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# SUTURE IN CHIRURGIA LAPAROSCOPICA

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## LE SUTURE IN CHIRURGIA GINECOLOGICA

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Garry R., 1999

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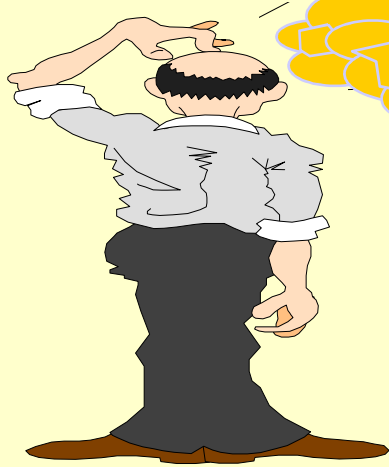
Garry R., 1999

# Elettrochirurgia

***BIPOLARE***

***ULTRASUONI  
RADIOFREQUENZA***





The role of fibroids as a possible cause of infertility has been the subject of considerable debate

Uterine fibroid as the sole factor occurs in only 2 - 3 % of all infertility cases

Buttram and Reiter, 1981

Uterine fibroids may be associated with 5 - 10% of cases of infertility

The American Fertility Society Guideline for Practice, 1992

The tendency to postpone the first pregnancy to a later age makes myomectomy an increasingly common consideration for the patient and her gynaecologist because of the more frequent occurrence of myomata in women over 30 years.

Sudik R., 1996

...our analysis suggests that the efficacy of conservative surgery for uterine fibroids in women with otherwise unexplained infertility was fairly good, with > 60 % of subjects becoming pregnant within a year of surgery.

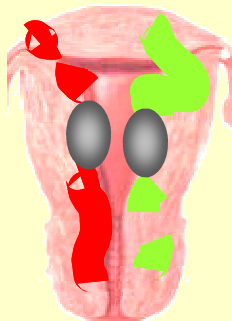
Vercellini P., 1998

# Uterine fibroids and infertility

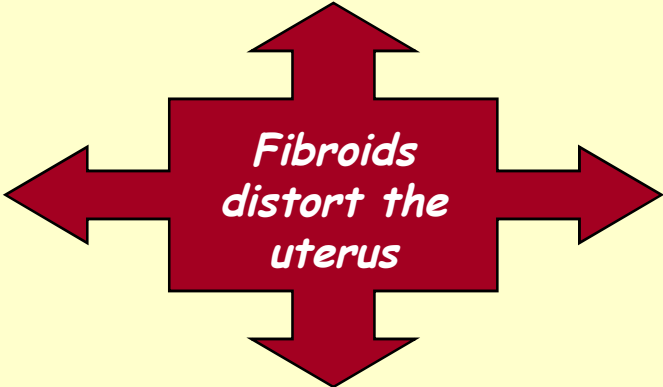
## *Damage of the overlying endometrium*

- Endometrium vascular disturbance
- Inflammation
- Ulceration
- Thinning and atrophy
- Altered biochemical environment

• Impair implantation



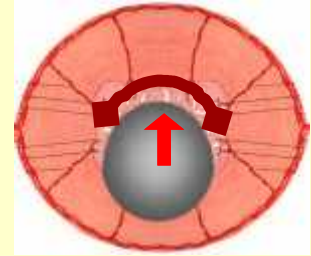
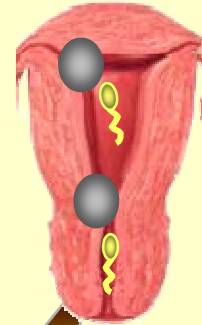
**THESE THEORIES ARE PLAUSIBLE, ALTHOUGH SEVERAL ARE GENERALLY UNPROVEN**



## *Uterine function*

- May cause dysfunctional and altered uterine contractility

• Hinder gamete transport and embryo implantation



## *Anatomy*

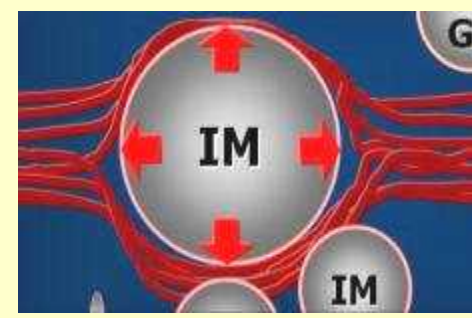
- Can enlarge and elongate the cavity
- Alter the contour and surface area of the cavity
- Obstruct tubal ostia or the cervical canal
- Displace the cervix in vagina

• Impede migration of sperm, ovum or embryo

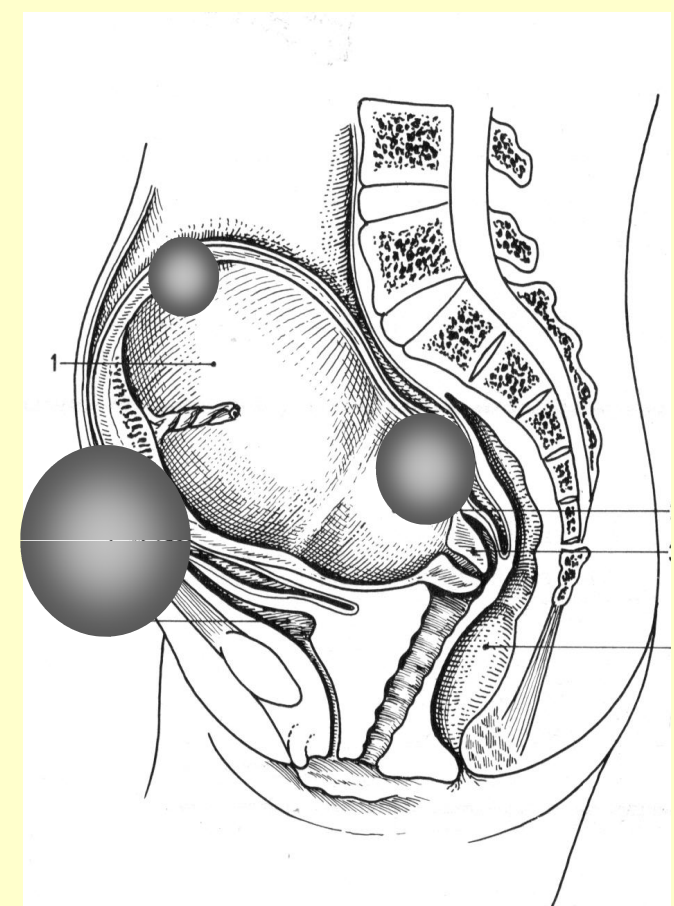
• Impair implantation

- Deglidish, 1970
- Coutinho, 1971
- Farrer-Brown, 1971
- Hunt, 1974
- Forssman, 1976
- Buttram, 1981;
- Iosif, 1983
- Manyonda, 2004





Abnormal uterine contractility in labor  
Localization  
Previa  
Space occupation



Disregulation of uterine contractility  
Pregnancy | Postpartum

**Miscarriag**

**Abruptio placentae**

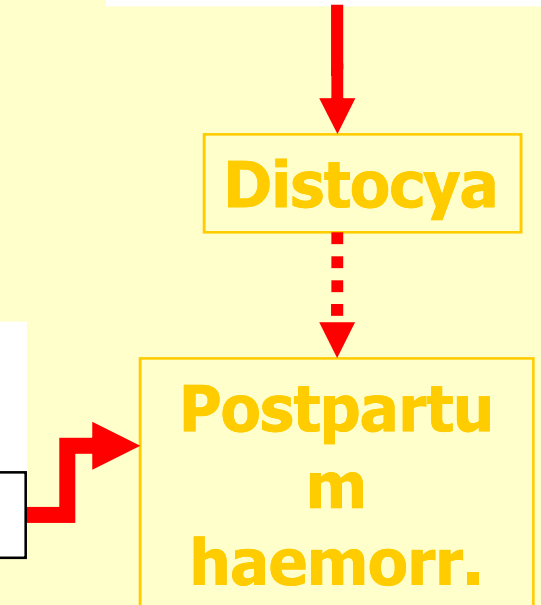
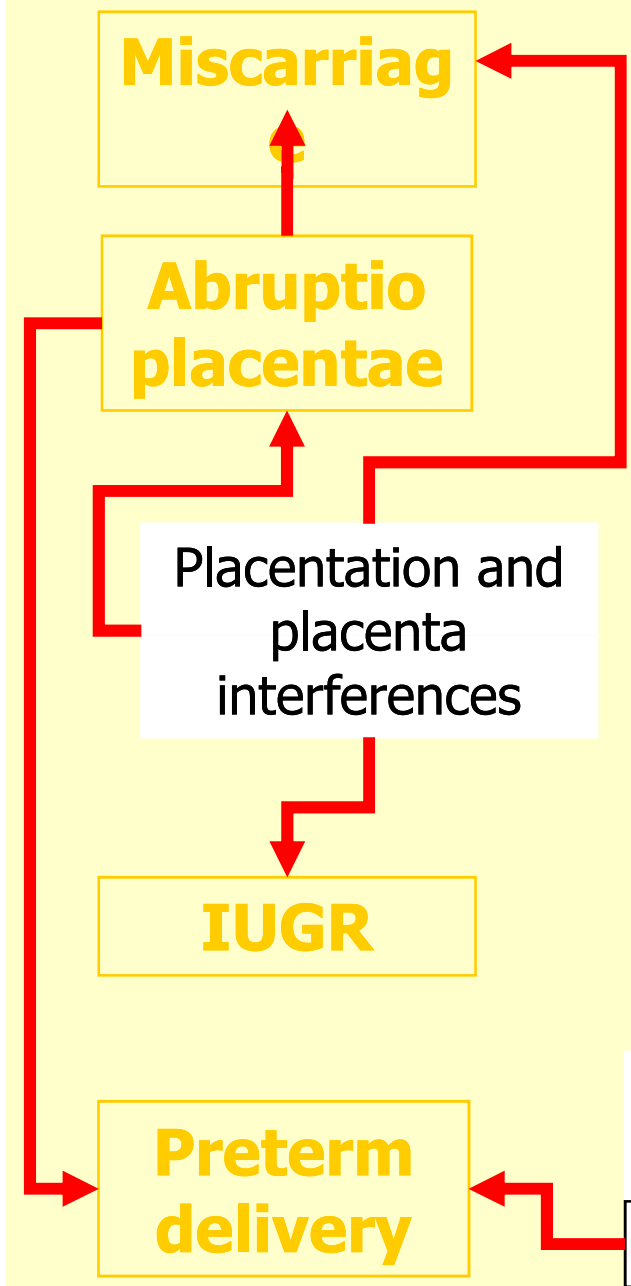
Placentation and placenta interferences

**IUGR**

**Preterm delivery**

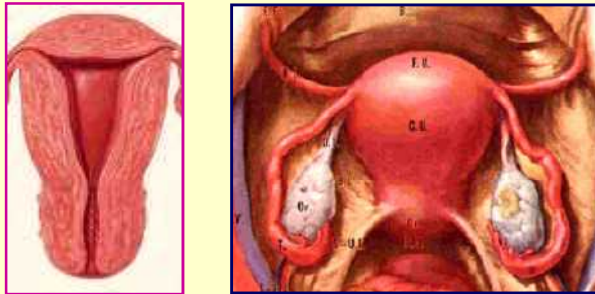
**Distocya**

**Postpartu m haemorr.**



# SCOPO DELLA CHIRURGIA ?

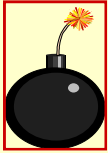
- Eucleazione del mioma
- Ripristino dell'anatomia dell'utero
- Trattamento delle patologie associate



# RISCHI DELLA CHIRURGIA ?

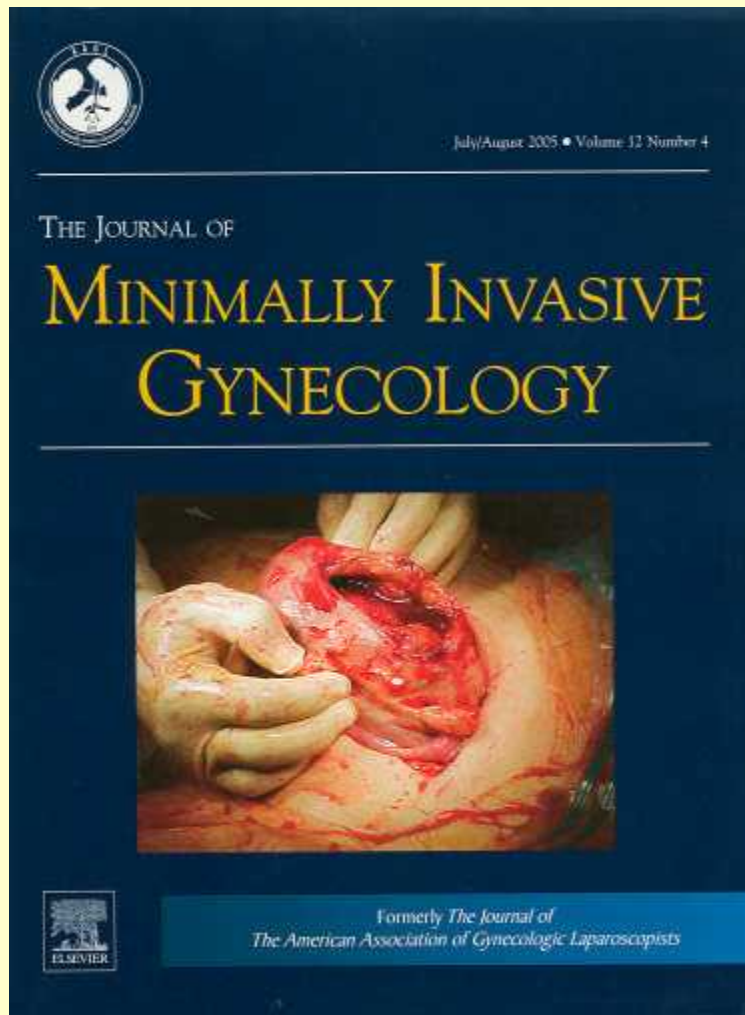
- **CREAZIONE DI ADERENZE POSTOPERATORIE**
- **ROTTURA D'UTERO**





# Uterine rupture after laparoscopic myomectomy

*THE INCIDENCE IS DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE, AS MOST OF THE REPORTS DO NOT DESCRIBE THE INCIDENCE PER NUMBER OF PROCEDURES PERFORMED*



- **Uterine rupture** was defined as a complete separation of the wall of the pregnant uterus with or without expulsion of the fetus, endangering the life of the mother or fetus
- The scars checked during the Caesarean section is also classed as:
  - invisible
  - thick (visible but with no distinct depression in the myometrium)
  - thin (when the myometrium was thinner at the scar site without discontinuity)
  - **dehiscent** (discontinuity of the scar, without symptoms)

## Pregnancy outcome and deliverie following laparoscopic myomectomy

Dubuisson JB, et al. Hum Reprod vol.15, no.4, pp 869-873, 2000

Reference	Myoma Type	Size (mm)	Location	Hysterotom sutured	Uterine cavity opened	Gestational age (weeks)	Labour	Infant outcome
Pelosi 97	Subserous	50	Fundal	No	No	33	No	Death
Friedman 96	Intramural	50	Fundal	NR	Yes	28	No	Good
Mecke 95	Intramural	NR	NR	NR	Yes	30	No	Good
Dubuisson 95	Intramural	30	Posterior	Yes	No	32	No	Good
Harris 92	NR	30	Posterior	Yes	NR	34	No	Good

### RISK OF UTERINE RUPTURE RELATED TO LM SCAR

**1.0% (95% CI 0.0-5.5%)**

#### Mode of delivery (n=100)

Spontaneous vaginal delivery	36
Forceps delivery	22
Cesarean section during labour	14
Cesarean section before labour	28

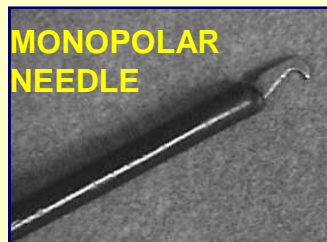
Elective Caesarean section for uterine scar	16 (38.1%)
Failed trial of labour	14 (33.3%)
Maternal or fetal pathology	6 (14.3%)
Breech presentation	3 ( 7.1%)
Suspected uterine rupture	3 ( 7.1%)

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Hasbargen 02	Pedun. (2)	10	Posterior	NR	No	29	No	Good
Asakura 04	Intramural	NR	Anterior F.	NR	No	34	Yes	Good
Lieng 04	Pedun.	40	Posterior	No	No	35	No	Good
Grande 05	Intramural	45	Posterior	NR	NR	27	No	Death



The lack of suture, or suturing only the superficial layers of the myometrium, resulted in thin or dehiscent scars.

Inappropriate use of electrocautery may sometimes have induced in-deph necrosis of the myometrium with an adverse effect on healing.



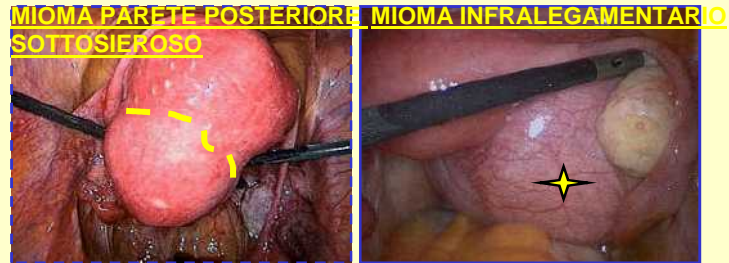
**MONOPOLAR NEEDLE**

The suture must take up the whole depth of the edges of the hysterotomy in order to ensure that the whole of the myomectomy bed is brought into contact, so that secondary formation of a haematoma in the myometrium is avoided

Surgeon's lake of experience

# MIOMECTOMIA

## VISIONE D'INSIEME DELL'UTERO



## CROMOSALPINGOGRAFIA



## MIOMI PEDUNCOLATI



ENDO LOOP

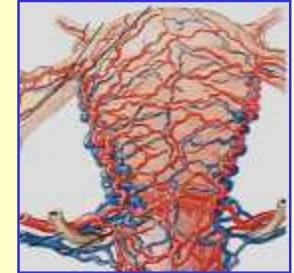
# MIOMECTOMIA

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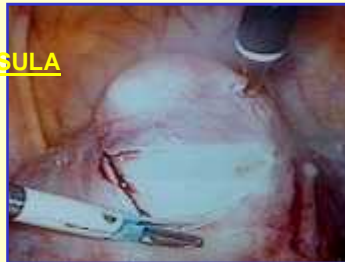
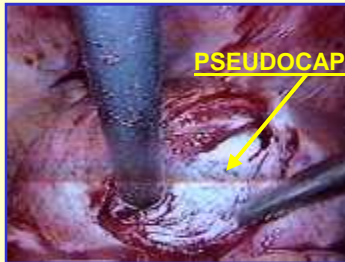


### UNCINO AD ULTRASUONI

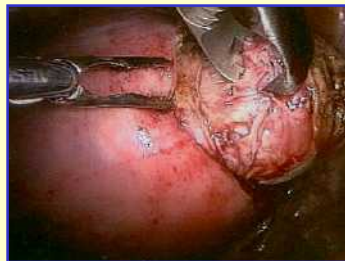
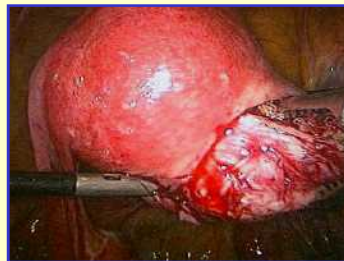
- Evita il danno termico
- Non dà fumo, solo bollicine d'acqua micronizzate



## INDIVIDUAZIONE PSEUDOCAPSULA



## TRAZIONE ED ENUCLEAZIONE MIOMA



# ***MIOMECTOMIA***





*SITUA DELLA BRECCIA UTERINA*



1995

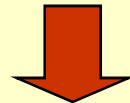
... Anche in circostanze ideali, **la chiusura laparoscopica della breccia è difficoltosa.** L'avvicinamento dei margini dell'incisione richiede spesso una forza considerevole che per via laparoscopica è difficile da ottenere senza lacerare i tessuti. Spesso, quindi, il risultato è rappresentato da un maggior sanguinamento o dalla perdita di sostanza a livello della breccia. **Questo tempo dell'intervento è particolarmente noioso** e può portare alla formazione di fistole endometriosierose. La riparazione precisa dei diversi strati della parete è praticamente impossibile.

# ... IL PUNTO DI SUTURA...

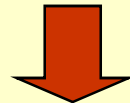


*La trasfissione di un tessuto con un ago e' il movimento piu' complesso da eseguire in laparoscopia*

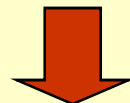
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**TROCAR FAVOREVOLE PER IL PORTAGHI**



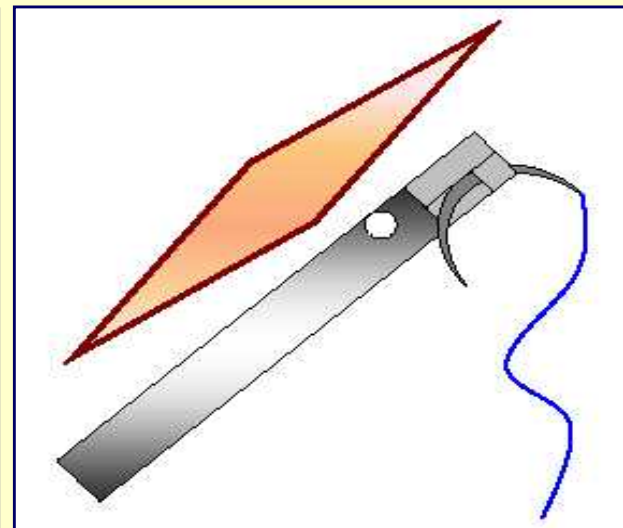
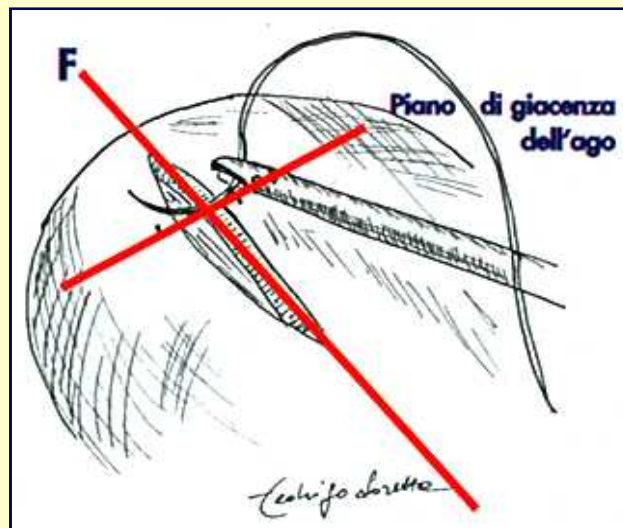
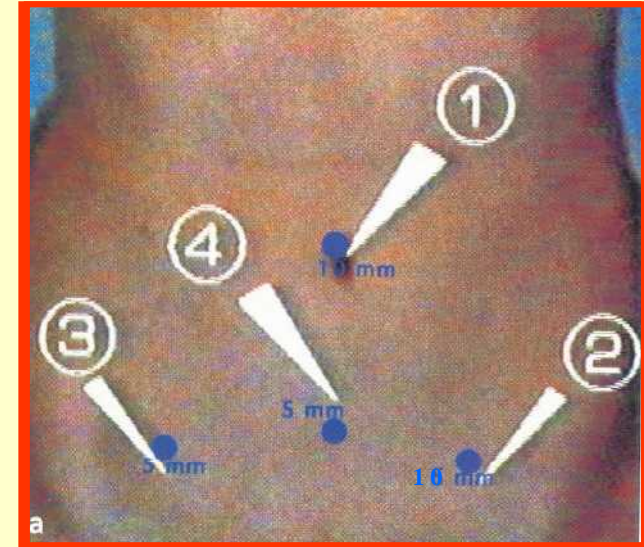
**ORIENTAMENTO DELL'*AGO* NEL PORTAGHI**



**VERSO DEL PUNTO (DX-SX) - CON QUALE *MANO***

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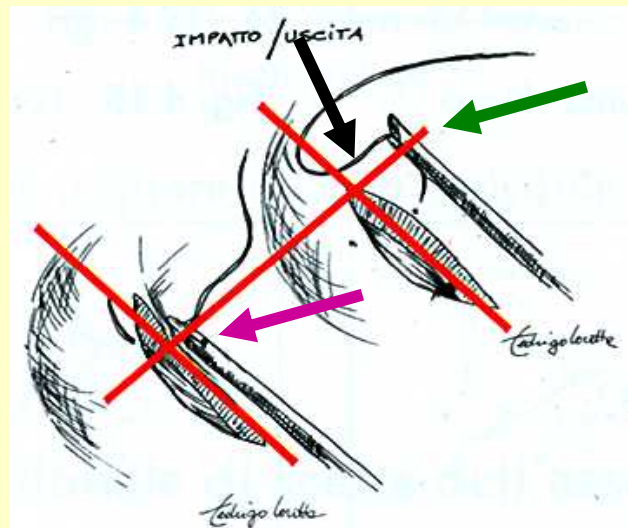
I **TROCAR ANCILLARI** IMPONGONO  
DEGLI ANGOLI  
NELL'ESECUZIONE DELLA SUTURA



**COMPLANARI  
AL PIANO  
DI SUTURA**

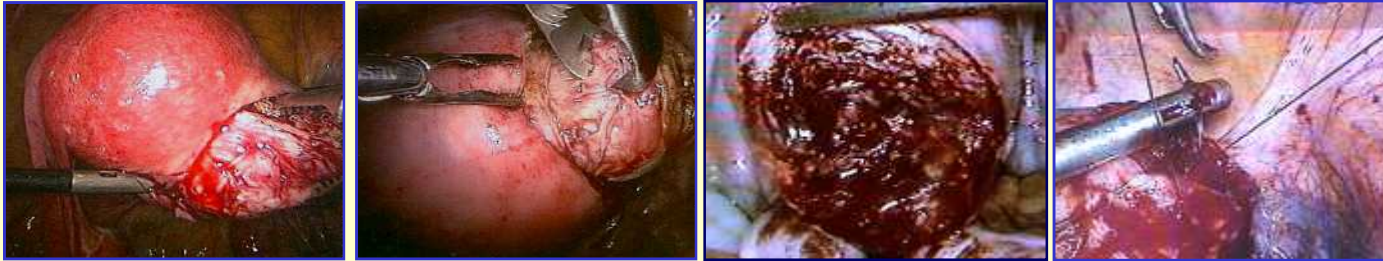
A. Romeo, 2006

# ... IL PUNTO PERFETTO...



- **ANGOLO di 90°** tra l'asse di **ROTAZIONE** del portaghi e la tangente della massima curvatura dell'ago
- **ANGOLO di 0°** tra l'asse di **ROTAZIONE** del portaghi e l'asse passante per il piano della rima tissutale
- **ANGOLO di 90°** tra la tangente della massima curvatura dell'ago e l'asse della rima tissutale

# Come facciamo ad essere sempre paralleli alla rima tissutale ?

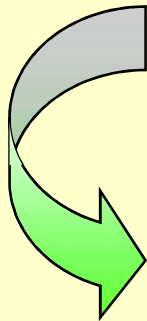


- **Spostamento dell'utero utilizzando il manipolatore uterino**
- **Facendo trazione sui lembi di sutura con il controportaghi**
- **Variando il trocar d'ingresso del portaghi**
  
- **Modificando la posizione dell'ago sul portaghi**



## Piano dell'incisione non corrispondente al piano di sutura

- Dopo l'asportazione del mioma la breccia uterina può apparire su un piano differente da quello dell'incisione



**“CAPACITA' PROSPETTICA”**

**posizione della rima di sutura  
quando il volume del mioma  
verrà a mancare**

# Orientamento dell'ago e verso del punto

ORIENTAMENTO DELL'AGO	MANO SINISTRA	MANO DESTRA	
Curvatura in basso punta a sinistra		Punto rovescio verso destro-sinistro	Punto dritto verso destro-sinistro
Curvatura in basso punta a destra		Punto dritto verso sinistro-destro	Punto rovescio verso sinistro-destro
Curvatura in alto punta a destra		Punto rovescio verso destro-sinistro	Punto dritto verso destro-sinistro
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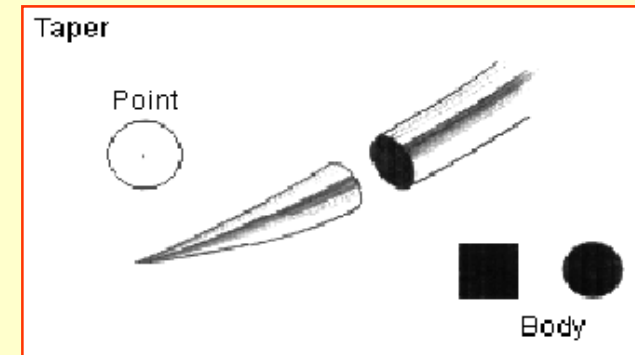
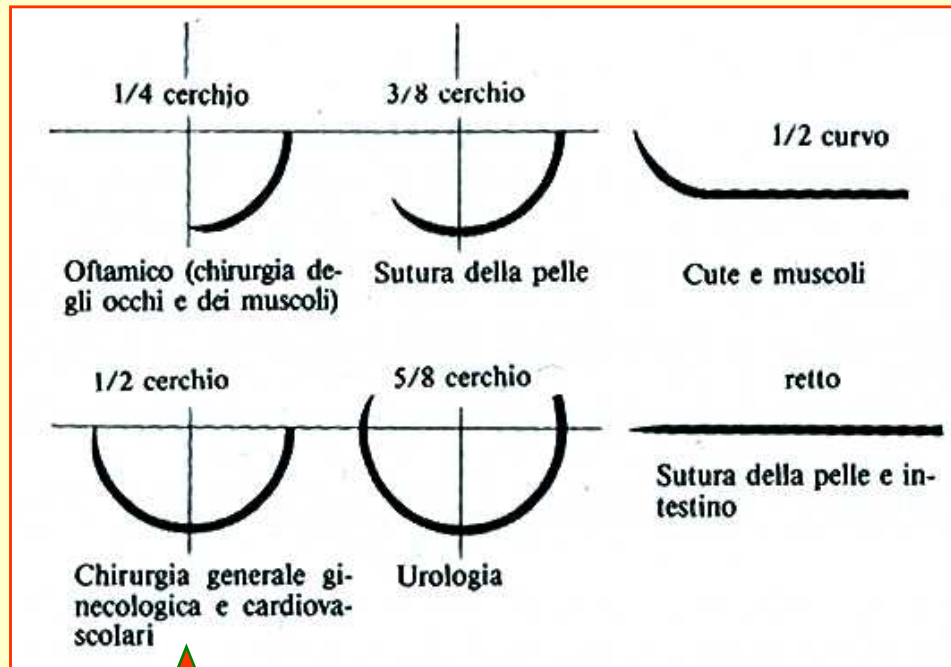
Che filo di sutura ?

- **MONOFILAMENTI**
- **PLURIFILAMENTI INTRECCIATI RIVESTITI**

..... "3-0" ... "2-0" ... "1-0" ... "0" ... "1" ... "2" ... "3" .....

***DIPENDE DALLA SCUOLA CHIRURGICA***

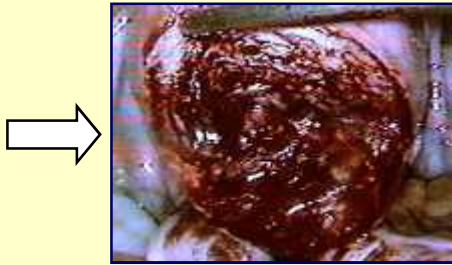
# Che ago ?



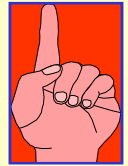
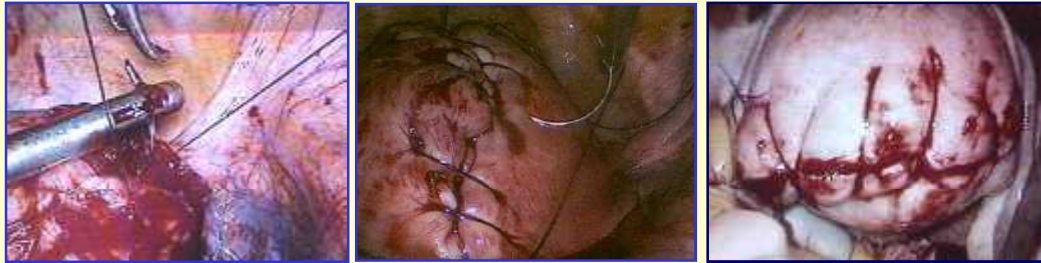
- 27 mm
- 30 mm
- 36 mm

**DIPENDE DALLA SCUOLA CHIRURGICA**  
**DIPENDE DALLE DIMENSIONI**

# ***MIOMECTOMIA***



## **SUTURA DELLA BRECCIA UTERINA**



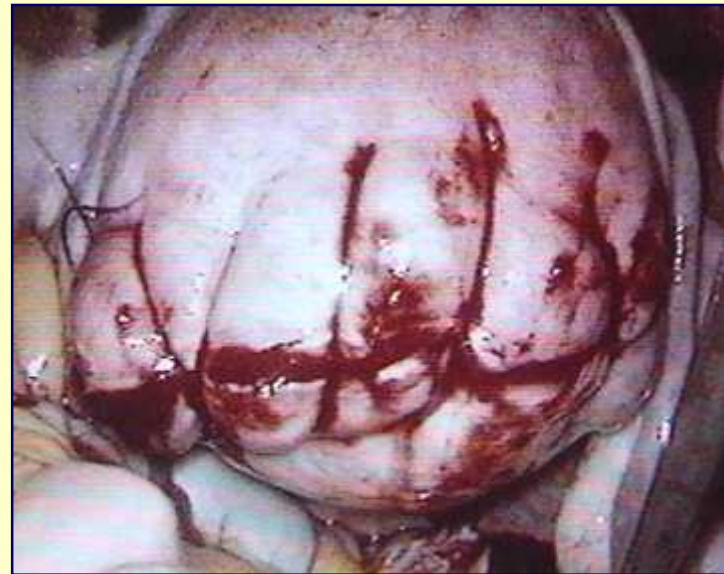
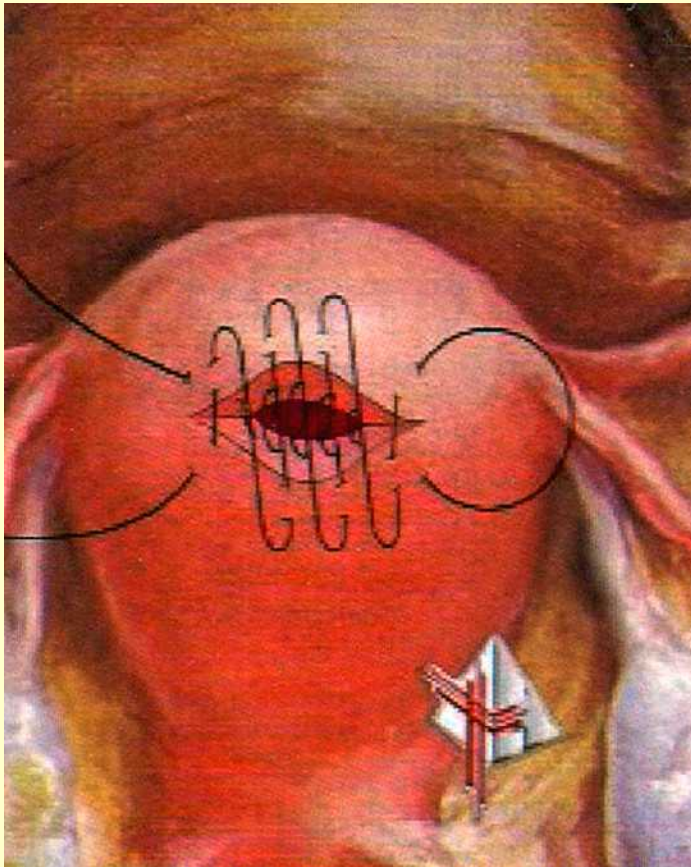
La sutura deve sempre coinvolgere completamente la fovea dell'isterotomia e determinare una completa apposizione delle pareti del miometrio.

Va eseguita una sutura in uno o due strati, in relazione alla profondità dell'isterotomia

**La sutura può essere eseguita:**

- **in continua**
- **a punti staccati**

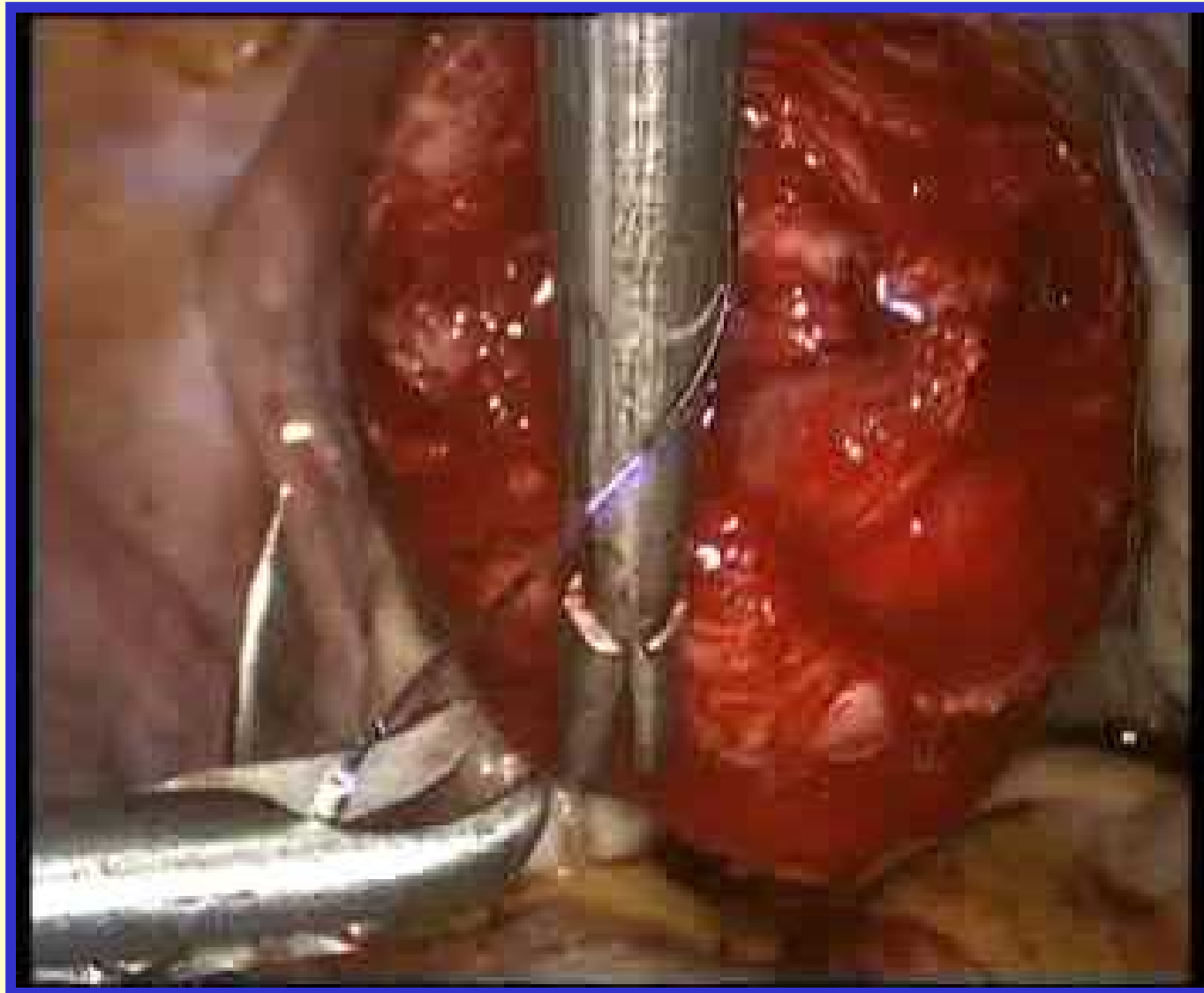
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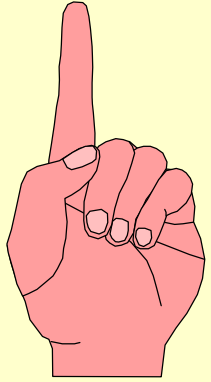




La sutura della breccia uterina

**PUNTI STACCATI**

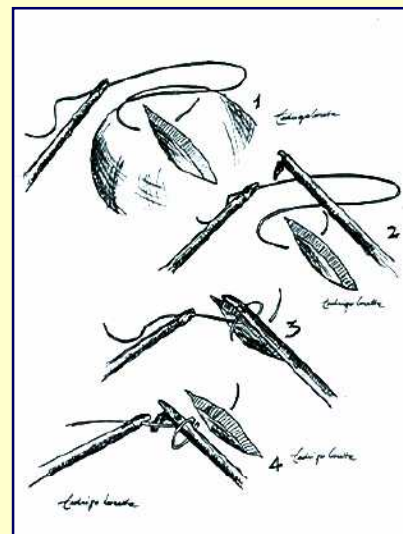




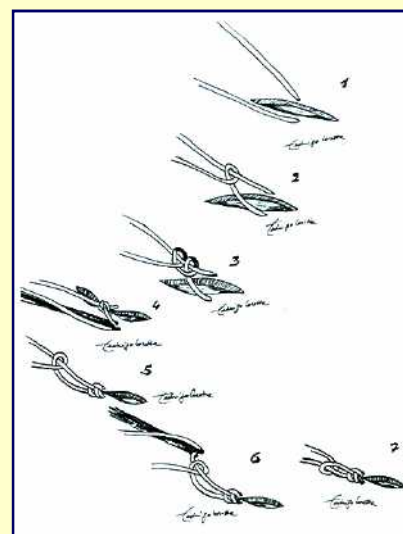
- EVITARE GLI SPAZI MORTI
- EVITARE LE AREE DI SPERITONEIZZAZIONE

# Che tecnica di annodamento ?

- **NODI INTRACORPOREI**



- **NODI EXTRACORPOREI**



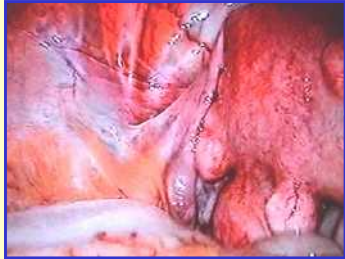
## Che tecnica di annodamento ?

**La scelta se eseguire nodi extracorporei o intracorporei dipende unicamente dall'orientamento e/o dalla manualità del chirurgo**

... la cosa importante è saper applicare bene le tecniche d'annodamento, rapidamente, con il minor numero di movimenti, in una precisa sequenza logica ed in sincronia con l'assistente e la strumentista.

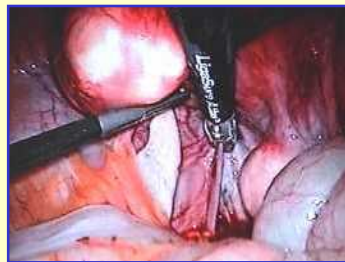
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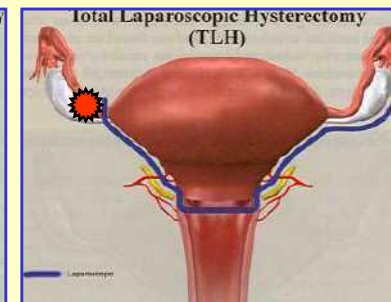
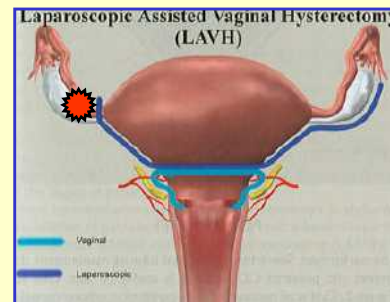
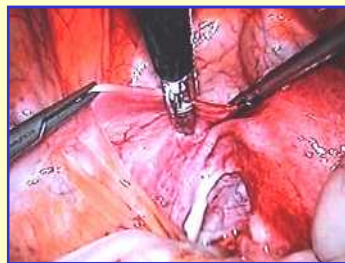


VALUTAZIONE MOBILITA' UTERO

REPERE SU LIG. UTEROSACRALI

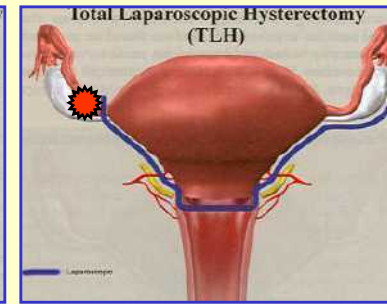
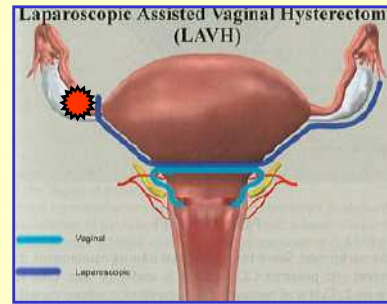
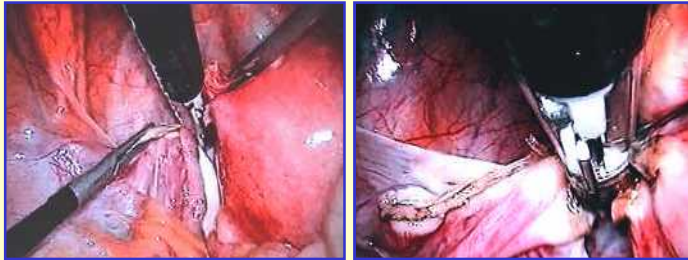


COAGULAZIONE E SEZIONE LIG. ROTONDI

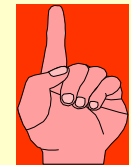
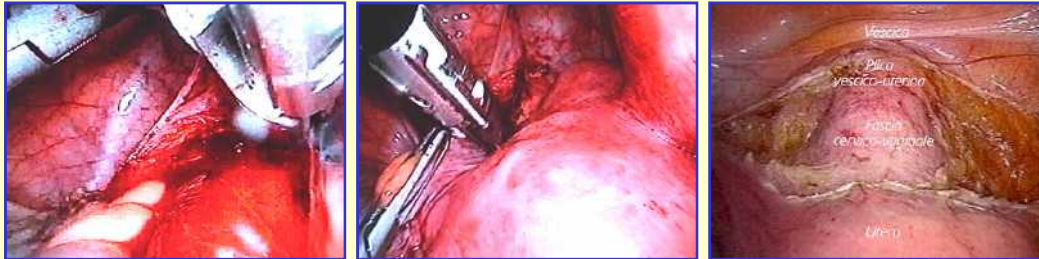


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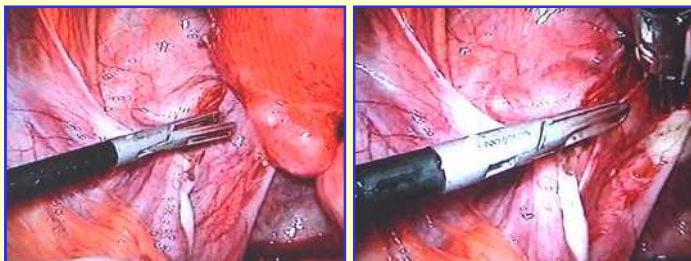
## COAGULAZIONE E SEZIONE LIG. UTERO OVARICO E TUBA O INFUNDIBOLO PELVICO



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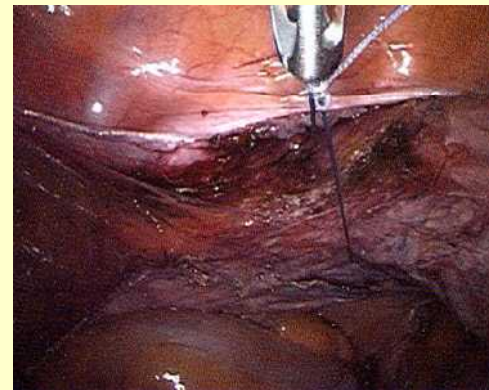
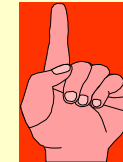
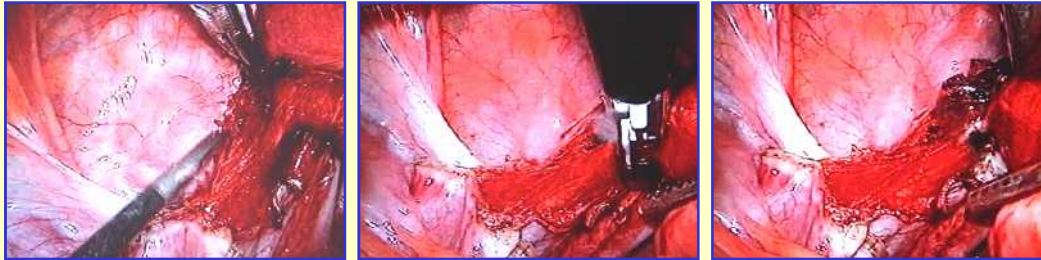
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Legatura del plesso vascolare uterino con **nodo di ROEDER**

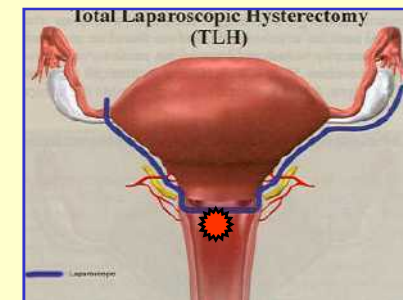
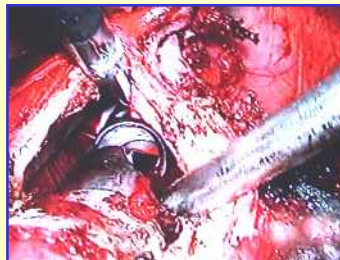
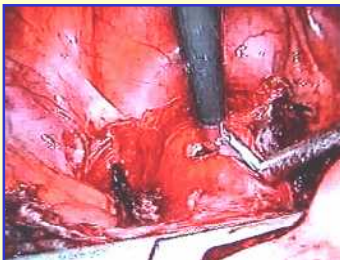
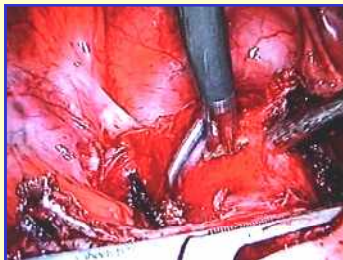
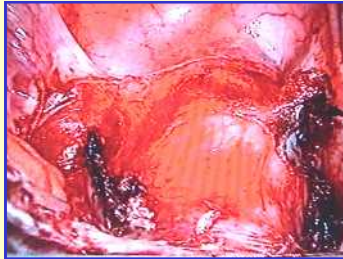
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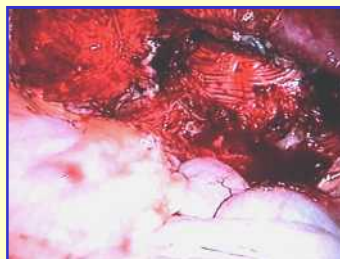
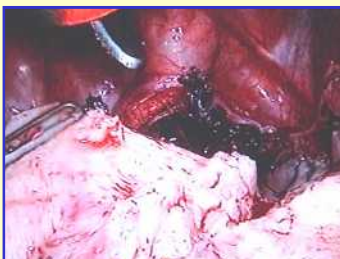
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## EVIDENZIAMENTO E SEZIONE DELLA CUPOLA VAGINALE

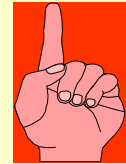
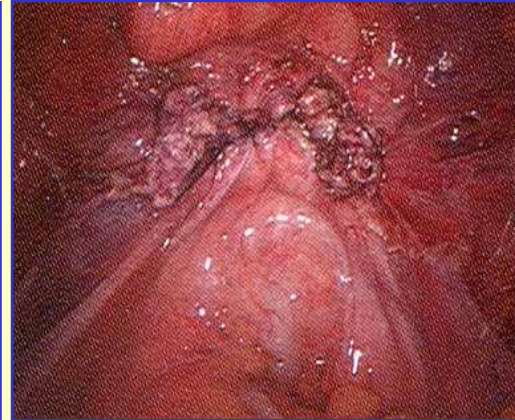
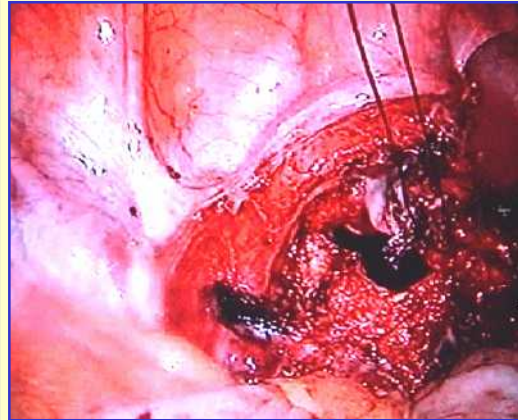
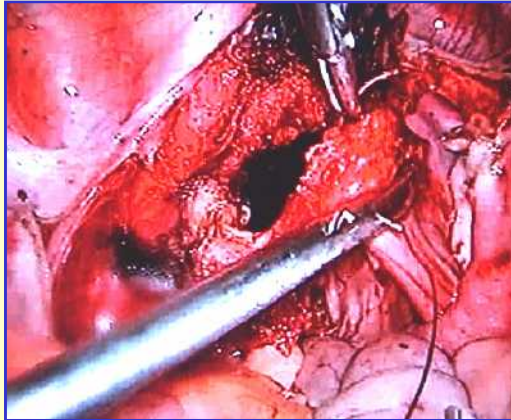


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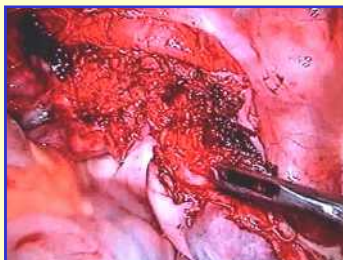
## SUTURA DELLA CUPOLA VAGINALE



La sutura può essere eseguita:

- in continua
- a punti staccati

## CONTROLLO ACCURATO DELL'EMOSTASI





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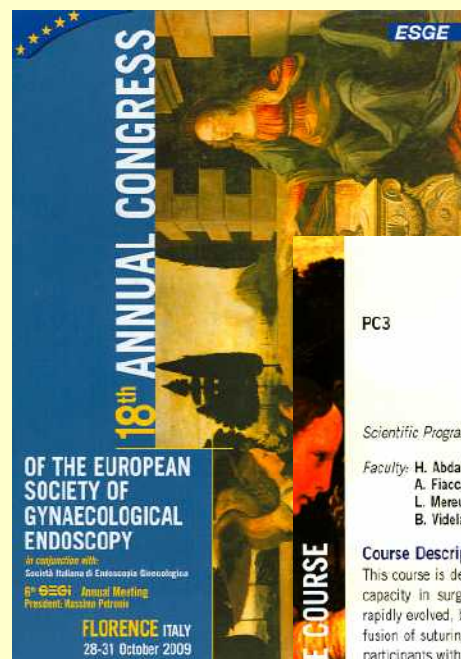
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## The Efficacy of Viewing an Educational Video as a Method for the Acquisition of Basic Laparoscopic Suturing Skills

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**ABSTRACT** **Study Objective:** To estimate the efficacy of viewing an educational video in the acquisition of laparoscopic suturing skills. **Design:** A prospective observational study (Canadian Task Force classification II-2). **Setting:** Tertiary care academic medical institution. **Subjects:** Twelve candidates interviewing for the female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery fellowship position at our institution. **Interventions:** Candidates were evaluated in the laparoscopy laboratory before and after watching a 6-minute educational video on the basic principles of laparoscopic suturing. Each candidate evaluation included the following tasks: (1) introduction of a needle through a trocar (timed in seconds); (2) load and position a needle for suturing with a laparoscopic needle holder (evaluated by number of movements); (3) running continuous suture with 2 passes (timed in seconds); (4) intracorporeal knot tying with 2 throws (timed in seconds); and (5) extracorporeal knot tying with 2 knots (timed in seconds). **Measurements and Main Results:** Wilcoxon signed rank test was used for the statistical comparison of the candidates' performance before and after viewing the video. After viewing the teaching video, the total median time to perform all timed tasks improved by 20% (115.5 seconds,  $p = .009$ ). Significant improvement occurred in the median time of introducing the needle through a trocar, continuous suturing, and extracorporeal knot tying ( $p = .02$ ,  $p = .01$ , and  $p = .003$ , respectively). **Conclusion:** The use of an educational video appears to be an effective method for the acquisition of basic laparoscopic suturing skills. *Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology* (2008) 15, 410-413 © 2008 AAGL. All rights reserved.



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### Postgraduate Course Suturing in Laparoscopy

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#### Course Description and Objectives

This course is designed for the practicing gynaecologist looking to improve his ability and capacity in surgical laparoscopy. The technology surrounding surgical laparoscopy has rapidly evolved, but the major improvement in recent years in this field is probably the diffusion of suturing in laparoscopy. This course is designed to provide a limited number of participants with total hands-on experience using the most current technology available for laparoscopic suturing and knotting. The unique aspect of this course will be the incorporation of revolutionary animated stations to provide the ultimate wet-lab experience. This course is limited to 30 participants.

Objectives of the course will be to describe:

- All cases where laparoscopic sutures should be used.
- How to insert and remove needles and threads from the abdominal cavity.
- Basic knots as part of more complex surgical knots.
- Use of two hand suture stitching techniques according to the type of tissues to be sutured and their orientation.
- How to make different types of suture: simple, crossed, introflexed, continuous, etc.
- Transfixion and fixation of anatomical structures to the abdominal wall.
- Use of pre-knotted loops and making "do-as-required" loops for particular case.
- Most useful intracorporeal knots in laparoscopic surgery and knot tying procedures.
- Most useful extracorporeal knots.

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