## Supplementary Table 1. Demographics of surgeons included in this study

Features Median (range)/Number	Super-experts (N=6)	Experts (N=15)
Prior robotic surgical caseload	3000 (2000-5800)	275 (100-750)
Attending/Fellow	6/0	11/4
Cases contributed to the study	53	27

**Supplementary Table 2.** Separating all cases into four quartiles based on the amount of gestures per case, and comparing 1-year EF recovery rate among groups (p=0.66, Chi-square test).

	No. of patients who recovered EF at 1 year	No. of patients who did not recover EF at 1 year
Quartile 1 (least gestures)	11 (55%)	9 (45%)
Quartile 2	11 (52%)	10 (48%)
Quartile 3	13 (68%)	6 (32%)
Quartile 4 (most gestures)	10 (50%)	10 (50%)

**Supplementary Table 3.** Comparison of clinical features of patients between experts and super-experts

Features	Experts Median (IQR) / Count (%) (N = 27)	Super-experts Median (IQR) / Count (%) (N = 53)	P value
Patient factors	(11-21)	(14 – 33)	
Age, year	64 (59-68)	63 (59-67)	1.00
BMI, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	27.6 (25.7-30.8)	28.1 (25.8-29.8)	0.59
Preop SHIM score	24 (19-25)	24 (22-25)	0.43
PSA, ng/mL	8.4 (6.5-11.7)	6.2 (5.2-9.8)	0.31
ASA		,	0.84
I	4 (14.8%)	7 (13.2%)	
≥II	23 (85.2%)	46 (86.8%)	
Pre-op Gleason score	- (,	(	0.06
6 (ISUP 1)	11 (40.7%)	9 (17.0%)	
7 (ISUP 2/3)	11 (40.7%)	33 (62.3%)	
≥8 (ISUP 4/5)	5 (18.5%)	11 (20.8%)	
Post-op Gleason score	( 2.2.1.)	(,	0.63
6 (ISUP 1)	4 (14.8%)	6 (11.3%)	
7 (ISUP 2/3)	20 (74.1%)	37 (69.8%)	
≥8 (ISUP 4/5)	3 (11.1%)	10 (18.9%)	
Pathological tumor stage	2 (2212,1)	(/-)	0.24
pT2	16 (59.3%)	24 (45.3%)	
≥pT3	11 (40.7%)	29 (54.7%)	
Prostate volume, g	50 (33-67)	39 (34-53)	0.49
Treatment factors			
Nerve Sparing Extent			0.76
Partial	8 (29.6%)	14 (26.4%)	
Full	19 (70.4%)	39 (73.6%)	
Outcomes			
1-yr EF Recovery	16 (40 70)	22 (42 42)	0.82
Yes No	16 (40.7%) 11 (59.3%)	23 (43.4%) 30 (56.6%)	

Continuous variables were compared by Mann-Whitney U test and reported as median (IQR). Categorical variables were compared by Chi-square test or Fisher exact test as indicated. ASA, American Society of Anesthesiology physical status classification system; BMI, Body Mass Index; IQR, Interquartile Range; SHIM, Sexual Health Inventory for Men; ISUP, International Society of Urological Pathology; PSA, Prostate Specific Antigen.





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Introduction				
Background	3a	D;V	Explain the medical context (including whether diagnostic or prognostic) and rationale for developing or validating the multivariable prediction model, including references to existing models.	5
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Source of data	4a	D;V	Describe the study design or source of data (e.g., randomized trial, cohort, or registry data), separately for the development and validation data sets, if applicable.	14
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Outcome 6	6a	D;V	Clearly define the outcome that is predicted by the prediction model, including how and when assessed.	15
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Predictors	7a	D;V	Clearly define all predictors used in developing or validating the multivariable prediction model, including how and when they were measured.	16
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Sample size	8	D;V	Explain how the study size was arrived at.	
Missing data	9	D;V	Describe how missing data were handled (e.g., complete-case analysis, single imputation, multiple imputation) with details of any imputation method.	NA
	10a	D	Describe how predictors were handled in the analyses.  Specify type of model, all model-building procedures (including any predictor selection),	16-18
Statistical	10b	D	and method for internal validation.	16-18
analysis	10c	V	For validation, describe how the predictions were calculated.	NA
methods	10d	D;V	Specify all measures used to assess model performance and, if relevant, to compare multiple models.	16-18
	10e	V	Describe any model updating (e.g., recalibration) arising from the validation, if done.	NA
Risk groups	11	D;V	Provide details on how risk groups were created, if done.	NA
Development vs. validation	12	V	For validation, identify any differences from the development data in setting, eligibility criteria, outcome, and predictors.	NA
Results			Criteria, Outcome, and predictors.	
	13a	D;V	Describe the flow of participants through the study, including the number of participants with and without the outcome and, if applicable, a summary of the follow-up time. A diagram may be helpful.	6
Participants	13b	D;V	Describe the characteristics of the participants (basic demographics, clinical features, available predictors), including the number of participants with missing data for predictors and outcome.	6
	13c	V	For validation, show a comparison with the development data of the distribution of important variables (demographics, predictors and outcome).	7
Model	14a	D	Specify the number of participants and outcome events in each analysis.	7
Model development	14b	D	If done, report the unadjusted association between each candidate predictor and outcome.	NA
Model	15a	D	Present the full prediction model to allow predictions for individuals (i.e., all regression coefficients, and model intercept or baseline survival at a given time point).	NA
specification	15b	D	Explain how to the use the prediction model.	8
Model performance	16	D;V	Report performance measures (with Cls) for the prediction model.	8
Model-updating	17	V	If done, report the results from any model updating (i.e., model specification, model performance).	NA
Discussion				
Limitations	18	D;V	Discuss any limitations of the study (such as nonrepresentative sample, few events per predictor, missing data).	13
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merpretation	19b	D;V	Give an overall interpretation of the results, considering objectives, limitations, results from similar studies, and other relevant evidence.	11-12
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