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## **Résumé :**

L'iléus post-opératoire (IPO) est source de complications médico-chirurgicales et représente un coût hospitalier important. L'objectif est d'identifier les facteurs favorisant l'IPO après colectomie droite coelioscopique.

Entre 2004 et 2016, 637 colectomies ont été réalisées et étudiées de façon rétrospective à partir de la base de données CLIMHET. Les facteurs favorisants potentiels ont été analysés par régression logistique.

Les patients avec IPO (n=113, 17,7%) étaient comparés à ceux sans iléus post-opératoire (SIPO) (n=524, 82.3%). Dans le groupe IPO, il y avait plus d'hommes (62%vs49% p=0.012), plus d'anesthésies péridurales (19%vs9% p=0.004), de transfusions peropératoires (7%vs3% p=0.020) et un remplissage vasculaire plus important (2000mL vs 1750mL, p<0.001). La section vasculaire extracorporelle et l'extraction de la pièce par une incision transverse étaient plus fréquentes dans le groupe IPO (20%vs12%, p=0.049 et 34%vs23% p=0.044). Les complications chirurgicales étaient plus fréquentes dans le groupe IPO (31.9%vs12.0% p<0.0001). En analyse multivariée les facteurs de risques indépendant d'IPO étaient : sexe masculin (HR=2.316, 1.102–4.866), anesthésie péridurale (HR=2.958, 1.250–6.988) et transfusion peropératoire (HR=6.994, 1.550–31.560).

Cette étude est l'une des premières à exploiter la base données CLIMHET et la première à s'intéresser aux facteurs de risque d'IPO. Les facteurs de risque d'IPO modifiables sont : anesthésie péridurale et transfusion peropératoire ; celles-ci doivent être utilisées avec précaution afin de diminuer le taux d'IPO.

**Mots clés :** Iléus post-opératoire – facteurs de risque – colectomie droite – cœlioscopie

## **Abstract:**

Postoperative ileus (POI) is associated with an elevated risk of other complications and increases the economic impact on healthcare services. The aim of this study was to identify pre-, intra- and post-operative risk factors associated with the development of POI following elective laparoscopic right colectomy.

Between 2004 and 2016, 637 laparoscopic right colectomies were performed. Data were analysed retrospectively thanks to the CLIHMET database. Potential contributing factors were analysed by logistic regression.

Patients with POI (n=113, 17.7%) were compared to those without postoperative ileus (WPOI) (n=524, 82.3%). In the POI group, there were more men (62% vs 49%; p=0.012), more use of epidural anaesthesia (19% vs. 9%; p=0.004), more intraoperative blood transfusion requirements (7% vs. 3%; p=0.018) and greater perioperative intravenous fluid administration (2000mL vs. 1750mL; p<0.001). POIs were more frequent when extracorporeal vascular section (20% vs 12%; p=0.049) and transversal incision for extraction site (34% vs 23%; p=0.044) were performed. Overall surgical complications in the POI group were significantly greater than in the control group WPOI (31.9% vs 12.0%; p<0.0001). Multivariate analysis found the following independent POI risk factors: male gender (HR=2.316, 1.102 – 4.866), epidural anaesthesia (HR=2.958, 1.250 – 6.988) and postoperative blood transfusion requirement (HR=6.994, 1.550 – 31.560).

This study is one of the first to explore the CLIHMET database and the first to use it for investigating risk factors for POI development. Modifiable risk factors such as epidural anaesthesia and intraoperative blood transfusion should be used with caution in order to decrease POI rates.

**Key Words:** postoperative ileus - risk factor - right colectomy – laparoscopy

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### **Risk factors for postoperative ileus following elective laparoscopic right colectomy:**

#### **A retrospective multicentric study.**

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### **a. Introduction**

Postoperative ileus (POI) following open or laparoscopic colorectal surgery is one of the most common complications, with an incidence of 10 to 17%[1]. POI contributes to prolonged hospital stays, is associated with an increased risk of other complications, nosocomial infections and higher postoperative mortality. Consequently, POI has a major economic impact on healthcare services [2, 3]. A recent study with a large database (N=29,201) highlighted that POI occurred more frequently following right colectomy compared with left colectomy [4]. Because it reduces overall postoperative morbidity (mainly ileus, length of hospital stay and time to oral intake), the laparoscopic approach is considered to be the gold standard in colorectal surgery[5–7]. Despite significantly reduced rate of POI with the laparoscopic approach, recent studies have shown that the rate of POI after laparoscopic right colectomy is 10.6% [8] and explain that POI could raise public health issues. A better understanding of the factors associated with POI could lead to better prevention at each stage of care, avoiding the operative factors implicated and monitoring, and providing early care to high-risk patients. No large study has analysed POI risk factors following elective laparoscopic right colectomy, based on a homogenous definition of POI. The purpose of our study was to characterise preoperative, intraoperative and postoperative POI risk factors in patients undergoing elective laparoscopic right colectomy.

## **b. Materials and methods**

### *Patients*

A retrospective study was conducted using the CLIHMET Study Group Database. 637 consecutive elective laparoscopic right colectomies were reviewed from January 2005 to December 2015, at five University Hospital centres in France (the CHU in Clermont-Ferrand, Hôpital Civil in Strasbourg – IRCAD, Hôpital Henri-Mondor in Créteil, Hôpital Européen Georges Pompidou in Paris and the CHU in Tours). The CLIHMET database included adult patients (over 18 years of age) scheduled for elective laparoscopic right colectomy for malignant or benign colonic diseases. All patients were treated with a curative intent for their right colonic disease. Patients with metastatic disease, locally advanced cancer requiring multi-visceral resection or undergoing emergency surgery were excluded.

### *Data collection*

According to Chapuis [9], POI was defined as the presence of abdominal distension with a lack of bowel sounds in a patient who has experienced nausea or vomiting and has failed to pass flatus or stool for more than 3 days postoperatively, in the absence of mechanical bowel obstruction. The study population was therefore divided into two groups: 113 patients in the POI group and 524 in the control group without postoperative ileus (WPOI). Patients' characteristics and operative data were retrospectively collected to identify risk factors associated with POI. Patient background factors were age, gender, BMI score, American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) score, comorbidities (smoking, diabetes, cardio vascular disease and previous open or laparoscopic surgery), type and site of the colonic disease, tumour stage and neoadjuvant chemotherapy.

### *Preoperative and intraoperative workup*

Patients with colorectal cancer and colonic polyps or adenoma underwent the following: preoperative colonoscopy, tumour biopsy and an abdominal computed tomography (CT) scan. In patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), preoperative colonoscopy and magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) were performed. Bowel preparation was not conducted before surgery. A single dose of prophylactic antibiotics was routinely given (750 mg of cefuroxime) at induction of general anaesthesia and was repeated intraoperatively if surgery lasted for >2 hours. Prophylaxis for deep-vein thrombosis was given, i.e. low molecular-weight heparin (50 IU/kg per day) was given to all patients and was continued postoperatively for 30 days in patients with colon cancer and 7 days in patients with benign disease. Operative features recorded for all patients were epidural analgesia, perioperative blood transfusion, perioperative intravenous fluids, duration of operation, conversion rate, nasogastric tube insertion and drain insertion.

### *Surgery*

All surgical teams were experts in both laparoscopic and open colorectal surgery (around 400 colorectal surgical procedures were performed each year in all five departments). Laparoscopic right colectomies were performed as previously reported using a medial-to-lateral approach for radical operations [10, 11] for cancer and lateral to medial for benign diseases. The type of ileocolic anastomosis performed was left to the surgeon's discretion: intracorporeally or extracorporeally [12], mechanical or manual, peristaltic or anti-peristaltic. Anastomosis techniques could be performed as follows: side-to-side, end-to-end, side-to-end or end-to-side. Surgeons performed middle, transverse or suprapubic incision to extract the specimen. Conversion was defined as the completion of the right colectomy procedure through either an enlarged incision or an abdominal incision measuring ≥6cm.

### *Postoperative outcomes*

Postoperative morbidity and mortality were defined as events occurring during hospital stay or within 30 and 90 postoperative days. Postoperative complications were classified according to Dindo-Clavien, their management (medical, radiological, surgical) and their severity [13]. Postoperative complications included POI, anastomotic leakage, anastomotic haemorrhage, wound infection, intra-abdominal abscess, bleeding and evisceration. Non-surgical complications were cardiac, vascular and pulmonary. Postoperative outcomes also included the following: reoperation rate, time to resumption of a regular diet, time before ambulation, time to flatus, time to first stool and time before perfusion removal, length of in-hospital stay and mortality.

### *Postoperative follow-up*

Patients were systematically clinically examined at 4 to 6 weeks after discharge from hospital. The length of hospitalisation was measured from the time of surgery to the date of discharge from hospital. Regarding colorectal cancer, postoperative follow-up visits included clinical, biochemical and radiological assessments every 3 months during the first three postoperative years and then every 6 months up to 5 postoperative years [14]. Surviving patients were assessed for disease recurrence and, if so, the site of recurrence. Follow-up information was obtained from medical records, direct consultation with patients and/or telephone interview. At the end of the follow-up, the statuses of all patients were assessed, i.e. mortality, recurrence and lost to follow-up. The endpoint of data collection was April 2017. Patient follow-up was carried out from the time of surgery to this endpoint, until death if occurring prior to this date, or until the date of last contact. Loss to follow-up was defined as a follow-up inferior to 3 months, in the absence of death. Overall, 165 patients (25.9%) were lost to follow-up. Median follow-up was 27 months.

### *Statistical Analysis*

Statistical analyses were performed using IBM SPSS Statistics version 20 (IBM SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL, USA). Continuous variables are expressed as their means  $\pm$  standard deviations (SD), or as their medians and ranges (min, max). Categorical variables are reported as numbers and percentages. Mean values between the two groups were compared using Student's t-test or the Mann–Whitney U test, when necessary. Comparisons between percentages were made using the  $\chi^2$  test or Fisher's exact test, as appropriate, for the qualitative variables. Factors included in the multivariate analyses were significant in the univariate analyses at a *p*-value of  $<0.10$ . Univariate and multivariate Cox's proportional hazard regression models were used to estimate the hazard ratio (HR). The HRs were expressed with their 95% confidence intervals. All tests were two-sided. Overall survival (OS) and disease-free survival (DFS) rates were computed using the Kaplan-Meier method and compared between groups using the log rank (Mantel–Cox) test. Statistical significance was defined as a *p*-value of  $<0.05$ .

### c. Results

Patients were allocated into 2 groups: 113 patients with POI and 524 patients WPOI. As the mortality rate before the fourth postoperative day was null, all 637 patients were able to be included for statistical analyses.

#### *General characteristics and demographics (table 1)*

Median age was 71 years (range 21-98). Median body mass index (BMI) was 25.0 kg/m<sup>2</sup> (range 15-47). The male/female gender ratio was 1.05 for the whole series. Thirty percent of patients were considered at high risk (ASA 3 and 4). There were significantly more male individuals in the POI group compared to the control group (61.9% vs 49.0%; p=0.012). There was no significant association between ileus and age, comorbidities (smoking, diabetes, vascular, coronary disease or previous surgery) and ASA scores. Colorectal disease (colorectal cancer, IBD, benign tumour) and location did not differ between the two groups.

#### *Operative procedure (table 2)*

Median preoperative fasting was 11 hours (range 2-96). Anastomosis was performed extracorporeally and mechanically in 76.3% and 56.2% of cases respectively. Overall conversion rate was 6.3%. Median operative time was 180 minutes (range 60-695). There were statistically significant associations between prolonged ileus and operative features. Concerning perioperative anaesthetic procedures, POI was more frequent in patients undergoing epidural anaesthesia (18.6% and 9.0%, respectively, p=0.004), in patients requiring blood transfusion (7.1% and 2.7%, respectively, p=0.018) and in patients receiving more perioperative intravenous fluid (2000 mL and 1500mL p <0.0001). Concerning surgical techniques, extracorporeal vascular section (19.5% and 12.2%, respectively, p=0.049) and transverse periumbilical extraction incision (33.6% and 23.1%, respectively, p=0.044) were performed more in the POI group than in the control group.

### *Short- and long-term outcomes (table 3)*

Overall 30- and 90-day mortality rates were 1.7% and 2.2%. Thirty and 90-day mortality rates were significantly higher in the POI group than in the WPOI group (6.2% vs 0.8%; 8.0% vs 1.0%; p<0.0001, respectively).

According to Clavien-Dindo's classification [13], the postoperative complication (stage III and IV) rate was higher in the POI group than in the WPOI group (16.9% vs 4.8%, respectively, p <0.0001). POI excluded, overall surgical complications in the POI group were significantly higher than in the control group WPOI (31.9% vs 12.0%; p<0.0001), respectively. Concerning surgical complications, surgical revision and anastomotic leakage in the POI group were significantly greater than in the control group WPOI (15.9% vs 2.9%; 13.3% and 2.5%; p<0.0001), respectively. However, there were no statistical differences regarding other surgical complications (endoscopic or radiologic drain, wound abscess, intra-abdominal haemorrhage, intraluminal haemorrhage and evisceration) between the two groups. Cardiac and pulmonary complication rates in the POI group were significantly higher than in the control group WPOI (9.7% vs 3.4% and 11.5% vs 2.7%, respectively, p=0.009, p<0.0001). Median of length of hospital stay was significantly higher in the POI group than in the control group WPOI (13 vs 7 days, respectively, p <0.0001). More patients were admitted to the intensive care unit or reanimation unit in the POI group than in the control group (23% vs 8.2%, respectively, p<0.0001).

### *Pathological findings*

According to the TNM classification [15] for colorectal cancer, the tumour stage did not differ significantly between the POI group and the control group WPOI. The median number of lymph nodes resected did not differ between the two groups, at 19.

*Overall and disease-free survival (figure 1 and 2)*

Overall Survival (OS) and Disease-Free Survival (DFS) are displayed in Figures 1 and 2. Only 479 patients with colorectal cancer were analysed, 82 in the POI group and 397 in the control group WPOI. OS of the POI group was significantly lower than for the control group WPOI (89.0% vs 98.5% at 1 year, 87.8% vs 96% at 3 years, 86.6% vs 95.5% at 5 years, respectively,  $p <0.0001$ ). DFS rates were comparable in the 2 groups, with 97.6% at 1 year, 95.1% at 3 years, 95.1% at 5 years in the POI group vs. 97.2% at 1 year, 93.7% at 3 years, 92.9% at 5 years in the control group WPOI, respectively ( $p=0.671$ ).

*Multivariate analysis (table 4)*

Factors that were independently associated with an increased risk of POI were male gender ( $HR=2.316$ , 95% CI, 1.102 – 4.866), epidural anaesthesia ( $HR=2.958$ , 1.250 – 6.988) and perioperative blood transfusion requirement ( $HR=6.994$ , 1.550 – 31.560). Extracorporeal vascular section and extraction sites were not risk factors for POI.

#### **d. Discussion**

This large series of 637 patients focused on risk factors associated with POI specifically following laparoscopic right colectomy. A 17.7% POI rate was observed, which was associated with non-modifiable risk factors such as male gender, but also with modifiable factors such as the type of anaesthesia, perioperative intravenous fluid volume, blood transfusion requirements and technical surgical points, such as extra-vascular section of the vessels and extraction modalities. Furthermore, POI was found to be correlated with other operative complications, both surgical and medical, and was associated with increased postoperative mortality.

This study contrasts with previous reports through patient homogeneity (only elective laparoscopic right colectomies were included) and its large sample size. Patients had standardised follow-up by expert teams. Thanks to previous studies, clinical and biological POI risk factors have been identified, but few studies have shown any interest as to the precise surgical technique performed. The fact that this study was multicentric, with surgical habits specific to each department, made it possible to analyse the different surgical techniques used. Indeed, as described in Venara et al. [16], the clinical criteria and the number of days defining ileus vary widely between studies (3 to 7 days) [9, 17]. This explains the great heterogeneity in the onset of ileus. Livingston described small intestine motility recovery as occurring within 12-24 hours and colonic motility within 3-5 days [18]. Nowadays, our understanding of POI management has reduced median recuperation of transit to 24-48 hours [19]. POI was therefore defined as the absence of transit resumption for more than 3 days postoperatively in the absence of a mechanical obstacle [9].

In the current series, male gender was a POI risk factor, which is consistent with the large series focusing on colorectal surgery previously published by Chapuis, Murphy and Vather [9, 20, 21]. Contrary to previous studies [17, 20], however, we did not demonstrate that

age and ASA scores greater than 3 were associated with POI occurrence.

Concerning perioperative management, our study suggests that excess fluid administration during surgery is associated with increased POI. This is corroborated by the recommendations of learned societies of anaesthesiology [22], which do not recommend excess fluid administration. Indeed, meta-analyses found that restricting fluid administration decreases the rate of postoperative complications [23]. Fluid administration induces tissue oedema, which hinders the recovery of intestinal motility. Intraoperative blood transfusion requirement was identified as a risk factor for POI, which is consistent with previous studies [9, 21, 24]. Analysis of our data suggests that epidural anaesthesia was significantly associated with POI. A recent study identified epidural anaesthesia as a risk factor for the reinsertion of a nasogastric tube [25]. These results differ, however, from previous studies that showed that in colorectal surgery, epidural anaesthesia decreased the number of POI [26, 27]. Nevertheless, according to the French guidelines for enhanced recovery after elective laparoscopic colorectal surgery, thoracic epidural analgesia should probably not be recommended by means of multimodal analgesia. It is difficult to isolate the role of the analgesic technique in terms of hospital stay or re-admission rate [22].

Regarding surgical techniques, extracorporeal vessel section was a POI risk factor in the univariate analysis. This could be ascribed to the reduced manipulation of the abdominal organs and also to the related traction on the transverse colon and mesocolon (sometimes necessary to exteriorize a large, heavy specimen through a small laparotomy incision). We could not, however, pinpoint any difference between the two groups as to performing extra-corporal anastomosis. This is consistent with the meta-analysis by Wu et al., which did not find any difference between the intra and extra-corporal anastomosis groups regarding the occurrence of POI [28]. Concerning the specimen extraction site, the transverse periumbilical

incision seemed to be more frequently associated with POI occurrence, without its being significant. This trend is interesting and will need to be confirmed by further studies. Previous studies have shown that intracorporeal anastomosis was associated with a transverse suprapubic incision (Pfannenstiel), while extracorporeal anastomosis involved a periumbilical incision (mainly transverse incisions) [12].

Patients with POI had an increased overall postoperative complication rate compared with those without POI, and an increased reoperation rate. Anastomotic leakage was more frequent in the POI group, in agreement with the results of Moghadamyeghaneh et al., who identified anastomotic leakage as a risk factor for POI [17]. In the same way, the severe postoperative complication rate was higher in the POI group, suggesting that POI should be considered as a warning signal. When POI occurs, it is necessary to look for other postoperative complications.

According to our results, patients treated for right colon cancer with POI had a lower overall survival rate than patients without POI. It is important to emphasise this result because few recent studies have shown that POI onset following laparoscopic right colectomy for cancer has a negative impact on the overall prognosis. This can probably be explained by the fact that, as we said earlier, the occurrence of POI is correlated with that of other postoperative complications, in particular anastomotic leakage. Previous studies have shown that patients with anastomosis leakage had worse overall survival [29, 30]. POI is therefore a harbinger of other postoperative complications that deserve attention, especially in patients who have had cancer, due to poorer overall survival.

The present study's limitations are inherent to its retrospective nature. It can hardly produce cause and effect links and cannot dismiss all confounding factors. Data in this study were extracted from the discharge data and coding errors could potentially have occurred.

CLIHMET did not collect some important information such as opioid dosage administration, use of prokinetic agents, chronic preoperative use of narcotics and colic preparation, which may impact the risk of prolonged ileus [1, 2]. Despite these limitations, this study provides a large sample size reporting POI risk factors following laparoscopic right colectomy.

### e. Conclusion

This study is one of the first to explore the CLIHMET database and the first to use it for investigating risk factors for developing POI. We used univariate and multivariate analyses to identify independent risk factors for POI (gender, epidural anaesthesia and perioperative blood transfusion). A better understanding of these risk factors may lead to targeted preoperative teaching, heightened postoperative surveillance and more rapid treatment of POI. Lower POI rates would improve patient comfort and reduce hospital stays and costs.

### **Conflict of Interest:**

The authors declare that they have no conflicts of interest.

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## II) Annexes

### a. Table 1

Table 1: General characteristics and demographics of patients undergoing elective laparoscopic right colectomy

	WPOI (n=524)	POI (n=113)	Total (n=637)	p value
Age, years, median (range)	71 (21-98)	73 (23-96)	71 (21-98)	0.771
Male gender, n (%)	257 (49.0%)	70 (61.9%)	327 (51.3%)	0.012
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup> , median (range)	24.7 (15.47)	25.3 (15.6-41)	25(15-47)	0.688
ASA, n (%)				
• 1	134 (25.5%)	29 (25.6%)	163 (25.5%)	
• 2	229 (43.7%)	53 (46.9%)	282 (44.2%)	0.761
• 3	159 (30.3%)	30 (26.5%)	189 (29.6%)	
• 4	2 (0.3%)	1 (0.9%)	3 (0.5%)	
Comorbidity, n (%)				
• Smoking	64 (12.2%)	13 (11.5%)	77 (12.1%)	1.000
• Diabetes	86 (16.4%)	16 (14.2%)	102 (16.0%)	0.671
• Arteriopathy	159 (30.3%)	31 (27.4%)	190 (29.8%)	0.581
• Coronary disease	91 (17.4%)	26 (23.0%)	117 (18.4%)	0.649
• Previous laparotomy	157 (30.0%)	33 (29.2%)	190 (29.8%)	0.178
• Previous laparoscopy	83 (15.8%)	21 (18.6%)	104 (16.3%)	1.000
Colorectal Pathology, n (%)				
• Colorectal cancer	397 (75.8%)	82 (72.6%)	479 (75.2%)	
• IBD	44 (8.4%)	14 (12.4%)	58 (9.1%)	0.774
• Benign tumour	83 (15.8%)	17 (15%)	100 (15.7%)	
Location of pathology, n (%)				
• Caecum	218 (41.6%)	41 (36.3%)	259 (40.7%)	
• Ascending colon	135 (25.8%)	30 (26.5%)	165 (25.9%)	
• Hepatic flexure	56 (10.7%)	19 (16.8%)	75 (11.8%)	0.216
• Transverse colon	36 (6.9%)	6 (5.3%)	42 (6.6%)	
• Ileocecal valve	79 (15.1%)	17 (15.0%)	96 (15.1%)	

WPOI: Without Post-Operative Ileus, POI: Post-Operative Ileus, BMI: Body mass index, ASA: American Society of Anesthesiologists classification, IBD: Inflammatory Bowel Disease

b. Table 2

Table 2: Operative procedure for elective laparoscopic right colectomy

	WPOI (n=524)	POI (n=113)	Total (n=637)	p value
Prior fasting, hours, median (range)	12 (2-50)	10 (2-96)	11(2-96)	0.444
Type of anaesthesia, n (%)				
• General anaesthesia	472 (90.1%)	92 (81.4%)	564 (88.5%)	
• General anaesthesia and epidural anaesthesia	47 (9.0%)	21 (18.6%)	68 (10.7%)	0.004
• General anaesthesia and spinal anaesthesia	5 (1.0%)	0 (0.0%)	5 (0.8%)	
Perioperative blood transfusion, n (%)	14 (2.7%)	8 (7.1%)	22 (3.5%)	0.018
Perioperative intravenous fluids, mL, median (range)	1500 (500-4500)	2000 (500-5500)	1500 (500-5500)	<0.0001
Vascular section, n (%)				
• Intracorporeal	460 (87.8%)	91 (80.5%)	551 (86.5%)	
• Extracorporeal	64 (12.2%)	22 (19.5%)	86 (13.5%)	0.049
Laparotomy conversion, n (%)	32 (6.1%)	8 (7.1%)	40 (6.3%)	0.641
Location of tumour specimen extraction, n (%)				
• Median incision	329 (62.8%)	63 (55.8%)	392 (61.5%)	
• Pfannenstiel incision	74 (14.1%)	12 (10.6%)	86 (13.5%)	0.044
• Transversal incision	121 (23.1%)	38 (33.6%)	159 (25.0%)	
Type of anastomosis, n (%)				
• Side-to-side	475 (90.6%)	101 (89.4%)	576 (90.4%)	
• End-to-end	9 (1.7%)	3 (2.7%)	12 (1.9%)	0.723
• Side-to-end	2 (0.4%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (0.3%)	
• End-to-side	38 (7.3%)	9 (8.0%)	47 (7.4%)	
Anastomotic procedure, n (%)				
• Mechanical	303 (57.8%)	55 (48.7%)	358 (56.2%)	
• Manual	221 (42.2%)	58 (51.3%)	279 (43.8%)	0.094
Anastomotic site, n (%)				
• Intracorporeal	125 (23.9%)	26 (23.0%)	151 (23.7%)	
• Extracorporeal	399 (76.1%)	87 (77.0%)	486 (76.3%)	0.903
Drain, n (%)	48 (9.2%)	12 (10.6%)	60 (9.4%)	0.588
Operative time, minutes, median (range)	185 (75-695)	161 (60-380)	180 (60-695)	0.264

WPOI: Without Post-Operative Ileus, POI: Post-Operative Ileus

c. Table 3

Table 3: Short- and long-term outcomes after elective laparoscopic right colectomy

	WPOI (n=524)	POI (n=113)	Total (n=637)	p value
Number of surgical complications, n (%)				
• Overall surgical complications without POI	63 (12.0%)	36 (31.9%)	99 (15.5%)	<0.0001
• Repeat surgery	15 (2.9%)	18 (15.9%)	33 (5.2%)	<0.0001
• Endoscopic or radiologic drain	7 (1.3%)	3 (2.7%)	10 (1.6%)	0.789
• Ileus only	0 (0.0%)	77 (68.1%)	77 (12.1%)	<0.0001
• Anastomotic leakage	13 (2.5%)	15 (13.3%)	28 (4.4%)	<0.0001
• Wound abscess	22 (4.2%)	6 (5.3%)	28 (4.4%)	0.627
• Intra-abdominal collection	6 (1.1%)	4 (3.5%)	10 (1.6%)	0.829
• Intra-abdominal haemorrhage	5 (1.0%)	2 (1.8%)	7 (1.1%)	0.360
• Intraluminal haemorrhage	10 (1.9%)	2 (1.8%)	12 (1.9%)	1.000
• Evisceration	2 (0.4%)	2 (1.8%)	4 (0.6%)	0.150
Clavien, n (%)				
• I-II	189 (36.1%)	73 (64.6%)	262 (41.1%)	<0.0001
• III-IV	25 (4.8%)	19 (16.9%)	44 (6.9%)	<0.0001
Medical complications, n (%)				
• Overall medical complication	83 (15.8%)	35 (31.0%)	118 (18.5%)	<0.0001
• Cardiac	18 (3.4%)	11 (9.7%)	29 (4.6%)	0.009
• Vascular	5 (1.0%)	3 (2.7%)	8 (1.3%)	0.154
• Pulmonary	14 (2.7%)	13 (11.5%)	27 (4.2%)	<0.0001
Length of hospital stay, days, median (range)	7 (2-35)	13 (6-56)	8 (2-56)	<0.0001
Pathological finding, n (%)				
• Stage 0	42 (10.6%)	2 (2.4%)	44 (9.2%)	
• Stage I	91 (22.9%)	24 (29.3%)	115 (24.1%)	0.066
• Stage II	154 (38.9%)	37 (45.1%)	191 (40.0%)	
• Stage III	109 (27.5%)	19 (23.2%)	128 (26.8%)	
Lymph nodes resected, median (range)	19 (0-77)	19 (0-52)	19 (0-77)	0.118
Length of hospital stay, days, median (range)	7 (2-35)	13 (6-36)	8 (2-36)	<0.0001
Length of reanimation / intensive care stay, days, median (range)	0 (0-16)	0 (0-26)	0 (0-26)	1.0000
Number of reanimations / intensive care stays, n (%)	43 (8.2%)	26 (23.0%)	69 (10.8%)	<0.0001
30-day mortality, n (%)	4 (0.8%)	7 (6.2%)	11 (1.7%)	0.008
90-day mortality, n (%)	5(1.0%)	9 (8.0%)	14 (2.2%)	<0.0001
Follow-up, months, median (range)	27.3 (0.2-139.2)	19.1 (0.3-130.5)	26.9 (0.2-139.2)	
Overall survival for colorectal cancer only, n (%)				
• Overall survival at 1 year	391 (98.5%)	73 (89.0%)	621 (97.5%)	<0.0001
• Overall survival at 3 years	381 (96.0%)	72 (87.8%)	611 (95.9%)	<0.0001
• Overall survival at 5 years	379 (95.5%)	71 (86.6%)	607 (95.3%)	<0.0001

d. Table 4

Table 4: Risk factors for postoperative ileus following elective laparoscopic right colectomy: multivariate analysis

	WPOI (n=524)	POI (n=113)	Total (n=637)	p value	Adjusted Odds ratio (95% CI)	p value
Male gender, n (%)	257 (49.0%)	70 (61.9%)	327 (51.3%)	0.012	2.316 (1.102-4.866)	0.027
Type of anaesthesia, n (%)						
• General anaesthesia	472 (90.1%)	92 (81.4%)	564 (88.5%)			
• General anaesthesia and epidural anaesthesia	47 (9.0%)	21 (18.6%)	68 (10.7%)	0.004	2.958 (1.250-6.998)	0.014
• General anaesthesia and spinal anaesthesia	5 (1.0%)	0 (0.0%)	5 (0.8%)			
Perioperative blood transfusion, n (%)	14 (2.7%)	8 (7.1%)	22 (3.5%)	0.018	6.994 (1.550-31.560)	0.011
Perioperative intravenous fluids, mL, median (range)	1500 (500-4500)	2000 (500-5500)	1500 (500-5000)	<0.0001	1.000 (1.000-1.001)	0.234
Vascular section, n (%)						
• Intracorporeal	460 (87.8%)	91 (80.5%)	551 (86.5%)	0.049	1.354 (0.407-4.507)	0.621
• Extracorporeal	64 (12.2%)	22 (19.5%)	86 (13.5%)			
Location of tumour specimen extraction, n (%)						
• Median incision	329 (62.8%)	63 (55.8%)	392 (61.5%)			
• Pfannenstiel incision	74 (14.1%)	12 (10.6%)	86 (13.5%)	0.044	0.770 (0.512-1.642)	0.683
• Transversal incision	121 (23.1%)	38 (33.6%)	159 (25.0%)			
Number of surgical complications, n (%)						
• Overall surgical complications without POI	63 (12.0%)	36 (31.9%)	99 (15.5%)	<0.0001	1.310 (1.083-1583)	0.005
• Repeat surgery	15 (2.9%)	18 (15.9%)	33 (5.2%)	<0.0001	2.451 (0.550-10.927)	0.240
Clavien, n (%)						
• III-IV	25 (4.8%)	19 (16.9%)	44 (6.9%)	<0.0001	4.150 (1.062-16.213)	0.041
Medical complications, n (%)						
• Overall medical complications	83 (15.8%)	35 (31.0%)	118 (18.5%)	<0.0001	1.738 (0.798-3.783)	0.164

WPOI Without Post-Operative Ileus, POI Post-Operative Ileus

e. Figure 1

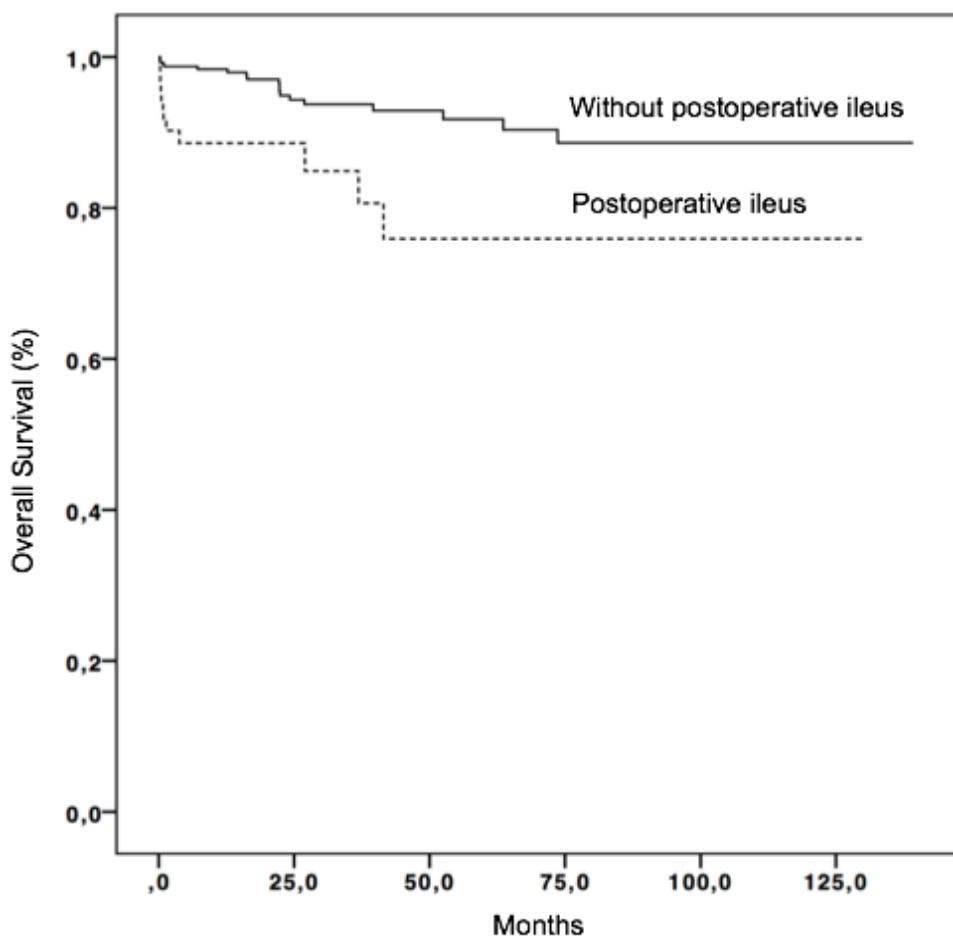


Figure 1: Overall survival amongst patients with colon cancer  
after laparoscopic right colectomy

f. Figure 2

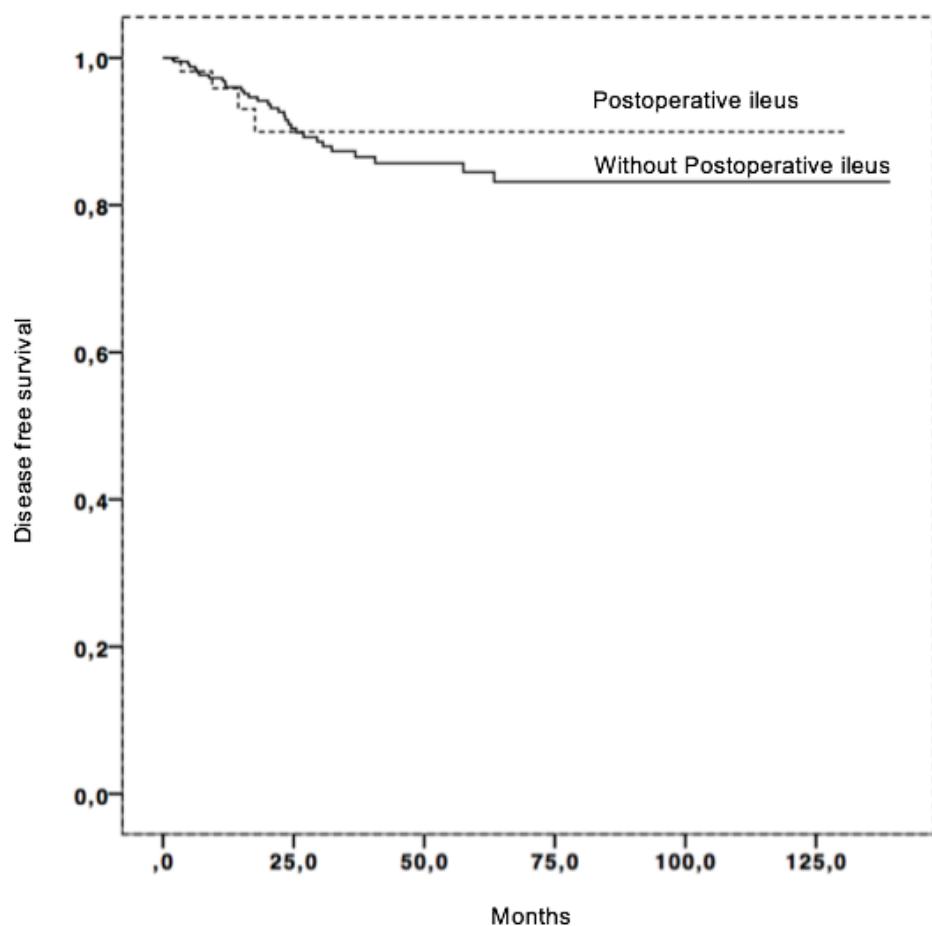


Figure 2: Disease-free survival amongst patients with colon cancer after laparoscopic right colectomy

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En présence des Maîtres de cette Faculté,  
de mes chers condisciples  
et selon la tradition d'Hippocrate,  
je promets et je jure d'être fidèle aux lois de l'honneur  
et de la probité dans l'exercice de la Médecine.

Je donnerai mes soins gratuits à l'indigent,  
et n'exigerai jamais un salaire au-dessus de mon travail.

Admis dans l'intérieur des maisons, mes yeux  
ne verront pas ce qui s'y passe, ma langue taira  
les secrets qui me seront confiés et mon état ne servira pas  
à corrompre les mœurs ni à favoriser le crime.

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je rendrai à leurs enfants  
l'instruction que j'ai reçue de leurs pères.

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et méprisé de mes confrères  
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### Résumé :

L'iléus post-opératoire (IPO) est source de complications médico-chirurgicales et représente un coût hospitalier important. L'objectif est d'identifier les facteurs favorisant l'IPO après colectomie droite coelioscopique.

Entre 2004 et 2016, 637 colectomies ont été réalisées et étudiées de façon rétrospective à partir de la base de données CLIMHET. Les facteurs favorisants potentiels ont été analysés par régression logistique.

Les patients avec IPO (n=113, 17,7%) étaient comparés à ceux sans iléus post-opératoire (SIPO) (n=524, 82.3%). Dans le groupe IPO, il y avait plus d'hommes (62%vs49% p=0.012), plus d'anesthésies péridurales (19%vs9% p=0.004), de transfusions peropératoires (7%vs.3% p=0.020) et un remplissage vasculaire plus important (2000mL vs 1750mL, p<0.001). La section vasculaire extracorporelle et l'extraction de la pièce par une incision transverse étaient plus fréquentes dans le groupe IPO (20%vs12%, p=0.049 et 34%vs23% p=0.044). Les complications chirurgicales étaient plus fréquentes dans le groupe IPO (31.9%vs12.0% p<0.0001). En analyse multivariée les facteurs de risques indépendant d'IPO étaient : sexe masculin (HR=2.316, 1.102–4.866), anesthésie péridurale (HR=2.958, 1.250–6.988) et transfusion peropératoire (HR=6.994, 1.550–31.560).

Cette étude est l'une des premières à exploiter la base données CLIMHET et la première à s'intéresser aux facteurs de risque d'IPO. Les facteurs de risque d'IPO modifiables sont : anesthésie péridurale et transfusion peropératoire ; celles-ci doivent être utilisées avec précaution afin de diminuer le taux d'IPO.

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