

HOW ARE POLYPS REMOVED IN CLINICAL PRACTICE? A COMPARISON TO ESGE POLYPECTOMY GUIDELINES

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A single-centre audit of 177 polypectomies from 100 consecutive patients found that only 68% adhered to European Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy guidelines for polypectomy technique.

KEY POINTS

- Of 177 polypectomies analysed, 121 (68%) followed ESGE recommendations while 56 (32%) did not follow recommended techniques.
- Non-compliant procedures included 25 cold biopsies (14% of all polypectomies), which ESGE recommends avoiding due to high incomplete resection rates, and 16 procedures with inappropriate diathermy use.
- ESGE recommends cold snare polypectomy for nonpedunculated adenomatous polyps under 10mm, hot snare with or without EMR for polyps over 10mm, and cold snare or cold EMR for sessile serrated lesions of all sizes.
- The authors conclude that better dissemination and implementation of ESGE guidelines is needed to enhance polypectomy practice in their department.

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