Supplementary Table 1 - Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria from HTAs of robotic prostatectomy (and others)

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| **HTA Body/Author** | **Country, Date** | **Comparators** | **Inclusion Criteria** | **Conclusions from Clinical Evidence** |
| University of Alberta | Canada, 2017 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy, radiation therapy and cryoablation | Randomized and non-randomized controlled trials; Cohort studies; Case-control studies | Improved oncological, functional and perioperative outcomes compared with open surgery.  Comparable oncological, functional and perioperative outcomes compared with laparoscopic surgery. |
| HIQA | Ireland, 2011 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy & Hysterectomy | Systematic reviews; meta-analyses; technology assessments; randomized controlled trials; controlled clinical trials; observational studies, clinical practice guidelines | Improved oncological, functional and perioperative outcomes compared with open surgery.  Comparable oncological, functional and perioperative outcomes compared with laparoscopic surgery. |
| University of Calgary | British Columbia, Canada, 2021 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy | Previous HTAs and Clinical Guidelines |  |
| NIHR | UK/England 2012 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy | Randomized Controlled Trials and non-randomized comparative studies.  Case-series for estimates of learning curve effects, only |  |
| Health Quality Ontario | Canada, 2017 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy | Randomized controlled trials (RCTs), prospective comparative nonrandomized studies, and systematic reviews | Reduced length of stay and blood loss (moderate quality evidence) but had no difference or inconclusive results for functional and oncological outcomes (low to moderate quality evidence). Compared with laparoscopic radical prostatectomy, robot-assisted radical prostatectomy had no difference in perioperative, functional, and oncological outcomes (low to moderate quality evidence). |
| Swiss Medical Board | Switzerland, 2018 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy & Hysterectomy | Previous Cochrane reviews of RCTs | Do not report clinical outcomes. |
| CONITEC – National Committee for Technology Incorporation | Brazil, 2018 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy | Previous HTAs, Systematic reviews, and RCTs | RAS has some potential benefits related to blood loss, transfusions, and sexual function. Other benefits pointed out include urinary continence, and LOS due to lower rates of perioperative complications. However, given the wide confidence intervals presented and the low quality of studies, it is not possible to conclusively state that there are statistically significant benefits in favor of the intervention. |
| HAS | France, 2016 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy | **Previous HTAs, Systematic reviews w meta-analyses, and RCTs.** Prospective comparative studies after 2013 considered where RCTs were not available. Observational studies with n>100 considered for data on perioperative complications | **Open:** No conclusion made on overall survival, and on functional and oncological outcomes.  Reduced risk of blood loss. No conclusion on risk of blood transfusion.  **Laparoscopic:** No conclusion made on overall survival, and on functional and oncological outcomes.  No conclusion on risk of blood loss or blood transfusion |
| National Centre for Health Technology Excellence | Mexico, 2019 | Open & Laparoscopic Prostatectomy | Systematic Reviews | No significant differences in oncological outcomes or sexual and urological function.  Reduction in blood loss and need for blood transfusion. |
| HIQA: Health Information and Quality Authority; HAS: Haute Autorité de santé; HTA: Health Technology Assessment; LOS: Length of Stay; NIHR: National Institute for Health Research; RAS: Robotic Assisted Surgery; RCT: Randomised Controlled Trial | | | | |
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