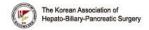
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Modified Liver Hanging Maneuvers to Facilitate Various difficult types of Hepatectomy: A single center experience

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Introduction: The liver hanging maneuver (LHM) is a useful technique enabling a safe anterior approach. Since the first time described by Belghiti, it has been modified many times by different surgeons to be more effective. Thus, we aim to evaluate the short term results of using some modified liver hanging maneuvers (mLHM) for difficult types of Hepatectomy.

Methods: From February 1 to September 30, 2020, we perform 3 modified techniques of LHM for 4 patients with HCC. mLHM 1: A tape was placed upon the fossa ductus venosi, its cranial tip was passed to the right behind the common trunk of LHV and MHV and its caudal tip passed behind the left Glissonean pedicle to the hepatic hilum. mLHM 2: After transect the caudal part of S1R about 2cm, a tape was passed through the hepatic hilum and the RHV-MHV pocket along the right border of the paracaval portion. mLHM 3: Instead of a tape, we used 2 fingers to create the tunnel and push the liver forward.

Results: Among 4 patients, there were 2 right hepatectomy and caudate lobectomy, 1 left hepatectomy and caudate lobectomy, 1 right anterior section ectomy with reconstruction right hepatic vein for huge tumor. The modified LHMs were performed successfully in all patients, provide adequate cut planes without complications.

Conclusions: The LHM is a safe and effective technique which can be modified to adapt with many types of hepatectomy.

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