

Rectocele repair (posterior colporrhaphy)

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01 The bulge

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- Lithotomy, a catheter in the bladder.
- A retractor lifts the anterior wall and a self-retaining retractor holds the introitus open.
- The posterior vaginal wall bulges forward because **the anterior rectal wall is pushing it**: only the rectovaginal septum lies between them.

02 The triangle

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- The posterior wall is infiltrated.
- An Allis clamp goes on each lateral margin at the posterior fourchette and a third in the midline at the upper border of the rectocele.
- Between them **a triangle of epithelium is incised, its base at the fourchette.**

03 Dissection

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- Scissors lift the epithelium **off the perirectal fascia, away from the rectum.**
- A finger in the rectum can show how close its anterior wall is.
- With the rectum drawn downward, the dissection is carried lateral to the bulge until the rectovaginal fascia is exposed on each side.

04 Plication sutures

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- Interrupted sutures are placed in the rectovaginal fascia, **starting at the apex and working down to the fourchette.**
- The bites are shallow, so the rectum is not taken, and the levator ani is left out.
- All are placed before any is tied.

05 Tie

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- The sutures are **tied one at a time, in succession.**
- The fascia comes together in the midline over the rectum and the bulge goes.

06

Perineorrhaphy

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- Added only where it is indicated, as for this attenuated perineal body.
- A second triangle, of perineal and vaginal skin at the posterior commissure, makes the defect a diamond.
- **Bulbocavernosus and the transverse perineal muscles are brought together in the midline** with vertical sutures.

07

Calibre

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- Before the incisions are closed the calibre is checked.
- **The vagina should take at least two fingers** in a sexually active woman: a repair drawn too tight is a painful one.

Closure and rectal examination

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- The edges of the epithelium are trimmed and the midline incision is closed with a running suture, then the perineal skin.
- Last, **a finger in the rectum confirms an intact wall**, no bleeding and no stitch to feel.

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