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**ROBOTIC RESECTION OF A LARGE THYMOMA WITH PERICARDIAL RESECTION**

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**Objectives:** There remains a general consensus that large thymoma should be resected using the open approach in order to stick to the general principles of oncological resection. After having used the robot for resection of a significant number of small and moderately sized thymomas we started using the robot for resection of large thymomas which were over 8 cm in size. With this video

we want to demonstrate the feasibility and safety of robotic resection of a large thymoma with invasion of the pericardium.

**Video description:** The video demonstrates a 3-port robotic-assisted radical thymectomy for a large thymoma of over 10 cm in the greatest dimension along with resection of involved pericardium with strict adherence to all oncological principles.

**Conclusion:** Robotic resection of large thymoma with pericardial involvement is safe and feasible. However the enthusiasm of doing the procedure through robotic approach should be backed up by experience and a mindset of low threshold for conversion in event of the impossibility to achieve all oncological aims.

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