

Supplementary Table S4. Evolution of anal continence (Wexner)—paired results (N = 58).

	Score, mean ± SD (Median) [Range]	Difference from baseline, mean ± SD	% Change from baseline, mean ± SD [N]*	P-value
Q01—Do you ever have	uncontrolled anal leakage of gas?			
Pre-op	1.47 ± 1.44 (1.0) [0-4]	-	_	_
One month	$1.05 \pm 1.37(0.0)[0-4]$	-0.41 ± 1.33	$-16.7 \pm 91[36]$	0.020
Three months	0.93 ± 1.28 (0.0) [0-4]	-0.53 ± 1.52	-29.6 ± 87 [36]	0.010
Six months	1.03 ± 1.18 (1.0) [0-4]	-0.43 ± 1.44	$-22.5 \pm 85[36]$	0.034
Q02—Do you ever have	uncontrolled leakage of liquid sto	ol?		
Pre-op	0.29 ± 0.65 (0.0) [0-3]	_	_	-
One month	0.17 ± 0.57 (0.0) [0–3]	-0.12 ± 0.59	$-12.1 \pm 59 [12]$	0.117
Three months	$0.14 \pm 0.48 (0.0) [0-2]$	-0.16 ± 0.52	-15.5 ± 52 [12]	0.029
Six months	0.12 ± 0.50 (0.0) [0-3]	-0.17 ± 0.57	-17.3 ± 57 [12]	0.026
Q03—Do you ever have	uncontrolled anal leakage of form	led stool?		
Pre-op	0.09 ± 0.34 (0.0) [0-3]	_	-	-
One month	$0.09 \pm 0.47 (0.0) [0-7]$	$+0.00 \pm 0.42$	$+25.0 \pm 150$ [4]	1.000
Three months	0.03 ± 0.26 (0.0) [0–9]	-0.05 ± 0.44	-100 ± 0 [4]	0.408
Six months	0.05 ± 0.29 (0.0) [0-9]	-0.03 ± 0.32	-25 ± 96 [4]	0.414
Q03a—Do you have to w	rear pads because of anal leakage	?		
Pre-op	0.25 ± 0.50 (0.0) [0-1]	-	-	-
One month	$0.00 \pm 0.00 (0.0) [0-0]$	$+0.00 \pm 0.00$	NA [0]	1.000
Three months	$1.00 \pm NA(1.0)[1-1]$	NA	NA	NA
Six months	0.50 ± 0.71 (0.5) [0–1]	-0.50 ± 0.71	NA [0]	0.317
Q03b—Does anal leakag	e affect your quality of life?			
Pre-op	1.25 ± 1.50 (1.0) [0-3]	-	-	-
One month	0.50 ± 0.71 (0.5) [0-1]	-0.50 ± 0.71	$-50.0 \pm NA$ [4]	0.317
Three months	$1.00 \pm NA(1.0) [1-1]$	NA	NA	NA
Six months	$0.0 \pm 0.0 (0.0) [0-0]$	-1.00 ± 1.41	$-100.0 \pm NA$ [4]	0.317
Q04—When you have a	bowel movement, how long are yo	ou able to hold it in?		
Pre-op	1.83 ± 1.19 (2.0) [0-3]	-	-	-
One month	2.10 ± 1.12 (3.0) [0-3]	$+0.28 \pm 1.06$	$+7.6 \pm 67 [48]$	0.053
Three months	2.19 ± 0.95 (2.0) [0-3]	$+0.36 \pm 0.99$	$+21.9 \pm 64 [48]$	0.008
Six months	2.09 ± 1.11 (3.0) [0-3]	$+0.26 \pm 1.21$	$+7.3 \pm 70 [48]$	0.119
Total Wexner score				
Pre-op	1.95 ± 2.23 (1.5) [0–3]	-	-	-
One month	1.33 ± 1.91 (0.0) [0–3]	-0.62 ± 1.95	-20.0 ± 90 [37]	0.020
Three months	1.14 ± 1.74 (0.0) [0–3]	-0.81 ± 2.11	-31.0 ± 84 [37]	0.010
Six months	1.22 ± 1.58 (1.0) [0–3]	-0.72 ± 1.98	$-25.2 \pm 80[37]$	0.034