

**Procedure Overview** 

# Radical Nephrectomy with ENDOEYE FLEX 3D



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# **About the Procedure**

### **General Information**

A radical nephrectomy is a surgical procedure where a kidney is completely excised from the body of a patient. The procedure can be performed using an open-surgery or a laparoscopic (trans- or retroperitoneal) approach. However, laparoscopic radical nephrectomy has been shown to result in lower morbidity, improving patient recovery.<sup>1</sup>

#### Indications

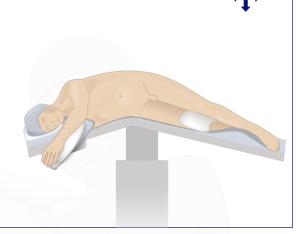
Main indications: malignant diseases, e.g. renal tumors. Other indications: benign diseases, e.g. donor, infection, lithiasis, etc.

### **Patient Positioning**

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Placement in lateral decubitus, with a slight lateral flexion in order to improve the access to the renal bed. The patient's position is secured using an arm holder. The pelvis is surrounded using a drape that will attach the patient to the operating table.



### **Trocar Positioning**

- The camera port is placed on the pararectal line, slightly above the umbilicus. Then the pneumoperitoneum is created.
- The two other ports are placed on each side of the first.



# **Procedure Steps**

### Advantages of ENDOEYE FLEX 3D

The **flexible tip** of the ENDOEYE FLEX 3D<sup>2</sup> enables the surgeon to observe hidden areas in the anatomy more easily with a greater depth and prevents instruments clashing as the scope can be kept away from the surgeon's working area.

### **1. Trocar Placement**

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• ENDOEYE FLEX 3D facilitates trocar placement since the camera will adapt to the morphology of the patient.

#### 4. Lower Pole Lift

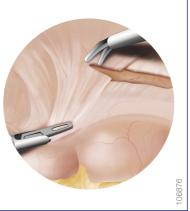


3D

· Identification of vascular structures thanks to depth perception.

## 2. Colon Release to Liberate Anterior Aspect of Kidney and Ureter

- Improved orientation and dissection with continuous vertical orientation of the view.
- Sense of depth dramatically decreases likelihood of causing injury.



#### 3. Identification of the Gonadal Vein and Ureter

• Easier ureter identification due to ability to see rear aspects of any structure without mobilizing it.

### 5. Identification, Dissection and Section of the Vascular Pedicle

- ENDOEYE FLEX 3D enables the posterior aspect of the vascular pedicle to be easily checked in addition to the whole perimeter of a vessel before clipping it.
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- Small vessels can be detected more easy, leading to a decreased risk of hemorrhage.
- The device facilitates delicate and precise movements, allowing the artery



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## Advantages of 3D Imaging

The **visual performance** of 3D imaging enables the surgeon to profit from the unbeatable depth perception. This sense of depth leads to better spatial orientation as well as greater speed and enhanced hand-to-eye coordination.

# 6. Dissection of Multiple Vessels (Gonadal Vein, Adrenal Vein and Posterior Lumbar Vein)

3D

- Flexible tip permits optimal visualization of superior aspect of the vein to ligate the adrenal vein comfortably.
  Better orientation for dissection.
- Precise view of anatomy to avoid injuries.
- Sense of depth for optimal visualization of all branches, so each one can be dealt with independently.



# 7. Kidney Liberation

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• ENDOEYE FLEX 3D enables visibility of the posterior aspect of the kidney without changing the vertical orientation of the

# 8. Kidney Extraction and Closure

- A zenithal view supports the proper inclusion of the specimen into the bag.

## **ENDOEYE FLEX 3D** – Deflectable Videoscope in HD 3D

### **Joystick Handle**

- · Intuitive and smooth angulation.
- Ergonomic design enables stable and customized handling with both hands or one hand.

## **Shortened Tip Length**

· Better approachability inside narrow cavities.

### **New Hold-Lever Design**

· Comfortable and smooth handling.

### **Focus-Free**

- · Greater depth of field.
- · The need for manual focusing is eliminated.



## References

- <sup>1</sup> Allah J.D.D. et al. Laparoscopic Radical Nephrectomy. Eur Urol 2001;40:17-23
- <sup>2</sup> ENDOEYE FLEX 3D (LTF-S300-10-3D Articlenumber: N5781330)

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