

Clinical Practice Guidelines: Colon Cancer 1 / 3

Preop: + Include **CEA** (1B) 


+ Evaluate proximal colon (when possible) (1C)
30-50% with synchronous adenomas



+ Get **histologic confirmation** of invasive adenocarcinoma before colectomy (1C) 

+ Get **CT chest/abd/pelvis** (1B)
(no routine PET) (1B) 

Intraop:


+ **Document:** workup, metastases, lymphovascular drainage basins, extent /completeness of resection, anastomotic technique, other findings (1C) 



+ **Synoptic operative reporting** improves documentation (1C)

+ **Extent of resection** should correspond to individualized lymphovascular drainage sites (1B)



+ Routine *extended* lymphadenectomy is **not** recommended (2B) 

+ **MIS approach** preferred (1A) 

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+ **Synchronous lesions**: Two resections or subtotal are OK (1B)



(1B)



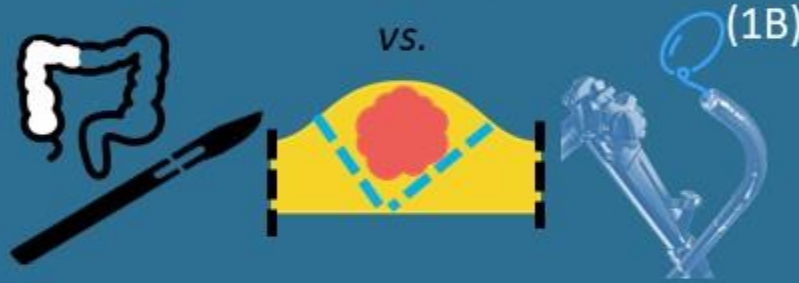
+ Resect involved adjacent organs en bloc with negative margins (1B)

Do not routinely resect:

- Ovary for prophylaxis (1C)
- Asymptomatic 1^o with mets (do systemic chemo first) (1B)



+ For "**Malignant polyps**", endoscopic excision or **oncologic surgery** appropriate, depending on histologic features and completeness of resection



Obstructing Lesions:

+ Stent first or surgery ok (1B left, 1C right)



Neoadjuvant chemo can result in tumor regression in locally advanced / borderline unresectable tumors (2B)

+ Cytoreduction (with or without HIPEC) should be considered in resectable **peritoneal metastases** (1B)

+ Staged or Combined liver resections ok (2B)



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Postop:

+ **Chemo for High Risk Stage II:** obstruction, perforation, <12 nodes, poor diff, LVI, PNI, high tumor budding (2B)

+ 3-6 months **Adjuvant Chemo for Stage III (1A)**
(FOLFOX / CAPOX. Consider immunotherapy if MSI-H)



+ **Start adjuvant chemo** within 8 weeks of resection (1B)



+ **Multigene assays, CDX2 expression analysis and ctDNA** may be used to compliment MDT decision making (1B)



+ **Locoregional Recurrence** should be evaluated in multidisciplinary setting (1B)
Consider re-operation if R0 resection can be performed

