## Lung Conservation Surgery Techniques for Lung Cancer

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None















### <u>Overview</u>

- Sublobar resections:
- -Wedge resection
- -Segmentectomy
- Sleeve resection







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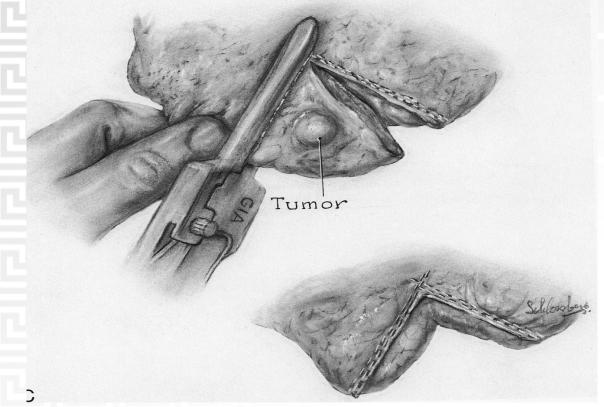




 Wedge: Removal of a non-anatomic portion of lung containing tumor. Cuts across lymphatic, vascular, and bronchial structures.

 Segmentectomy: Removal of an anatomic pulmonary segment (artery, vein, bronchus) containing tumor.

 Both resections can be done using minimally invasive and standard surgical techniques





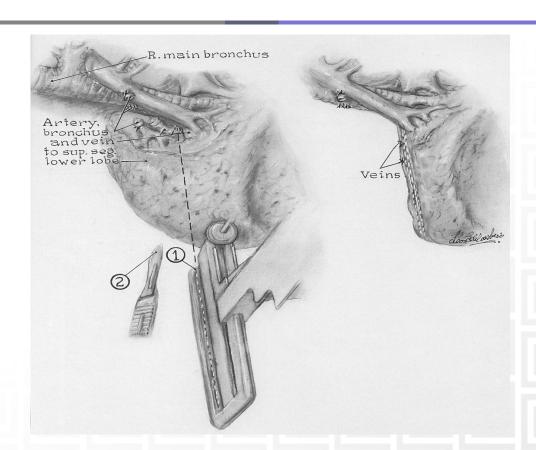
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## Operative outcomes

 Anatomic surgical resection and mediastinal lymph node dissection or sampling remains the standard treatment for early stage lung cancer.

#### STS database review, June 2014:

#### **Mortality**

Lobectomy: 1-2% 55-64yrs, 2-3% 65-80yrs

Pneumonectomy (<15% of cases): 4-15%

Sublobar resection: 0.5-1%

Prolonged Hospital Stay (>14 days)

5%- 55-64yrs 6%- 65-80yrs







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#### Post-operative lung function results are not consistent

- Variation in amount of lung resected
- Variation in patient pre-op cardiopulmonary function status
- Variation in method of resection (VATS vs. Thoracotomy)
- Variation in amount and location of COPD

Kouritas et al Ann Transl Med 2017;5(7):169







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		n		% of W/S patients			Patient Characteristics		% 5-year Survival			% Local Recurrence		
First Author Year	Design	Lobe	W/S	% Wedge	% able to have lobe	% GGO <sup>a</sup>	Stage	Size (cm)	Lobe	W/S	p	Lobe	W/S	р
Sublobar Resection as an Elective Alternative														
Ginsberg 1995 <sup>95,96</sup>	RCT	127	120	32	100	few	Ia	≤3cm	73	56	.06	7	18	0.009
Okada 2006 <sup>97</sup>	Prosp <sup>b</sup>	260	305	12	100	Many	Ia	≤2cm	89	89	NS		-	
Koike 2003 <sup>98</sup>	Prosp <sup>b</sup>	159	74	14	100	-	Ia	≤2cm	90	89	NS	1	3	-
Large Database Com	parisons													
Kates 20119	SEER	1402	688	-	-	-	Ia	≤1cm	HR 1.12 NS		-	-	-	
Wisnivesky <sup>c</sup> 2010 <sup>100</sup>	SEER	969	196	-	-	16 <sup>d</sup>	Ia	≤2cm	HR 1.10° NS			-	-	
Case-matched and Selected Uncontrolled Comparisons														
Martin-Ucar <sup>e</sup> 2005 <sup>101</sup>	Retro	17 <sup>f</sup>	17	0	0	-	Ia,b	-	64	70	NS	12	0	NS
Iwasaki 2004 <sup>102</sup>	Retro	55	31	0		-	Ia	≤2cm	73	70	NS	4	3	NS
El Sherif 2006 <sup>103</sup>	Retro	577	207	59	0		I	≤3cm	54	40	0.004	8	15	0.02
Wolf 2011 <sup>104</sup>	Retro	172	66	64	-	Few <sup>g</sup>	Ia	≤2cm	80	59	0.003	8	16	NS
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Schuchert 2007 <sup>106</sup>	Retro	246	182	0	most	Few	I	≤3cm	83	82	NS	5	8	NS
Schuchert 2011 <sup>107</sup>	Retro	32	75	71	most	-	I	≤1cm	64	55/73 <sup>h</sup>	NS	3	3	NS
Campione 2004 <sup>108</sup>	Retro	98	22	0	0	-	Ia	≤3cm	65	62	NS	2	19	
Kilic 2009 <sup>109</sup>	Retro	106	78	0	-	-	Ia,b	-	47	46	NS	4	6	NS
Kodama 1997 <sup>110</sup>	Retro	77	64	5	73	-	Ia	≤3cm	88	93/48i	NS	1	2/12 <sup>i</sup>	NS/0.02i

Howington, JA CHEST 2013; 143(5)(Suppl):e278S-e313S







- Prospectively collected database of Stage IA lung cancers underwent either lobectomy (146) or segmentectomy (46)
- Propensity matched comparison
- Lobectomy had more lymph nodes
- No difference between by technique for RFS or CSS
- Segmentectomy is equivalent to lobectomy for carefully selected cT1N0 lung cancers
- Additional lymph node sampling did not translate into increased survival







- SEER database review of 16,819 patients undergoing resection for Stage IA lung cancer
- For tumors <1.0cm: no difference in LCSS between lobectomy, segmentectomy and wedge resection
- For tumors 1.1-2.0cm: no difference in LCSS between lobectomy and segmentectomy but both were superior to wedge resection
- For tumors 2.1-3.0cm: lobectomy had superior LCSS to both segmentectomy and wedge resection

Cao, J Ann Thorac Surg 2018;105:1483-91







- ACCP Guidelines (2013):
- -For patients with clinical stage I and II NSCLC who are medically fit for surgical resection, a lobectomy rather than sublobar resection is recommended (Grade1B).
- -For patients with clinical stage I NSCLC who may tolerate operative intervention but not a lobar resection due to decreased pulmonary function or comorbid disease, sublobar resection is recommended over nonsurgical therapy (Grade 1B).
- -During sublobar resection of solid tumors in compromised patients, it is recommended that margins greater than the maximal tumor diameter for lesions less than 2 cm should be achieved; for tumors larger than 2 cm at least 2 cm gross margins should be sought to minimize the likelihood of a positive margin and/or local recurrence (Grade 1C).







• ACCP Lung Cancer Guidelines (2013):

-In patients with major increased risk of perioperative mortality or competing causes of death (due to age related or other co-morbidities), an anatomic sublobar resection (segmentectomy) over a lobectomy is suggested (Grade 2C).

-For patients with a clinical stage I predominantly ground glass opacity (GGO) lesion 2 cm, a sublobar resection with negative margins is suggested over lobectomy (Grade 2C).







#### Sublobar Resection: Selection Criteria

- Tumor size: <2cm ideal (peripheral)</p>
- Segmentectomy>wedge resection
- Margin: margin to tumor ratio>1
- Histology: MIA, AIS, synchronous primary
- Mediastinal lymph node dissection/sampling

Okada M et al. *J Thorac Cardiovasc Surg* 2005;129(1):87-93 Sawabata N et al. *Ann Thorac Surg* 2004;72(2):415-420 Noguchi M et al. *Cancer* 2007;75(12):2844-2852







#### Patient

- 56 year old AF female
- Hx: Hypertension

Gerd (Barrett's esophagus)

**Smoking** 

- Low dose CT chest for screening 1/20/16 shows no lung nodules
- Repeat CT chest 3/23/17 shows new 1.2cm GGO with 9mm solid component
- PET/CT shows no uptake in nodule, mediastinum or extra-thoracic tissues
- Excellent performance status and PFT



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#### Localization

 Pt brought to IR suite and underwent CT guided placement of parenchymal coils to aid in localization











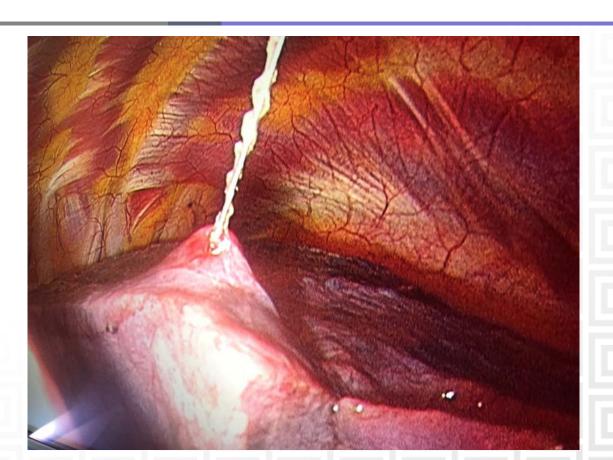
#### Surgery

 Brought to OR and underwent Right VATS with upper lobe sub-lobar resection and mediastinal lymph node dissection















#### Pathology

- Minimally invasive adenocarcinoma 4mm
- All margins negative for tumor
- All lymph nodes (10) negative for tumor
- Stage T1aN0M0 (stage Ia)

#### Follow up

At one year, CT scan shows no evidence of recurrent tumor





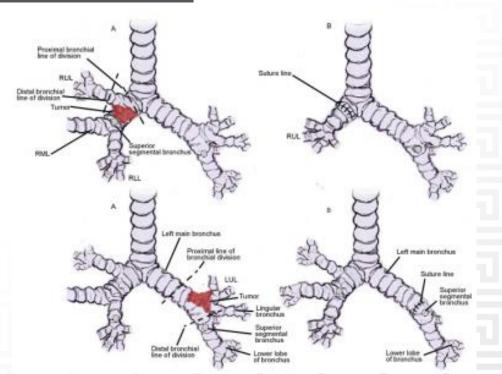


- Bronchial sleeve resections are defined as removal of a segment of a main bronchus, typically in conjunction with the involved lobar or segmental bronchus and associated lung tissue with subsequent construction of a bronchial anastomosis.
- Allows for preservation of uninvolved lung tissue and thus lung function
- Technically demanding and may also require vascular sleeve resection
- Can be done via VATS or Robotic applications















- Prospective, multicenter observational trial
- 51 Sleeve resection, 68 Pneumonectomy (included induction Rx)
- No difference in 5 year survival and overall recurrence rate
- Loco-regional recurrence rate higher in sleeve resections
- Lymph node involvement and right sided operations were risk factors for locoregional recurrence with sleeve resection

Cusumano, G Ann Thorac Surg 2014;98:975-83







- ACCP Lung Cancer Guidelines (2013):
- -For patients with clinical stage I or II central NSCLC in whom a complete resection can be achieved, a sleeve or bronchoplastic resection is suggested over a pneumonectomy (Grade 2C).







#### Conclusions

- Lung preservation techniques (sublobar and sleeve resections) can be used in properly selected lung cancer patients with comparable oncologic results
- Lung preservation techniques can be applied using minimally invasive platforms with subsequent reduced morbidity and hospital stays
- In the era of lung cancer screening, the potential for use of these techniques may increase and potentiate lung cancer survival improvement







## Thank you!