

## Uterine tumors

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- Tumors of the uterine body
  - Cervical tumors
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- Benign (leiomyoma, polyp)
  - Malignant (sarcoma, endometrial cancer)

## Benign tumors of the uterine body

- Leiomyoma
- Endometrial polyp

## Leiomyoma

- Body (cervix, Fallopian tubes, ovary, vagina, vulva, ligament, GIT)
- 20-50% of women
- Most common diagnosis
- 35-45 years; after menopause occurs involution

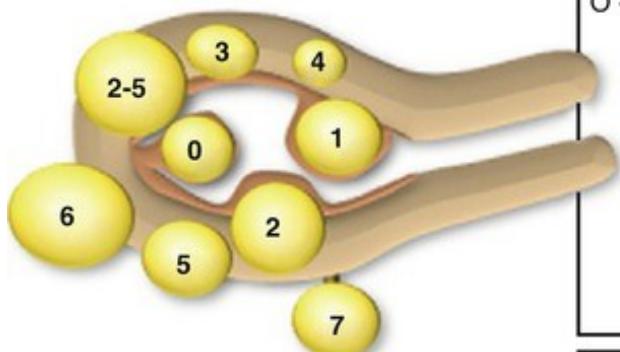
## Leiomyoma

- Classification according to localization:
  - Subkumosal (ev. nascent)
  - Intramurals
  - Subserous (ev. stopwatch)
  - Intraligamentous
- Degenerative changes
  - Hyalinization, mukoid degeneration, cystic degeneration, kacification

## Leiomyoma

- Classification according to localization:

Leiomyoma  
subclassification  
system



SM - Submucosal	0	Pedunculated intracavitary
	1	<50% Intramural
	2	≥50% Intramural
O - Other	3	Contacts endometrium; 100% intramural
	4	Intramural
	5	Subserosal ≥50% intramural
	6	Subserosal <50% intramural
	7	Subserosal pedunculated
	8	Other (specify e.g. cervical, parasitic)

Hybrid leiomyomas (impact both endometrium and serosa)	Two numbers are listed separated by a hyphen. By convention, the first refers to the relationship with the endometrium while the second refers to the relationship to the serosa. One example is below	
	2-5	Submucosal and subserosal, each with less than half the diameter in the endometrial and peritoneal cavities, respectively.

## Leiomyoma

### Symptomatology

- 60-90% asymptomatic
- Irregular uterine bleeding, hypermenorrhoea, anemization
- Lower abdominal pain
- Urinary symptoms (pressure on the bladder, urine retention)
- Obstipation
- Sterility / infertility

## Leiomyoma

### Etiology

- Hormonal dysregulation (hyperestrogenismus)
- Genetic causes
- Anthropometric influences (BMI)

### Diagnosis

- Palpation, gynecological examination
- Ultrasound
- Complementary methods – CT, MR
- Invasive methods – LSK, HSK
- Histology – final diagnosis

## Leiomyoma

### Therapy – conservative approach

- Elimination of the symptoms / myoma volume reduction
- Non steroid anflogistics
- HAK, depot gestogens – reduction of blood loss, dysmenorrhoea
- GnRh analogs – arteficial menopause – reduction of blood loss + myoma volume reduction

## Leiomyoma

### Therapy – surgical

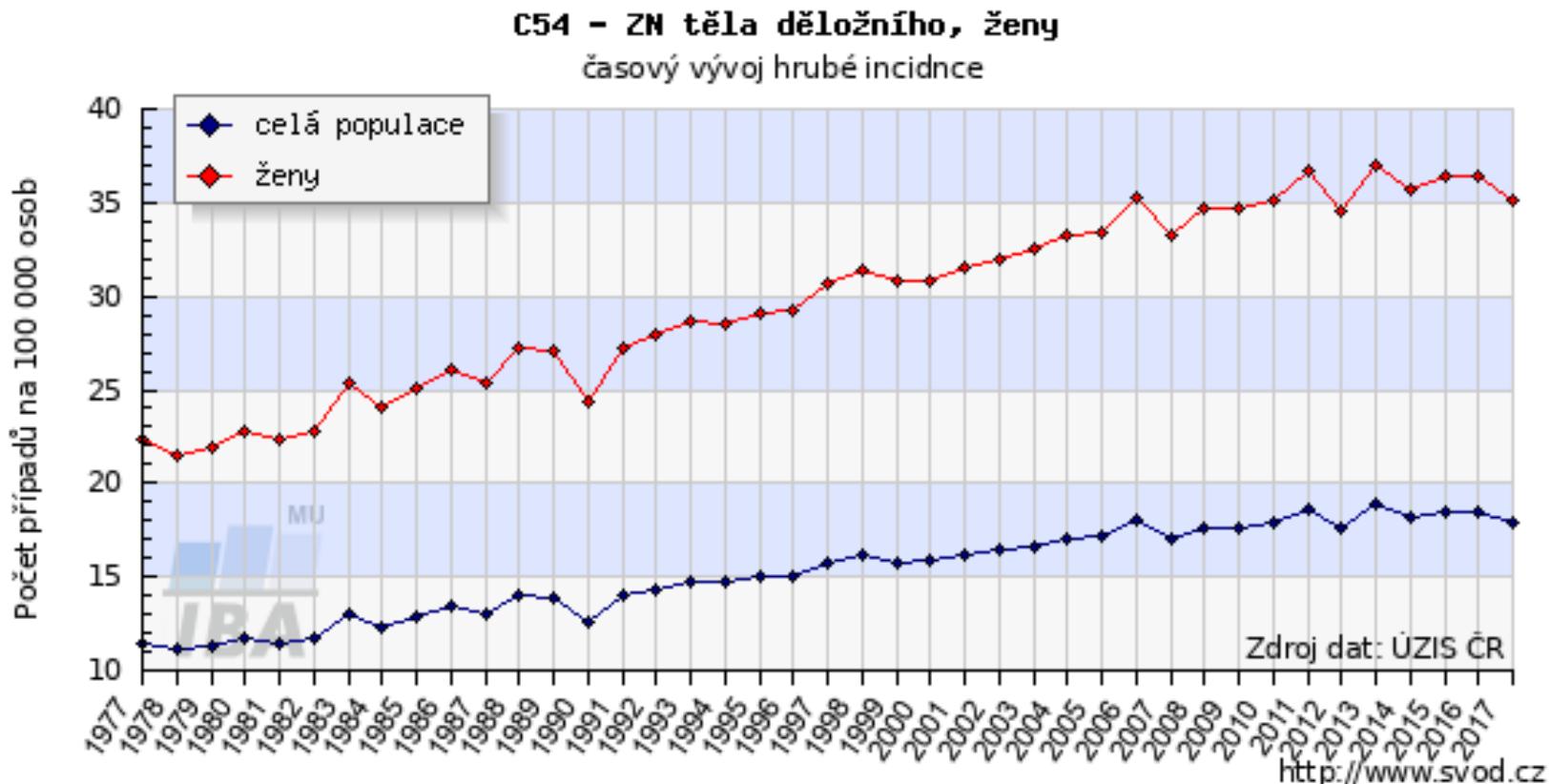
- Myoma **enucleation** - laparotomic, laparoscopic, hysteroscopic
  - younger women, interests in fertility
- **Hysterectomy** - abdominal, vaginal, laparoscopic
- (preoperative preparation – 3 month application of GnRh analogs)

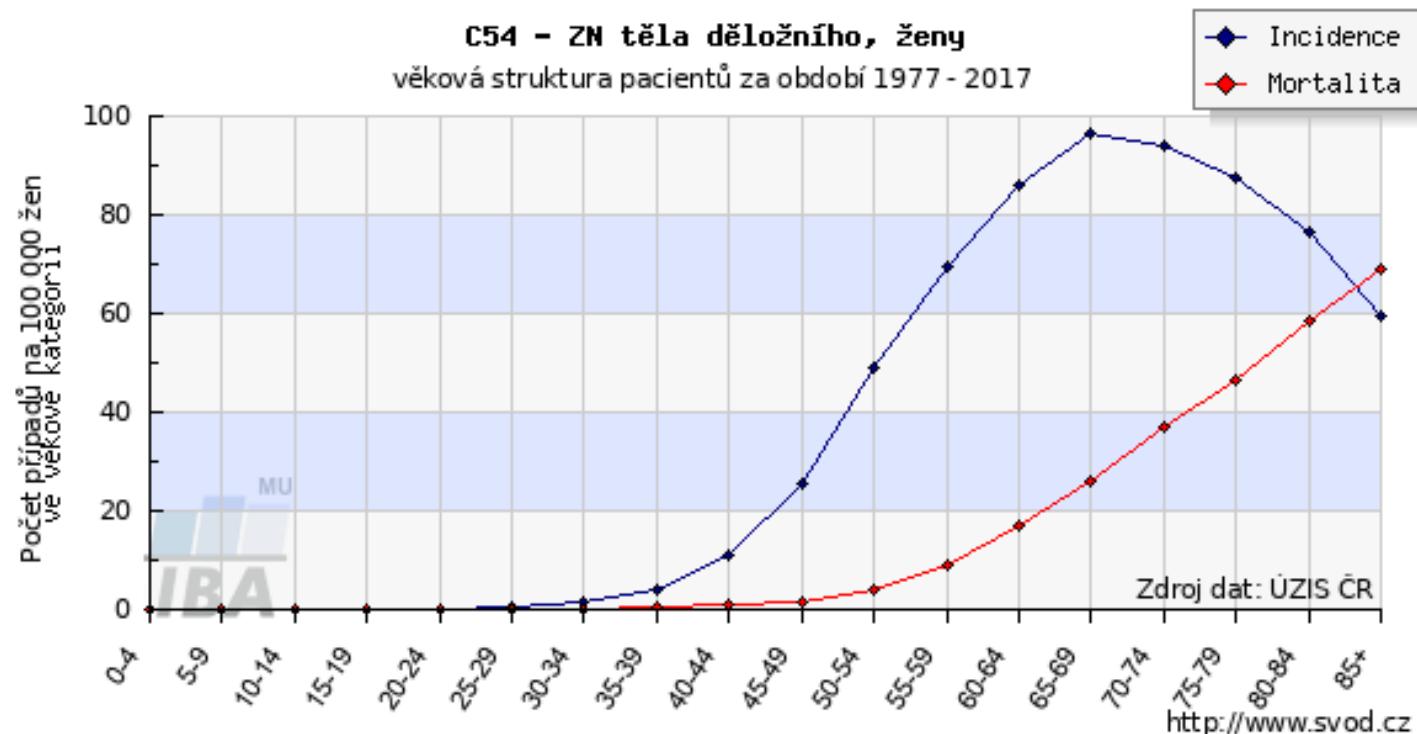
## Corporal polyp

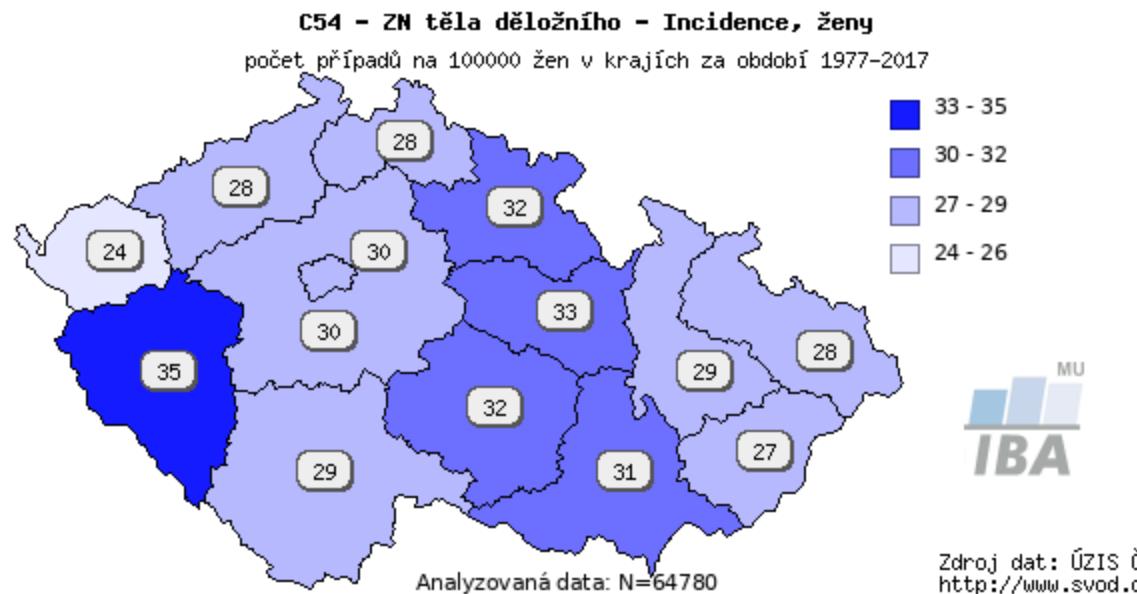
- Grows out of the pars basalis
- Most frequent localisation – uterine fundus
- Hyperplastic, atrophic, functional
- Mostly asymptomatic X irregular uterine bleeding, pain
- Diagnosis: ultrasound, hysteroscopy
- Therapy: surgical – curettage, HSK

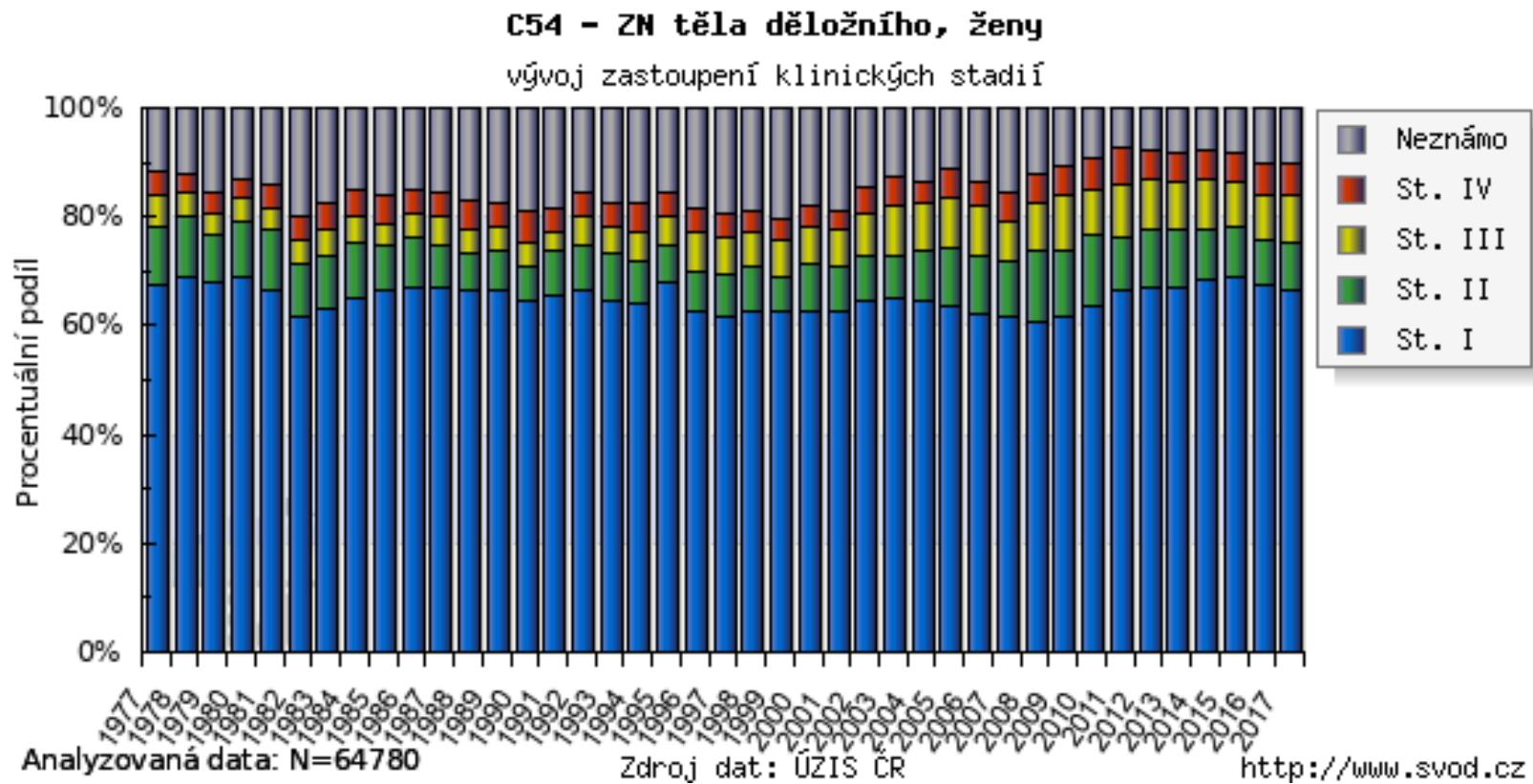
## **Malignant tumors of the uterine body – uterine cancer – endometrial carcinoma**

- 3.-4. most common malignancy in the world (breast, colorectal, lung)
- the most common gynecological malignancy in developed countries
- absence of screening (ultrasound, hysteroscopy, cytology)
- relatively good prognosis, 75 - 88% of patients in IA a IB stages survive more than 5 years following diagnosis
- low incidence in African countries
- two times higher incidence in white race









## Histologic types of uterine tumors

### Epithelial tumors (98%)

- endometrioid adenocarcinoma (squamous component., viloglandular comp., secreting, sertoliform, microglandular) (78-80%)
- mucinous (1-9%)
- clear cell (2%)
- uterine papillary serous (<10%)
- spinocelular (<1%)
- Neuroendocrine Carcinoma of the Endometrium (NECa): LG -carcinoïd,  
HG –small cell and large cell neuroendocrine carcinoma
- mixed (**I.+ II. type**)
- *malignant mixed müllerian tumor: carcinosarcoma*

### Mesenchymal tumors

- leiomyosarcoma
- endometrial stromal sarcoma (low i high grade)
- undifferentiated uterine sarcoma (high grade)
- Rare types (rhabdomyosarcoma...)

## Type I

- 80 - 85 % off all cases
- based on endometrial hyperplasia
- the most common somatic abnormalities: microsatellite instability (associated with Lynch syndrome), mutation: PTEN, PIK3CA, PIK3R1, K-ras, β-catenin (squamous differentiation of endometrial carcinoma)
- typical histologic types: low grade endometrial carcinoma, mucinous adenocarcinoma
- better prognosis

## Type II

- 15-20 % of all cases
- unclear etiopathogenesis, frequently appeared on a background of an atrophic endometrium, not connected with hyperestrinism and endometrial hyperplasia, absence of risk factors typical for I. Type, in most cases hormonally independent (ER-, PR-)
- worse prognosis than I type, older patients (60 y.o. and older)
- the most frequent somatic abnormalities: mutation in p53, chromosomal instability, approximately 25% HER-2 amplification
- usual histological types: serous carcinoma, high grade endometrioid carcinoma , clear cell

## Risk factors

### Type I:

- women at age 55 and above (the risk of cancer increases with age)
- obesity (BMI  $\square$  30increasing risk 3-4x)
- early menarche, late menopause, nulliparity, anovulation, polycystic ovary syndrome, long-term tamoxifen use
- hypertension
- diabetes mellitus
- Genetic risk factors: approx. 5 % of endometrial carcinoma cases are hereditary
  - The manifestation of cancer is 10-20 years earlier than in non-hereditary (sporadic) forms
  - In case of **Lynch** syndrome II (HNPCC = Hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer) – the risk of endometrial cancer is 30-60 %
  - Endometrial cancer is typically manifested prior to colorectal carcinoma

### Type II:

- uncertain ethiopathogenesis

## Protective factors

- multiparity RR 0,5 (after 1st. delivery only 50% risk compared to nulliparous women)
- vegetarian lifestyle, sufficient intake of vitamin A and C
- combined oral contraceptive use more than 5 years RR 0,5 (lasting effect for 10-15 years)
- smoking RR 0,5-0,7
- IUS (intrauterine system) – Mirena, RR 0,6
- physical activity

## Endometrial hyperplasia – risk of carcinoma progression

- simplex endometrial hyperplasia ..... 1 %
- complex endometrial hyperplasia ..... 3 %
  
- simplex atypical endometrial hyperplasia ..... 8 % precancerous condition
- complex atypical endometrial hyperplasia ..... 29-40 %
  
- serous intraepithelial carcinoma (serous and clear cell carcinoma type II)

<b>TNM</b>	<b>FIGO stages</b>	<b>Surgical-pathologic findings</b>
TX		Primary tumor cannot be assessed
T0		No evidence of primary tumor
Tis*		Carcinoma in situ (preinvasive carcinoma)
T1	I	Tumor confined to corpus uteri
T1a	IA	Tumor limited to endometrium or invades less than one half of the myometrium
T1b	IB	Tumor invades one half or more of the myometrium
T2	II	Tumor invades stromal connective tissue of the cervix but does not extend beyond uterus**
T3a	IIIA	Tumor involves serosa and/or adnexa (direct extension or metastasis)
T3b	IIIB	Vaginal involvement (direct extension or metastasis) or parametrial involvement
	IIIC	Metastases to pelvic and/or para-aortic lymph nodes
	IV	Tumor invades bladder mucosa and/or bowel mucosa, and/or distant metastases
T4	IVA	Tumor invades bladder mucosa and/or bowel mucosa (bullosum edema is not sufficient to classify a tumor as T4)
M0		No distant metastasis
M1	IVB	Distant metastasis (includes metastasis to inguinal lymph nodes, intraperitoneal disease, or lung, liver, or bone metastases; it excludes metastasis to para-aortic lymph nodes, vagina, pelvic serosa, or adnexa)

## Prognostic factors

- stage of disease (FIGO, TNM)
- quality of surgical treatment

### Negative prognostic factors:

- lymph node metastatic lesion (quantity, size), extrauterine spread, the depth of myometrial invasion, cervical invasion, tumor size greater than 2cm, invasion in lymphatic vessels
- L1CAM positivity, loss of ER, PR, mutations in the p53
- Histological type: typ II (a 5 year surveillance 58 % in comparison to 83 % in type I)
- Other negative prognostic factors: age of 60 and above, radiotherapy for the primary treatment

### Positive prognostic factors:

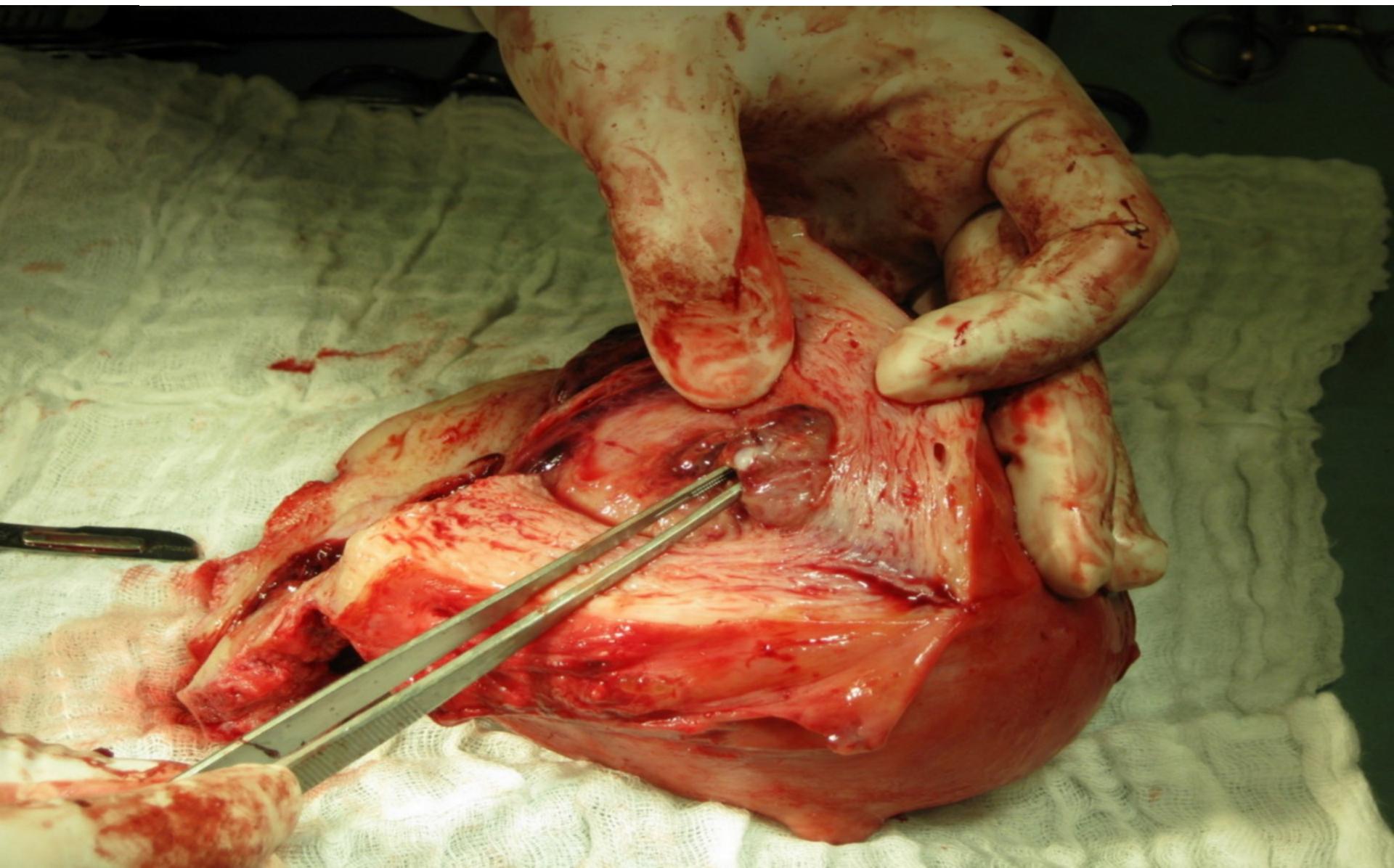
- Progesteron receptors positivity (type I), significant lymphoplasmocellular infiltration

## Prognostic factors

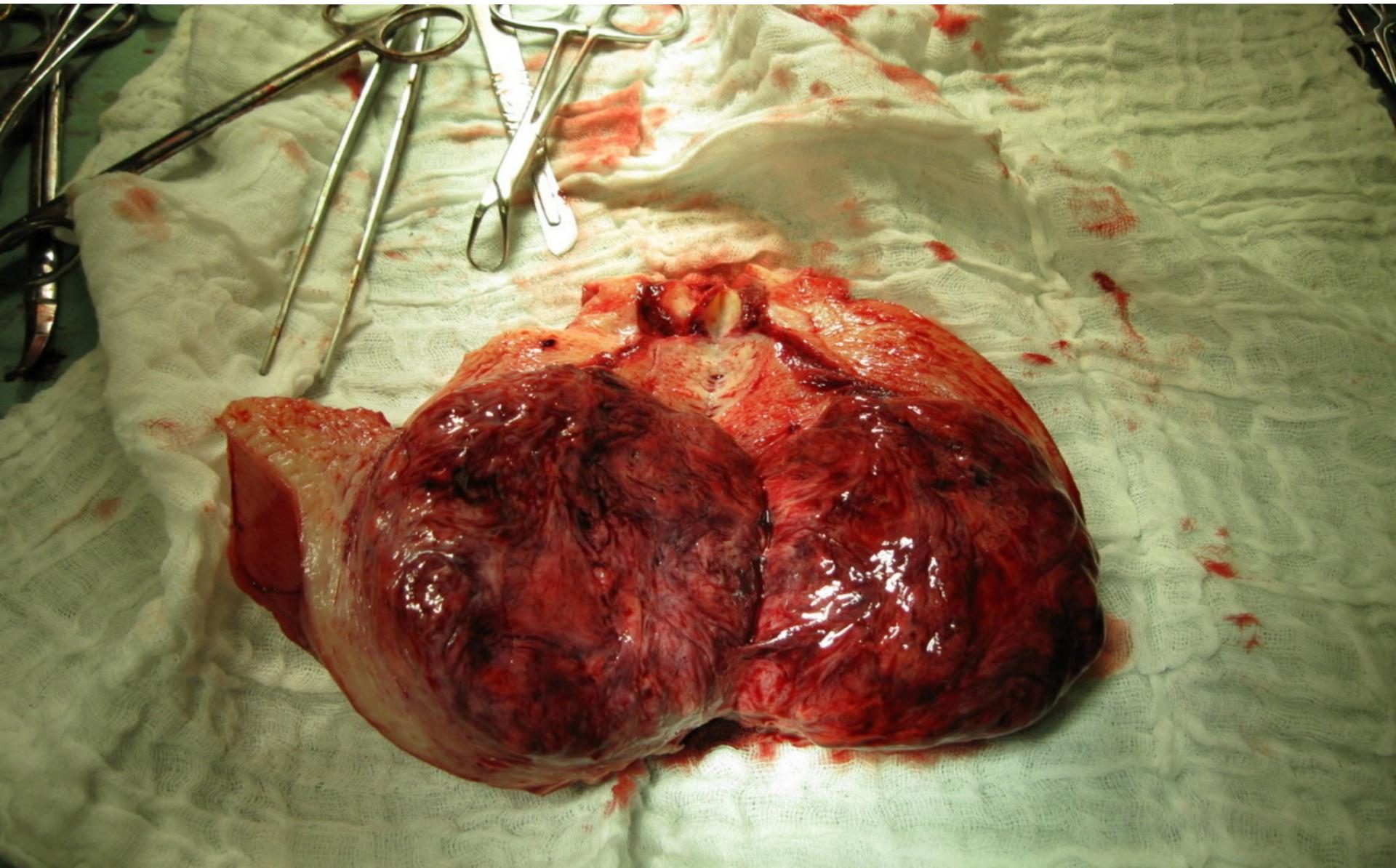
- According to known prognostic factors, it is possible to divide stadium I to 3 categories with different therapeutic approach (ESGO, ESMO guidelines).
- **Low risk:** stage IA, grade 1-2, type I (endometrioid)
- **Intermediate risk:** stage IA, grade 3, type I (endometrioid)
  - stage IB, grade 1-2, type I (endometrioid)
- **High risk:** stage IB, grade 3, type I (endometrioid)
  - non-endometrioid types

### In relation to extensiveness of surgery

- Low risk
- High risk



Uterine cancer  
High risk type



Five-year disease-specific survival rates in accordance with stages

Stage	5 year survival rates
I	78 – 90 %
II	74 %
III	36 – 57 %
IV	20 %

# Clinical symptoms

## Early stages

- irregular vaginal bleeding in premenopausal women
- postmenopausal vaginal bleeding
- vaginal discharge

## Advanced stage of cancer

- pelvic pain, sacroiliac pain
- hematuria
- enterorrhagia

## Asymptomatic patients (based on ultrasound examination)

# Diagnosis

## Absence of screening method !!!

- **Prebioptic methods**
  - ultrasound examination
  - cytodiagnostic techniques
- **Bioptic methods**
  - Pipelle endometrial sampling
  - dilatation & curettage
  - hysteroscopy with endometrial biopsy

## Staging

### Obligatory

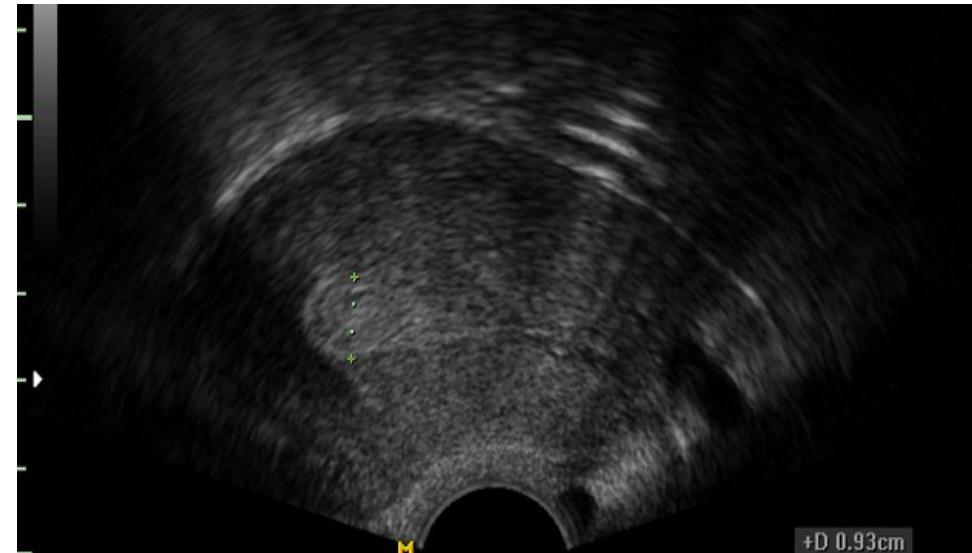
- Gynecologic examination
- Expert ultrasound of abdomen and pelvis
- Chest x-ray
- Laboratory tests, Internist examination

### Facultative

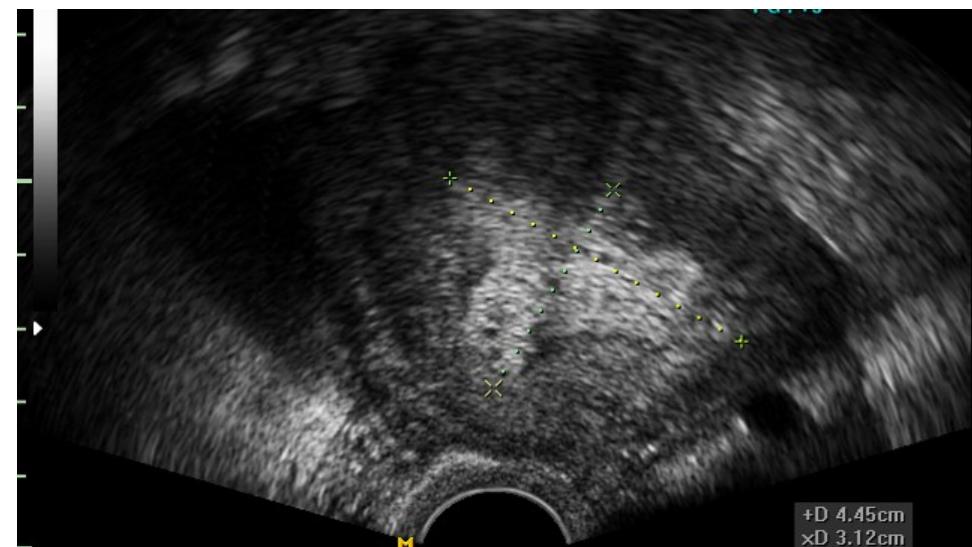
- MR of abdomen and pelvis (ev. PET/MR, PET/CT)
- Cystoscopy
- Rectoscopy (colonoscopy)
- Tumor markers (CA125, HE4)

## Expert ultrasound examination

Tumor in endometrial polyp limited to endometrium (without myometrium invasion)

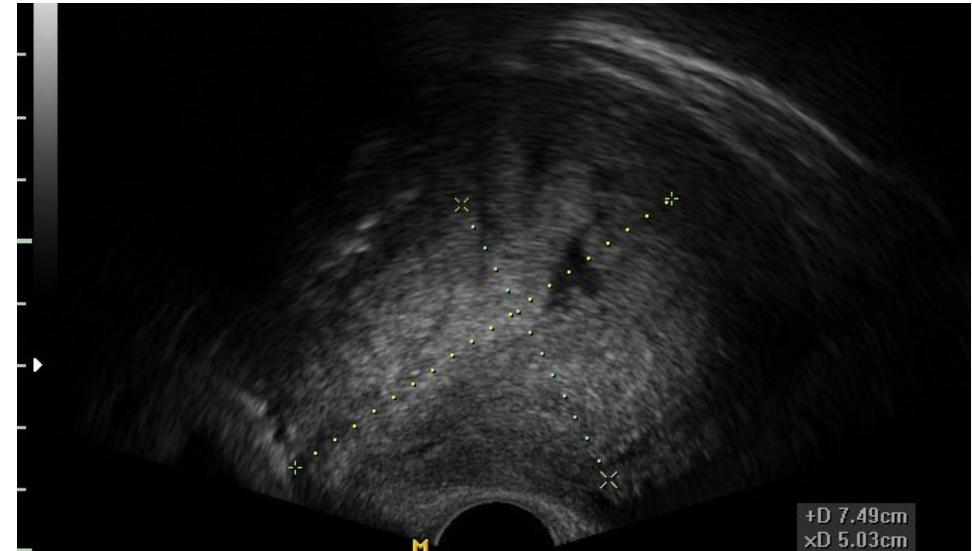


Tumor invades less than one half of the myometrium



Expert ultrasound examination

Tumor invades one half  
or more of the  
myometrium



Deeply invasive  
tumor with high  
colour score in  
Doppler mode



## Therapy

- Surgical treatment - method of choice
- Radiotherapy
- Chemotherapy – advanced stages of cancer
- Hormonal therapy – relapsed cancer

## Surgical treatment

Low risk – Hysterectomy + bilateral adnexitomy

High risk - Hysterectomy + bilateral adnexitomy + aortopelvic lymphadenectomy (+ infracolic omentectomy in serous histologic type)

Advanced stages - Cytoreductive surgery, including pelvic exenteration in IVA stage

## Surgical treatment

### Surgical approaches

#### Miniinvasive (laparoscopic, robotick)

- low risk patients
- selected high risk patients  
(without age and comorbidity limitation due to the Trendelenburg position)



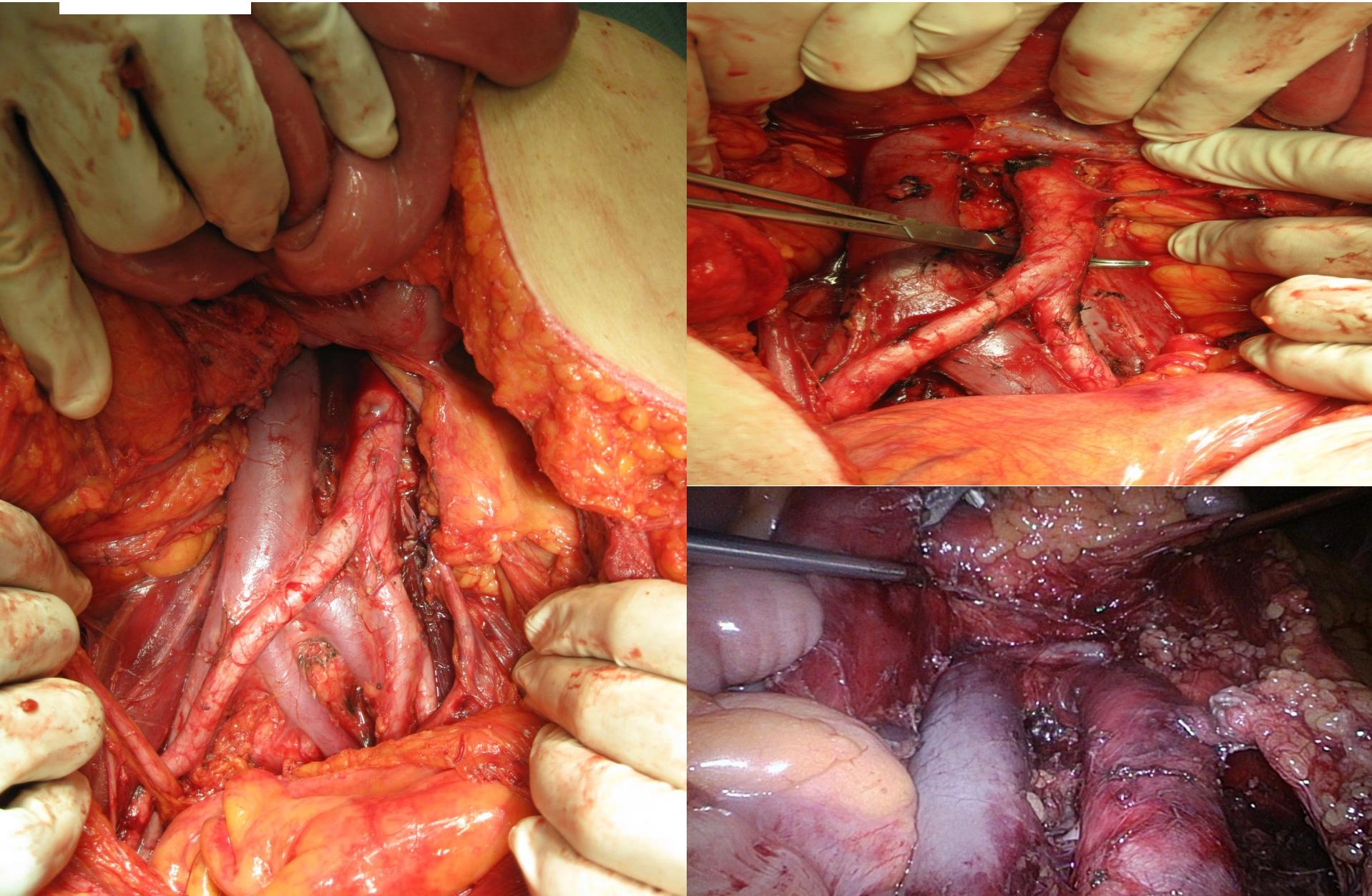
# Surgical treatment

## Surgical approaches

### Laparotomy

- Patients contraindicated to miniinvasive surgery (comorbidity, advanced stage of disease)
  - suprapubic incision - low risk
  - midline laparotomy - high risk, advanced stage of disease





## Surgical treatment

- **high risk** – in more than 50% cases with negative lymph nodes
- **lymph nodes positivity**
  - : 50% pelvic region
  - : 30% pelvic and paraaortic lymph nodes lesion in the same time
  - : 20% isolated paraaortic lymph node lesion

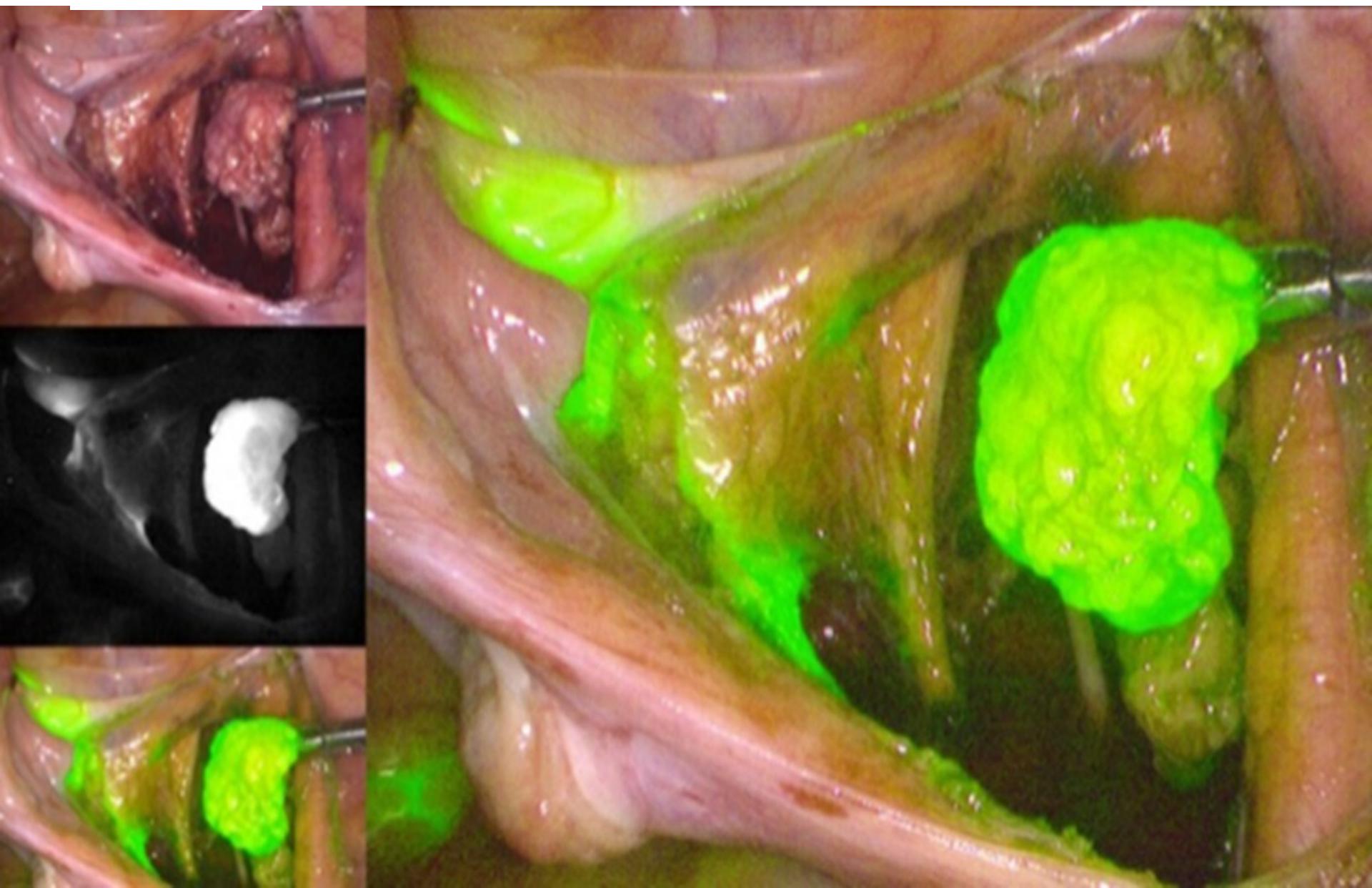
### DEVELOPMENT OF NEW METHODS FOR SENTINEL LYMPH NODES

#### DETECTION

## Surgical treatment

### SENTINEL NODES DETECTION METHODS

- subserous myometrial application
- Hysteroscopic subendometrial application near the tumor
- **Intracervical application (PREFERENCE !)**  
: „double detection technique“ – radioisotope + + methylene blue dye x ICG (indocyanin green)



**Thank you for your  
attention**