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# *List of Abbreviations*

Abb.	Full term
BMI.....	Body mass index
BPD-DS .....	Bilio-pancreatic diversion with duodenal switch
CBD .....	Common bile duct
CC .....	Concomitant cholecystectomy
CMA.....	Comprehensive Meta-Analysis
EBWL .....	Excess body weight loss
GB.....	Gallbladder
GERD .....	Gastroesophageal reflux disease
LAGB.....	Laparoscopic adjustable gastric banding
LC .....	Laparoscopic cholecystectomy
LRYGBP.....	Laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass
LSG.....	Laparoscopic Sleeve gastrectomy
NHLBI.....	National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute
OR.....	Odds ratio
PCC.....	Prophylactic cholecystectomy
PRISMA.....	Preferred reporting items for systematic reviews and meta-analysis statement
RCTs.....	Randomized controlled trial
SCC.....	Selective concomitant cholecystectomy
SMD.....	Standardized mean difference

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## ABSTRACT

**Background:** Laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy is one of the most common bariatric procedure performed. The prevalence of cholelithiasis in morbidly obese individuals is 19–30 % and Gall stones are more symptomatic in obese patients than in non-obese patients. This study evaluates the safety of performing laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy and laparoscopic cholecystectomy in the same session.

**Objective:** To evaluate the safety profile of performing laparoscopic cholecystectomy and sleeve gastrectomy in the same session in terms of: The incidence of biliary leakage. The incidence of gastric leakage. The incidence of intra operative bleeding from the sleeve gastrectomy and the cholecystectomy. The incidence of post-operative bleeding. The incidence of post-operative surgical site infection. Operation time. Length of hospital stay.

**Method:** Selected papers for the present meta-analysis included those that provided data from January 2010 to December 2020 on factors related to the patients who undergone laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy with and without laparoscopic cholecystectomy. When institutions have published duplicate trials, only the most updated reports were included for qualitative appraisal. All publications were limited to human subjects and English language. Abstracts, case reports, conference presentations, editorials and expert opinions were excluded.

**Data Sources:** Medline databases (PubMed, Medscape, ScienceDirect. EMF-Portal) and all materials available in the Internet till 2021.

**Data Extraction:** If the studies did not fulfill the inclusion criteria, they were excluded. Study quality assessment included whether ethical approval was gained, eligibility criteria specified, appropriate controls, and adequate information and defined assessment measures.

**Conclusion:** Overall concomitant laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy and laparoscopic cholecystectomy appears to be a safe procedure. The increase in surgical site infection and pneumonia may warrant prophylaxis against such infections with antibiotics. Another study is needed to determine the need and efficacy of such prophylaxis

**Keywords:** Laparoscopic Sleeve gastrectomy,

# INTRODUCTION

**T**here is an enormous rise in the number of the bariatric procedures performed each year. However, increased formation of gallstones either caused by obesity itself, rapid weight loss after the surgery, or type of the bariatric surgery is an important therapeutic challenge (*Worni et al., 2012*).

Although some bariatric procedures are supposed to cause more gallstone formation by the mechanisms of poor gallbladder (GB) emptying and disturbed enterohepatic circulation of biliary salts, rapid weight loss after bariatric surgery is shown to be the most important risk factor for development of gallstones. It has been proposed that up to one-third of patients develop cholelithiasis after bariatric surgery, the requirement for subsequent cholecystectomy in these patients has been reported in ranges between 3-28% (*Li et al., 2009*).

Laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy (LSG) is the most commonly performed bariatric surgical procedure worldwide. It has the advantage of being a technically easier operation to perform than gastric bypass. Moreover, LSG appears to be as effective as gastric bypass surgery as regards improvements in glucose homeostasis that are usually observed before substantial weight loss has occurred (*Chung et al., 2018*).

Adding concomitant LC to LSG poses certain risks due to the increased morbidity for patients with obesity, and it may be technically challenging due to excess intra-abdominal fat and difference in ports' placement for LSG and LC with difficulties establishing and maintaining pneumo-peritoneum, the higher incidence for conversion to open surgery and bile duct injuries (*Doulamis et al., 2019*).

Although performing concomitant cholecystectomy (CC) has been adopted by a part of the surgical community, no specific guidelines exist to date. We sought to systematically review/ meta-analysis the literature in order to compare clinical outcomes of concomitant cholecystectomy during LSG to LSG alone with the aim to answer the question whether concomitant cholecystectomy during Laparoscopic Sleeve gastrectomy is safe to bariatric patients.

## **AIM OF THE WORK**

**T**he aim of this work is to evaluate the safety profile of performing laparoscopic cholecystectomy and sleeve gastrectomy in the same session in terms of:

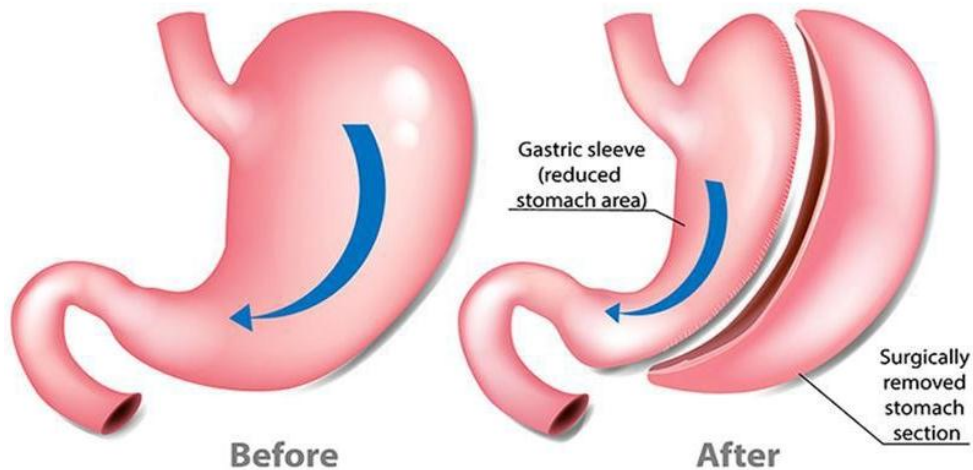
- The incidence of biliary leakage.
- The incidence of gastric leakage.
- The incidence of post-operative bleeding.
- The incidence of post-operative surgical site infection.
- Operation time.
- Length of hospital stay.
- The incidence of pneumonia.
- The incidence of DVT.

## Chapter 1

# LAPAROSCOPIC SLEEVE GASTRECTOMY

Laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy (LSG) is the most commonly performed bariatric surgical procedure worldwide. It has the advantage of being a technically easier operation to perform than gastric bypass. Moreover, LSG appears to be as effective as gastric bypass surgery as regards improvements in glucose homeostasis that are usually observed before substantial weight loss has occurred. This weight loss independent benefit is probably related to a variety of factors e.g. decreased gastric volume, changes in gut peptides, expression of genes involved in glucose absorption (*Hutch and Sandoval, 2017*).

On the other hand, compared to laparoscopic adjustable gastric banding (LAGB), sleeve gastrectomy has demonstrated higher efficacy in terms of excess weight loss and resolution of obesity-related co-morbidities (*Brunnicardi et al., 2010*) (**Fig. 1**)



**Figure (1):** Diagrammatic representation of sleeve gastrectomy (*O'Brien, 2016*).

Sleeve gastrectomy effectively treats most obesity-related co-morbidities, with the only exception being gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD). Patients with GERD experience less resolution of their symptoms following LSG. Hence, those with long-standing severe GERD may not be good candidates for such procedure (*O'Brien, 2016*).

Barrett's esophagus is considered a relative contraindication for sleeve gastrectomy because of the potential need for future esophagectomy in patients with Barrett's esophagus and hence, the need for an intact stomach for reconstruction outweigh the potential advantages of the bariatric procedure (*O'Brien, 2016*).