

**CONTINUING PENILE PAIN FOLLOWING  
RADICAL PROSTATECTOMY, LAPAROSCOPIC RADICAL  
PROSTATECTOMY, ROBOT ASSISTED LAPAROSCOPIC RADICAL  
PROSTATECTOMY, OR CRYOSURGERY**

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Disclaimer: Please recognize that I am not a Medical Doctor. I have been an avid student researching and studying prostate cancer as a survivor and continuing patient since 1992. I have dedicated my retirement years to continued research and study in order to serve as an advocate for prostate cancer awareness, and, from a activist patient's viewpoint, to help patients, caregivers, and others interested develop an understanding of prostate cancer, its treatment options, and the treatment of the side effects that often accompany treatment. Readers of this paper must understand that the comments or recommendations I make are not intended to be the procedure to blindly follow; rather, they are to be reviewed as my opinion, then used for further personal research, study, and subsequent discussion with the medical professional/physician providing prostate cancer care.

Though rare, if experiencing continuing pain in the penis following the prostate cancer treatments identified above, it is possible that the "pudendal nerve" that travels through the Alcocks canal may have experienced entrapment or compression. The sensory innervations of the penis are from the dorsal penile nerve, a branch of the pudendal nerve. Those experiencing such pain should visit with a neurophysiologist to discuss this possibility.

URLs of interest:

<http://www.ajronline.org/cgi/content/full/181/2/561>

[http://www.goldjournal.net/article/S0090-4295\(05\)01167-2/abstract](http://www.goldjournal.net/article/S0090-4295(05)01167-2/abstract)

In the following URL, click on "Anatomy" then on images to enlarge:

<http://www.pudendal.info/>

If experiencing neuropathic pain (pain from damaged nerves) discuss being prescribed Pregabalin (brand name Lyrica) with your treating physician since this

medication may help alleviate the pain. There are several pubmed articles regarding this medication to alleviate pain for multiple conditions.