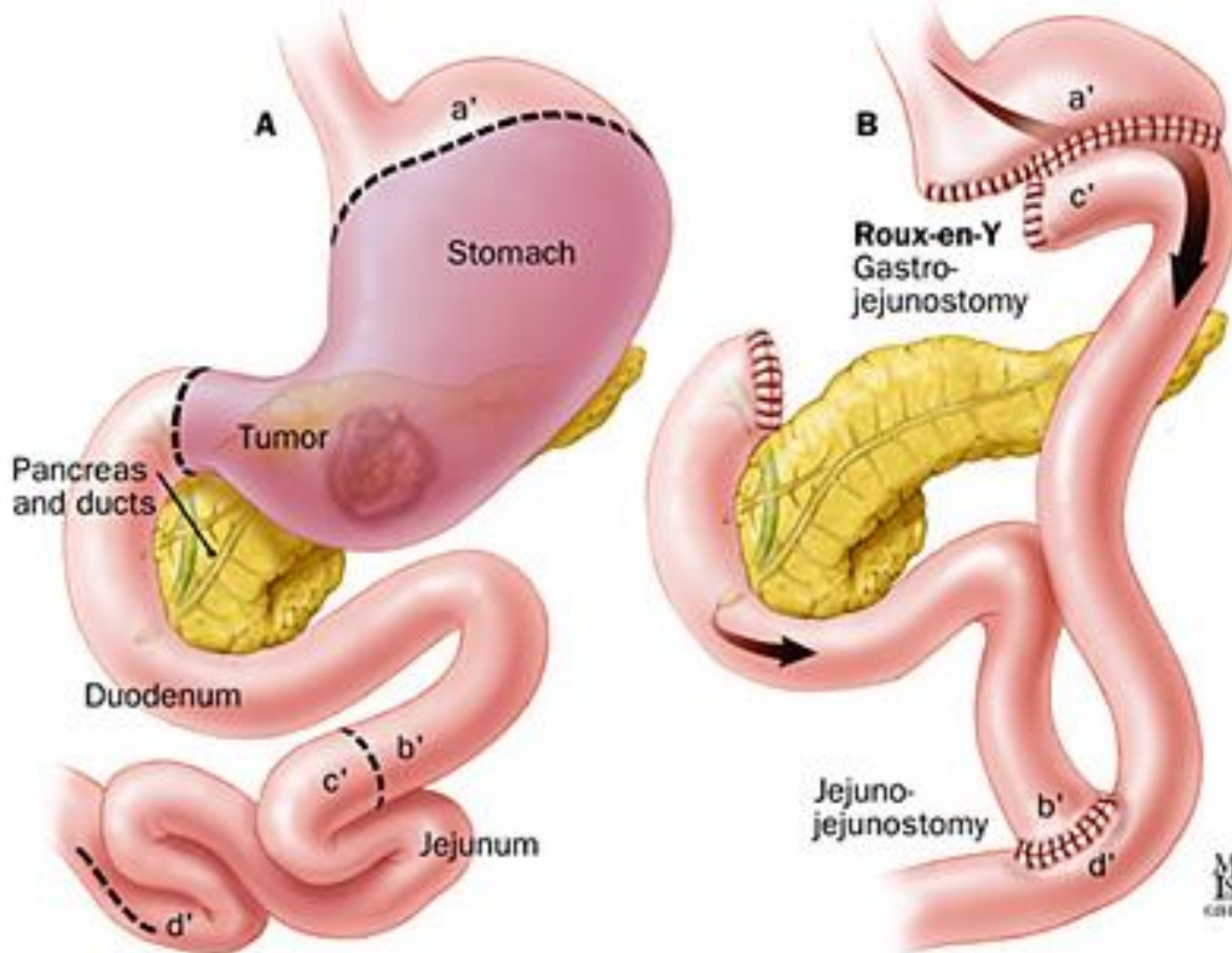
Radical gastrectomy

Total gastrectomy



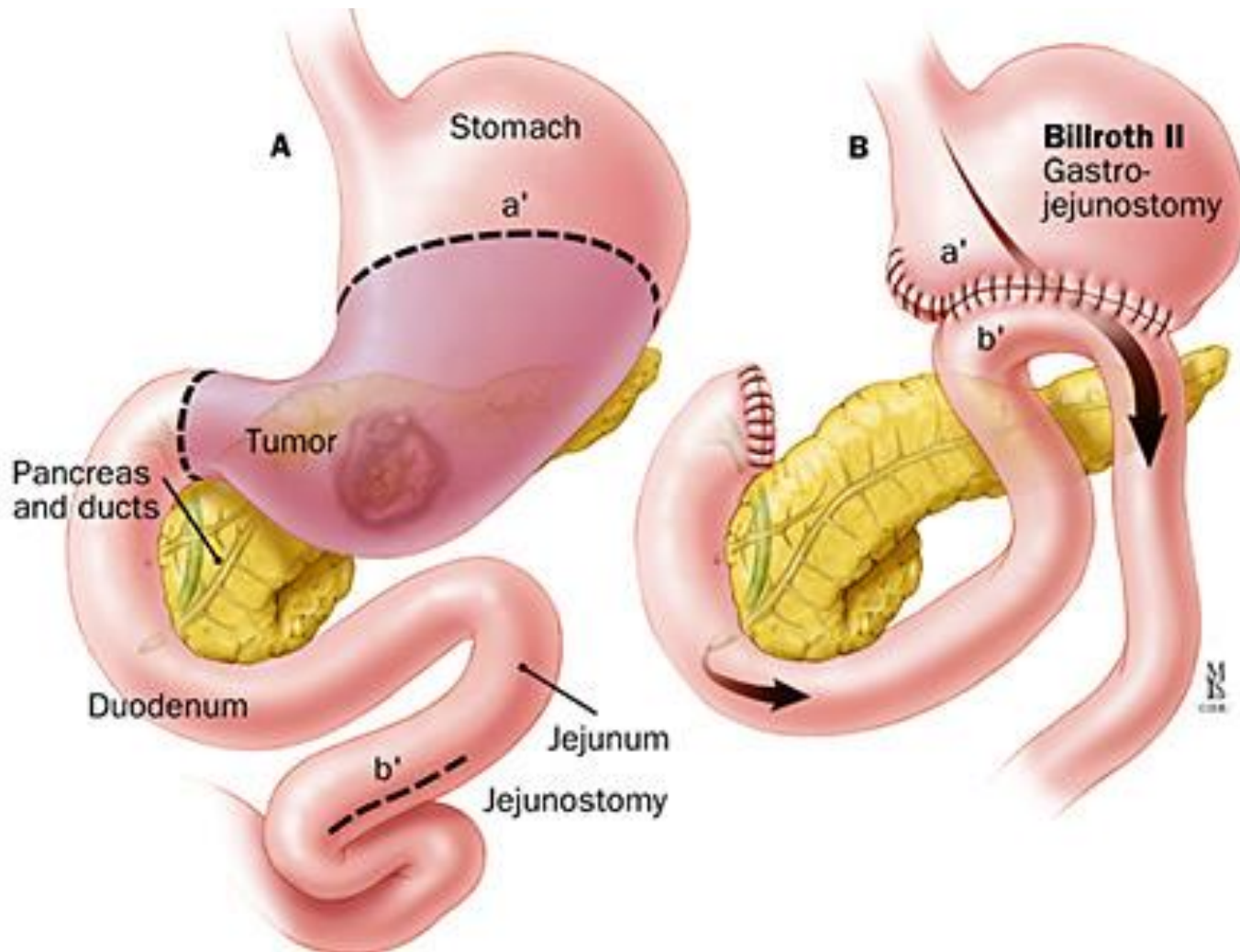
Radical gastrectomy

Subtotal gastrectomy



Radical surgery

Distal gastrectomy



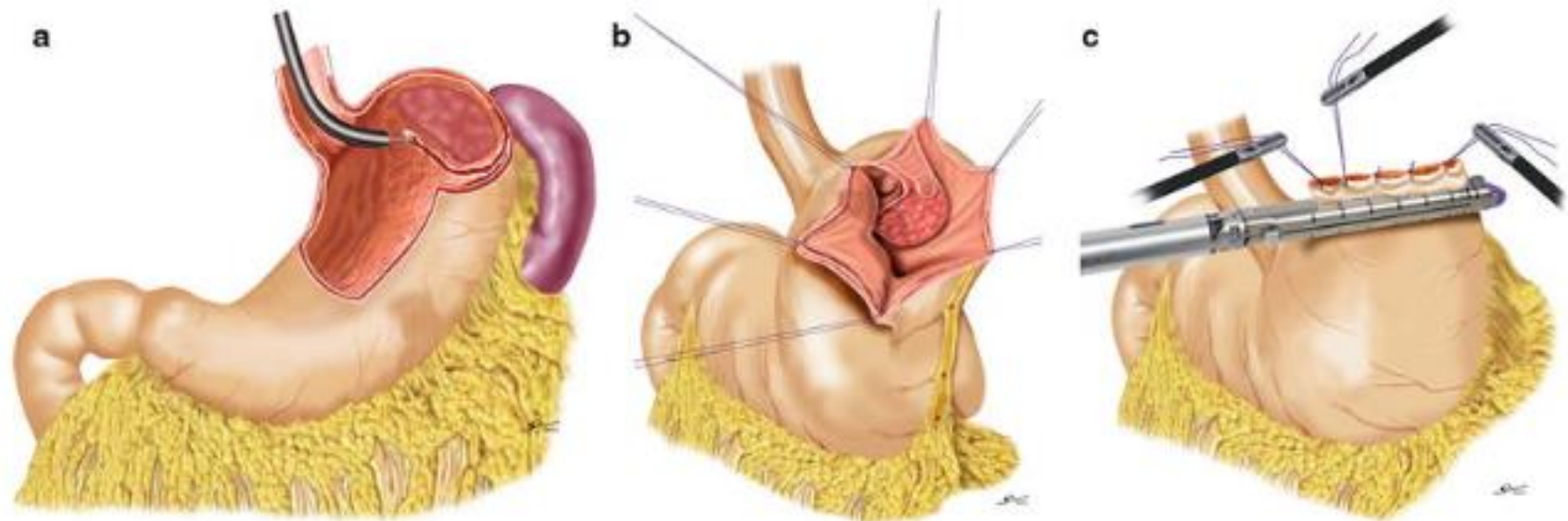
Radical gastric surgery = *major surgery*



- 2011 in hospital mortality for gastric resection was 6 %
- 2012 4 % (more centralization)

Other surgical techniques in early gastric cancer

Surgical therapy - Local excision



Other surgical techniques in early gastric cancer

- Surgical therapy

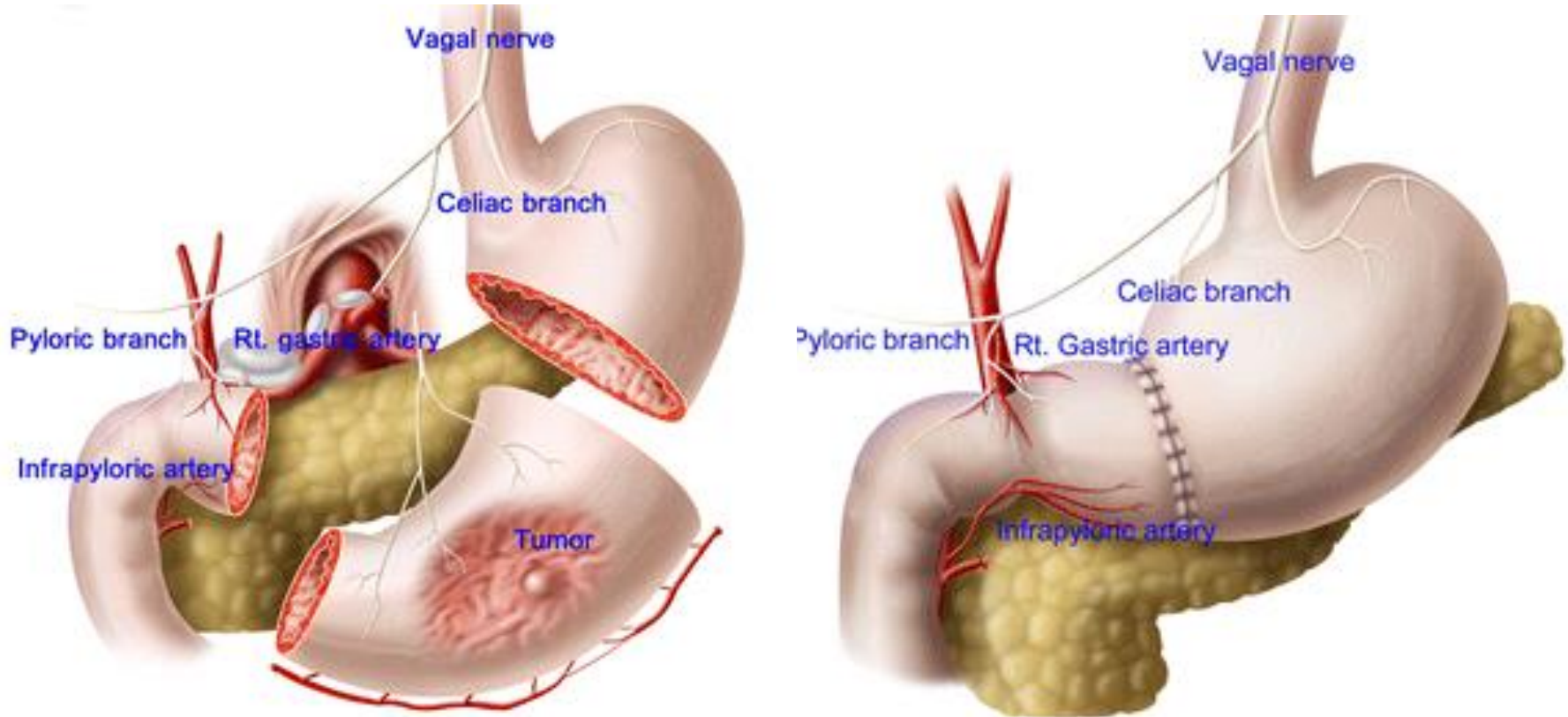
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Advantages: presumed retained gastric function; formal lymphadenectomy (D1+, D2)

Disadvantages: extensive procedure, morbidity

Peri pyloric lymph nodes stay behind

Surgical techniques in early gastric cancer

Surgical therapy

-proximal gastrectomy

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Distal lymph nodes stay behind

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Lymphadenectomy

T1 sm1 and less
no formal lymphadenectomy

> T1sm1

lymphadenectomy

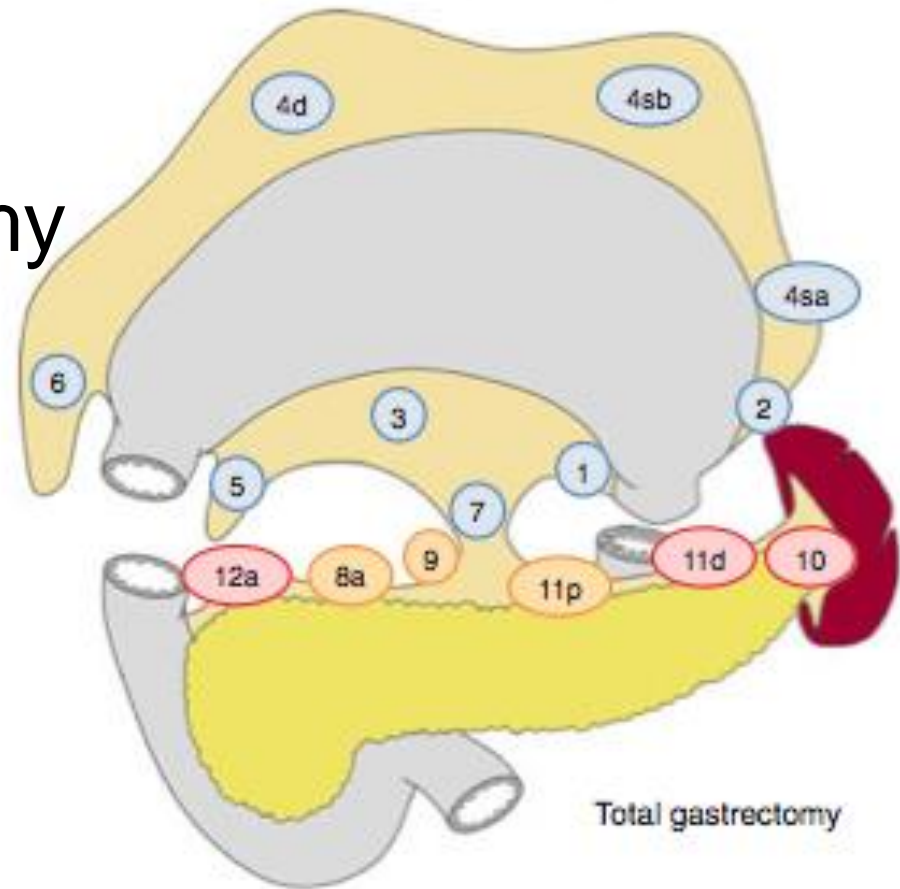
D1+ / D2 for T1N0 tumors

D2 for TxN+ tumors

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Lymphadenectomy

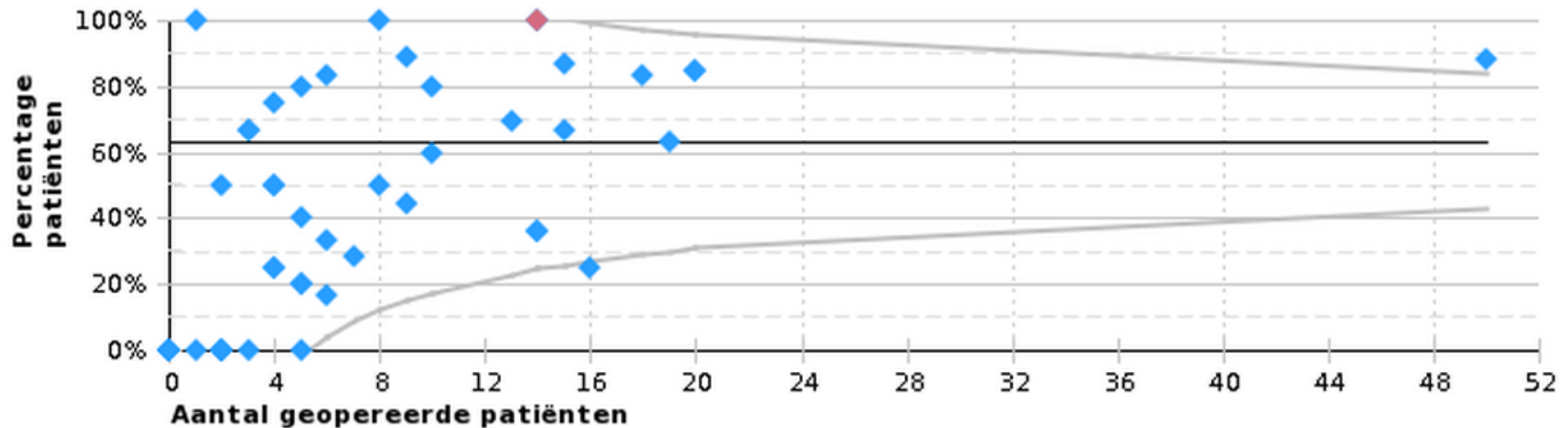
D2 lymphadenectomy
Standard of care



- D0: Lymphadenectomy
- D1: Nos. 1–7
- D1+: D1 + Nos. 8a, 9, 11p
- D2: D1 + Nos. 8a, 9, 10, 11p, 11d, 12a.

Dutch upper GI clinical Audit

No of lymph nodes resected > 15



Figuur 17: Ziekenhuisverschillen in het percentage patiënten, dat een in-opzet-curatieve (macroscopisch radicale) resectie ondergaat vanwege primair maagcarcinoom, met 15 of meer lymfeklieren in het resectiepreparaat

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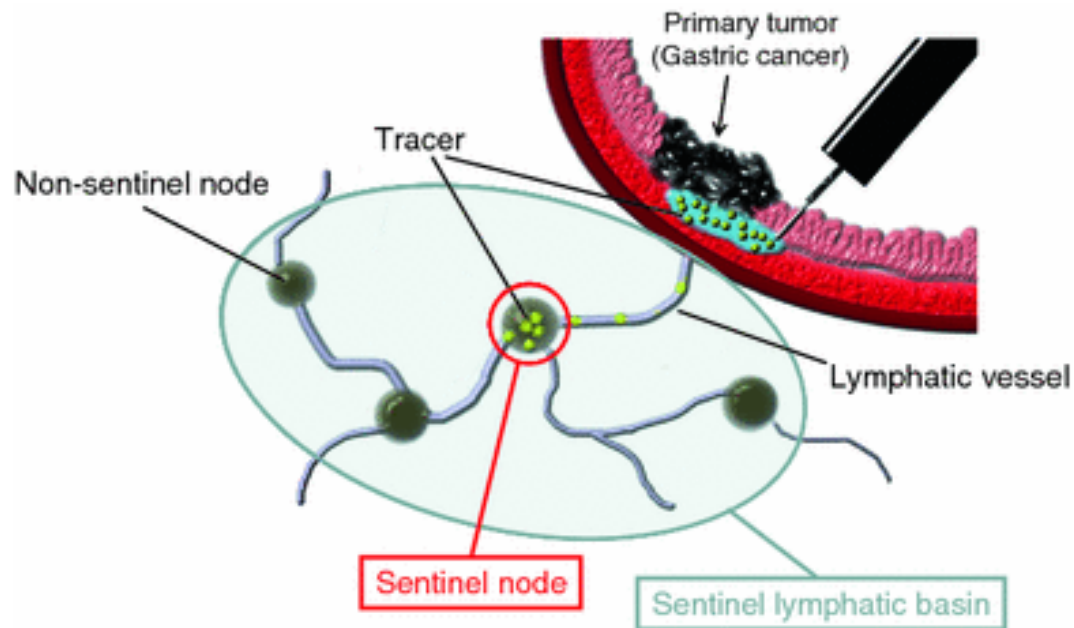
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Lymphadenectomy or Sentinel Node

A number of studies have shown feasibility



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Lymphadenectomy or Sentinel Node

Authors	Year	Journal	Tracers	Injection	No. of patients	SN detection rate (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Accuracy (%)
Tajima Y et al.	2009	Ann Surg	ICG + FI (intraoperative injection)	SS	25	92	40	74
Tajima Y et al.	2009	Ann Surg	ICG + FI (preoperative injection)	SM	31	100	100	100
Ohdaira H et al.	2009	Dig Surg	ICG + IREE	SM	14	100	67	93
Kelder W et al.	2010	Eur J Surg Oncol	ICG + IREE	SM	212	99.5	97	99.5
Rabin I et al.	2010	Gastric Cancer	Patent blue	SS	80	76	85	90
Miyashiro I et al.	2011	Surg Endosc	ICG + FI	SM	10	100	100	100
Park DJ et al.	2011	Ann Surg Oncol	ICG + Tc-99m antimony sulfur colloid	SM	68	91	100	100

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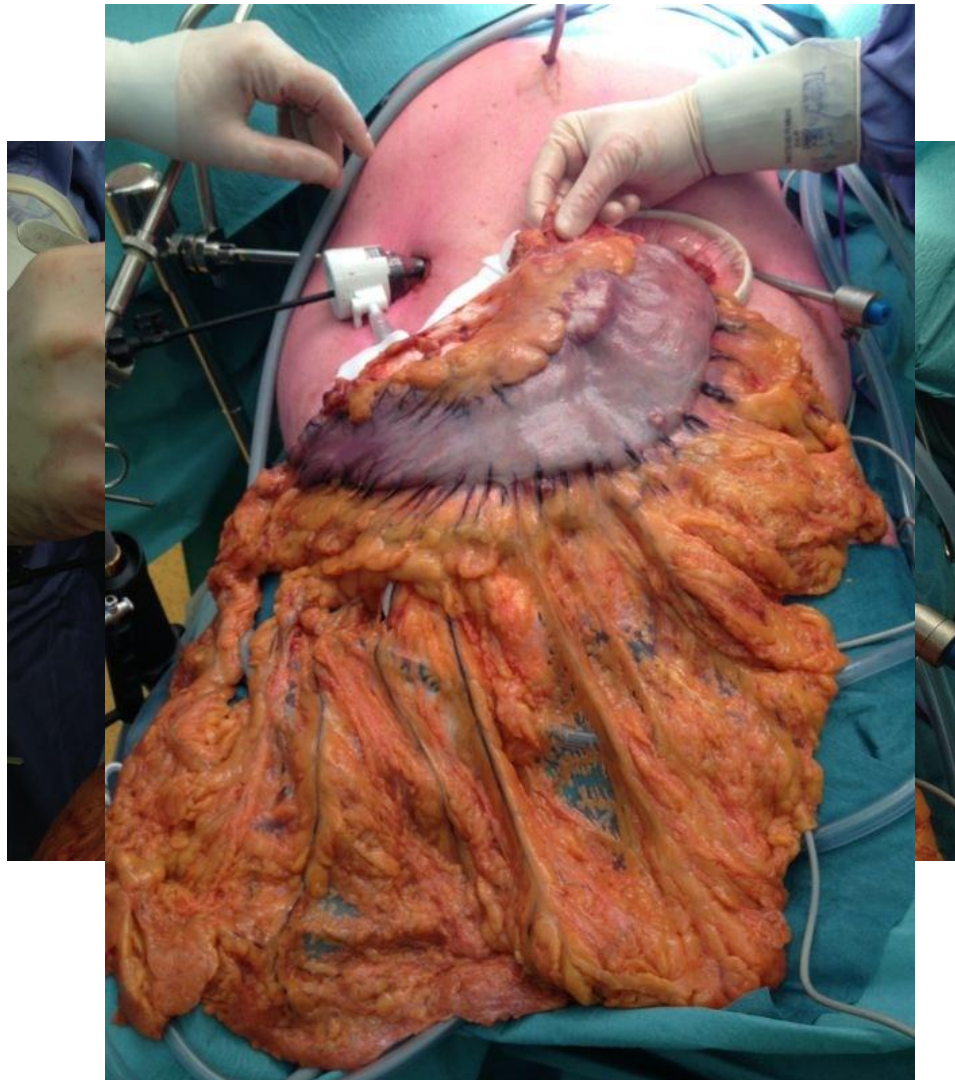
Omentectomy

In case of T3-T4 tumors omentectomy is standard of care

In T1 tumours only resection of 3 cm of the omentum adjacent to the gastro epiploic arcade

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Omentectomy



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conclusions

- EMR / ESD is standard of care in differentiated small non ulcerative lesions
- For lesions $> 2\text{cm}$ or $< 2\text{cm}$ with ulceration or for undifferentiated lesions endoscopic resection in investigational protocols is feasible
- Resectional specimen can be used to choose final therapy

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conclusions

- Local surgical resection only in patients in whom EMR / ESD is not technically possible
- In differentiated small lesions no formal lymphadenectomy is necessary.
- In lesions $>$ sm1 a formal lymphadenectomy has to be performed.
Preferrable D2

Thank you!

