



Editorial Comment: Embryological Development and Topographic Anatomy of Pelvic Compartments—Surgical Relevance for Pelvic Lymphonodectomy

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COMMENT

The removal of pelvic lymph nodes is an important point during the radical prostatectomy and radical cystectomy. The extension of lymph node dissection is controversial and associated with more complications in the post-operative period (1). In this interesting paper the topographic anatomy of pelvic compartments in relation to pelvic lymphonodectomy for rectal, uterine, and prostate cancer are reviewed. The paper has amazing figures showing the anatomy of the pelvic lymph nodes including an interesting description of the lymph nodes of Marcille fossa. The authors concluded that the comprehensive knowledge of pelvic anatomy, the exchange of surgical concepts between specialties, and minimally invasive techniques will optimize pelvic lymphonodectomy and reduce complications.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None declared.


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