Laparoscopic Appendicectomy

- Particularly useful in women
- Proven in 39 RCTs, >4000 patients
- Halved wound infections, less pain POD1, reduced hospital stay and time to RTW

•3x postop intraabd. abscesses especially if perforated

•Able to deal with unexpected findings laparoscopically
 Table 1
 Results of 17 Prospective, Randomized Trials

 Comparing Laparoscopic Appendectomy with Open Appendectomy

Study	Procedure	No.of	Negative Appendix	Conversion to Open	Wound Infection	Intra-abdominal	Length of Stay
Authors		Patients	[No. (%)]	Procedure [No. (%)]	[No. (%)]	Abscess [No. (%)]	(days)
Attwood®	LA	30	5 (16.7)	2 (6.7)	0	0	2.5
	AO	32	1 (3.1)	NA	1 (3.1)	0	3.8
Tate ⁴	LA	70	9 (12.9)	14 (20)	7 (10)	1 (1.4)	3.5
	OA	70	10 (14.3)	NA	10 (14.3)	O	3.5
Kum ⁵	LA OA	65 72	10 (15.4) 11 (15.3)	0 NA	0 5 (6.9)	0	3.2 4.2
Frazee ⁶	LA OA	38 37	6 (15.8) 6 (16.2)	2 (5.3) NA	0	0	2.0 2.8
Drtega ⁷	LA	167	30 (18)	11 (6.6)	4 (2.4)	6 (3.6)	2.6
	OA	86	13 (15.1)	NA	11 (12.8)	O	2.8
Martin ⁸	LA	88	5 (5.7)	13 (14.8)	3 (3.4)	3 (3.4)	2.2
	OA	81	18 (22.2)	NA	6 (7.4)	3 (3.7)	4.3
Hansen ⁹	LA OA	86 72	7 (8.1) 16 (22.2)	7 (8.1) NA	2 (2.3) 8 (11)	0	3.0 3.0
Mutter ¹⁰	LA OA	50 50	3 (6) 3 (6)	6 (12) NA	0	2 (4) O	4.9 5.3
Cox ¹¹	LA	33	4 (12.1)	5 (15.2)	0	0	2.9
	OA	31	4 (12.9)	NA	2 (6.5)	0	3.8
Lejus ¹²	LA OA	32 31	5 (15.6) 4 (12.9)	0 NA	0	0	3.0 3.0
Williams ¹³	LA	21	5 (23.8)	2 (9.5)	1 (4.8)	0	2.4
	OA	18	3 (16.7)	NA	1 (5.6)	0	2.8
Hart ¹⁴	LA	44	13 (29.5)	4 (9.1)	3 (6.8)	3 (6.8)	3.2
	OA	37	7 (18.9)	NA	3 (8.2)	O	3.0
Reiertsen ¹⁵	LA	56	14 (25)	2 (3.6)	8 (14.3)	2 (3.6)	3.5
	OA	52	10 (19.2)	NA	9 (17.3)	2 (3.8)	3.2
aine ¹⁶	LA	25	9 (36)	2 (8)	1 (4)	0	2.7
	OA	25	7 (28)	NA	1 (4)	0	2.3
Macarulla ¹⁷	LA	106	11 (10.4)	9 (8.5)	1 (0.9)	1 (0.9)	3.4
	OA	104	8 (7.7)	NA	5 (4.8)	0	4.8
Kazemier ¹⁸	LA	97	8 (8.2)	12 (12.4)	0	0	3.7
	OA	104	11 (10.6)	NA	6 (5.8)	1 (1)	4.4
Minne ¹⁹	LA	27	5 (18.5)	2 (7.4)	0	2 (7.4)	1.1
	OA	23	2 (8.7)	NA	0	1 (4.3)	1.2
Total	LA	1,035	149 (14.4)	93 (9)	30 (2.9)	20 (1.9)	3.0
	OA	925	134 (14.5)	NA	68 (7.4)	7 (0.8)	3.7

LA-laparoscopic appendectomy OA-open appendectomy

POSITIONING OF THE OPERATING AND CAMERA PORTS





