

Surgical Alternatives Used in the Treatment of Liver Hydatid Cyst. A Systematized Approach Based on Evidence (an Overview)

Alternativas Quirúrgicas Utilizadas en el Tratamiento del Quiste Hidatídico Hepático. Revisión Global de la Evidencia

Carlos Manterola^{*,**,*} & Tamara Otzen^{****}

MANTEROLA, C. & OTZEN, T. Surgical alternatives used in the treatment of liver hydatid cyst. A systematized approach based on evidence (an overview). *Int. J. Morphol.*, 34(2):699-707, 2016.

SUMMARY: Echinococcosis is an endemic zoonosis in the south of Chile; we therefore have occasion to treat a large number of patients, particularly in the liver. Hepatic echinococcosis (HE) has its own morbidity and mortality due to evolutionary complications, to which the risk of complications related to the surgical procedures is added, the morbidity which has been reported up to 80 %. This is associated with a history of previous surgeries for HE, evolutionary complications of the cyst, the need for additional procedures such as the treatment of the disease in other simultaneous locations, etc. Moreover, reported mortality is up to 10 %, a situation that remains unchanged despite technological and therapeutic advances. The surgical treatment of HE can be divided into four phases: isolation of the surgical area, evacuation of the cyst, treatment of the complications of the cyst and treatment of the residual cavity. HE surgical procedures can be classified as conservative (marsupialization, cystostomy, Posadas technique and cystojejunostomy) and radical (pericystectomy and hepatic resections). Finally, the role of laparoscopic surgery, which is still under evaluation, is also worthy of note. The aim of this article is to present a general evidence-based overview of some surgical aspects of interest in the treatment of HE. In this article issues of the different surgical options utilized for HE treatment and their results are discussed, based on published evidence.

KEY WORDS: Echinococcosis; Hydatidosis; Echinococcosis; Hepatic Echinococcosis; Hepatic/surgery]; Hepatic Hydatid Cyst; Pericystectomy; Hepatic resections; Capitonnage; Omentoplasty.

INTRODUCTION

Echinococcosis is an endemic zoonosis in Chile (Grosso *et al.*, 2012), and particularly in the Region of the Araucanía, which reports high prevalence rates that have persisted unchanged in recent years (Cortés & Valle, 2010; Martínez 2014).

The liver is the most frequently affected (77 % to 84 %), as this organ is the first filter of the infecting protoscolices (Eckert & Deplazes, 2004). Hepatic echinococcosis (HE) has its own morbidity, which is associated with evolutionary complications of the disease, and secondary morbidity related to therapeutic procedures (Eckert & Deplazes; Manterola *et al.*, 2010a). Postoperative morbidity (POM) persists in high numbers (11 % to 86 %) despite technical advances and perioperative support. This can be medical (alteration in

respiratory, cardiovascular or renal functions, etc.) or surgical, such as complications in the access (development of seromas, infection of the surgical site, evisceration and eventration), in the surgical area (development of biliary fistula and residual cavity), septic phenomena (intra-abdominal abscesses, infection of residual cavity, respiratory or urinary infection), and in vicinity, such as ipsilateral pleural effusions and postoperative ileus (evidence type 3a, 4 and 5) (Martínez; Eckert & Deplazes; Manterola *et al.*, 2010a; Manterola *et al.*, 2014; Manterola *et al.*, 2015a).

It has been verified that POM in HE surgery is associated with age, cyst location, type of surgery (open vs. laparoscopic surgery and conservative vs. radical or resective techniques), previous history of HE surgery, the presence of

* Department of Surgery, Universidad de La Frontera, Temuco, Chile.

** CEMyQ, Universidad de La Frontera, Temuco, Chile.

*** Center for Biomedical Research, Universidad Autónoma de Chile, Temuco, Chile.

**** Universidad de Tarapacá, Arica, Chile.

evolutionary complications of the cyst, additional surgery that may be required and concomitant treatment of other locations with this disease (evidence type 2a, 3 and 4) (Manterola *et al.*, 2014; Mamarajabov *et al.*, 2011; Tagliacozzo *et al.*, 2011; Agayev & Agayev, 2008; Gourgiotis *et al.*, 2007; Daradkeh *et al.*, 2007; Manterola *et al.*, 2005; Priego *et al.*, 2008). This is not particularly low, because numbers up to 79.9 % have been reported (evidence type 2a and 4) (Tagliacozzo *et al.*; Agayev & Agayev; Gourgiotis *et al.*; Daradkeh *et al.*; He *et al.*, 2015). Additionally, operative mortality figures reach up to 9.2 % in the literature, and recurrence rates up to 30.4 % (evidence type 4) (Tagliacozzo *et al.*).

In the 19th century, when a laparotomy represented high risks of morbidity and mortality, the treatment for HE was confined to the simple puncture and evacuation of the lesion(s), with or without injection of parasiticides, such as mercury salts, carbolic acid or sublimate. These methods were abandoned due to the high incidence of subsequent complications, like hemorrhaging and intra-abdominal infection, bile duct stricture and even sudden death. The surgical era of HE treatment began at the end of 19th century, when Kirschner (1879) described what is currently known as marsupialization, and Knowsley (1883) described the technique that would later be popularized by Posadas (Manterola *et al.*, 2009a).

GENERALITIES OF SURGICAL TREATMENT

HE surgery can be divided schematically into four steps. The first corresponds to the isolation of the surgical field, the second to evacuation of the cyst (hydatid fluid, germinative membrane and daughter vesicles), the third to the treatment of biliary communications or other alterations caused by the parasite in the host, and the fourth to the treatment of the residual cavity (Manterola *et al.*, 2009a).

1. First step

There is type 4 and 5 evidence regarding the difficult procedure of isolating the surgical field with compresses soaked in scolicides such as hydrogen peroxide, hypertonic saline, povidone-iodine or others. An additional maneuver, is the puncture and injection of the scolicides to the inside of the cyst, which has definitely been discarded due to the lack of supporting evidence (in *in vitro* observations, it has verified that the time of action required by the solutions of 50 % dextrose and 20 % NaCl are 30 and 45 min respectively to eliminate all protoscolices in a sample) (Caglar *et al.*, 2008). With respect to the rigorous isolation of the surgical area, it is important to note that this is an increasingly controversial issue, because surgeons who work on this topic

are no longer convinced of its use. It is likely, that this surgical procedure will soon be practically excluded due to the evidence with respect to cyst viability (evidence type 2b) (Manterola *et al.*, 2006). As such, the concept of simple protection of the area without the use of scolicides to soak the compresses is maintained. At the moment, however, it continues to be a normal step in HE surgery, regardless of the surgical procedure used (evidence type 5) (Manterola *et al.*, 2009a).

2. Second step

Evacuation of the cyst by aspiration of the fluid and exeresis of the germinal layer and daughter vesicles is the only point on which all surgeons agree about the need and method; therefore, it seems superfluous to discuss. Suffice to say that this phase is included in all existing surgical techniques (evidence type 4 y 5) (Mamarajabov *et al.*; Manterola *et al.*, 2009a; Buttenschoen & Carli Buttenschoen, 2003; Goksov *et al.*, 2008).

3. Third step

Treatment of the alterations caused by the parasite in the host is a controversial and probably multifactorial issue. This stage does not apply in all cases, but rather only in those where one of the following situations exists:

Frank intrabiliary rupture: Cyst-biliary communication is a frequent evolutionary complication, the prevalence of which is around 26 % of patients with HE (Manterola *et al.*, 2009b). In these cases, there is uncertainty based on a different type of evidence, which endorses simple suturing of these ruptures or the need to perform a decompression choledochostomy that is either isolated or associated with the suturing (evidence type 1b and 4) (Manterola *et al.*, 2009b; Ramia *et al.*, 2013; Shalayiadang *et al.*, 2014). We are inclined to use absorbable sutures and not perform the choledochostomy, because the procedure is not without morbidity, and leaves the patient with an ostomy for a considerable period of time; therefore, this is indicated only where there is certainty of cholangiohydatidosis with or without secondary acute cholangitis, or when a coexisting choledocholithiasis is diagnosed (evidence type 1b) (Manterola *et al.*, 2009b; Manterola *et al.*, 2010b).

Cholangiohydatidosis: As already mentioned, cyst-biliary communication is frequent (Manterola *et al.*, 2009b; Manterola *et al.*, 2010b; Avgerinos *et al.*, 2006); nevertheless, it is very different when, in addition to this rupture, a migration of parasitic elements occurs inside the bile duct, which causes biliary obstructive syndrome, which we call cholangiohydatidosis; this may or may not be accompanied

by acute secondary cholangitis (Manterola & Otzen, 2016). Cholangiohydatidosis is a rare evolutionary complication of HE, and this may be the reason for few reports in the literature (evidence type 4), therefore, the paucity of reports collaborates with an adequate knowledge of natural history, clinical characteristics, evolution and therapeutic alternatives of this entity.

Liver abscess of hydatid origin: This also constitutes a frequent evolutionary complication, the reported prevalence of which is around 25 % of patients with HE25. Its pathogeny is not clear, because in addition to contamination through biliary communications, contamination by hematogenous dissemination has been suggested. The clinical manifestations are non-specific, and are associated with a larval evolution over prolonged periods, which appears abruptly as a sepsis of biliary origin, at times indistinguishable from an acute cholangitis (evidence type 3a and 4) (Buttenschoen & Carli Buttenschoen, 2003; Manterola *et al.*, 2003a; Manterola *et al.*, 2015b).

Thoracic involvement of HE: This is a less frequent evolutionary complication, with an estimated prevalence between 2 % and 11 % (Gastaca *et al.*, 2015; Kilani *et al.*, 2001). We intervene abdominally and once the liver has been

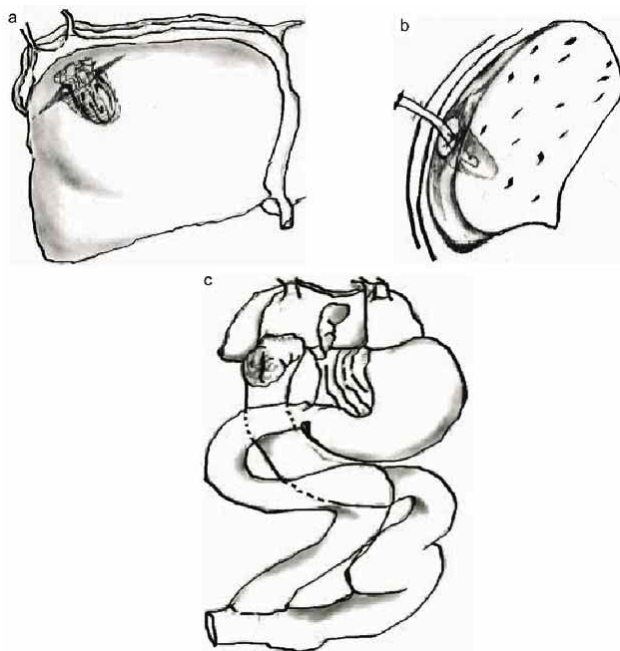


Fig. 1. Opening of the residual cavity to the exterior or to a bowel loop. a) Marsupialization. Communication of the cyst with the exterior using gauzes is shown. b) Cystostomy. Communication of the cyst cavity to the exterior through a drain. c) Cystojejunostomy. Communication of the cyst to a defunctionalized Roux-en-Y jejunal loop.

mobilized, we treat the cyst. Depending on the degree of advancement, we perform a simple phrenoplasty with or without a right pleurectomy, and occasionally a phrenoplasty with prosthetic material (Manterola *et al.*, 2009c). Nevertheless, controversy remains in terms of whether access should be abdominal or thoracic (evidence type 4).

Cystic rupture into the peritoneal cavity: When a hydatid cyst ruptures into the abdominal cavity, with subsequent hydatid peritonitis. After initial resuscitation in cases of anaphylaxis, an arduous cleaning of the peritoneal cavity with a scolicide (for example diluted povidone) and treatment of the complicated cyst and possible coexisting lesions must be performed as soon as possible in a single surgery. This reduces the likelihood of hydatid seeding with subsequent presentation of peritoneal or pelvic hydatidosis or in some other abdominal extra-hepatic location (evidence type 4 and 5) (Manterola *et al.*, 2003b; Yilmaz *et al.*, 2012).

4. Fourth step

Finally, treatment of the residual cavity may be the most controversial phase. The evidence that endorses the different options is inconsistent; therefore, it cannot be guided by strict norms, but rather must be adapted to each individual case. Generally, the options to consider could be schematized as:

Opening to the exterior or to a bowel loop: This alternative is used when marsupialization (Fig. 1a) and cystostomy (Fig. 1b) are performed, and when a Roux-en-Y cystojejunostomy is performed (Fig. 1c) (evidence type 4 and 5) (Gourgiotis *et al.*, 2007; Manterola *et al.*, 2009a; Acar *et al.*, 2014).

Capitonnage: This procedure, which term is derived from the French meaning “to quilt”, consists of folding the residual cavity by means of a series of loose absorbable sutures between one end of the pericyst and the other, thus enabling the progressive reduction of the cavity, which is sometimes obliterated (Fig. 2a). There is evidence that indicates it is associated with greater POM than the use of omentoplasty (Tagliacozzo *et al.*); however, a more recent study has concluded that it generates lower POM than omentoplasty (evidence type 4 and 2b) (Manterola *et al.*, 2013).

Omentoplasty: In this case, a greater omentum flap is prepared that is sufficiently voluminous and vascularized to fill the cavity; and then it is fixed to the residual pericyst with loose absorbable sutures (Fig. 2b). As mentioned previously, its association with the development of POM is controversial compared with capitonnage (evidence type 2b) (Manterola *et al.*, 2013; Muftuoglu *et al.*, 2005).

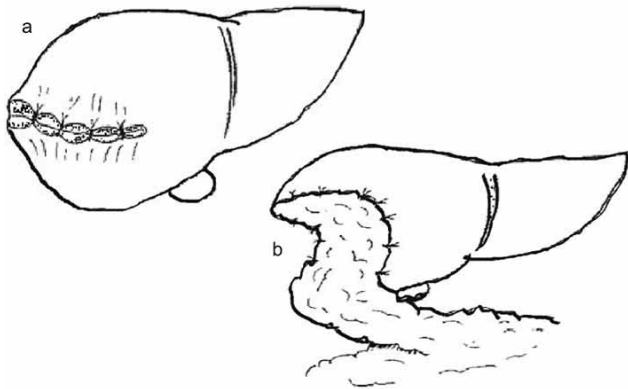


Fig. 2. Options for residual cavity treatment. a) Capitonnage. Plicature of the cavity and its edges. b) Omentoplasty. Vascularized greater omentum flap fixed to the pericystic with sutures.

Abstention from action: On some occasions, according to the technique used (pericystectomy and hepatic resections), it is possible to choose to leave the residual pericyst untouched, especially when it is very small and does not constitute a cavity, or is located on the underside of the liver where the force of gravity will act in favor of spontaneous drainage into the peritoneal cavity (Manterola *et al.*, 2009a).

Resection: When there is a complete resection of the cyst, either by total pericystectomy or, through a ruled or atypical liver resection, it is evident that no residual cavity will remain. This is possibly the best option, unless the patient presents some clinical or evolutionary criterion of the disease indicating that a less aggressive approach is advisable. Our objective is to avoid leaving a residual cavity, implementing either a total or partial pericystectomy, with a remaining small piece of pericyst that does not require treatment. When, in spite of everything, a cavity remains, the decision can be made to perform a capitonnage or omentoplasty depending on location and shape of the cavity (evidence type 2b, 4 and 5) (Manterola *et al.*, 2009a; Manterola *et al.*, 2013; Muftuoglu *et al.*; Kapan *et al.*, 2006; Sekulic *et al.*, 2011).

CONSERVATIVE SURGICAL PROCEDURES

Procedures are called conservative only when the cyst is treated without resecting either the pericyst or surrounding hepatic parenchyma. These procedures have gradually been abandoned; some due to the cumbersome nature of the technique and others due to high POM index involved (evidence type 4) (Tagliacozzo *et al.*; Daradkeh *et al.*; Hofstetter *et al.*, 2004; Arikian *et al.*, 2007; Reza Mousavi *et al.*, 2005; Utkan *et al.*, 2001; Engin *et al.*, 2010). These include:

1. Marsupialization

This consists of evacuation, cystostomy, extirpation of the germinal layer and hydatid material, and then communication of the residual cavity to the exterior by fixing the pericyst to the abdominal wall. The cavity is drained with gauzes that are exteriorized (Fig. 1a). There is little evidence to support its current use (evidence type 4) (Hofstetter *et al.*; Safioleas *et al.*, 2006).

2. Cystostomy

After aspiration, cystostomy and extirpation of the germinal layer, a drain is installed in the residual cavity that is exteriorized through a counter opening (Fig. 1b) (Agayev & Agayev; Gourgiotis *et al.*; Arikian *et al.*; Reza Mousavi *et al.*; Utkan *et al.*). In cases where the cavity of the cyst cannot be put in contact with the abdominal wall, it is possible to resort to covering the tube with the greater omentum to avoid intraperitoneal effusion of the fluid. This technique is just a variety of marsupialization because a permanent course is created between the residual cavity and the exterior, with the only difference being that this has a smaller diameter. It is a simple treatment alternative; however, it presents the disadvantage of a torpid and prolonged evolution, with chronic suppuration through the drainage tube, and then (once this is removed) even through the orifice that this leaves (Gourgiotis *et al.*). A variant of this technique is called "bipolar drainage" (Manterola *et al.*, 2009a), a cystostomy, to which a choledocostomy is added in order to decompress the main biliary tract. This variant can be of use on certain occasions; nevertheless, the disadvantages previously described are similar and are associated with the morbidity and risks typical of a choledocostomy. The use of these alternatives is endorsed only by study of evidence level type 4 (Agayev & Agayev; Gourgiotis *et al.*; Hofstetter *et al.*; Arikian *et al.*; Reza Mousavi *et al.*; Utkan *et al.*; Engin *et al.*).

Posadas technique: This is a cystostomy, evacuation of the cyst, extirpation of the germinal layer, suture of biliary communications, and then closing of the cyst cavity (Fig. 3a). It is simple, fast and effective. Its main indication is small and peripheral cyst, not complicated or calcified. Its main disadvantage is the risk of infection of the persistent cavity; this is why at the beginning of the 20th century, and simultaneously, Llobet & Varsi described a modification to this technique consisting of fixation of the pericyst to the abdominal wall, leaving some stitches outside the skin (Fig. 3b) to be able to access the cavity through direct puncture in order to drain any possible intracavitary collections, or if the situation warrants, to perform a cystostomy later on (evidence type 5) (Manterola *et al.*, 2009a).

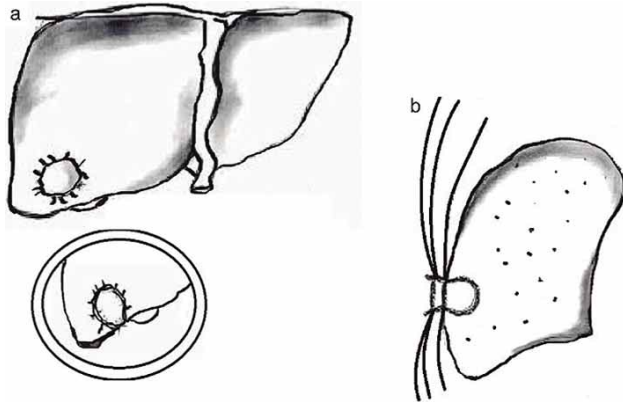


Fig. 3. Conservative surgical techniques. a) Knowsley or Posada's operation. Once the content of the cyst is emptied, the pericystic is sutured. b) Llobet and Varsi technique. Modification of the previous technique. Anchoring of the pericystic to the parietal peritoneum is observed.

Cystojejunostomy: Proposed by Pegulio & Pellisier in 1959, this consists of communication of the cyst cavity with a defunctionalized jejunal loop (Fig. 1c). It is a difficult technique which is not useful and has been progressively carried out less in practice due to the number of complications. The biggest drawbacks are the inadequate drainage of the residual cavity, anastomotic stenosis and alteration in intestinal function from the manipulation of the normal intestinal transit (evidence type 4) (Acar *et al.*; Sahin *et al.*, 2010).

Unroofing: Surgery that began to report in 1980. It consists of a cystotomy, evacuation of the cyst and extirpation of the germinal layer, leaving the residual cavity intact. It is a simple technique, and thus within the reach of any surgeon, and indicated essentially for small and peripheral cysts. The evidence to support it is limited (evidence type 4) (Tekin *et al.*, 2008).

RADICAL SURGICAL PROCEDURES

These are so-called because they affect exeresis of the cyst, pericyst and a larger or smaller fragment of surrounding hepatic parenchyma. They require certain experience of the surgical team, but their results in terms of POM are superior to those reported with the use of conservative surgical techniques (evidence type 2b, 3a) (Priego *et al.*; He *et al.*; Yüksel *et al.*, 2008). They include:

Total pericystectomy: Described by Bourgeon in 1961 (Manterola *et al.*, 2009a), it has also been called a cystopericystectomy. It consists of the total extirpation of the parasite and pericyst through a cleavage plane with the

healthy hepatic parenchyma. This resection can be complete, leaving only the hepatic parenchyma exposed (total pericystectomy Figure 4a, or incomplete, leaving a piece of residual pericyst, which is generally related to the hepatic pedicle or perihepatic vessels (partial pericystectomy). The exposed hepatic parenchyma, prior to hemostasis and closing of any possible biliary communications, can be left intact or covered by means of omentoplasty. It is one of the surgical procedures of choice (evidence type 3a and 4) (Priego *et al.*; He *et al.*; Sekulic *et al.*; Reza Mousavi *et al.*; Elhamel, 1990; Botrugno *et al.*, 2010).

Partial pericystectomy: Variation on the total pericystectomy. This consists of the evacuation of the cyst, cystotomy, extirpation of the germinal layer, suture of biliary communications, and almost total resection of the pericyst, leaving only a part, which is usually found in relation to the hepatic pedicle, suprahepatic vessels, or the vena cava (Fig. 4b). A section of the pericyst can be carried out with surrounding hepatic tissue, the amount of which will vary according to the location of the cyst and its depth in the liver (evidence type 1b and 4) (Manterola *et al.*, 2010a, 2010b, 2013, 2015a; Priego *et al.*). If the residual cavity remains, according to its location, it can be treated with capitonnage or omentoplasty (Manterola *et al.*, 2013; Muftuoglu *et al.*) (Figs. 2a and 2b).

Hepatectomies: These can be divided into typical major and minor resections and atypical resections; understanding atypical resections to be when the resection of a hepatic tissue fragment is performed that does not correlate with its vasculature or precise anatomical limits (generally resections that include all or part of the lesion). The indication of resection for the treatment of persistent residual cavity and multiple HE is accepted, particularly when this is located in

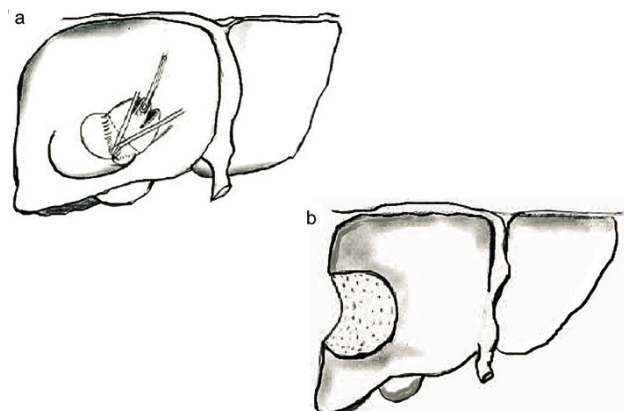


Fig. 4. Radical techniques. a) Total pericystectomy. Cleavage plane between the hepatic parenchyma and the pericystic. b) Partial pericystectomy. Configuration of the liver once partial exeresis of the cyst and surrounding hepatic parenchyma is complete.

the left lobe. There is no evidence to support the practice of systematic lobectomies or hepatectomies due to the great number of parenchyma that must be resected, unless it has disappeared because of the progressive development of the parasite, a situation in which the denomination "hepatic resection" does not seem justified unless we give the parasite credit for the resection. In addition, and although there is evidence of the regenerative capacity of the liver, it must be remembered that subjects who have undergone surgery mainly return home where, despite education, the risk of a new parasitization exists, which is not rare and also raises doubts about the real utility of major resections for a benign disease (evidence type 4) (Priego *et al.*; Nari *et al.*, 2014; Birnbaum *et al.*, 2012; Martel *et al.*, 2014). Various access routes have been reported in the literature and range from simple laparotomies such as supraumbilical midline and subcostal to more complex procedures like bilateral subcostal, midline with bilateral or single transverse extension ("in square" or "in inverted T") and J-laparotomy, which is the one we routinely use, which involves the general mobilization of the liver, release of the adhesions of the cyst to the parietal peritoneum, diaphragm and abdominal viscera (evidence type 4) (Manterola, 2014).

Additional surgeries: It is frequently necessary to employ other surgical procedures. Cholecystectomy is used when the gallbladder is found to be forming part of the wall of the cyst, when its proximity to the cyst prevents an adequate resection of the pericyst, or for coexistent cholelithiasis (evidence type 1b and 4) (Manterola *et al.*, 2009b, 2010a, 2010b, 2014, 2015a; Manterola & Otzen), or exeresis of other abdominal hydatid lesions (peritoneal, mesenteric, etc.) in patients with extrahepatic parasitization, which is 14 % of cases (evidence type 4) (Manterola *et al.*, 2003b; Silva *et al.*, 2012).

LAPAROSCOPIC TREATMENT

The first reports of laparoscopic techniques for HE treatment were based on the evacuation of the content of the cyst by simple aspiration. A series of special cannulae were designed that enabled suction of hydatid fluid and germinative membrane. These procedures demonstrate the risk of hydatid dissemination and problems stemming from the formation of residual cavities, a conversion percentage of up to 30 %, higher POM between 0 % and 54 %, which may be associated with inadequate patient selection, average hospitalization between 1 and 8 days, and recurrence between 0 % and 11 %. These data are presented in a systematic review of non-randomized studies, which summarizes the outcomes of 914 patients treated by this type of access, taken from 57 primary articles (evidence type 3a) (Tuxun *et al.*, 2014).

Despite the potential problems that this alternative provides us, there are a series of advantages that must be taken into consideration, for instance the possibility of inspecting the residual cavity in search of biliary communications, reduction during the hospital stay and reduction in the infection of the surgical site (evidence type 4) (Manterola *et al.*, 2002).

Finally, one systematic review of non-randomized studies regarding the treatment of complicated HE is worthy of note: it was possible to conclude that there is little evidence to support decision-making and that more studies are needed, particularly with supporting evidence, to answer the many questions remaining (evidence type 3a) (Dziri *et al.*, 2004). Similar thinking is reflected in an editorial (evidence type 5) (Ramia & Figueras, 2010).

PUNCTURE, ASPIRATION, INJECTION, REASPIRATION (PAIR)

Just a few words concerning this technique, developed since 2002 (Vuitton *et al.*, 2002). There is a systematic review based on non-randomized studies, which concludes that PAIR seems promising, but the evidence is insufficient to support its use for treating patients with uncomplicated hepatic echinococcosis and that well-designed randomized clinical trials are needed to clarify its real effectiveness (evidence type 1a) (Nasseri-Moghaddam *et al.*, 2011).

Previously stated facts along with brief follow-up time of most studies, indicate that recommendations implemented by various groups have been downgraded in recent years. Indeed, it is suggested that although beneficial in some cases, it is indicated for only the more favorable cases of type I and II cysts, according to Gharbi's classification (Gupta *et al.*, 2011).

MANTEROLA, C. & OTZEN, T. Alternativas quirúrgicas utilizadas en el tratamiento del quiste hidatídico hepático. Revisión global de la evidencia. *Int. J. Morphol.*, 34(2):699-707, 2016.

RESUMEN: La equinocosis es una zoonosis endémica en el sur de Chile; por lo tanto, tenemos la oportunidad de tratar un gran número de pacientes, particularmente en el hígado. La equinocosis hepática (EH) tiene su propia morbilidad y mortalidad debido a complicaciones evolutivas, a lo que se añade el riesgo de complicaciones relacionadas con los procedimientos quirúrgicos. Se ha informado una morbilidad hasta del 80 %. Esto se asocia con antecedentes de cirugías previas para EH, complicaciones evolutivas del quiste, la necesidad de procedimientos adicionales, tales como el tratamiento de la enfermedad en otros lugares en forma simultánea, etc. Por otra parte, la mortalidad reportada alcanza el 10 %, una situación que se mantiene sin

cambios a pesar de los avances tecnológicos y terapéuticos. El tratamiento quirúrgico de la EH se puede dividir en cuatro fases: aislamiento de la zona quirúrgica, evacuación del quiste, tratamiento de las complicaciones del quiste y tratamiento de la cavidad residual. Los procedimientos quirúrgicos de la EH se pueden clasificar en conservador (marsupialización, cistostomía, técnica y cistoyeyunostomía de Posadas) y radical (periquistectomía y resecciones hepáticas). Por último, el papel de la cirugía laparoscópica, que todavía está en proceso de evaluación, también es digno de mención. El objetivo de este artículo es presentar una visión general basada en la evidencia de algunos aspectos quirúrgicos de interés en el tratamiento de la EH. Se discuten los temas desde las diferentes opciones quirúrgicas utilizadas para el tratamiento de la EH y sus resultados, sobre la base de la evidencia publicada.

PALABRAS CLAVE: Equinococosis; Hidatidosis; Equinococosis hepática; Cirugía hepática; Quiste hidatídico hepático; Periquistectomía; Resecciones hepáticas; Capitonage; Omentoplastia.

REFERENCES

- Acar, F.; Sahin, M.; Alptekin, H.; Yilmaz, H. & Kafali, M. E. Surgical treatment of giant liver hydatid cysts: comparison of cystojejunostomy and partial cystectomy. *Surg. Today*, 44(11):2065-71, 2014.
- Agayev, R. M. & Agayev, B. A. Hepatic hydatid disease: surgical experience over 15 years. *Hepatogastroenterology*, 55(85):1373-9, 2008.
- Arikan, S.; Kocakusak, A.; Yucel, A. F. & Daduk, Y. Evaluation of tube drainage method in the treatment of hydatid cyst of liver. *Hepatogastroenterology*, 54(74):470-4, 2007.
- Aygerinos, E. D.; Pavlakis, E.; Stathoulopoulos, A.; Manoukas, E.; Skarpas, G. & Tsatsoulis, P. Clinical presentations and surgical management of liver hydatidosis: our 20 year experience. *HPB (Oxford)*, 8(3):189-93, 2006.
- Birnbaum, D. J.; Hardwigsen, J.; Barbier, L.; Bouchiba, N. & Le Treut, Y. P. Is hepatic resection the best treatment for hydatid cyst? *J. Gastrointest. Surg.*, 16(11):2086-93, 2012.
- Botrugno, I.; Gruttadauria, S.; Li Petri, S.; Cintorino, D.; Spada, M.; Di Francesco, F.; Pagano, D.; Crino, F.; Anastasi, D. & Gridelli, B. Complex hydatid cysts of the liver: a single center's evolving approach to surgical treatment. *Am. Surg.*, 76(9):1011-5, 2010.
- Buttenschoen, K. & Carli Buttenschoen, D. Echinococcus granulosus infection: the challenge of surgical treatment. *Langenbecks Arch. Surg.*, 388(4):218-30, 2003.
- Caglar, R.; Yuzbasioglu, M. F.; Bulbuloglu, E.; Gul, M.; Ezberci, F. & Kale, I. T. *In vitro* effectiveness of different chemical agents on scolices of hydatid cyst. *J. Invest. Surg.*, 21(2):71-5, 2008.
- Cortés, S. & Valle, C. Human hydatidosis: general aspects and epidemiological situation in Chile according to hospital discharge and mandatory reporting from 2001 to 2005. *Rev. Chil. Infectol.*, 27(4):329-35, 2010.
- Daradkeh, S.; El-Muhtaseb, H.; Farah, G.; Sroujeh, A. S. & Abu-Khalaf, M. Predictors of morbidity and mortality in the surgical management of hydatid cyst of the liver. *Langenbecks Arch. Surg.*, 392(1):35-9, 2007.
- Dziri, C.; Haouet, K. & Fingerhut, A. Treatment of hydatid cyst of the liver: where is the evidence? *World J. Surg.*, 28(8):731-6, 2004.
- Eckert, J. & Deplazes, P. Biological, epidemiological, and clinical aspects of echinococcosis, a zoonosis of increasing concern. *Clin. Microbiol. Rev.*, 17(1):107-35, 2004.
- Elhamel, A. Pericystectomy for the treatment of hepatic hydatid cysts. *Surgery*, 107(3):316-2, 1990.
- Engin, O.; Calik, B.; Yilmaz, M.; Temize, E. & Karagulle, I. Cirugía conservadora en hidatidosis. *Problemas. Rev. Chil. Cir.*, 62(2):114-8, 2010.
- Gastaca, M.; Kataryniuk, Y.; Uribe-Etxebarria, N.; Rojo, R. & Ortiz de Urbina, J. Thoracic involvement of hepatic hydatidosis. *Surgery*, 157(1):169-70, 2015.
- Goksoy, E.; Saklak, M.; Saribeyoglu, K. & Schumpelick, V. Surgery for Echinococcus cysts in the liver. *Chirurg.*, 79(8):729-37, 2008.
- Gourgiotis, S.; Stratopoulos, C.; Moustafellos, P.; Dimopoulos, N.; Papaxoinis, G.; Vougas, V. & Hadjiyannakis, E. Surgical techniques and treatment for hepatic hydatid cysts. *Surg. Today*, 37(5):389-95, 2007.
- Grosso, G.; Gruttadauria, S.; Biondi, A.; Marventano, S. & Mistretta, A. Worldwide epidemiology of liver hydatidosis including the Mediterranean area. *World J. Gastroenterol.*, 18(13):1425-37, 2012.
- Gupta, N.; Javed, A.; Puri, S.; Jain, S.; Singh, S. & Agarwal, A. K. Hepatic hydatid: PAIR, drain or resect? *J. Gastrointest. Surg.*, 15(10):1829-36, 2011.
- He, Y. B.; Yao, G.; Tuxun, T.; Bai, L.; Li, T.; Zhao, J. M.; Zhang, J. H. & Wen, H. Efficacy of radical and conservative surgery for hepatic cystic echinococcosis: a meta-analysis. *Int. J. Clin. Exp. Med.*, 8(5):7039-48, 2015.
- Hofstetter, C.; Segovia, E. & Vara-Thorbeck, R. Treatment of uncomplicated hydatid cyst of the liver by closed marsupialization and fibrin glue obliteration. *World J. Surg.*, 28(2):173-8, 2004.

- Kapan, M.; Kapan, S.; Goksoy, E.; Perek, S. & Kol, E. Postoperative recurrence in hepatic hydatid disease. *J. Gastrointest. Surg.*, 10(5):734-9, 2006.
- Kilani, T.; El Hammami, S.; Horchani, H.; Ben Miled-Mrad, K.; Hantous, S.; Mestiri, I. & Sellami, M. Hydatid disease of the liver with thoracic involvement. *World. J. Surg.*, 25(1):40-5, 2001.
- Mamarajabov, S.; Kodera, Y.; Karimov, S.; Abdiev, S.; Sabirov, B.; Krotov, N.; Kurbaniyazov, Z.; Arziev, I.; Sattarov, S.; Fayziev, T.; Yoshida, Y.; Nakao, A. & Sakamoto, J. Surgical alternatives for hepatic hydatid disease. *Hepatogastroenterology*, 58(112):1859-61, 2011.
- Manterola, C.; Fernández, O.; Muñoz, S.; Vial, M.; Losada, H.; Carrasco, R.; Bello, N. & Barroso, M. Laparoscopic pericystectomy for liver hydatid cysts. *Surg. Endosc.*, 16(3):521-4, 2002.
- Manterola, C.; Barroso, M.; Vial, M.; Bustos, L.; Muñoz, S.; Losada, H.; Bello, N.; Hernández, F. & Carrasco, R. Liver abscess of hydatid origin: clinical features and results of aggressive treatment. *A. N. Z. J. Surg.*, 73(4):220-4, 2003a.
- Manterola, C.; Vial, M.; Losada, H.; Fonseca, F.; Bustos, L.; Muñoz, S. & Barroso, M. Uncommon locations of abdominal hydatid disease. *Trop. Doct.*, 33(3):179-80, 2003b.
- Manterola, C.; Vial, M.; Pineda, V.; Sanhueza, A. & Barroso, M. Factors associated with morbidity in liver hydatid surgery. *A. N. Z. J. Surg.*, 75(10):889-92, 2005.
- Manterola, C.; Vial, M.; Melo, A.; Oberg, C. & Fonseca, F. Viability and fertility of human hepatic hydatid cysts. *World J. Surg.*, 30(2):227-32, 2006.
- Manterola, D. C.; Moraga, C. J.; Urrutia, V. S. & Grupo MInCir (Metodología e Investigación en Cirugía). Aspectos clínico-quirúrgicos de la hidatidosis hepática, una zoonosis de creciente preocupación. *Rev. Chil. Cir.*, 63(6):641-9, 2009a.
- Manterola, D. C.; Bustos, M. L.; Vial, M.; Moraga, C. J.; & Grupo MInCir. ¿Es la comunicación quisto-biliar, un factor de riesgo para el desarrollo de morbilidad postoperatoria en pacientes con hidatidosis hepática? *Rev. Chil. Cir.*, 61(3):229-35, 2009b.
- Manterola, D. C.; Ávila, A. N.; Seco, V. J.; Ulloa, M. P.; Moraga, C. J.; & Grupo MInCir. Tránsito hepatotorácico, complicación evolutiva de la hidatidosis hepática. Características clínicas y morbilidad de una serie prospectiva de pacientes intervenidos quirúrgicamente. *Rev. Chil. Cir.*, 61(4):345-9, 2009c.
- Manterola, D. C.; Moraga, C. J.; Urrutia, V. S. & Grupo MInCir. Morbilidad postoperatoria en pacientes con hidatidosis hepática no complicada. Utilización de una propuesta de clasificación de complicaciones. *Rev. Chil. Cir.*, 62(4):362-8, 2010a.
- Manterola, C.; Vial, M.; Sanhueza, A. & Contreras, J. Intrabiliary rupture of hepatic echinococcosis, a risk factor for developing postoperative morbidity: a cohort study. *World J. Surg.*, 34(3):581-6, 2010b.
- Manterola, C.; Roa, J. C.; Urrutia, S. & MINCIR Group. Treatment of the residual cavity during hepatic hydatidosis surgery: a cohort study of capitonnage vs. omentoplasty. *Surg. Today*, 43(12):1412-8, 2013.
- Manterola, C.; Otzen, T.; Urrutia, S. & MINCIR Group (Methodology and Research in Surgery). Risk factors of postoperative morbidity in patients with uncomplicated liver hydatid cyst. *Int. J. Surg.*, 12(7):695-9, 2014.
- Manterola, D. C. In "J" laparotomy. An alternative pathway for high abdominal surgery. *Int. J. Med. Surg. Sci.*, 1(2):185-90, 2014.
- Manterola, C.; Urrutia, S. & Grupo MINCIR. Post surgery morbidity in patients with complicated hepatic hydatidosis. *Rev. Chil. Infectol.*, 32(1):62-8, 2015a.
- Manterola, C.; Urrutia, S. & MINCIR GROUP. Infected Hepatic Echinococcosis: Results of Surgical Treatment of a Consecutive Series of Patients. *Surg. Infect. (Larchmt.)*, 16(5):553-7, 2015b.
- Manterola, C. & Otzen, H. Cholangiohydatidosis: A rare cause of obstructive jaundice and cholangitis. Results of the surgical treatment on a series of consecutive cases. *Ann. Hepatol.*, 2016 (in press).
- Martel, G.; Ismail, S.; Bégin, A.; Vandenbroucke-Menu, F. & Lapointe, R. Surgical management of symptomatic hydatid liver disease: experience from a Western centre. *Can. J. Surg.*, 57(5):320-6, 2014.
- Martínez, P. Characterization of human hydatidosis mortality: Chile, 2000-2010. *Rev. Chil. Infectol.*, 31(1):7-15, 2014.
- Muftuoglu, M. A.; Koksall, N. & Topaloglu, U. The role of omentoplasty in the surgical management of remnant cavity in hepatic hydatid cyst. *H. P. B. (Oxford)*, 7(3):231-4, 2005.
- Nari, G. A.; Palacios, R. O.; Russo, N.; López, B. S.; Albiol, M.; Falgueras, L.; Castro, E.; Codina-Barreras, A. & Figueras, J. Liver resections as radical surgery for hepatic hydatidosis: results in 50 patients. *Acta Gastroenterol. Latinoam.* 44(1):39-44, 2014.
- Nasseri-Moghaddam, S.; Abrishami, A.; Taefi, A. & Malekzadeh, R. Percutaneous needle aspiration, injection, and re-aspiration with or without benzimidazole coverage for uncomplicated hepatic hydatid cysts. *Cochrane Database Syst. Rev.*, 19(1):CD003623, 2011.
- Priego, P.; Nuño, J.; López Hervás, P.; López Buenadicha, A.; Peromingo, R.; Díe, J. & Rodríguez, G. Hepatic hydatidosis. Radical vs. conservative surgery: 22 years of experience. *Rev. Esp. Enferm. Dig.*, 100(2):82-5, 2008.

- Ramia, A. J. M. & Figueras, F. J. Hepatic hydatidosis: which surgical technique should we use? *Cir. Esp.*, 88(1):1-2, 2010.
- Ramia, J. M.; De-la-Plaza, R.; Quiñones, J, Adel, F.; Ramiro, C. & García-Parreño, J. Frank intrabiliary rupture in liver hydatidosis located in the hilar plate: a surgical challenge. *Dig. Surg.*, 30(4-6):439-43, 2013.
- Reza Mousavi, S.; Khoshnevis, J. & Kharazm, P. Surgical treatment of hydatid cyst of the liver: drainage versus omentoplasty. *Ann. Hepatol.*, 4(4):272-4, 2005.
- Safioleas, M. C.; Misiakos, E. P.; Kouvaraki, M.; Stamatakos, M. K.; Manti, C.P. & Felekouras, E. S. Hydatid disease of the liver: a continuing surgical problem. *Arch. Surg.*, 141(11):1101-8, 2006.
- Sahin, M.; Koksall, H.; Yilmaz, H. & Cakir, M. Surgical treatment of hepatic hydatid cyst: cysto-jejunostomy by stapling. *Bratisl. Lek. Listy.*, 111(6):349-50, 2010.
- Sekulic, S.; Sekulic-Frkovic, A. S.; Secen, S.; Vasic, J. & Popovic, M. Liver hydatidosis - surgical treatment. *Hepatogastroenterology*, 58(109):1343-8, 2011.
- Shalayiadang, P.; Muzaffar, I.; Yusp-Yimit; Turxun, A.; Nannan, C. & Wen, H. Comparison of post-operative short-term and long-term outcomes between occult and frank biliary rupture of hydatid disease. *Hepatogastroenterology*, 61(130):431-5, 2014.
- Silva, C.; Poves, I.; Millar, C.; Burdío, F. & Grande, L. Laparoscopic resection of liver hydatid disease with multiple peritoneal dissemination. *Gastroenterol. Hepatol.*, 35(5):368-9, 2012.
- Tagliacozzo, S.; Miccini, M.; Amore Bonapasta, S.; Gregori, M. & Tocchi, A. Surgical treatment of hydatid disease of the liver: 25 years of experience. *Am. J. Surg.*, 201(6):797-804, 2011.
- Tekin, A.; Kartal, A.; Aksoy, F.; Vatansev, C.; Kücükkartallar, T.; Belviranlı, M.; Sahin, M. & Yol, S. Long-term results utilizing the unroofing technique in treating hydatid cysts of the liver. *Surg. Today*, 38(9):801-6, 2008.
- Tuxun, T.; Zhang, J. H.; Zhao, J. M.; Tai, Q. W.; Abudurexti, M.; Ma, H. Z. & Wen, H. World review of laparoscopic treatment of liver cystic echinococcosis--914 patients. *Int. J. Infect. Dis.*, 24:43-50, 2014.
- Utkan, N. Z.; Cantürk, N. Z.; Gönüllü, N.; Yildirir, C. & Dülger, M. Surgical experience of hydatid disease of the liver: omentoplasty or capitonnage versus tube drainage. *Hepatogastroenterology*, 48(37):203-7, 2001.
- Vuitton, D. A.; Meslin, F.; MacPherson, C.; Brunetti, E. & Filice, C. World Health Organization Informal Working Group on echinococcosis. PAIR: an option for the treatment of cystic echinococcosis. Geneva, Bulletin of the World Health Organization, 2002.
- Yilmaz, M.; Akbulut, S.; Kahraman, A. & Yilmaz, S. Liver hydatid cyst rupture into the peritoneal cavity after abdominal trauma: case report and literature review. *Int. Surg.*, 97(3):239-44, 2012.
- Yüksel, O.; Akyürek, N.; Sahin, T.; Salman, B.; Azili, C. & Bostanci, H. Efficacy of radical surgery in preventing early local recurrence and cavity-related complications in hydatid liver disease. *J. Gastrointest. Surg.*, 12(3):483-9, 2008.

Correspondence to:
Dr. Carlos Manterola, MD, PhD.
Department of Surgery and CEMyQ
Universidad de La Frontera
Temuco
CHILE

Phone: 56-45-2325760
Fax: 56-45-2325761

Email: carlos.manterola@ufrontera.cl

Received: 20-02-2016
Accepted: 18-03-2016