

Supplementary material

Table S1 - DRG tariffs for prostatectomy over the study period (2014-€)

Year of operation	DRG tariff		Difference
	RALP	OP and LP	
2006	13666	10746	2920
2007	13291	10260	3031
2008	13218	10101	3118
2009	11397	8087	3310
2010	13082	7751	5331
2011	13362	8316	5046
2012	13547	8732	4815
2013	14250	8779	5471
Volume-weighted tariff	13275	8750	4525

RALP = Robot-assisted laparoscopic prostatectomy; OP = Open prostatectomy; LP = Laparoscopic prostatectomy; CI=confidence interval.
 The volume-weighted tariff is calculated as an average tariff for the prostatectomy cohort. The tariffs show large variation over the years, which is due to regular adjustment in order not to introduce profit and thus incentivize the use of one technique over another.

Table S2 - Procedure volume over the study period

Year of operation	RALP	OP	LP	Total
2006	3	65	25	93
2007	42	68	8	118
2008	78	314	47	439
2009	289	447	33	769
2010	340	317	31	688
2011	462	229	29	720
2012	613	294	59	966
2013	415	85	16	516
Total	2242	1819	248	4309

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