

## **BLADDER AUGMENTATION CYSTOPLASTY FOR REFRACTORY DETRUSOR INSTABILITY**

### **Synopsis of Video**

This video tape shows a comprehensive approach to bladder augmentation cystoplasty for patients with refractory severe detrusor instability.

The procedure is carried out under general anesthesia. An infraumbilical abdominal incision is made and the retropubic area is gently dissected, avoiding peritoneal opening. The bladder is filled with saline through an urethral catheter, to ease its dissection. A small peritoneal incision is performed and the terminal ileum is identified. Only the segment necessary for identification of the proper ileal area is exposed. Two 3 zero silk sutures are used to select a 30 cm segment of the terminal ileum, far 20 cm from the ileocecal valve. The isolated ileum is checked to verify if it easily adapts to the vesical dome. Then, the mesentery is carefully dissected after the study of the vascular supply to the isolated ileum. After verify the vitality of ileal stumps, a mechanical intestinal anastomosis is made. The isolated ileum is washed with a polyvinyl pyrrolidone antiseptic solution and its anti-mesenteric border is carefully opened permitting its reconfiguration as an U shaped plate, using tight interrupted 3 zero polyglactine sutures. Subsequently, the bladder is transversally opened from one side to another in order to create a posterior vesical flap, allowing to a wide anastomosis. The posterior anastomosis is done using interrupted 3 zero polyglactine stitches. The anterior anastomosis is begun by placing a repair from the middle of the anterior bladder wall to the vertex of the reconfigured ileum. Further, the borders are sutured with 3 zero polyglactine threads, starting from their extremities. Before the end of the suture a 18 French cystostomy catheter is placed to help the post-operative urinary drainage. At the end of the suture the augmented bladder is filled with saline to verify if any significant leakage occurs. The retropubic space is drained with a Penrose and the abdominal wall is sutured in an usual manner.

Although the surgical treatment of detrusor instability remains an exceptional situation, this procedure can be the best and even the unique alternative for a selective group of patients who have previously failed after drug, physiotherapeutic and behavioural conservative measures.