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Title:	Extreme obesity is not a barrier for robotic assisted surgery for endometrial cancer.
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Introduction	Rising prevalence in obesity is likely associated with the 55% increase in incidence of endometrial cancer over the last 30 years (CRUK). Several studies have established the feasibility as well as the benefits of robotic surgery in obese women.
Methods	Prospectively collated database was reviewed for all women with body mass index ≥ 50 (BMI, kg/m ²) undergoing robotic surgery for endometrial cancer between years 2007 and 2021. Patient demographics, disease characteristics and length of stay were analysed using descriptive statistics.
Results	In total, 1028 robotic procedures were undertaken, of which 596 were for endometrial cancer. Of all endometrial cancers, 26 women had a BMI ≥ 50 . The mean age 62.4(SD 1.5), with a mean BMI of 54.9(SD

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	<p>3.9). 92.3%(24/26) had additional comorbidities including cardiovascular 46.2% (12/26), diabetes 26.9% (7/26), obstruction sleep apnoea 7.7% (2/26) and previous laparotomy 11.5% (3/26). The average length of procedure was 101.9 minutes (SD3.6) Conversion to laparotomy undertaken in 19.2% (5/26) - 3 elective to retrieve large uterus; 2 reactive due to adhesions. Sentinel lymph node(SLN) sampling was attempted in 24.4%(9/26) and successful in 4/7 (44.4%). SLN was abandoned in the remaining 5, secondary to ventilation difficulties (n=3), bleeding (n=1) and inappropriate tracer injection (n=1). Stage 1 disease was confirmed in 84.6% (22/26). The average length of stay was 2.6days (SD 2.2).</p>
Conclusion	<p>In this highly selected group, robotic endometrial cancer surgery was successfully performed in 92.3%, with an average hospital stay of 2.6 days</p>
Summary	<p>This report demonstrates that within an experienced multi-disciplinary team, robotic approach for endometrial cancer surgery is feasible in women with extreme obesity and is associated with low morbidity.</p>