

Table 1. Women free of symptoms after segmental bowel resection for deep endometriosis evaluated at 1-year postoperative follow-up (modified from reference 17).

Type of pain	Women free of symptoms
	n (%)
Overall pain (n=135)	111 (82)
Dysmenorrhoea (n=82)	45 (55)
Deep dyspareunia (n=100)	62 (62)
Chronic pain (n=16)	5 (31)
Dyschezia (n=41)	19 (46)

Table 2. Complication rates for surgical excision of deep endometriosis of the bowel and the ureter (Data from references 17 and 18).

<i>Major complications of bowel surgery (n=1717)</i>	
Anastomotic leakage	1.9%
Rectovaginal fistula	1.8%;
Severe bowel obstruction	2.7%,
Haemorrhage	2.5%
Infections	1%
Other major complications	1.1%
Total	11%

<i>Minor complications of bowel surgery (n=1717)</i>	
Bladder dysfunction	8.1%
Temporary bowel dysfunction	3.6%
Total	11.7%

<i>Major complications of ureteral surgery (n=243)</i>	
Ureteral or uretero-vaginal fistula	1.6%
hemoperitoneum	0.4%
Stenosis persistence/recurrence requiring reoperation	7.4%
Total	9.4%

Table 3. Women free of symptom after treatment with norethisterone acetate 2.5 mg /die for deep endometriosis evaluated at 1-year follow-up (modified from reference 27).

Type of pain	Women free of symptoms
Dysmenorrhoea	37/40 (92%)
Deep dyspareunia	30/40 (74%)
Nonmenstrual pain	32/40 (80%)
Dyschezia	34/40 (85%)

Table 4. Side effects reported during the first 6 months of treatment with norethindrone acetate or dienogest (modified from reference 30).

Side effects	Dienogest (n = 85)	NETA (n = 89)	P value
<i>Absence of side effects</i>	50 (59)	40 (45)	
<i>Type of side effect</i>			
Weight gain a	14 (16)	28 (31)	.02
Spotting	11 (13)	20 (22)	.07
Decreased libido	8 (9)	13 (14)	.35
Vaginal dryness	6 (7)	12 (13)	.21
Mood disorders	2 (2)	7 (8)	.16
Breast tenderness	1 (1)	7 (8)	.06
Bloating or swelling	5 (6)	4 (5)	.74
Acne	0 (0)	4 (4)	.12
Headache	3 (3)	3 (3)	1.00
Alopecia	4 (5)	1 (1)	.20
Breakthrough bleeding	1 (1)	1 (1)	1.00
Nausea	1 (1)	0 (0)	1.00
Total			.07

Note: Some women reported more than one side effect. Values are number (percentage).

NETA = norethindrone acetate;