

**Table 1. Cold Snare Polypectomy Assessment Tool (CSPAT)**

		<b>Highly Skilled (perfect)</b>	<b>Competent and safe, no uncorrected errors (adequate)</b>	<b>Some standards not yet met, aspects to be improved, some errors uncorrected (sub-optimal)</b>	<b>Accepted standards not met, frequent errors uncorrected (unacceptable)</b>	<b>Not applicable/assessable</b>
		<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>n/a</b>
1	<b>Achieves optimal polyp position</b>	Ensures good polyp position (5-6 o'clock) with no errors during entire polypectomy.	Maintains polyp at 5-6 o'clock position during most of polypectomy with attempts at position correction	Does not maintain polyp at 5-6 o'clock position. Few attempts made at position correction	Does not maintain polyp in the optimal position at any time during the procedure	
2	<b>Optimizes view by aspiration/insufflation/wash</b>	Maintains clear polyp views throughout the procedure	Attempts to obtain clear polyp views through aspiration, insufflation, and lens wash	Clear polyp views not maintained	Poor polyp views throughout the procedure with no attempts at correction	
3	<b>Adjusts/stabilizes scope position</b>	Maintains stable colonoscope position throughout polypectomy	Adjusts and stabilizes colonoscope position before polypectomy	Colonoscope not stabilized adequately. Little or no attempts made to reposition scope	Unstable colonoscope position throughout procedure with no attempts made at correction	
4	<b>Directs snare accurately over the lesion</b>	Steers snare accurately over the lesion head with no errors	Steers snare accurately over the lesion head with minimal difficulty	Clumsy steering of snare over the lesion head	Clumsy steering of snare causing mucosal injury	
5	<b>Anchors sheath of snare several mm distal (downstream) to polyp</b>	Efficiently and accurately positions and anchors snare several mm distal to polyp	Achieves adequate positioning of snare several mm distal to polyp, though with some inefficiency	Does not anchor sheath distal to polyp. Polypectomy may be adequate, but without border of normal tissue	Does not anchor sheath distal to polyp resulting in residual polyp tissue	
6	<b>Keeps tools close to scope</b>	Keeps tool close to scope at all times	Keeps tool close to scope most of the time and in a way that does not preclude adequate polypectomy	Does not keep tool close to scope, but achieves adequate polypectomy	Does not keep tool close to scope resulting in inadequate polypectomy	
7	<b>Appropriate positioning of snare over lesion as snare closed</b>	Accurately positions snare over lesion as snare closed gradually	Advances snare sheath in a controlled fashion toward stalk as snare is closed	Closes snare too rapidly or in an uncontrolled fashion	Closes snare too rapidly, cutting/shearing through the polyp tissue	
8	<b>Ensures appropriate amount of tissue is trapped within snare</b>	Always ensures no additional tissue is	Ensures no additional	Does not ensure that additional tissue is not	Does not check for additional	

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		trapped within snare	tissue is trapped within snare	trapped within snare.	tissue trapped within snare before resecting polyp.	
9	<b>Ensures rim of normal tissue is resected around polyp</b>	Rim of normal tissue around entire polyp	Rim of normal tissue around most of polyp, but some areas resected at polyp border, adequate polypectomy	Most of polyp border without normal rim of tissue	No normal tissue around polyp resulting in residual polyp	
10	<b>Examines post-polypectomy site</b>	Full visualization of post-polypectomy site using water jet to clear debris/blood	Visualization of post-polypectomy site, but some residual debris/blood	Sub-optimal visualization of post-polypectomy site where observer cannot tell whether resection was complete	No visualization of post polypectomy site	
11	<b>Identifies and appropriately treats residual polyp</b>	Identifies and resects any residual tissue accurately	Identifies and resects any residual tissue	Does not adequately identify or treat visible residual polyp tissue	Leaves residual polyp tissue behind	
12	<b>Retrieves, or attempts, retrieval of polyp</b>	Retrieves polyp by using method appropriate to polyp/size	Retrieves or attempts retrieval of polyp. May not use method appropriate to polyp/size	Inadequate attempt at retrieval of polyp	No attempts made at polyp retrieval	
	<b>RATE THE OVERALL POLYPECTOMY</b>					
	<b>Polypectomy time:</b> _____					
	<b>Polyp size:</b> _____					
	<b>Polyp morphology:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sessile <input type="checkbox"/> Flat <input type="checkbox"/> Pedunculated					