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# Surgical techniques and results of the bulbar urethral stricture surgery







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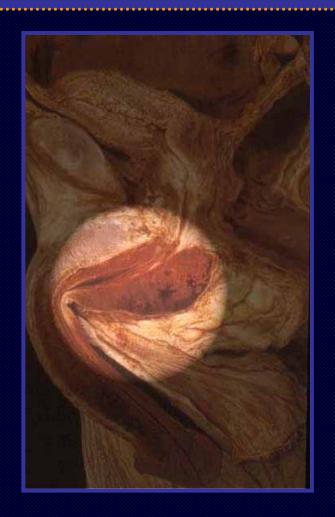
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## Results of 375 one-stage bulbar urethroplasties







#### **End-to-end anastomosis: 165 patients**

#### Augmented anastomotic repair: 40 patients

- dorsal skin graft
- dorsal buccal mucosal graft
- ventral buccal mucosal graft

#### Onlay graft urethroplasty: 170 patients

- ventral onlay (BM)
- dorsal onlay (BM)
- lateral onlay (BM)
- circumferential substitution onlay (BM)
- dorsal onlay (skin)





#### **End-to-end anastomosis**



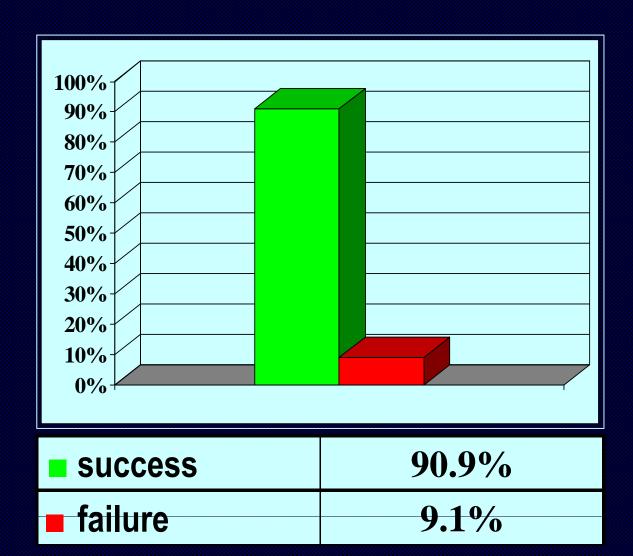








#### Results of 165 end-to-end anastomosis







### Outcome according to the patient age

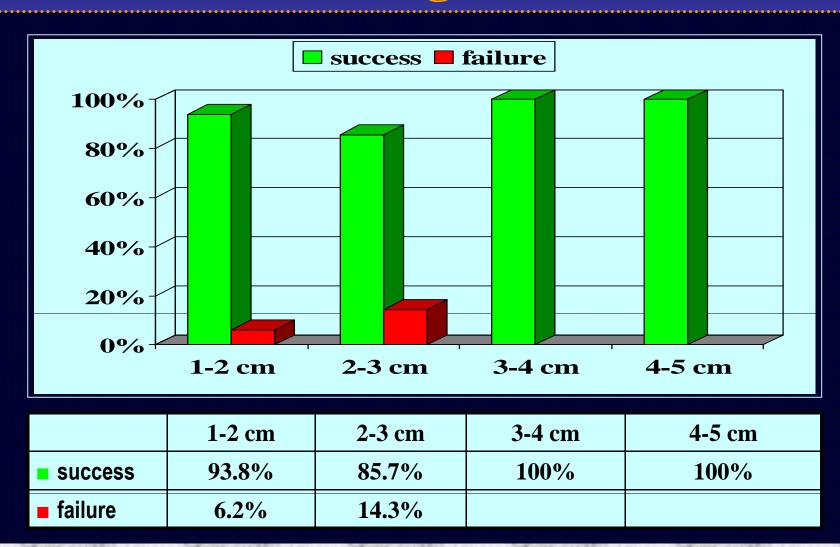


|           | 0-49 years | 50-69 years | > 70 years |
|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|
| success   | 91%        | 86.4%       | 100%       |
| ■ failure | 9%         | 13.4%       |            |



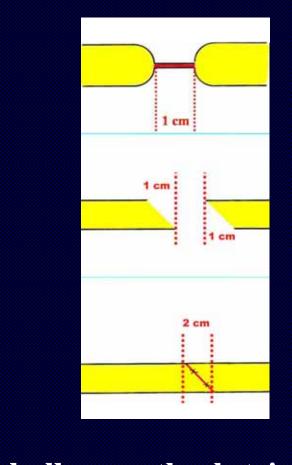


### Outcome according to the stricture length

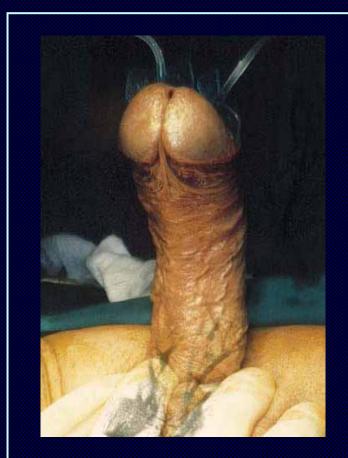












penile chordee due to excessive urethral shortening

**Guralnick and Webster, J Urol 2001** 







#### Urethral reconstructability is proportional to the

#### length and elasticity of the distal urethra

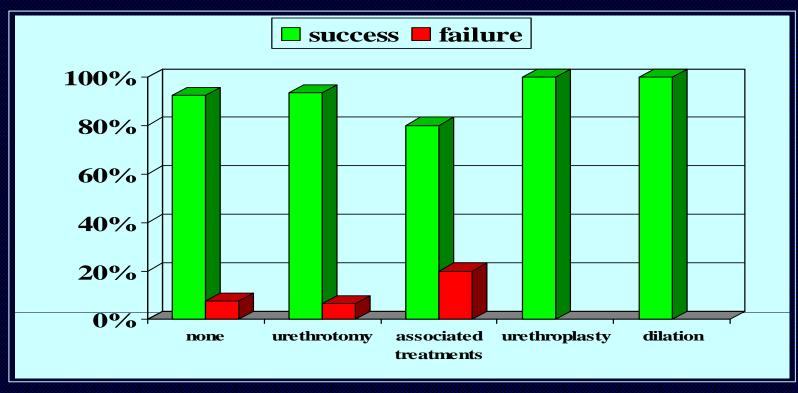
Morey et al., J Urol 2006

| authors              | patients | length      | success rate |
|----------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|
| Santucci et al. 2002 | 168      | 1 to 4.5 cm | 95%          |
| Morey et al. 2006    | 22       | 2.6 to 5 cm | 91%          |
| Eltahawy et al. 2005 | 213      | 1 to 4.5 cm | 98%          |





### Outcome according to the previous treatments

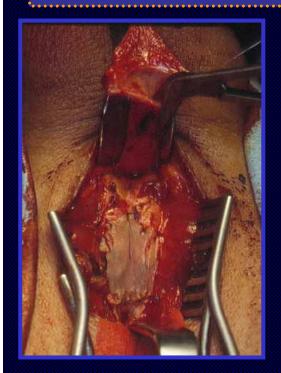


|           | none  | urethrotomy | associated treatments | urethroplasty | dilation |
|-----------|-------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------|
| success   | 92.4% | 93.4%       | 80%                   | 100%          | 100%     |
| ■ failure | 7.6%  | 6.6%        | 20%                   |               |          |

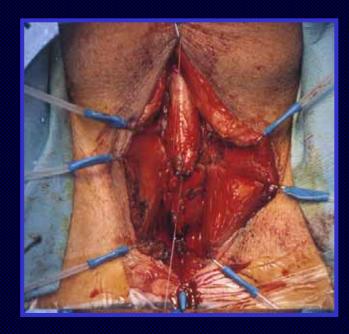




## Augmented anastomotic repair using dorsal skin graft



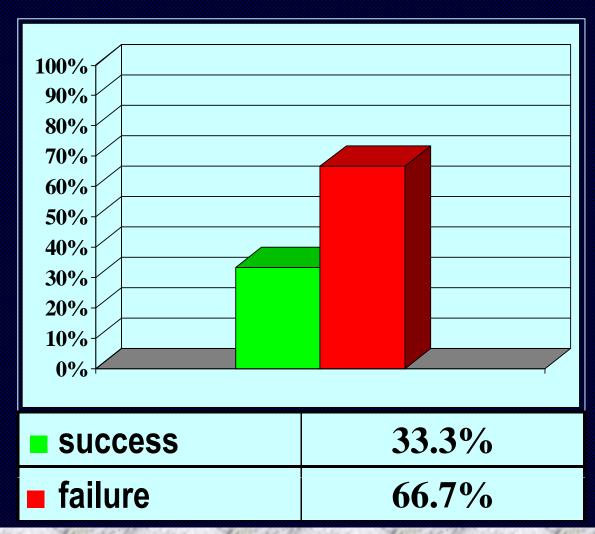








# Results of 9 augmented anastomotic repair using dorsal skin graft



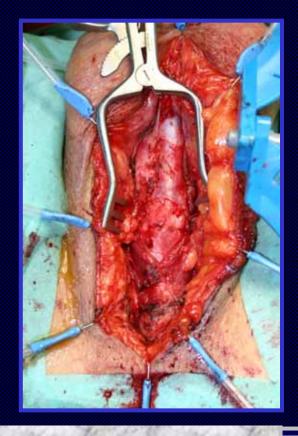




## Augmented anastomotic repair using dorsal buccal mucosal graft



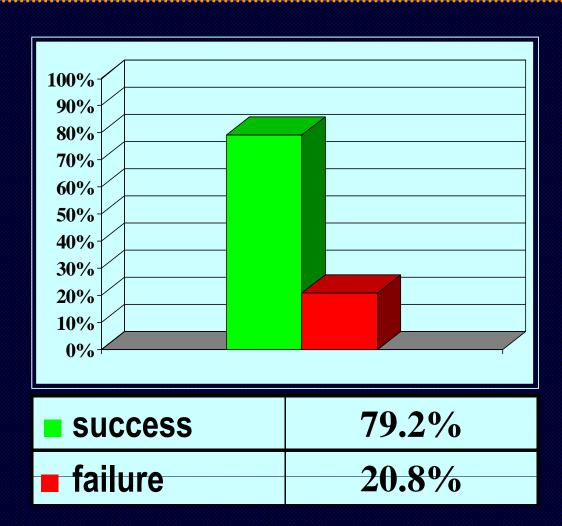








## Results of 24 augmented anastomotic repair using dorsal buccal mucosal graft

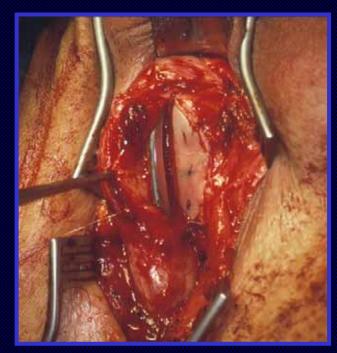






# Dorsal skin onlay graft urethroplasty



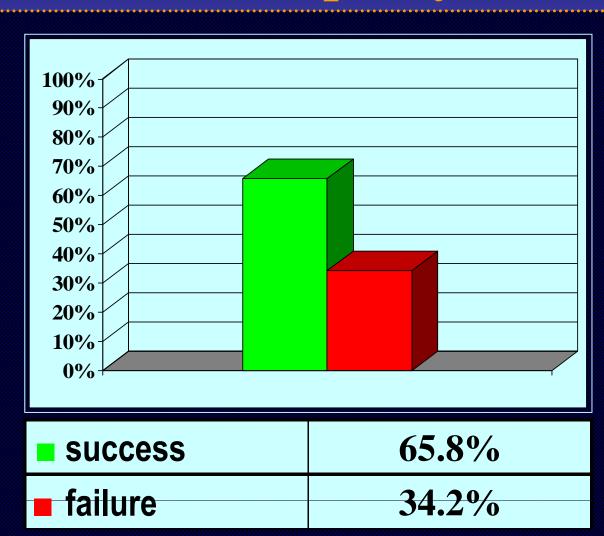








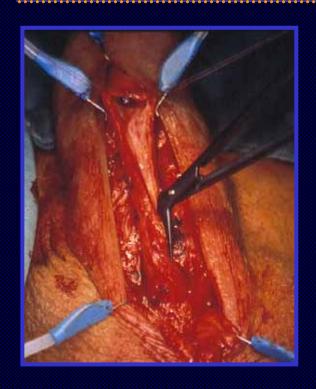
### Results of 38 dorsal skin onlay graft urethroplasty







## Dorsal buccal mucosal onlay graft urethroplasty



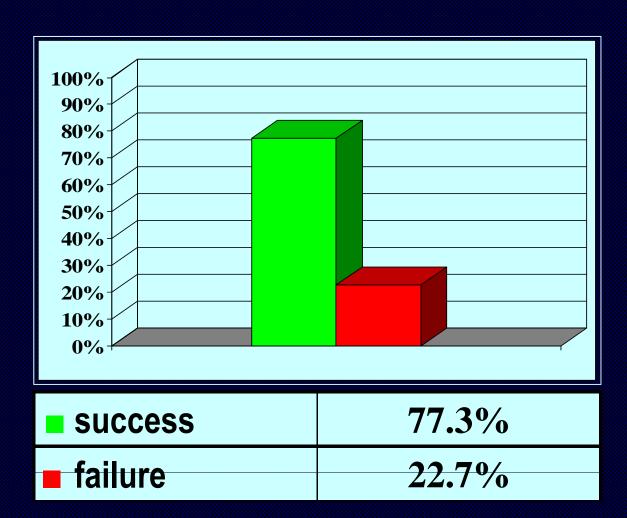








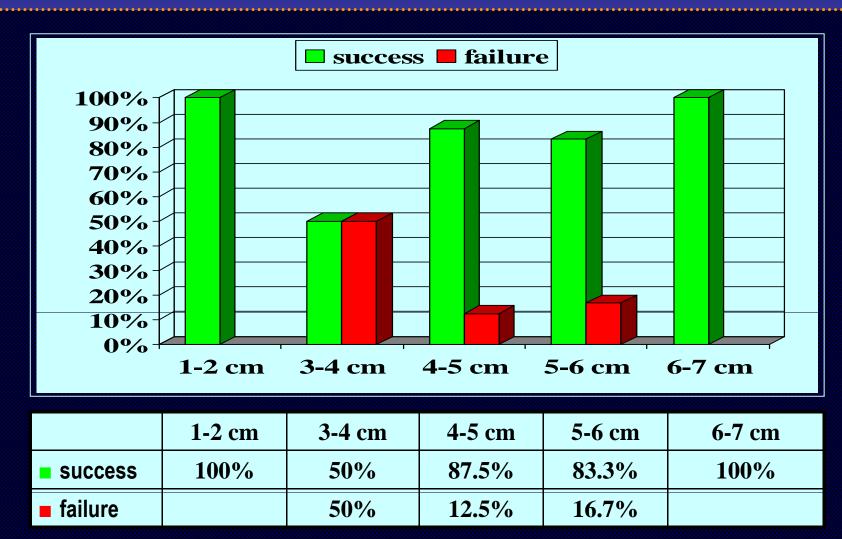
# Results of 22 dorsal buccal mucosal onlay graft urethroplasty







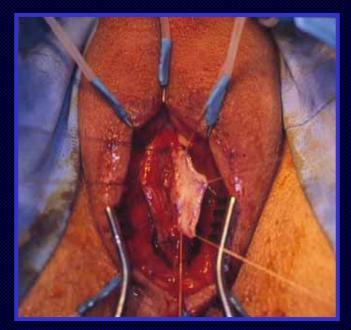
## Outcome according to the stricture length







## Ventral buccal mucosal onlay graft urethroplasty



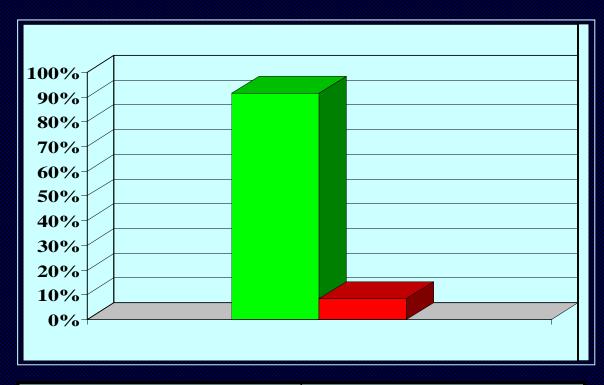








## Results of 93 ventral buccal mucosal onlay graft urethroplasties

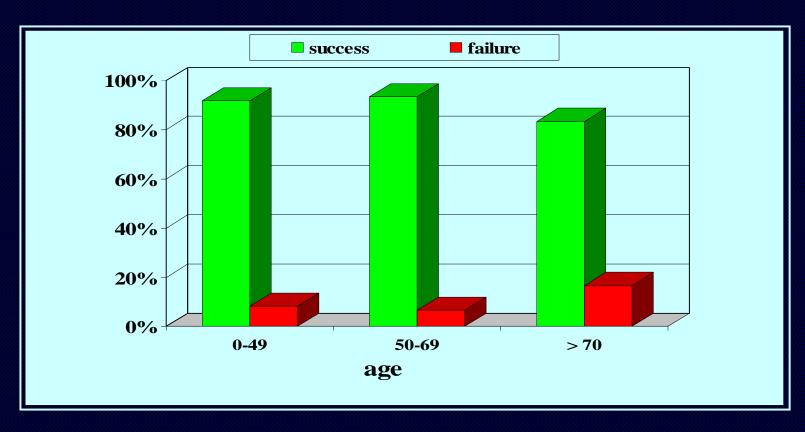


| success | 91.4% |
|---------|-------|
| failure | 8.6%  |





### Outcome according to the patient age

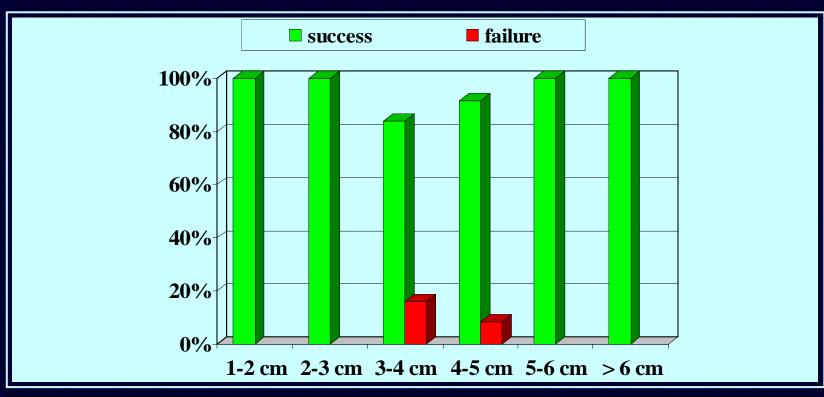


|           | 0-49 years | 50-69 years | > 70 years |
|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|
| success   | 91.7%      | 93.3%       | 83.3%      |
| ■ failure | 8.3%       | 6.7%        | 16.7%      |





### Outcome according to the stricture length



|           | 1-2 cm | 2-3 cm | 3-4 cm | 4-5 cm | 5-6 cm | > 6 cm |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| success   | 100%   | 100%   | 84%    | 91.5%  | 100%   | 100%   |
| ■ failure |        |        | 16%    | 8.5%   |        |        |





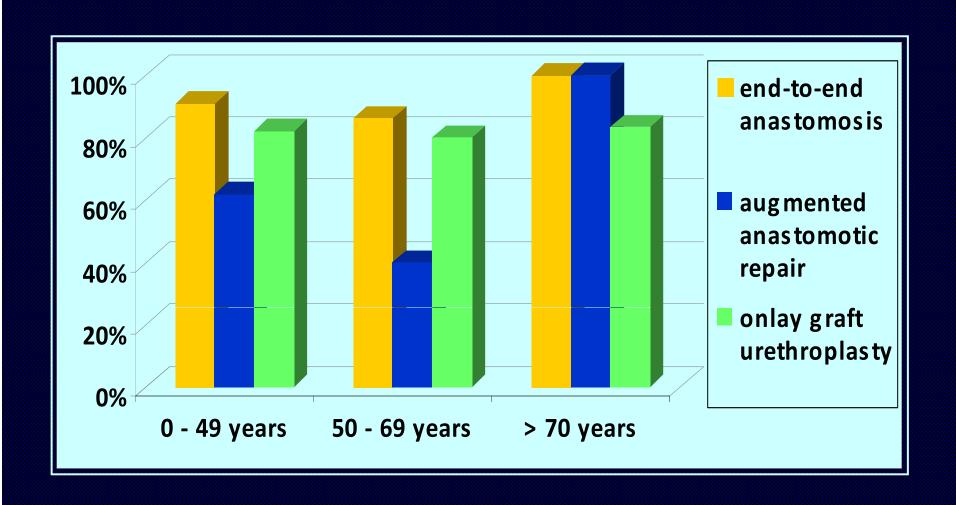
# Comparative success rate of 375 one-stage bulbar urethroplasties

| surgical technique              | success | failure |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|
| end-to-end<br>anastomosis       | 90.9%   | 9.1%    |
| onlay graft<br>urethroplasty    | 81.8%   | 18.2%   |
| augmented<br>anastomotic repair | 60%     | 40%     |





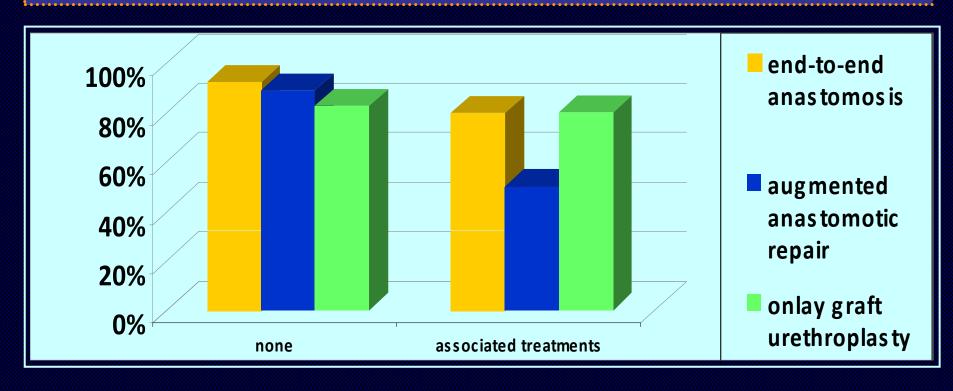
#### Success rate based on patient age







### Outcome according to the previous treatments



| previous treatments   | end-to-end anastomosis | augmented anastomosis repair | onlay graft urethroplasty |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| none                  | 92.4%                  | 88.9%                        | 82.5%                     |
| associated treatments | 80%                    | 50%                          | 80%                       |





### Augmented anastomotic repair

| type of repair               | success rate |  |
|------------------------------|--------------|--|
| dorsal buccal mucosal graft  | 79.2%        |  |
| dorsal skin graft            | 33.3%        |  |
| ventral buccal mucosal graft | 28.6%        |  |





### Onlay graft urethroplasty

| type of urethroplasty   | success rate |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| ventral onlay (BM)      | 91.4%        |
| lateral onlay (BM)      | 83.3%        |
| dorsal onlay (BM)       | 77.3%        |
| dorsal onlay (skin)     | 65.8%        |
| substitution onlay (BM) | 63.6%        |





#### Substitute material





Penile skin or buccal mucosa?





## Success rate based on the substitute material

| substitute material | success rate |
|---------------------|--------------|
| buccal mucosa       | 82.8%        |
| penile skin         | 59.6%        |





#### Question...

Based on these results, is time to change the approach to the surgical treatment of bulbar urethral stricture disease?

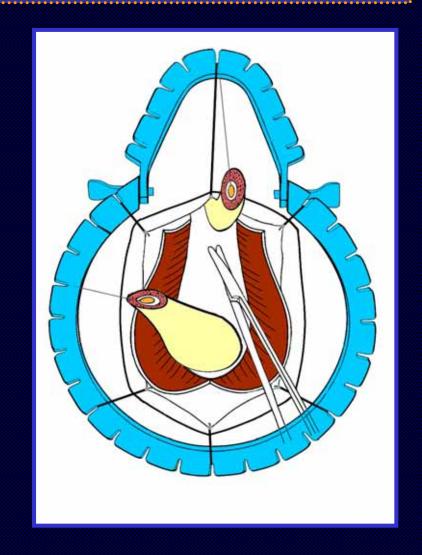






#### **End-to-end anastomosis**

End-to-end anastomosis still
represents the best technique for
repair of bulbar urethra stricture of
various etiologies, various length and
in patient of various ages

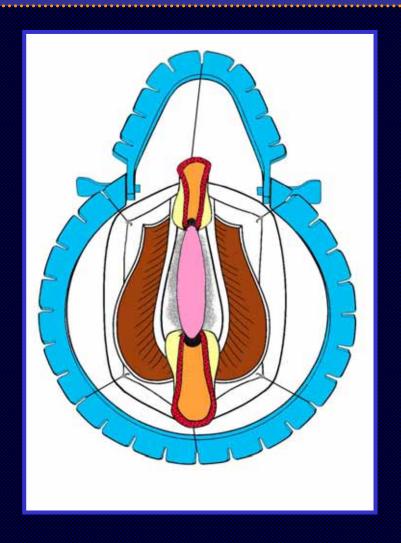






#### Augmented anastomotic repair

- Augmented anastomotic repair should be reserved only for complex cases, when end-to-end anastomosis or onlay graft procedure are not suggested
- Patient should be fully informed that the success rate of this technique is about 60%

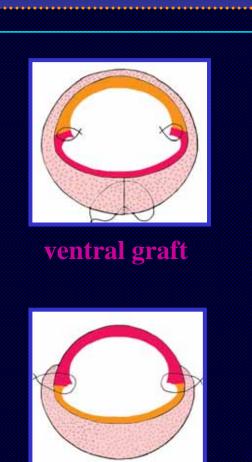






### Onlay graft urethroplasty

- The use of onlay graft procedures still represents the only valid alternative to an end-to-end anastomosis
- Buccal mucosa still represents the best substitute material for onlay graft repair









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