



UniversityHospital Heidelberg

# Source Control: How important is it in the treatment of intra-abdominal infection?

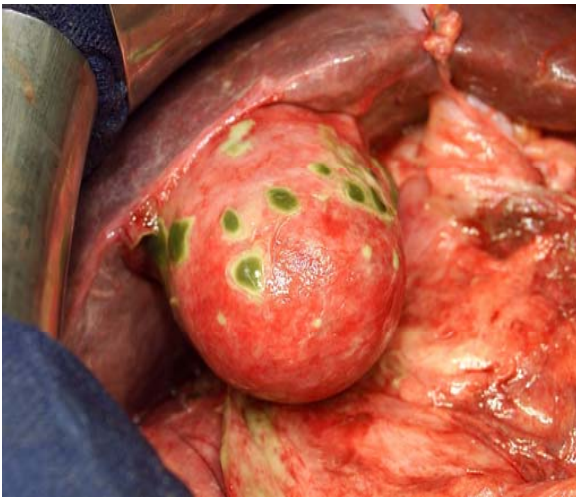
C. M. Seiler

Department of Surgery

# Mikulicz 1889

## Early operation Elimination of focus

### Lavage



Mikulicz J. :

Weitere Erfahrungen über die operative Behandlung der Perforationperitonitis.

# Definitions

- Abscess: Localized focus of infection with a capsule
- Secondary Peritonitis: Generalized infection
  - Perforation
  - Postoperative
  - Posttraumatic



# Need for Source Control?

History

Physical Exam

Radiology

Lab

**Patient orientated approach!**

# Source Control – Key Strategies

- Abscess
  - Drainage
- Gallbladder/Appendix
  - Resection
- Stomach/Duodenum
  - Debridement and Suture
- Small and large bowel
  - Debridement and Anastomosis
    - Stoma
  - (Removal of Devices)

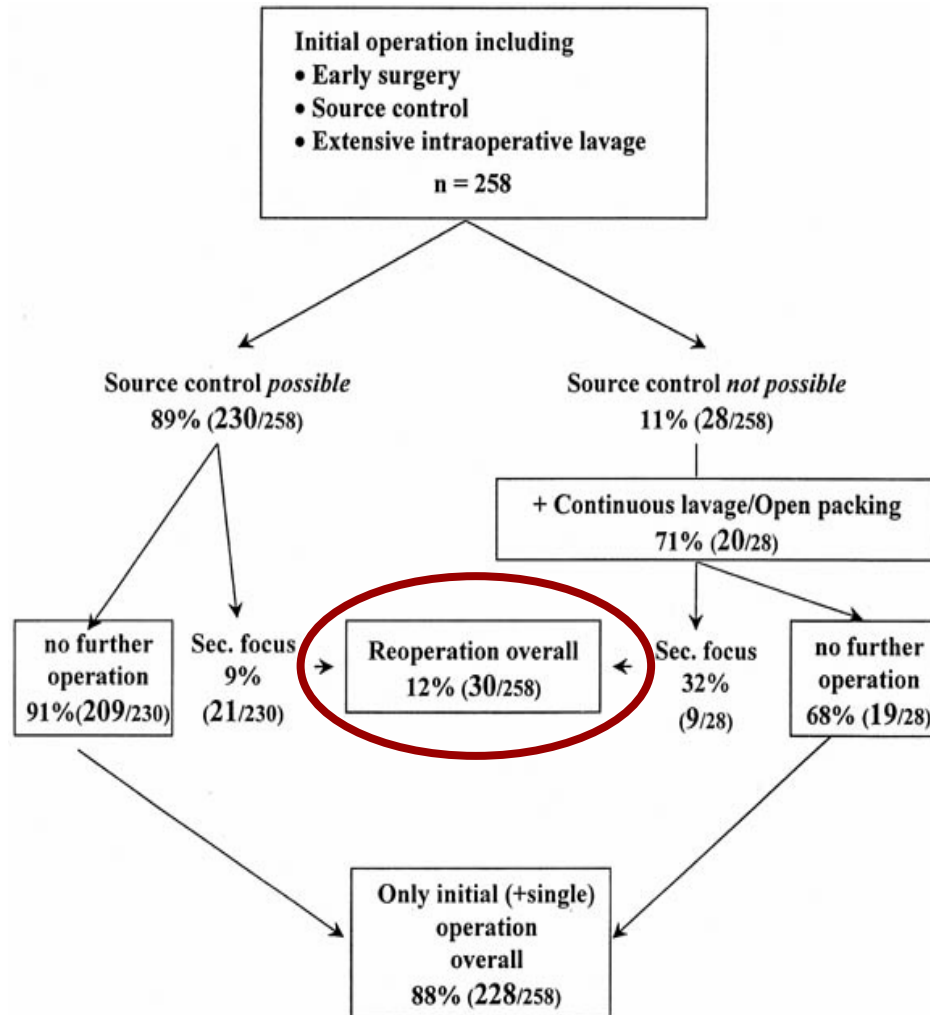


---

# How important is it?

- 258 patients with diffuse peritonitis
- Source control not possible
  - 28/258 patients 11 %
- Mortality
  - Source control **not** possible: 27 %
  - Source control possible : 13 % (p<0,05)

# Conservative treatment of diffuse peritonitis



Seiler C.A. et al.

Conservative surgical treatment of diffuse peritonitis




# Peritonitis treatment in Heidelberg

- 100 patients/year with secondary peritonitis (22% perf. Colonic diverticulitis)
- Multidisciplinary team
- Evidence-based treatment through participation in randomized trials (50 patients since 01.12.2002)
- Published standards of treatment algorithms

# How should we control the source?





---

## Multicentre, randomized clinical trial of primary *versus* secondary sigmoid resection in generalized peritonitis complicating sigmoid diverticulitis

G. Zeitoun, A. Laurent, F. Rouffet\*, J.-M. Hay, A. Fingerhut†, J.-C. Paquet‡, C. Peillon§ and the French Associations for Surgical Research

Departments of Gastrointestinal Surgery, Hôpital Louis Mourier, Colombes Cedex, \*Hôpital de la Croix-Rouge, Orge Cedex, †Centre Hospitalier Intercommunal, Poissy, ‡Hôpital de Longjumeau, Longjumeau Cedex and §Hôpital Charles Nicolle, Rouen Cedex, France  
*Correspondence* to: Dr G. Zeitoun, Service de Chirurgie Digestive, Hôpital Louis Mourier (AP-HP), 178 Rue des Renouillers, 92701 Colombes Cedex, France

British Journal of Surgery 2000 (87) 1366-1374

### Postoperative Peritonitis

source control 1 out of 55

no source control 10 out of 48

$p < 0.01$

**Resection is a must during first operation !**



# Acute Colonic Diverticulitis

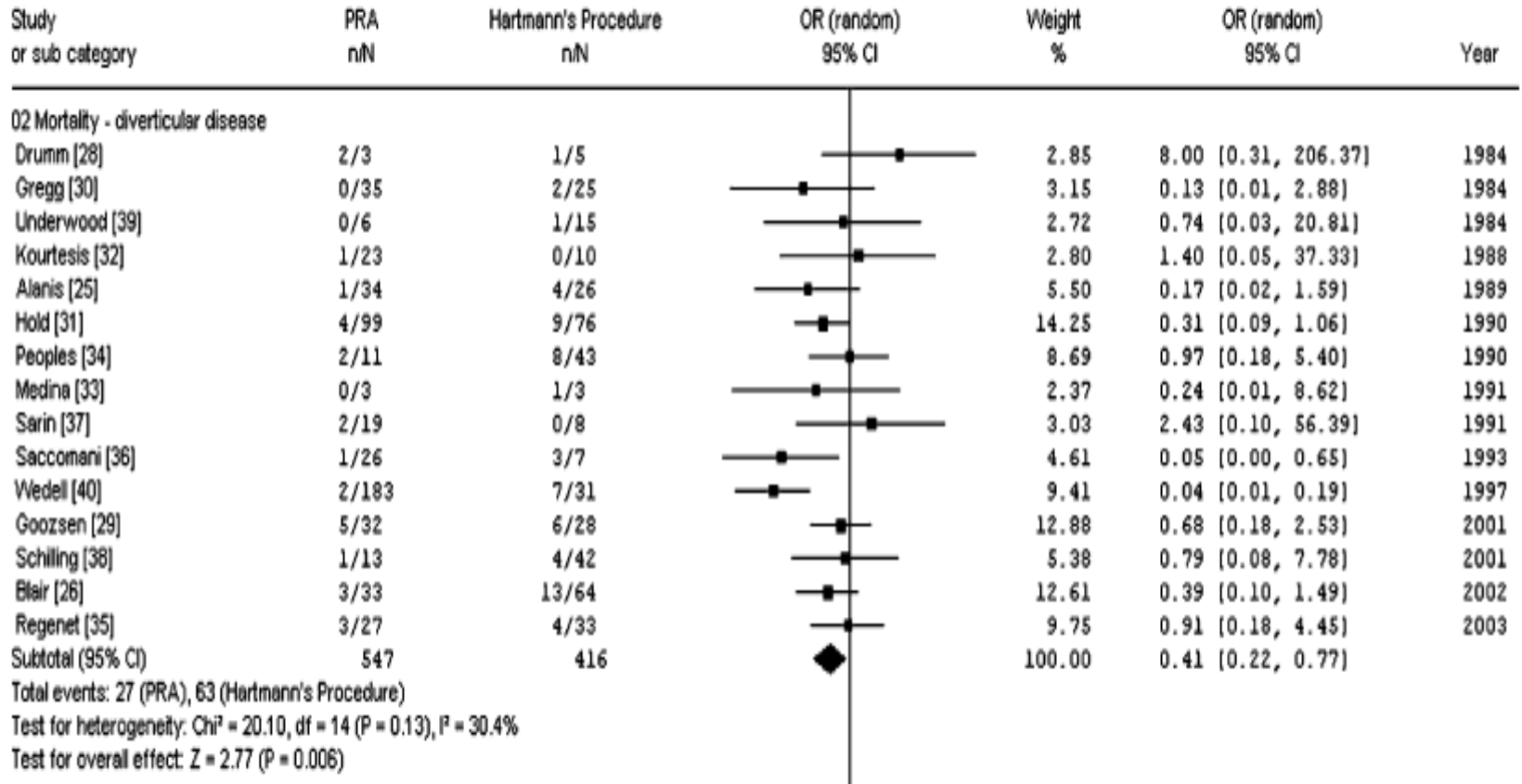
- Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis
- 15 retrospective studies with 963 patients

Primary Resection with Anastomosis  
versus  
Hartmann's Procedure

Constantinides VA et al.

Primary resection with anastomosis vs. Hartmann's procedure  
in nonelective surgery for acute colonic diverticulitis: a systematic review.

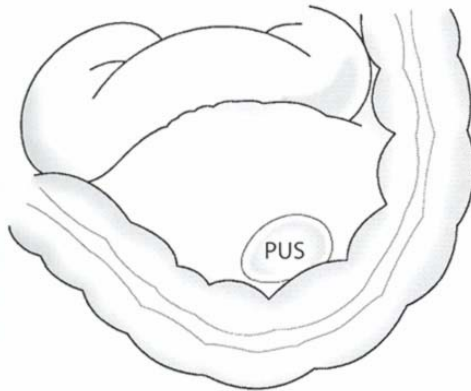
# Mortality



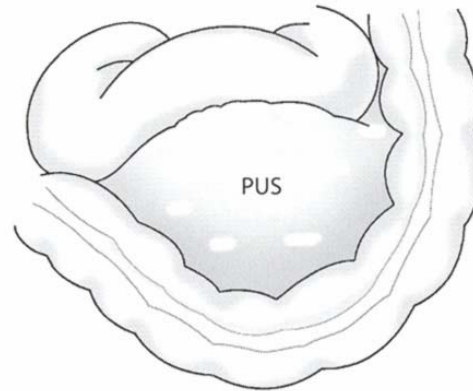
**4.9% versus 15.1% (Odds ratio 0.41) in favour of primary resection with anastomosis**

# Hinchey Classification

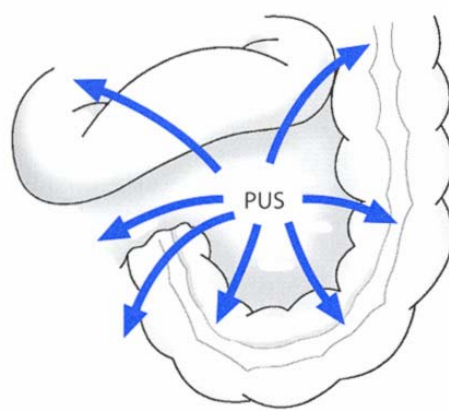
Stage I



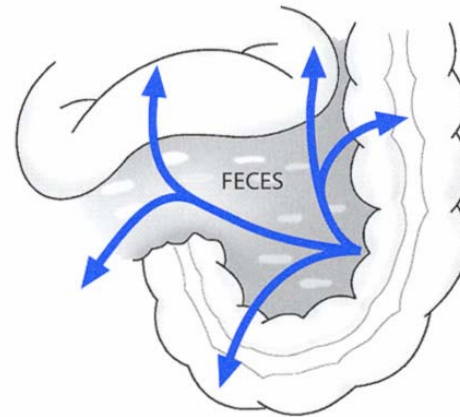
Stage II



Stage III









Stage IV



# Mortality and Hinchey >2

OS Mortality - Diverticular disease and Hinchey >2

Drumm [28]	2/3	1/5		8.58	8.00 [0.31, 206.37]	1984
Medina [33]	0/3	1/3		7.12	0.24 [0.01, 8.62]	1991
Goozsen [29]	5/32	6/28		38.77	0.68 [0.18, 2.53]	2001
Schilling [38]	1/13	4/42		16.20	0.79 [0.08, 7.78]	2001
Regenet [35]	3/27	4/33		29.33	0.91 [0.18, 4.45]	2003
Subtotal (95% CI)	78	111		100.00	0.85 [0.36, 2.01]	

Total events: 11 (PRA), 16 (Hartmann's Procedure)

Test for heterogeneity:  $\text{Chi}^2 = 2.43$ ,  $\text{df} = 4$  ( $P = 0.66$ ),  $I^2 = 0\%$

Test for overall effect:  $Z = 0.38$  ( $P = 0.71$ )

**14.1% versus 14.4% (Odds ratio 0.85) no difference?**

# Challenge

## Power Calculation for the Primary Outcome of Interest

The overall incidence of postoperative mortality between studies in the HP group was 63 of 416 (approximately 15 percent). To rule out a 30 percent relative risk reduction (from 15 to 10.5 percent) with a 5 percent significance level and 80 percent power, a traditional randomized, controlled trial would require 906 patients in each arm.



# Conclusions

- Source control
  - needs to be patient and organ orientated
  - is essential for the outcome of abdominal infections
  - needs a multidisciplinary team with the surgeon as one key person
  - Principles are in most cases not validated through randomized controlled trials



---

# Study Centre of the German Surgical Society

Langenbecks Arch Surg (2005) 390: 171–177  
DOI 10.1007/s00423-005-0547-6

NEW SURGICAL HORIZONS

Hanns-Peter Knaebel  
Markus K. Diener  
Moritz N. Wentz  
Hartwig Bauer  
Markus W. Buehler  
Matthias Rothmund  
Christoph M. Seiler

**The Study Centre of the German Surgical  
Society—rationale and current status**

[www.sdgc.de](http://www.sdgc.de)

# Current Structure

**Steering Committee of the German Surgical Society / Heidelberg Medical Faculty**

elects & delegates

**Supervisory Board**

assigns

counsels

**Advisory Board**

reports

elects

counsels

**Executive Committee**

**Business Management**

**Trial Coordination**

Project Management  
Communication  
Within The Surgical  
Network  
Ethics Committee

**Trial Assistance**

Protocol Development  
On-Site Support  
Study Implementation  
Surgical QM  
Study Nurses

**Biometrics / DM**

Design / Planning  
Data Management  
Analysis  
Report

**Quality Assurance**

QM – System  
Monitoring  
Audits

**IT**

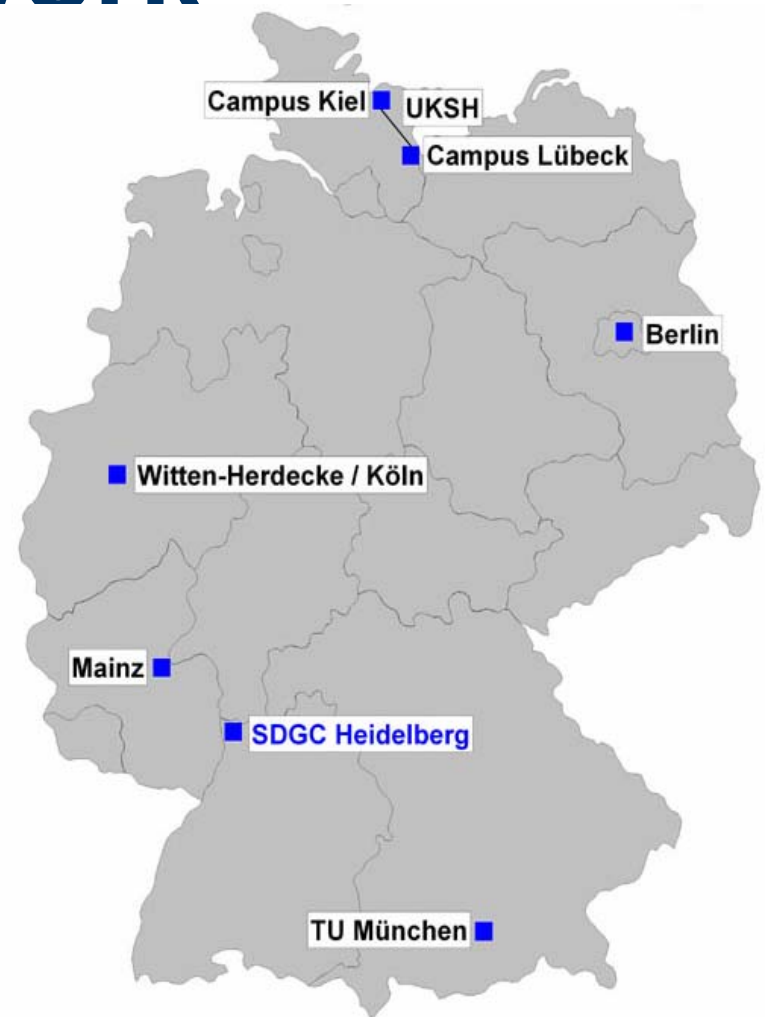
Information System  
Networking  
Project –  
Management  
Software

Functional Unit SDGC / KKS and IMBI Heidelberg



# Surgical Network

- Funding  
10/2006 – 09/2009
- 5 Centers
- 1 Coordinating Center  
(SDGC)
- Collaboration with the  
Network of  
Coordinating Centers  
for Clinical Trials  
(KKS-Network)





# **DISKO-PRIMA Trial**

Primary Resection with Anastomosis and Loop-Ileostomy

versus

Hartmann's Procedure  
in Hinchey III/IV patients

Principal Investigators:

Prof. Wolfgang Schwenk (Berlin)

Prof. Matthias Rothmund (Marburg)



# Contact

Study Centre of the  
German Surgical Society  
Im Neuenheimer Feld 110  
69120 Heidelberg  
Germany

Phone: +49-6221-56-6986

Fax: +49-6221-56-6988

Homepage: [www.sdgc.de](http://www.sdgc.de)

Email: [SDGC@med.uni-heidelberg.de](mailto:SDGC@med.uni-heidelberg.de)