Urinary Diversion and Augmentation

4 main types of urinary diversion:
- Ureterosigmoidostomy
  - Mainz II
  - Mansoura rectal bladder
- Ileal conduit
- Cutaneous continent urinary diversion
  - Mainz I
  - Kock pouch
  - Indiana pouch
- Orthotopic urinary diversion
  - Studer pouch
  - Hautmann pouch

4 functional components of lower urinary tract:
- Non-refluxing
- Low pressure reservoir
- Continence mechanism
- Conduit to surface

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Ileal conduit urinary diversion

Originally described by Zaayer in 1911, popularised by Bricker in early 1950s
Reliable, easily performed procedure which has stood test of time
Typically 10-15 cm of ileum, 10-15cm from ileocaecal valve
Uretero-ileal anastomosis: largest data from Bricker (7% stricture, 4% leak);
lowest stricture and leak rate with Wallace Y technique (3% stricture, 2% leak)

Contraindications:
- Short bowel syndrome
- Inflammatory bowel disease
- Pelvic irradiation

Complications
- Early
  - General (Infection, bleeding, DVT/PE)
  - Specific (related to anastomoses)
    - Urine leak
    - Bowel leak
    - Intestinal obstruction/prolonged ileus
    - Stomal necrosis
    - Stomal bleed
- Late
  - General (problems with scar, incisional hernia)
  - Specific
    - Stomal complications 20%
Parastomal hernia
Stomal stenosis
Stomal retraction
Conduit complications
Stenosis
Volvulus
Excessive length
Stone formation
Upper tract dilatation* 30% (of which)
Renal impairment 18%
Dialysis dependence 7%
Death from ESRF 6%
Pyelonephritis (commonest acute complication)
Renal deterioration**
Stone formation
Metabolic complications
Previously thought to be over-reported
Recent studies suggest 13-21% risk of metabolic complications
Typically hyperchloraemic metabolic acidosis and low B12
Psychological
Lower reported QOL and sexual function vs. continent urinary diversion (Gerharz 1998)

* Few studies performed analysing natural history and aetiology of renal unit deterioration. Important to differentiate patients with pre-diversion renal tract dilatation from those with normal units pre-surgery who subsequently develop dilatation. Good study by McNeal (1989) who compared urodynamics in patients with normal upper tracts and those with progressive dilatation after IC. High pressure high amplitude contractions predicted dilatation – half got better after revision of stoma ? due to stoma obstruction. Other causes of obstruction believed to be at uretero-ileal anastomosis, and the left ureter as it courses under the sigmoid mesentery.

** Renal deterioration usually a function of infection, stones or obstruction
Reflux of infected urine particularly damaging, leading to renal dilatation, recurrent pyelonephritis, stone formation and scarring. Good animal evidence to suggest that non-refluxing uretero-ileal anastomoses may prevent upper tract deterioration, but not reproduced in adults: experiments with colonic conduits containing non-refluxing ureters a/w similar upper tract effects.

Ureterosigmoidostomy
Oldest form of clinically applied urinary diversion
Early experience led to very high morbidity and mortality, particularly from obstruction and sepsis – improved somewhat by Leadbetter tunnelled anti-reflux anastomosis in early 1950’s
However, very high intrarectal pressures (up to 200 cm water – Coffey 1911) led to persistent pyelonephritis and incontinence, and thus superseded by ileal conduit urinary diversion
Recent resurgence in interest stimulated by a number of modifications, designed to reduced intraluminal pressure (examples include Mansoura and Mainz II). A number of proponents believe this to be the diversion of choice in patients requiring a urethrectomy, particularly in developing countries as access to external appliances extremely limited.

Mansoura rectal bladder
- Sigmoid intussusception to prevent reflux of urine into colon
- Ileal augmentation of sigmoid to reduce intraluminal pressure
- Ureters anastomosed to form a Kock nipple

Mainz II
- Sigmoid opened longitudinally and closed transversely
- Tunnelled uretersigmoid anastomosis
- Modified Mainz, incorporating ileal chimney

Contraindications
- Poorly functioning anal sphincter (neuropathy, prolapse etc)
  - Exclude with manometry or porridge test
- Pelvic radiotherapy
- Severe sigmoid diverticulosis

Complications

Early
- General
- Specific ~5%
  - Urine leak
  - Bowel leak
  - Intestinal obstruction/prolonged ileus

Late (Relatively scarce long-term data for modified procedures)
- General
- Specific
  - Hyperchloraemic acidosis
    - ~50% of patients
    - Uncorrected may lead to bone demineralisation and osteomalacia – difficult to spot on normal x-ray
    - Usual presentation with acute metabolic acidosis due to intercurrent illness (severe thirst, N+V, salty taste in mouth, fatigue, rectal urge and diarrhoea)
    - treat with rectal catheter, sodium bicarbonate and IV hydration
  - Nocturnal emptying mandatory to avoid severe acidosis
    - Prophylaxis with 100-150 mmol/day sodium bicarbonate

Ureterosigmoid cancers
- ~1500 x increased risk cf. general population
- Affects one third of long-term survivors > 20 yrs post-surgery
- 90% anastomotic
- 95% adenomatous
Faeces and urine admixture crucial for liberation of carcinogenic initiating chemicals (?N-nitroso compounds).
Long lag-time – 18 yrs for benign tumour; 23 yrs for malignant tumour
Renal deterioration
Limited long-term data
Similar results to IC urinary diversion
Incontinence – very low
Daytime >99%
Night-time 97%

**Cutaneous continent urinary diversions**

Multiple differing procedures reported
Many reliant on clean intermittent self catheterisation, popularised by Lapides (1972). All require a low pressure reservoir and continence mechanism
Long-term results impaired by difficulties maintaining long-term continence mechanisms and conduit patency
Subsequently superseded by orthotopic bladder substitution techniques, utilising rhabdosphincter and urethra.
Thus, the use of a cutaneous continent urinary diversion tends to be reserved as an option for patients after urethrectomy.

![Tissues that may be used in the construction of continence urinary diversions](image)

Examples:
- **Kock pouch**
  - Ileal reservoir
  - Intussuscepted ileal nipples - x1 to ureters, x1 to skin to form catheterisable conduit
- **Mainz I**
  - Caecum and ascending colon detubularised and closed
  - Tunnelled ureters into wall of reservoir
  - IC valve intussuscepted into pouch
  - Catheterisable ileal conduit
- **Indiana**
  - Detubularised caecum
  - IC valve forms continence mechanism
  - Ileal catheterisable conduit
Contraindications to retentive diversion
Renal impairment
   eGFR < 60ml/min
   Urine pH < 5.8 after ammonium chloride loading test
   Osmolality < 600mosm/kg in response to water deprivation
Hepatic impairment
Bowel dysfunction
   Short bowel syndrome (<1.5m)
   Inflammatory bowel syndrome
   Previous pelvic radiotherapy
Long-term chemotherapy*/disease modifying drugs (e.g. methotrexate)
Psychiatric disorder
Unable or unwilling to perform CISC
Possibly age > 65 years (higher nocturnal eneuresis with orthotopics)

* All patients undergoing short-term chemotherapy require pouch catheterisation beforehand to prevent toxicity

Complications of retention diversion
Infection
Stone formation
   Particularly bad when staples are present in reservoir
Upper tract dilatation
   Equivalent to ileal conduit
   As cutaneous continent diversions cannot leak anti-reflux mechanism mandatory to avoid upper tract dilatation. Less important with Studer pouch/chimney
Renal impairment
Reservoir rupture
   Severe complication
   Occurs in ~1% of cases (kids >> adults)
   Sudden onset of abdominal pain, peritonitis and reduced catheterisation volume (Treat with IVI, IVAbx and catheter, with recourse to laparotomy if fails to settle).
Metabolic abnormalities
   Typically hyperchloreamic metabolic acidosis
Malignancy
   True risk of malignancy in patients with bowel mucosa exposed to urine (without faeces) is unknown
   No malignant neoplasms in ileal conduits (adenomas occasionally)
   A small number of pouch neoplasias have been identified, a majority in patients with diversion for TB bladder. Interestingly most occurred around anastomosis, suggesting urothelium may be susceptible rather than enteric mucosa.
   High levels of nitrosamines identified in cystoplasties, particularly in those with positive urine cultures: ?bowel mucosa permissive for persistent infection, leading to bacterial conversion of urine, with subsequent initiation of cancer in urothelium.
Orthotopic bladder substitution
Currently favoured bladder substitution method in those with retained functioning urethra and sphincter
Originally pioneered by Camey and DeLuc in 1979
Many different reported technique, including Camey II, Hautmann W, Studer (see below), and orthotopic forms of Mainz and Kock.

All obviates need for bag, neo-sphincter mechanism or catheterisable conduit
Vast majority of patients dry, without requirement for ISC – usually empty bladder to completion by valsalva and relaxation of pelvic floor
However well known that neoblisters expand (up to seven fold) with time and requirement for ISC may develop in up to 30% after 5 yrs
Similar complications to continent urinary diversions above

Quality of life and urinary diversion
Early studies showed no difference between IC and continent diversion for a number of parameters
More recently widely believed that continent diversion is superior to IC in terms of sexual relationships self esteem and social interaction.
However, no randomised controlled trial
Two carefully performed reviews both concluded that there is insufficient evidence that one diversion better than another (Porter; Gerharz; both J Urol 2005) - emphasises requirement for careful patient counselling and selection prior to diversion