

# Pediatric urology: UreteroPelvic Junction obstruction (UPJO) and vesicoureteral reflux (VUR)

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# Learning objects

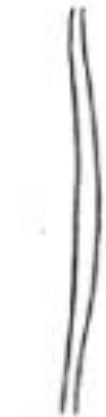
- clinical significance of urinary tract dilation(UTD)
  - UPJO
  - VUR
- Differential diagnosis and survey
- Treatment

# clinical significance

- Obstruction and reflux both may cause urinary tract dilation
- **urinary tract dilation and pyelonephritis may cause renal damage**
- Renal damage may increase hypertension and renal insufficiency

# Vesicoureteral Reflux (VUR)

I: 逆流到  
輸尿管



Grade I

II: 逆流到  
腎臟



Grade II



Grade III

IV: calyces  
blunting



Grade IV

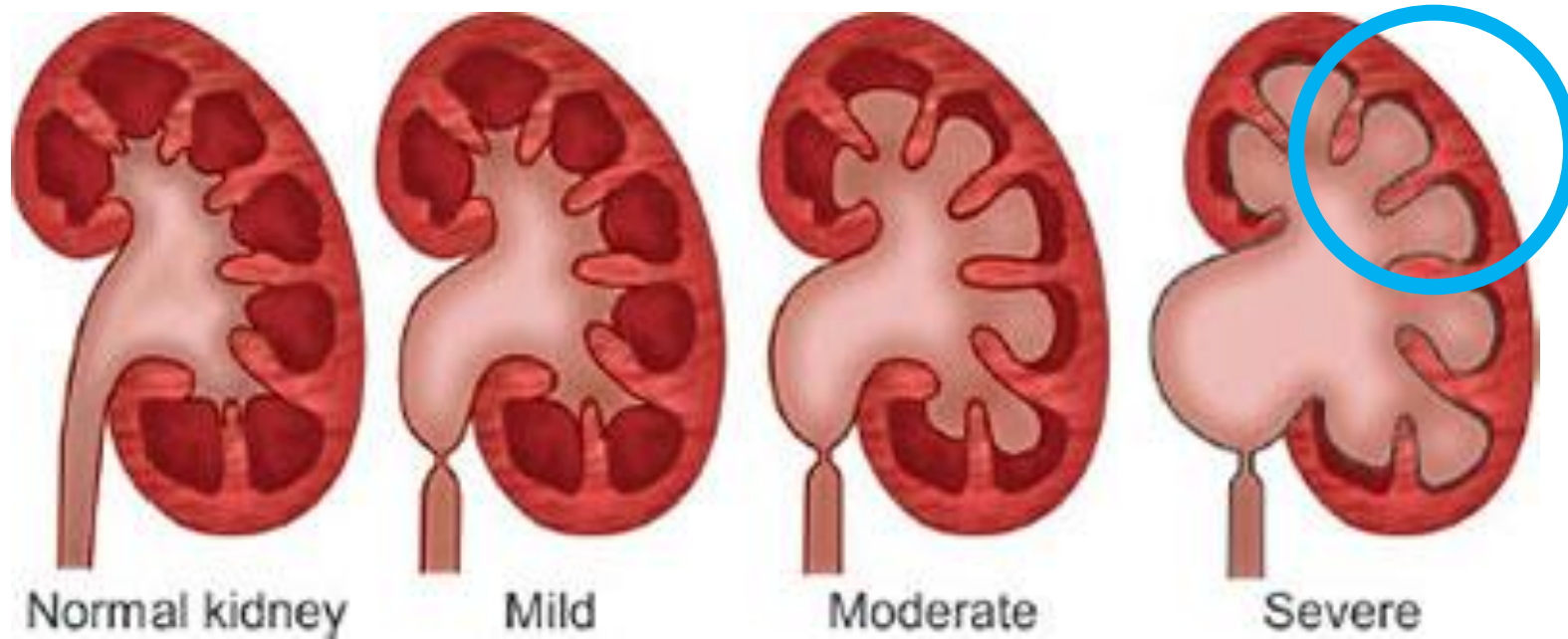
V: 輸尿管要  
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Grade V

# UreteroPelvic Junction obstruction (UPJO)

- 嚴重度示意圖



# Evaluation tool for hydronephrosis

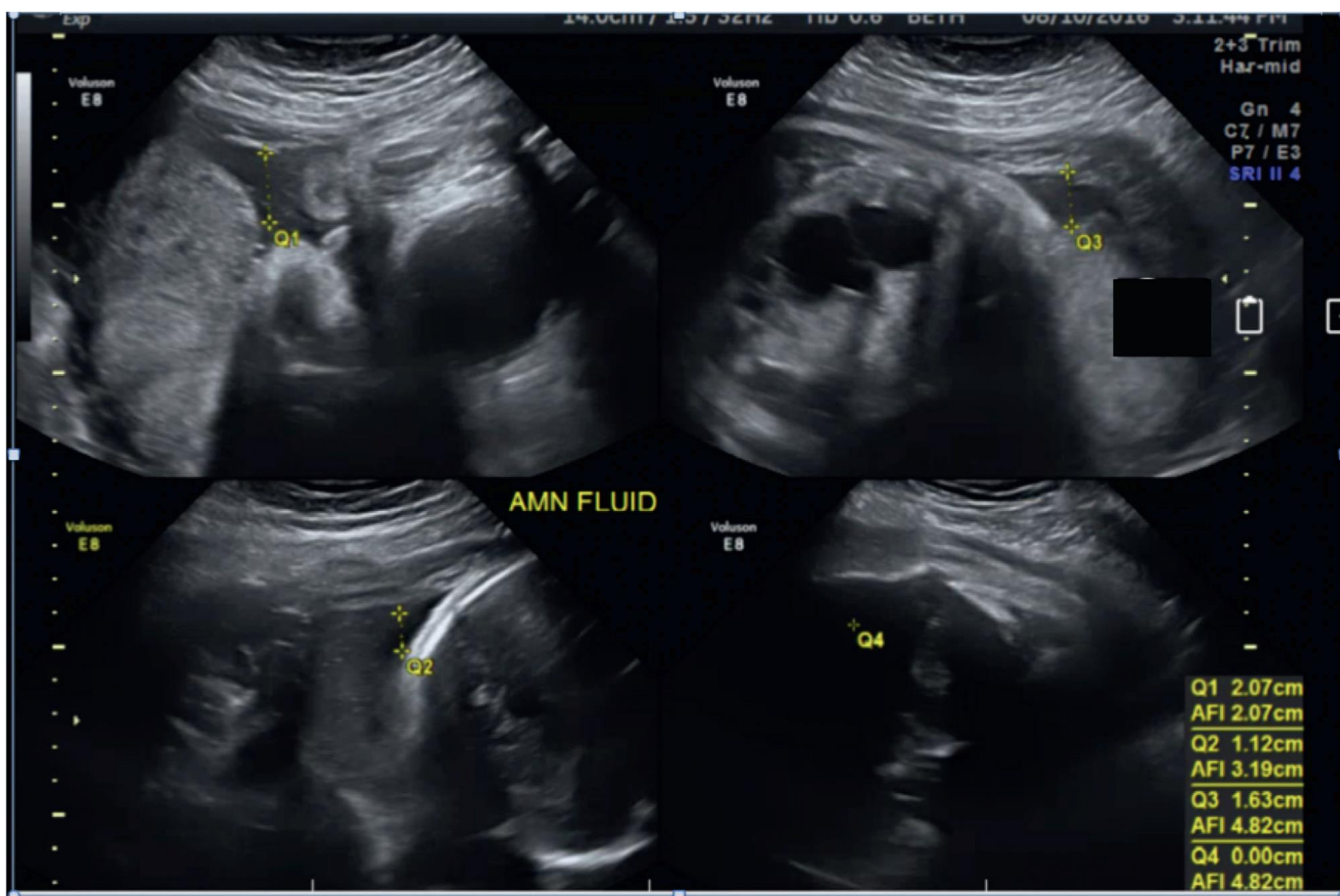
- Ultrasound
- CT/MRI
  
- MAG3, ERPF, DTPA
- Whitaker test
  
- Voiding cystourethrogram(VCUG)
- Bladder sono

# Initial screening → antenatal evaluation

- Maternal-Fetal Ultrasound
- GA 18-20周 (ACOG recommendation)
- Sensitivity=89%
- **Amniotic fluid index (AFI)**

# AFI

- Normal :  
8-18
- Oligo:  
< 5 或 <6



**Fig. 22.1.** The amniotic fluid index (AFI) is calculated by measurement of the four largest pockets of amniotic fluid.



# Antenatal hydronephrosis

- Anterior-posterior diameter (APD) system
  - Anterior-posterior renal pelvic diameter (APRPD) system
- 最常見的錯誤: 量 sagittal kidney (應量transverse plane)

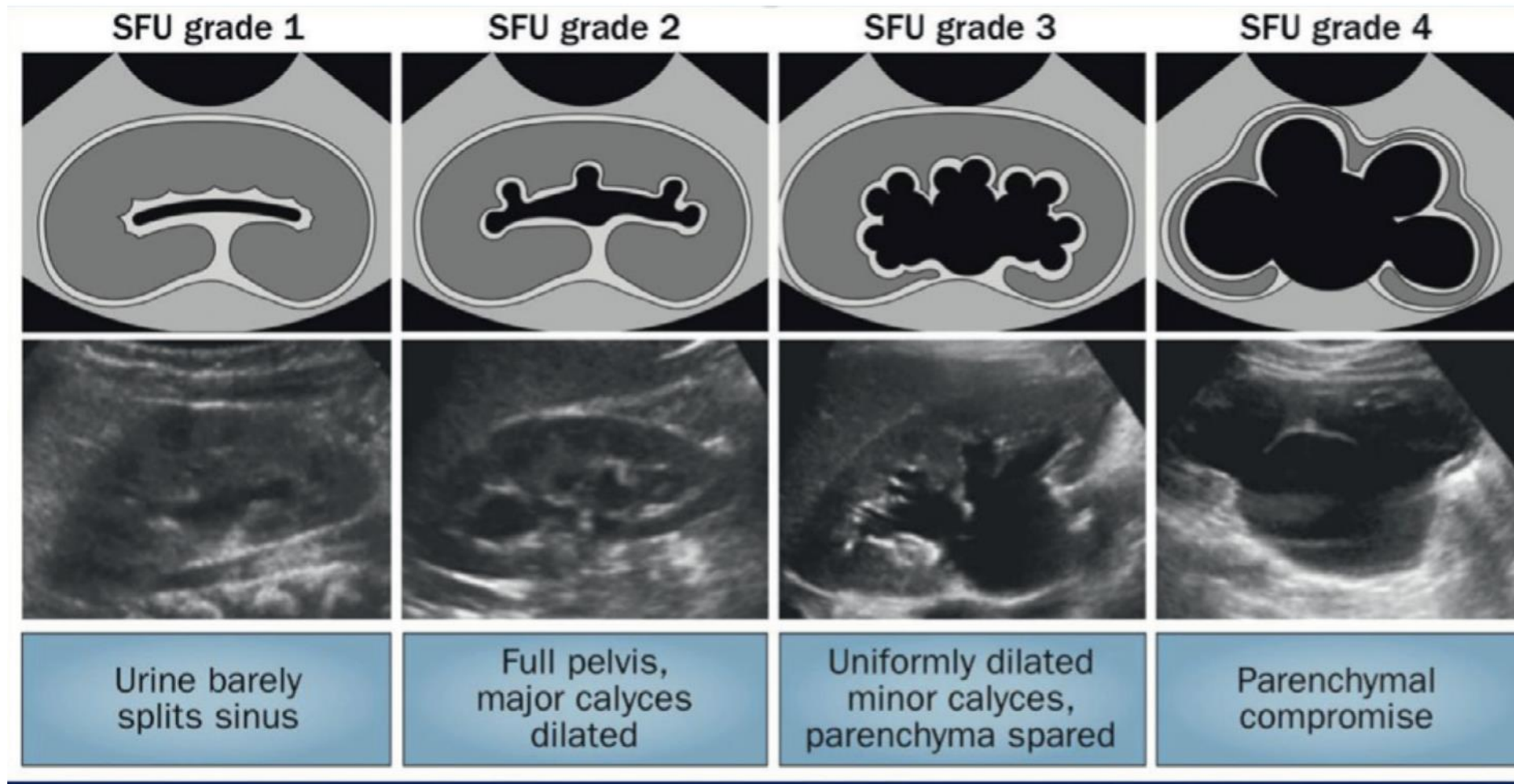
**TABLE 22.2** Definition of Antenatal Hydronephrosis by Anteroposterior Diameter and Estimated Severity Percentage Range

DEGREE	ANTEROPOSTERIOR DIAMETER		SEVERITY
	SECOND TRIMESTER	THIRD TRIMESTER	
Mild	4 to <7 mm	4 to <9 mm	56.7%–88.0%
Moderate	7 to ≤10 mm	9 to ≤15 mm	10.2%–29.8%
Severe	>10 mm	>15 mm	1.5%–13.4%

# 分級的目的

- 決定是否需要手術
- 越嚴重的 prenatal hydronephrosis
  - Obstruction 越嚴重 (UPJO, post urethral valve)
  - 但和VUR沒有相關性

# Postnatal evaluation Society for Fetal Urology (SFU) grade system



# 分級也是為了預測未來

- SFU優點: 簡單/易學, 可以預測腎功能 & 是否需手術介入
- SFU grading越高 → early surgical intervention 機會越高
- SFU缺點: 整體主觀; 只評估腎盂, 缺乏膀胱和輸尿管

# UTD system

Ultrasound findings	Time at presentation		
	16-27 weeks	28 weeks	Postnatal (>48 h)
Anterior-posterior renal pelvis diameter (APRPD)	<4 mm	<7 mm	<10 mm

**A1 (low risk) :**

**4-7 mm      7-10 mm**

除了calyceal 外, 其餘五項皆正常

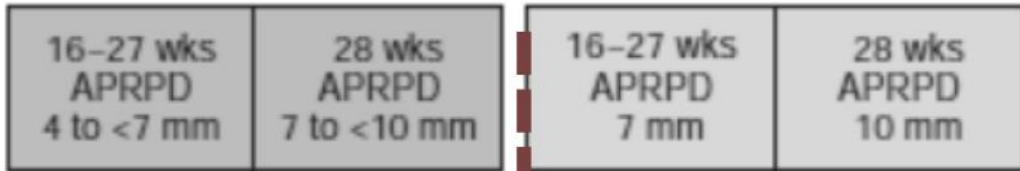
**A2/A3 (increased risk) :**

**>7 mm      >10 mm**

+/- 其餘五項有不正常

Calyceal dilation			
Central	No	No	No
Peripheral	No	No	No
Parenchymal thickness	Normal	Normal	Normal
Parenchymal appearance	Normal	Normal	Normal
Ureter(s)	Normal	Normal	Normal
Bladder	Normal	Normal	Normal
Unexplained oligohydramnios	No	No	NA

PRENATAL PRESENTATION



**A1 (low risk) :**

4-7 mm      7-10 mm

除了calyceal 外, 其餘五項皆正常

Central or no  
calyceal dilation\*

Parenchymal  
thickness normal

Parenchymal  
appearance normal

Ureters  
normal

Bladder  
normal

No unexplained  
oligohydramnios

UTD A1:  
LOW RISK

**A2/A3 (increased risk) :**

>7 mm      >10 mm

+/- 其餘五項有不正常

Peripheral  
calyceal dilation\*

Parenchymal  
thickness abnl

Parenchymal  
appearance abnl

Ureters  
abnormal

Bladder  
abnormal

Unexplained  
oligohydramnios\*\*

UTD A2-3:  
INCREASED RISK

28周前的A1 UTD

→ 32周要再做一次echo

出生後48小時: 要做echo!

每4周做一次echo,  
直到出生

出生後48小時: 要做echo!

# 什麼時候做reflux 檢查

- Voiding cystourethrography ( VCUG)
  - PUV: bladder wall thickening, bilateral hydroureter
  - Hydronephrosis + dilated ureter

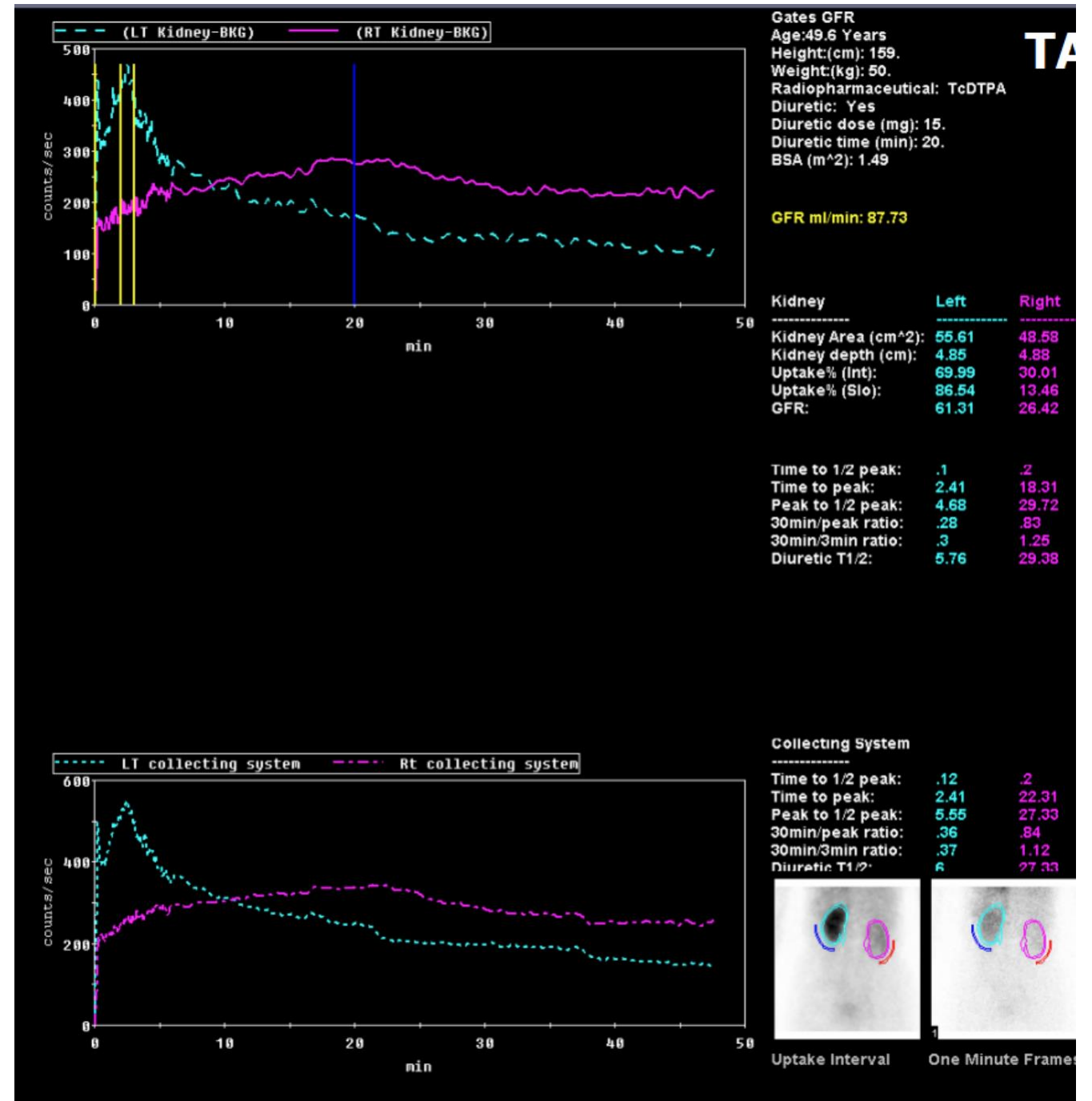
# VcUG

- 放尿管 + 灌顯影劑
- 觀察逆流至哪個位置
  - Storage phase
  - Voiding phase



# 評估obstruction

- diuretic renography
- MAG3, ERPF, DTPA
- Curve
- $T_{1/2}$



# diuretic renography

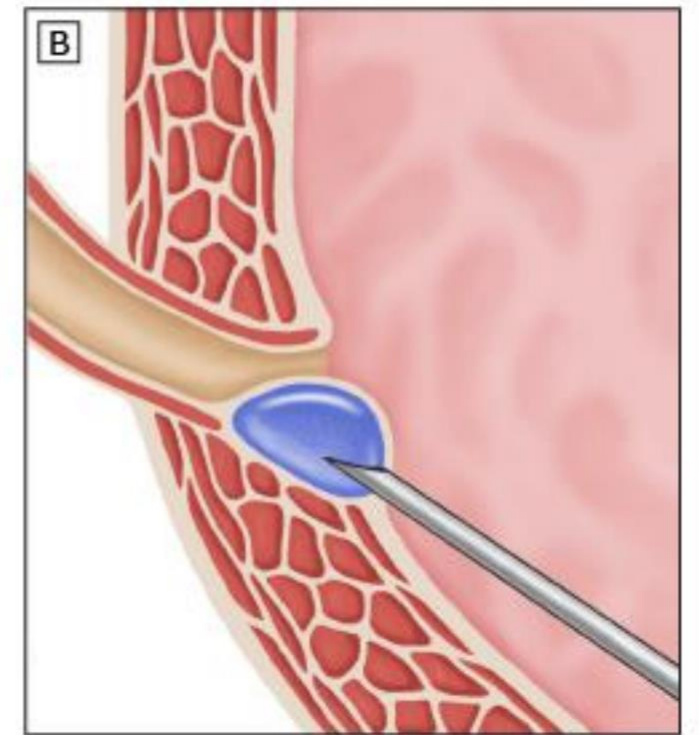
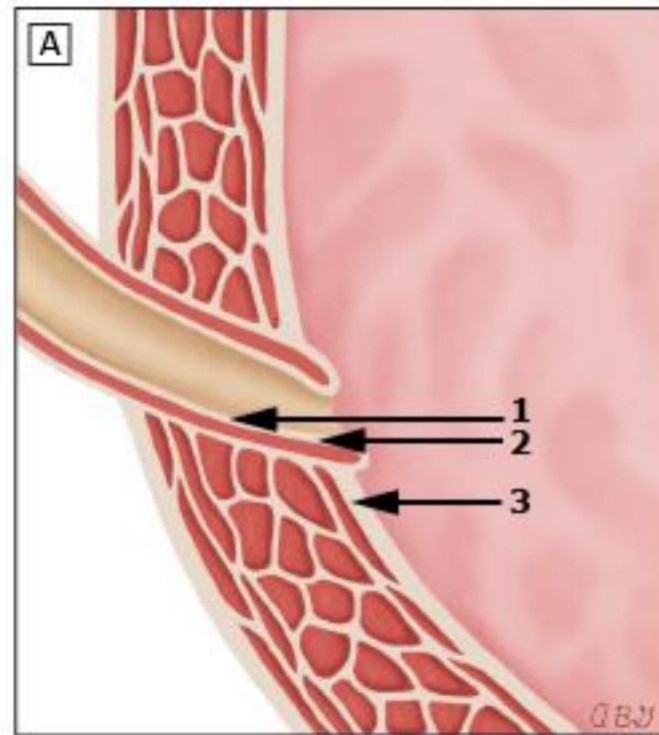
- 考慮手術介入的 indication:
  - decreased differential function 40:60
  - $T_{1/2} > 20$  min
  - significant retention on delayed upright imaging

# Treatment of VUR

- Prophylactic antibiotics
  - Easterbrook et al., 2017: systematic review: failed to demonstrate a risk reduction with the use of PA 7.5% (95% CI, 6.4% to 8.6%) no prophylaxis versus 9.9% (95% CI, 8.4% to 11.4%) prophylaxis.
- Injection on UVJ
- Surgery repair

# Bulking agent injection on UVJ

- Durability
- Adverse event of obstruction



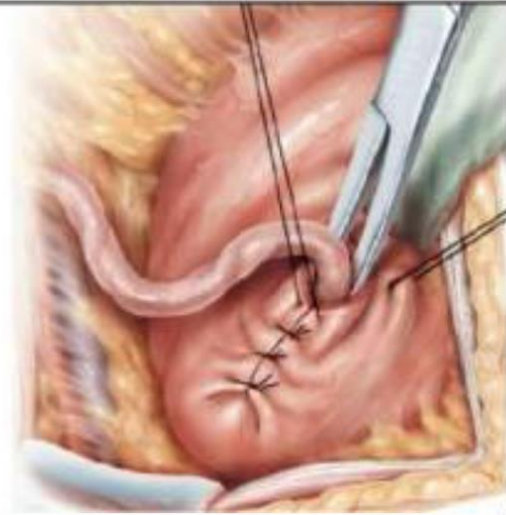
# VUR 需考慮手術的時機

- Grades IV and V reflux.
- Persistent reflux despite medical therapy
- Breakthrough UTIs in patient who are receiving antibiotic prophylaxis.
- Lack of renal growth.
- Multiple drug allergies that preclude the use of prophylaxis.

# Surgical repair for VUR

- Extravesical

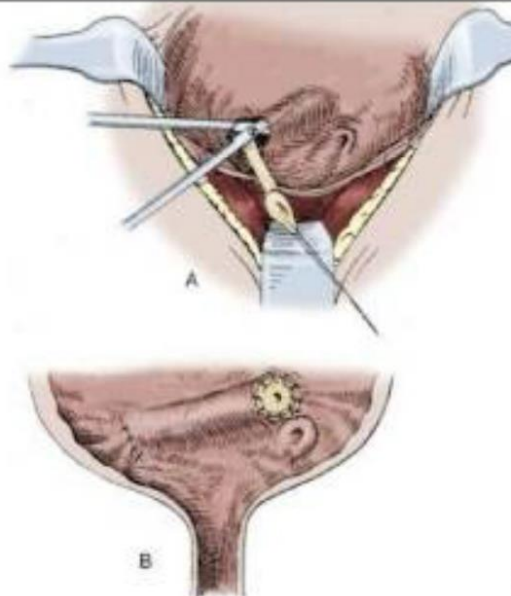
Lich-Gregoir  
1961,  
1964



Bladder is not opened  
Decreased  
postoperative  
hematuria/bladder  
spasm

- intravesical

Cohen  
1975

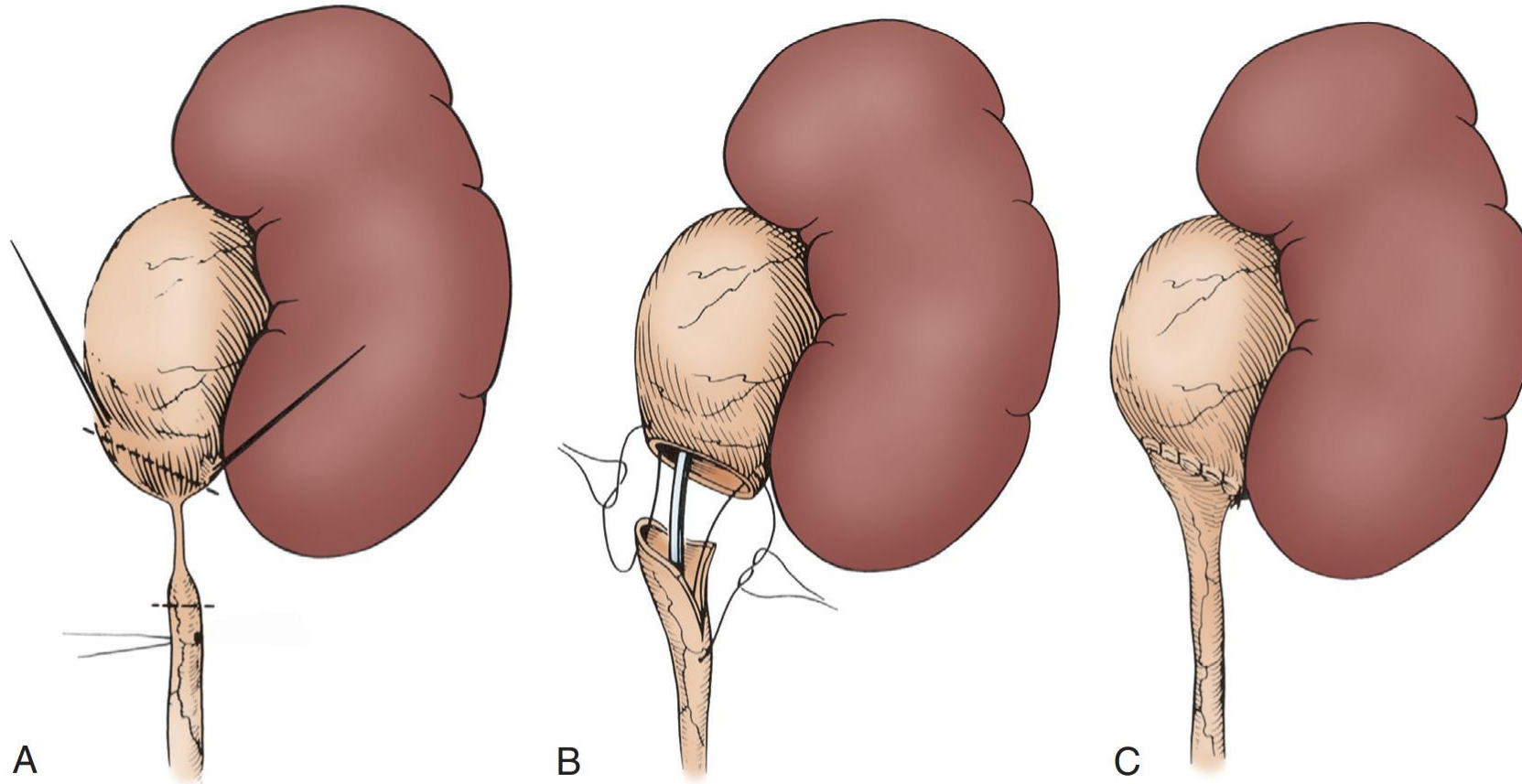


Avoids ureteral kinking  
Longer tunnel length

# UPJO 需考慮手術的時機

- Increased APD
- Serial sonography 皆 UTD
- Decreased differential function

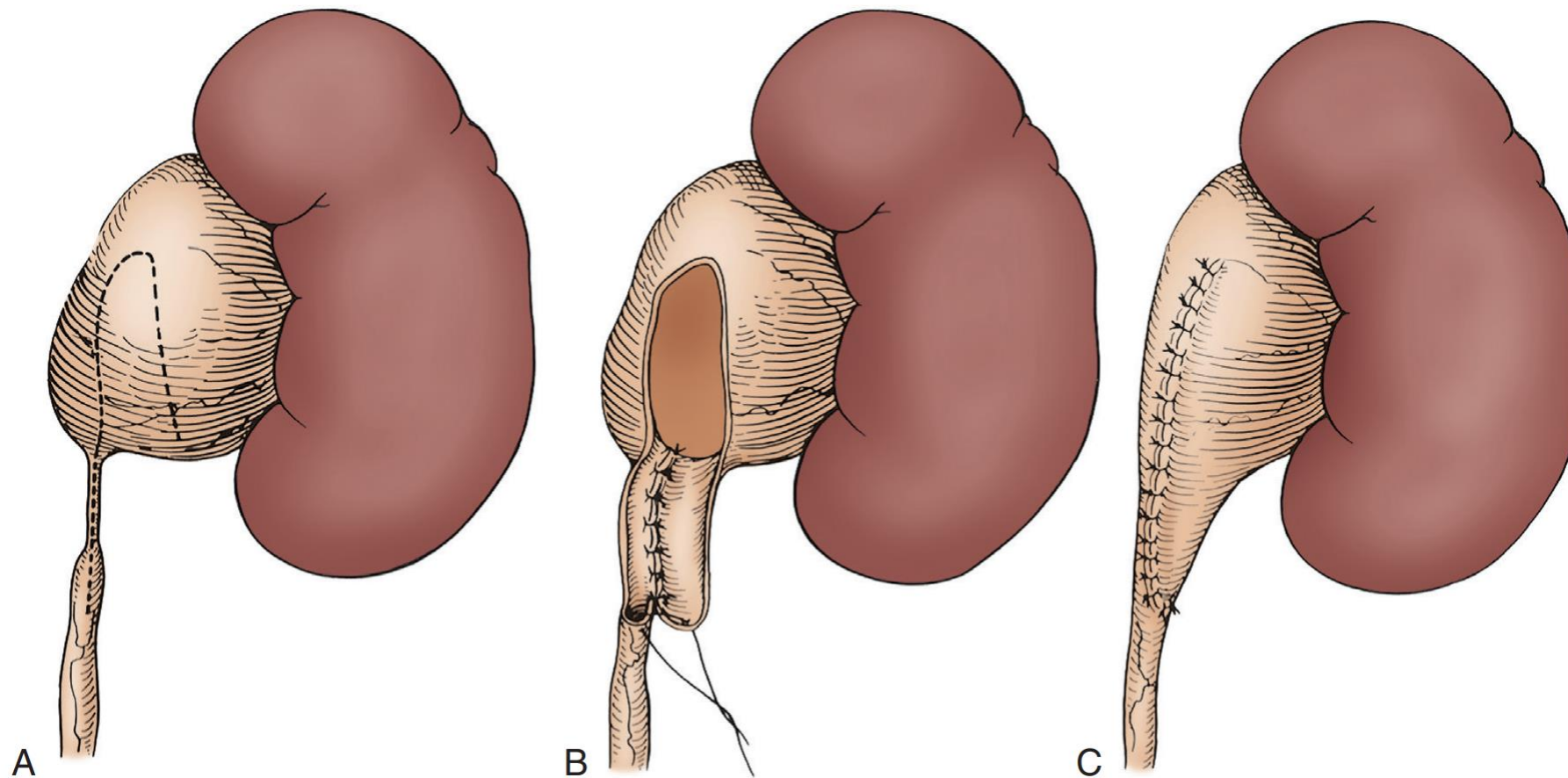
# UPJO surgical repair



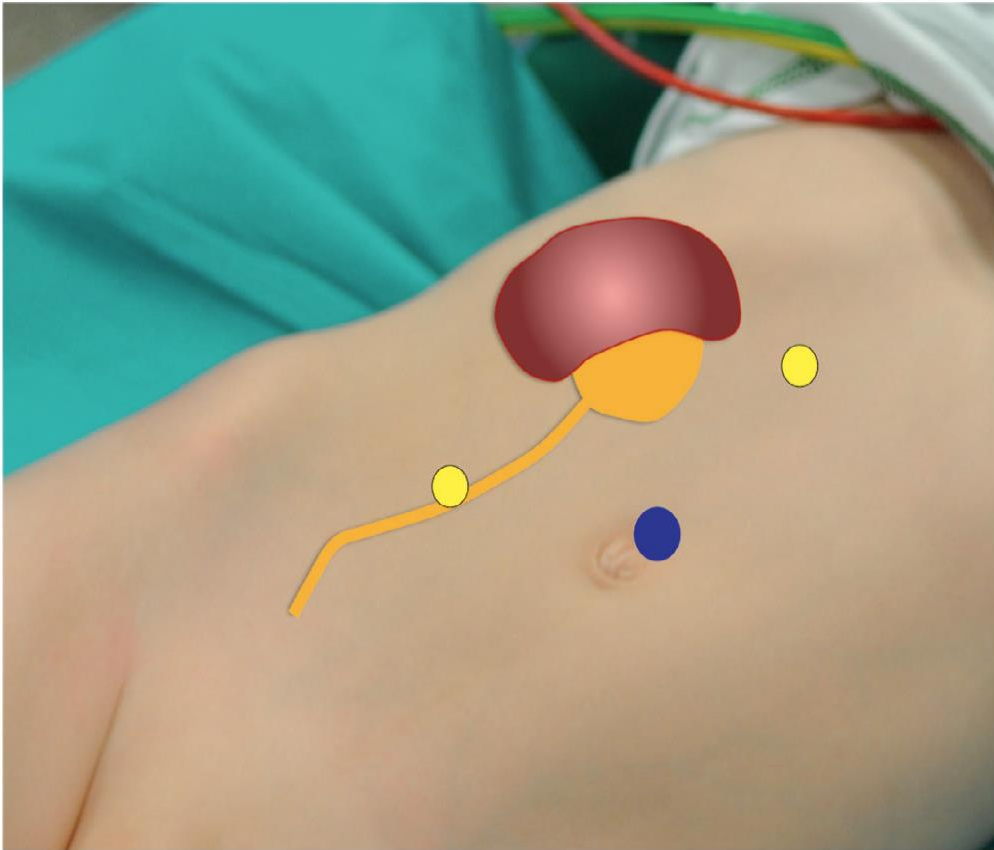
**Fig. 42.4.** Anderson-Hynes dismembered pyeloplasty. (A) Traction sutures are placed on the medial and



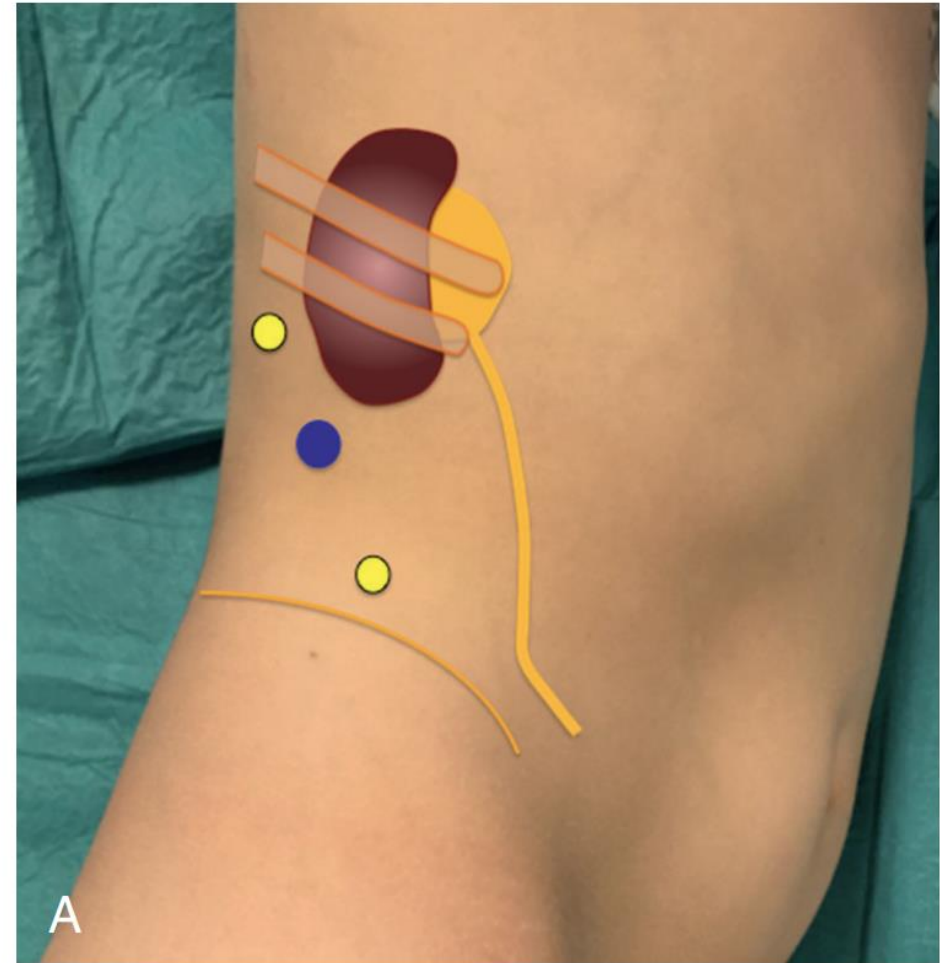
# UPJO surgical repair



# Minimal invasive approach



**Fig. 42.12.** Port placement in transabdominal laparoscopic or robotic-assisted pyeloplasty. C, Camera port; I, instrument ports.



# Take home message

- Urinary tract distension may be obstruction or reflux
- UTI and UTD is related and will cause damage in kidney
- Start survey early and effective
- Obstruction is more dangerous than reflux
- Start treatment based on risk and benefit