

Clinical Study Documents ■ Laparoscopic Myomectomy Assisted by a Fully Enclosed Protective Device  
Official Title: Laparoscopic Myomectomy Assisted by a Fully Enclosed Protective Device to Achieve Tumor-Free Protection Throughout the Surgical Procedure  
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## Study Protocol

### Background

Uterine fibroids are the most common benign tumors in women of reproductive age. Laparoscopic myomectomy is widely performed because of its minimally invasive advantages such as reduced blood loss, faster recovery, and improved cosmetic outcomes. However, conventional morcellation techniques may result in tissue dissemination within the abdominal cavity. To address this issue, a fully enclosed protective device system was developed to maintain complete isolation of fibroid tissue during laparoscopic myomectomy.

### Study Objective

#### Primary Objective:

To evaluate whether the fully enclosed protective device system can achieve complete containment of fibroid tissue during laparoscopic myomectomy and morcellation.

#### Secondary Objectives:

- Evaluate operative time
- Evaluate intraoperative blood loss
- Evaluate postoperative hospital stay
- Evaluate postoperative complications
- Evaluate histopathological outcomes

### Study Design

Study Type: Observational Study

Design: Retrospective Case Series

Study Center: Single-center

Enrollment: 20 participants

Study Period: April 2025 – March 2026

### Study Population

Female patients aged 28–46 years diagnosed with uterine fibroids who underwent laparoscopic myomectomy assisted by a fully enclosed protective device system. Fibroid diameter ranged from 6–10 cm.

### Eligibility Criteria

#### Inclusion Criteria:

- Female patients aged 28–46 years
- Diagnosis of uterine fibroids confirmed by ultrasound and MRI
- Fibroid diameter between 6 and 10 cm
- Planned laparoscopic myomectomy
- Preoperative evaluation indicating benign uterine fibroids
- Provided informed consent

#### Exclusion Criteria:

- Suspicion of uterine malignancy
- Severe systemic disease contraindicating surgery
- Pregnancy
- Inability or unwillingness to provide informed consent

### Surgical Procedure

The surgical procedure includes the following steps:

1. Establishment of pneumoperitoneum under general anesthesia
2. Introduction of the protective bag into the pelvic cavity
3. Dissection of fibroid while supported by the protective bag

4. Complete containment of fibroid tissue inside the bag
5. Establishment of an independent pneumoperitoneum inside the bag
6. Morcellation performed entirely within the sealed bag
7. Removal of fibroid tissue and protective bag together

#### Outcome Measures

##### Primary Outcome:

Integrity of the protective bag and absence of tissue leakage during laparoscopic myomectomy and morcellation.

##### Secondary Outcomes:

- Operative time
- Intraoperative blood loss
- Fibroid size
- Postoperative hospital stay
- Postoperative complications
- Histopathological diagnosis

#### Statistical Analysis Plan

##### Sample Size

A total of 20 patients were included in this retrospective analysis.

##### Statistical Methods

Descriptive statistical analysis was used. Continuous variables are presented as mean  $\pm$  standard deviation (SD). Categorical variables are summarized as counts and percentages.

##### Primary Outcome Analysis

The success of the protective device system is defined as an intact protective bag with no tissue or fluid leakage during surgery. The success rate is calculated as the proportion of successful procedures among all cases.

##### Secondary Outcome Analysis

Secondary outcomes including operative time, blood loss, and postoperative hospital stay are summarized using descriptive statistics.

#### Informed Consent Form (Template)

You are invited to participate in a clinical study evaluating a surgical technique that uses a fully enclosed protective device during laparoscopic myomectomy to prevent tissue dissemination.

##### Purpose of the Study

The purpose of this study is to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of a surgical technique designed to prevent the spread of fibroid tissue during laparoscopic myomectomy.

##### Procedure

If you agree to participate, you will undergo laparoscopic myomectomy using a protective isolation device that allows fibroid removal and morcellation within a sealed environment.

##### Potential Benefits

This technique may reduce the risk of tissue dissemination and improve surgical safety.

##### Risks

The risks are similar to those associated with standard laparoscopic surgery and may include bleeding, infection, and injury to surrounding organs.

##### Confidentiality

All personal information will remain confidential and will only be used for research purposes.

##### Voluntary Participation

Participation is voluntary, and you may withdraw from the study at any time without affecting your medical care.