

# COMMON ANORECTAL CONDITIONS

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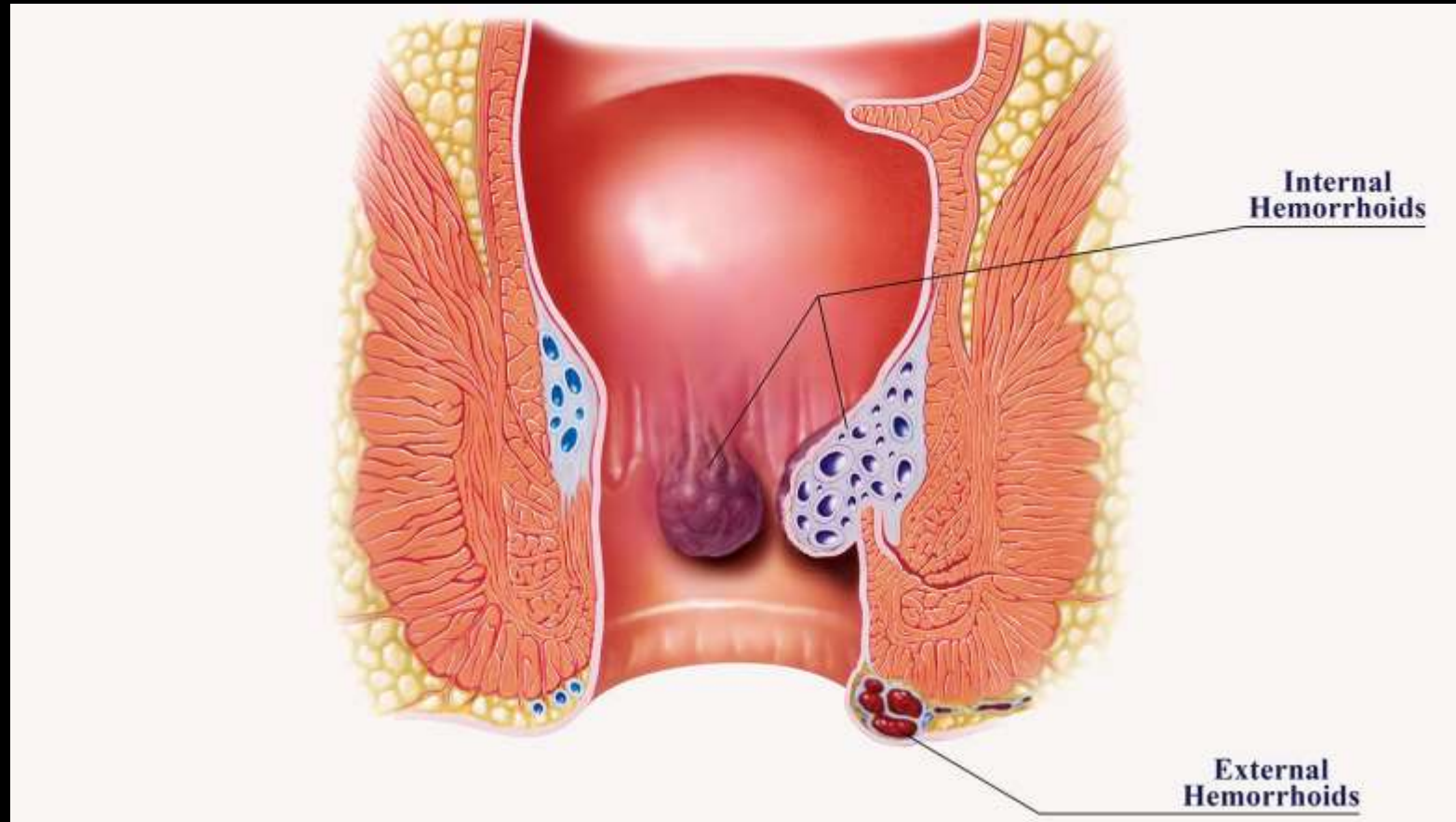
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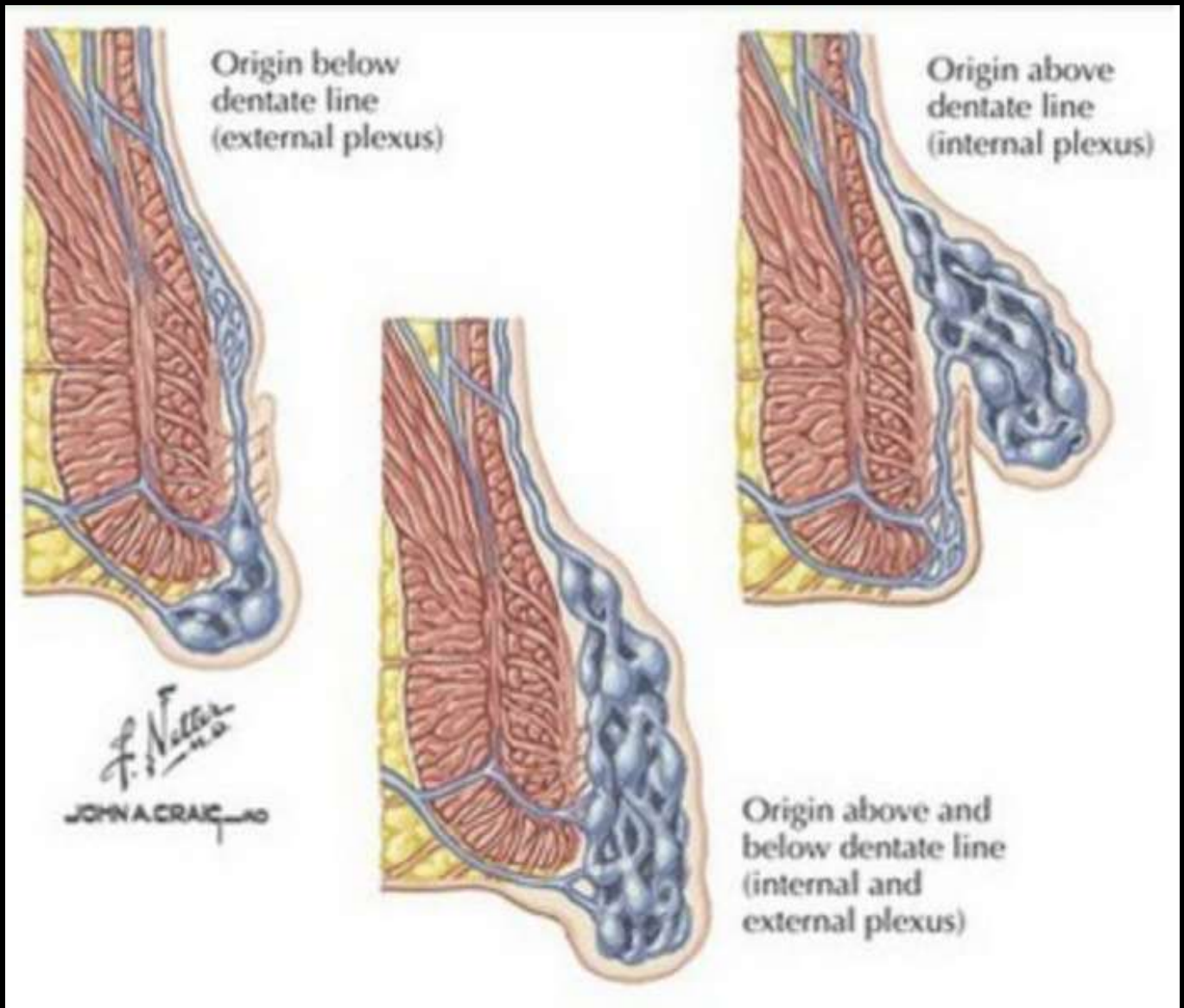
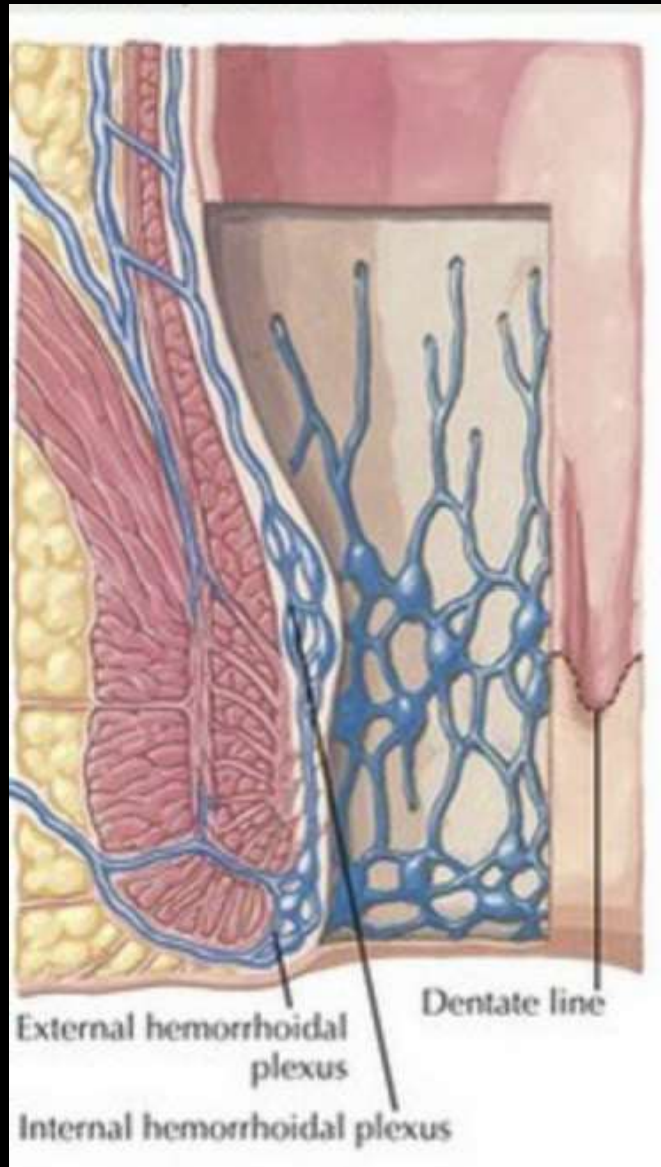
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- Perianal haematoma
- Anal fissures
- Perianal abscess
- Anal fistulas
- Pruritis

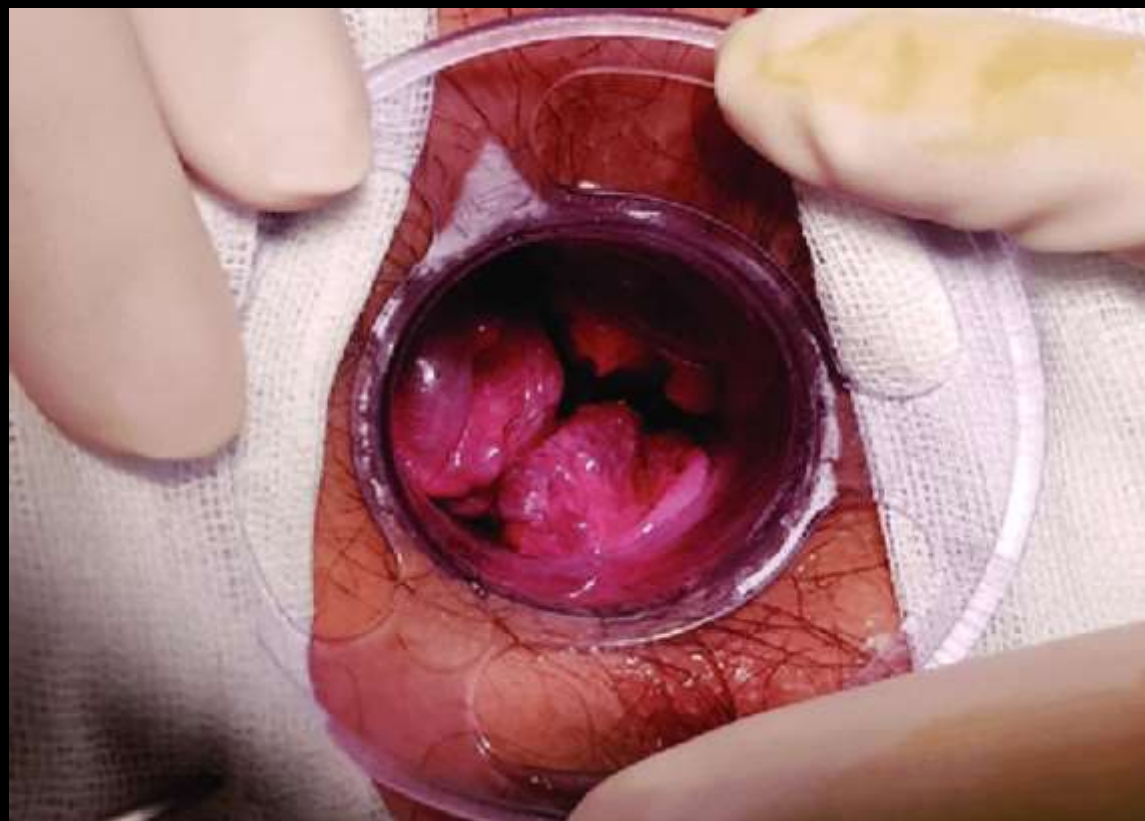
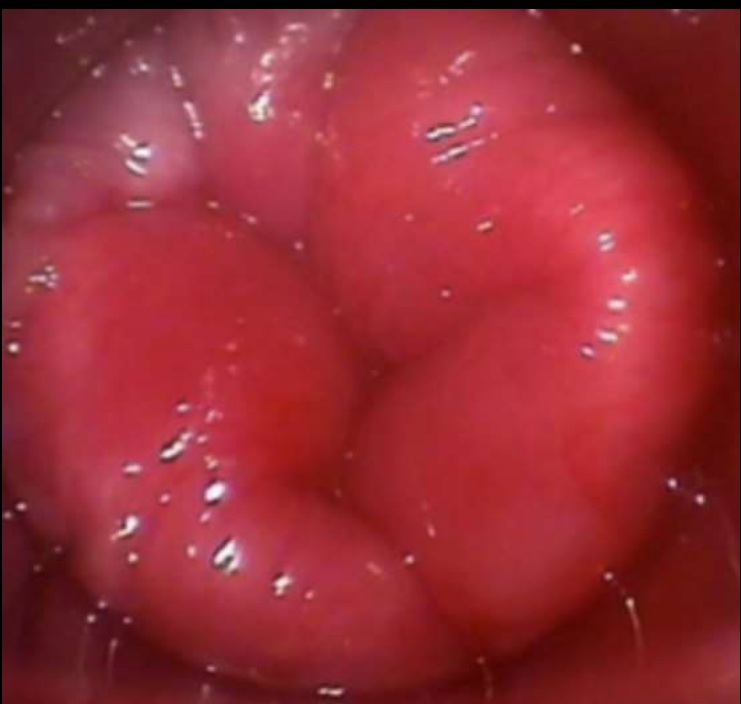
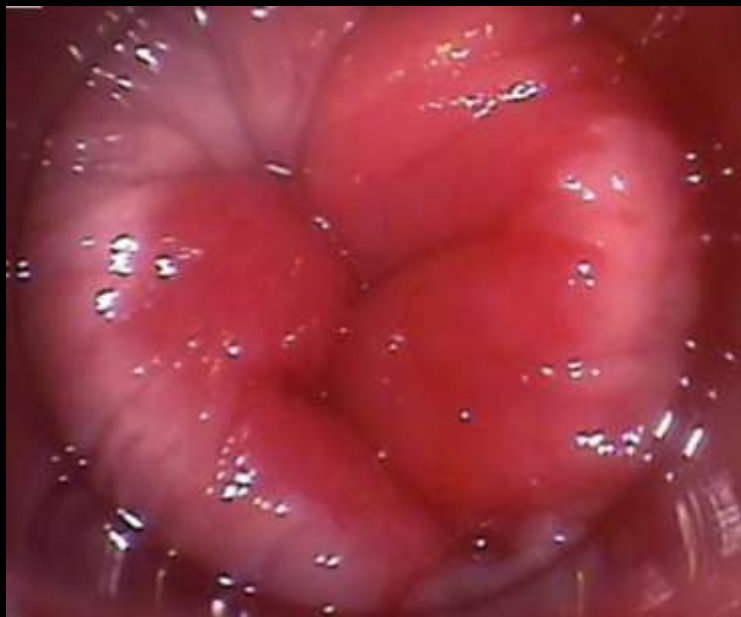


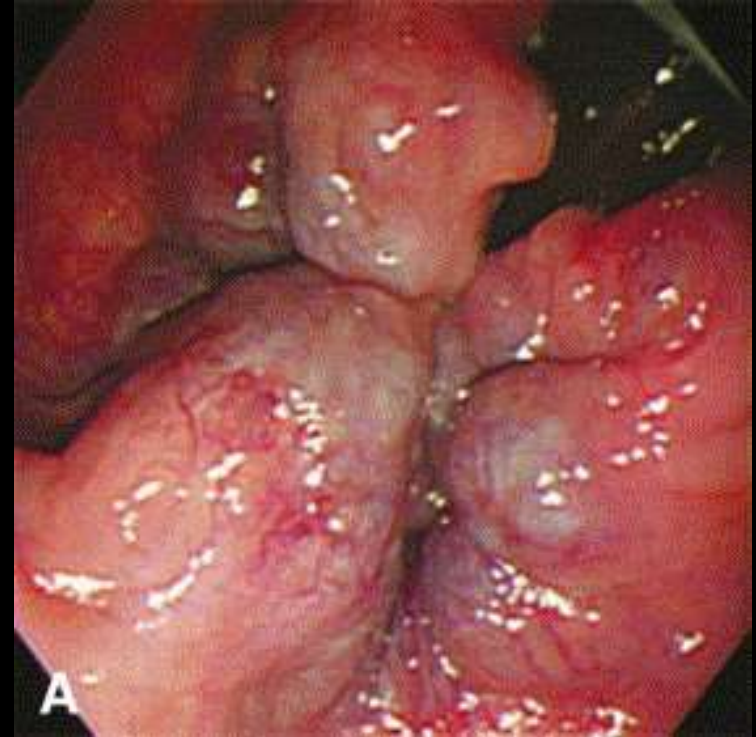
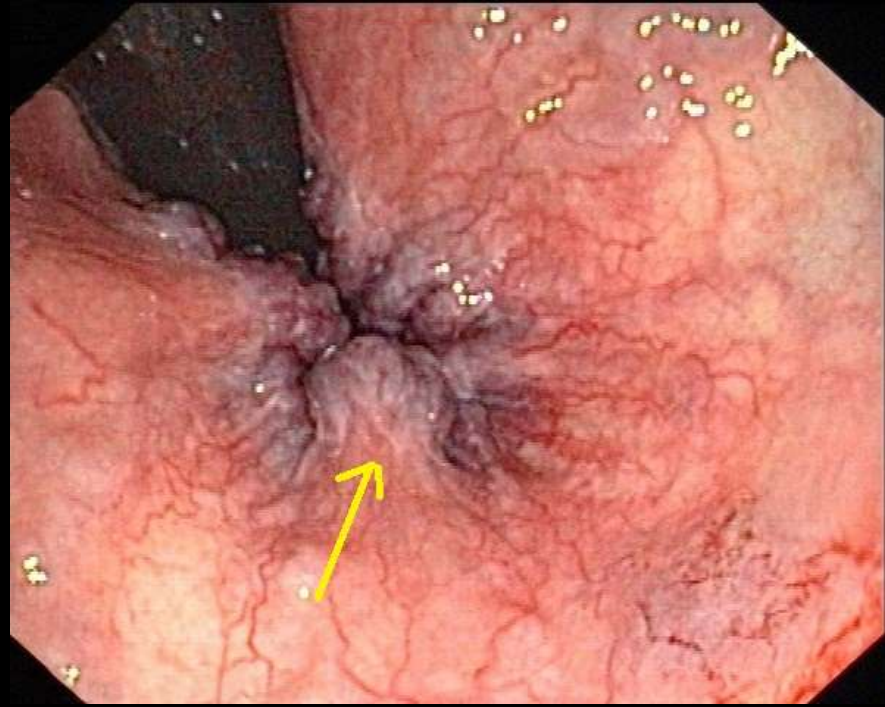
# Haemorrhoids











# Haemorrhoids

- History

- Bright-red rectal bleeding (“outlet type”)
- Painless\*
- Prolapse / Lump
- Mucous discharge
- Pruritis

- Examination

- Good inspection –rest, straining
- Digital rectal examination

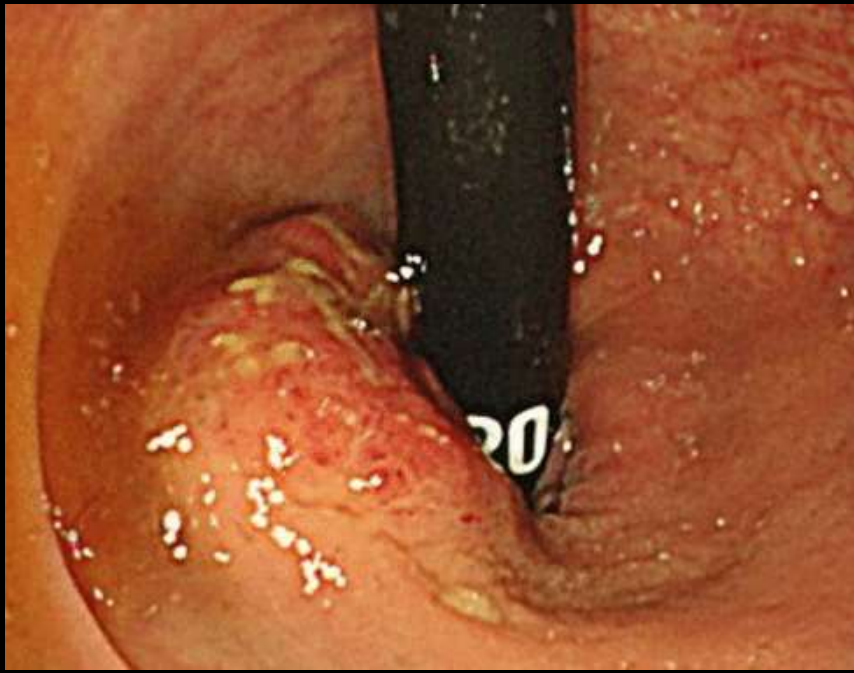




# Concerning features

A hand in a blue surgical glove pointing upwards, set against a blurred background of a person in blue scrubs. The hand is positioned on the left side of the slide, with the index finger pointing towards the top. A diagonal black line separates the image from the text on the right.

- History
  - Blood mixed with stool
  - Change in bowel habit
  - Abdominal pain or mass
  - Weight loss
  - Family history of colorectal malignancy, polyps
  - Age >45
- Examination
  - Palpable mass
  - Irregular / exophytic growth
- Investigations
  - Anaemia (esp. IDA)





Comprehensive history and physical examination;  
anoscopy and rectoscopy if needed

Exclude other diagnoses  
(eg, colorectal cancer, Crohn disease)

Lifestyle and dietary changes, toileting behavior  
education, fiber supplements

Grade I hemorrhoids

Conservative therapy with  
fiber supplements, dietary  
and lifestyle changes

Grade II hemorrhoids

Office-based treatments  
(eg, rubber band ligation)

Grade III hemorrhoids

Rubber band ligation,  
consider surgical  
management

Grade IV hemorrhoids

Surgical management

# First Line Management

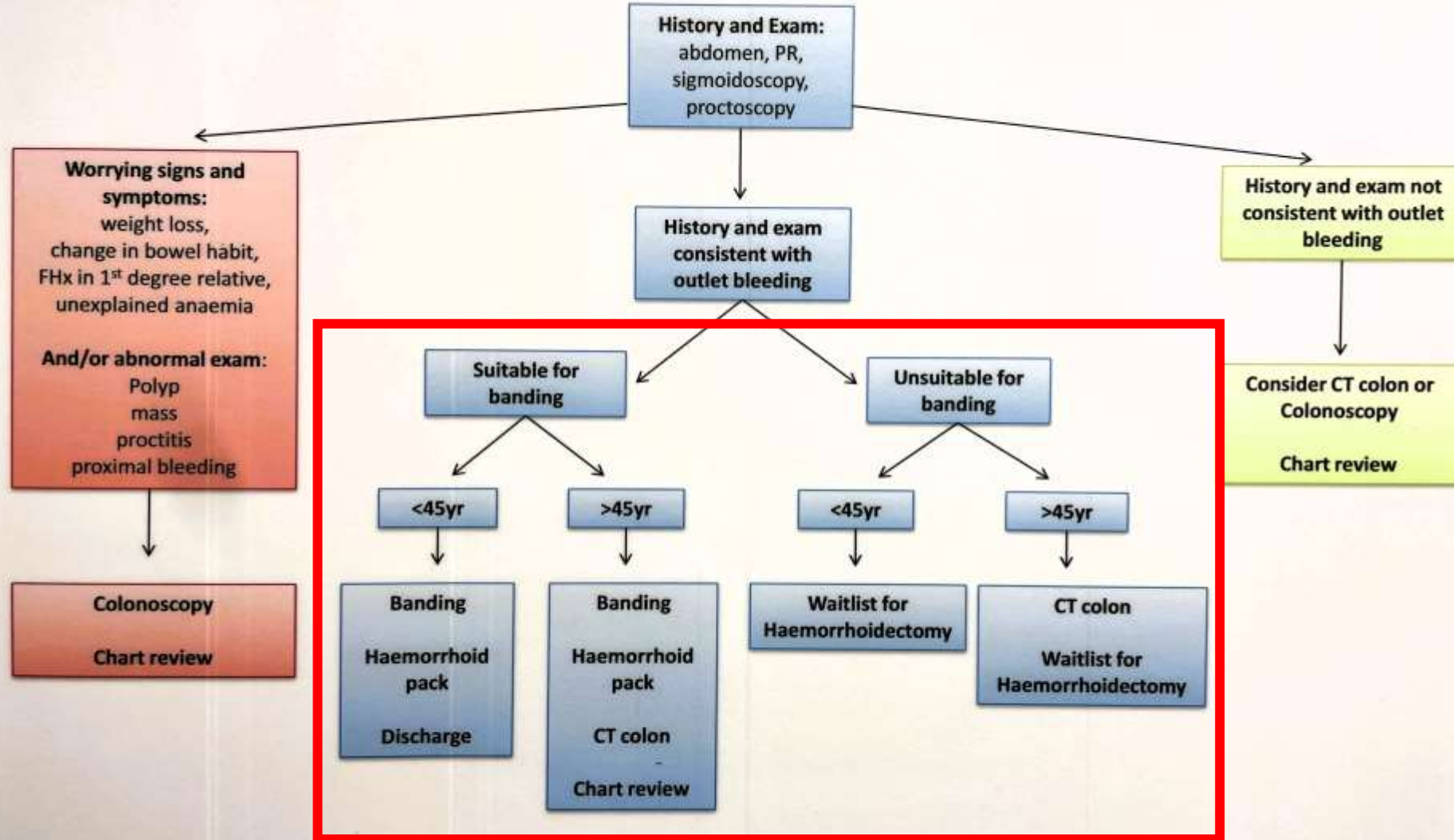
- Address constipation – diet, fluids, laxatives
  - Fibre supplementation
  - Toileting behaviour
    - Avoid straining*
    - Avoid prolonged sitting*
    - Avoid excessive wiping – use wipes, pat dry, barrier cream*
    - Foot stool*
    - Sitz baths*
    - Bidet toilet seat*
  - Topical agents (e.g. Ultraproct, Proctosedyl) for symptomatic relief if pain/discomfort
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# When to refer?

- Any concerning features / red flag symptoms
  - Persistent symptoms despite dietary and lifestyle changes
  - Prolapse or large external component
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# PAINLESS PR BLEEDING



**HAEMORRHOID PACK:** written information on haemorrhoids and banding, prescription for konsyl-D, contact details for clinic to arrange follow up if symptoms persist

Patients returning via patient initiated follow up are seen by a consultant

# Surgical management

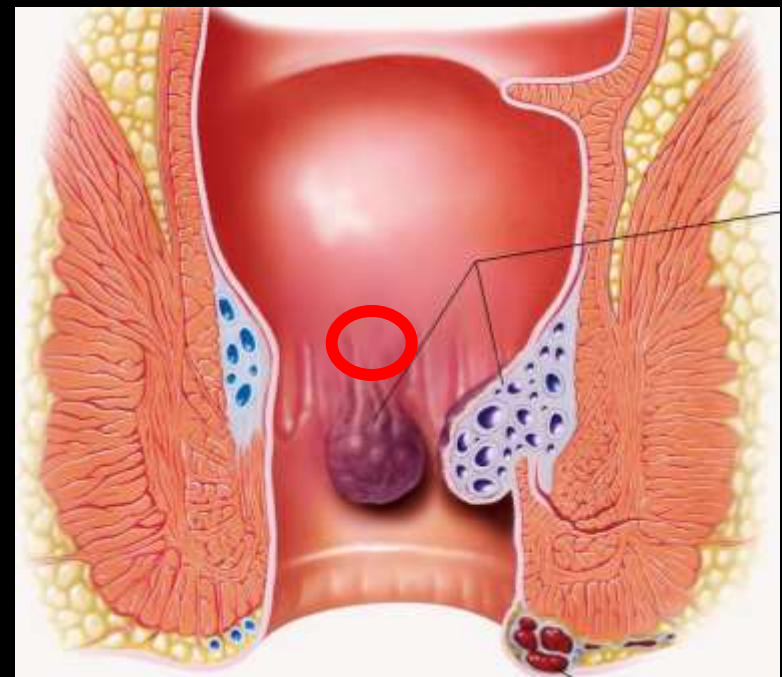
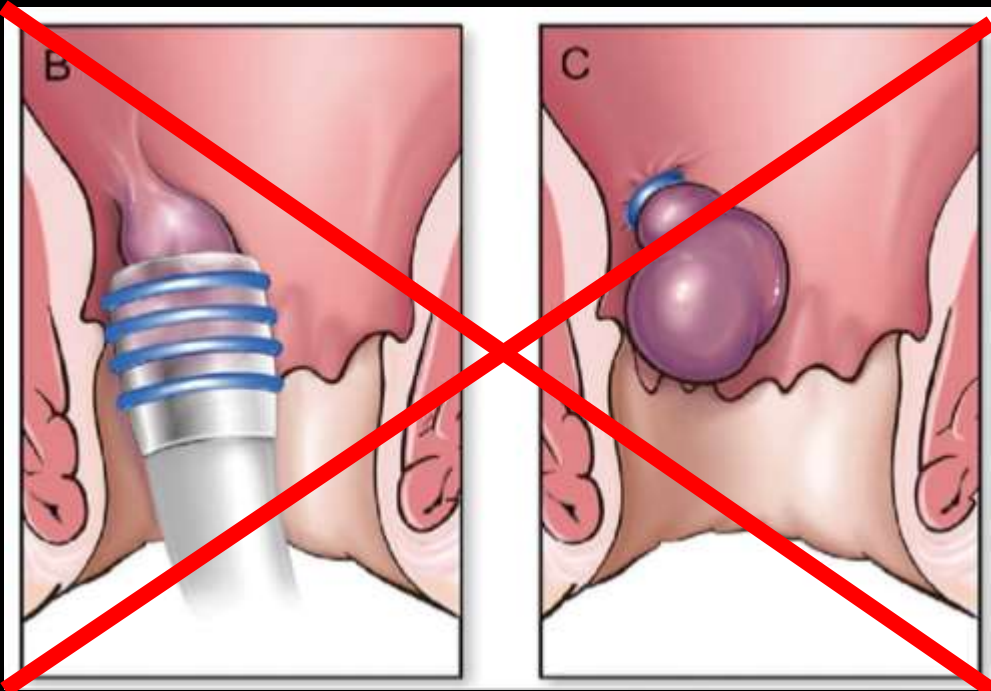
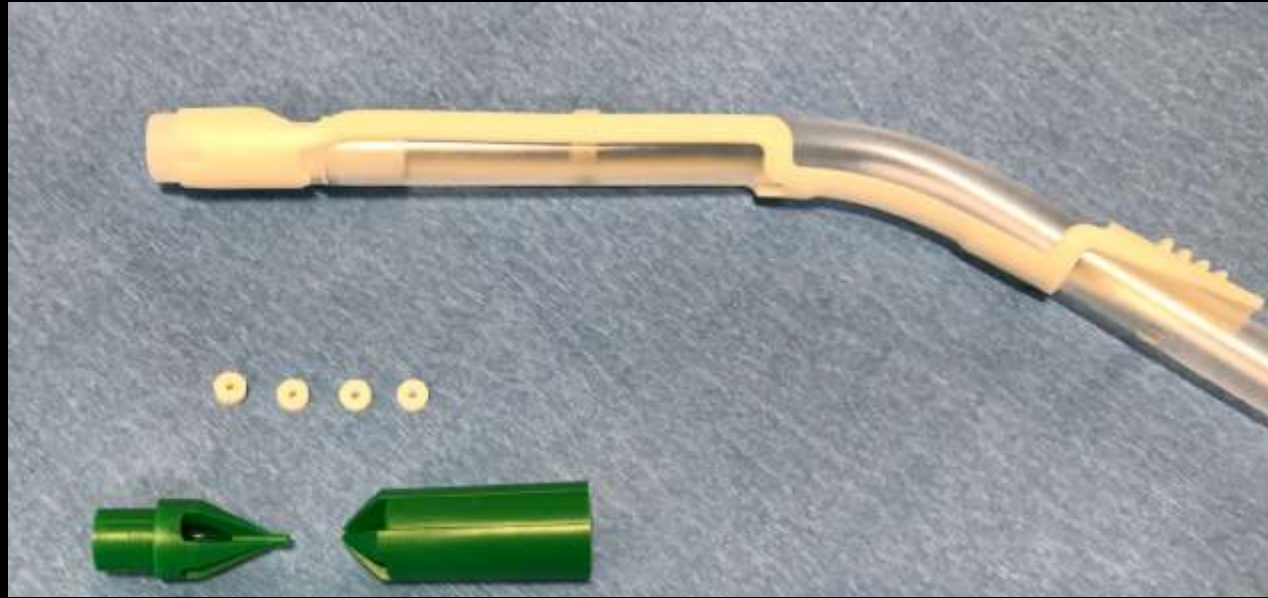
Rubber band ligation

Haemorrhoidectomy

Haemorrhoid artery ligation +  
recto-anal repair (HAL-RAR)

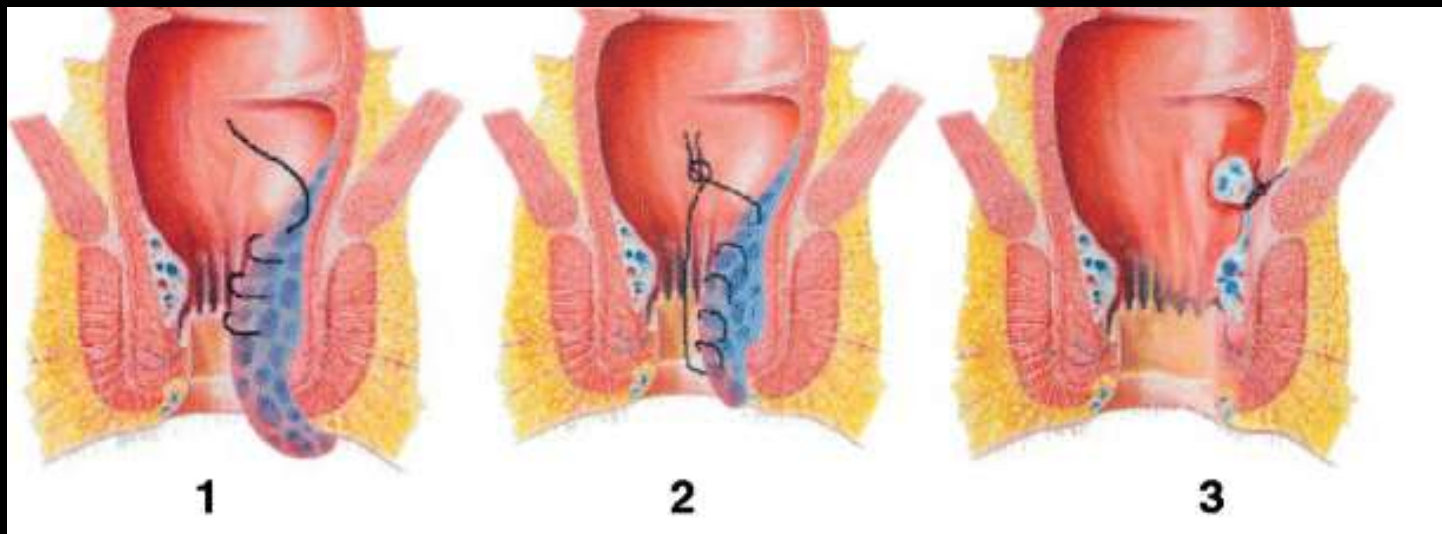
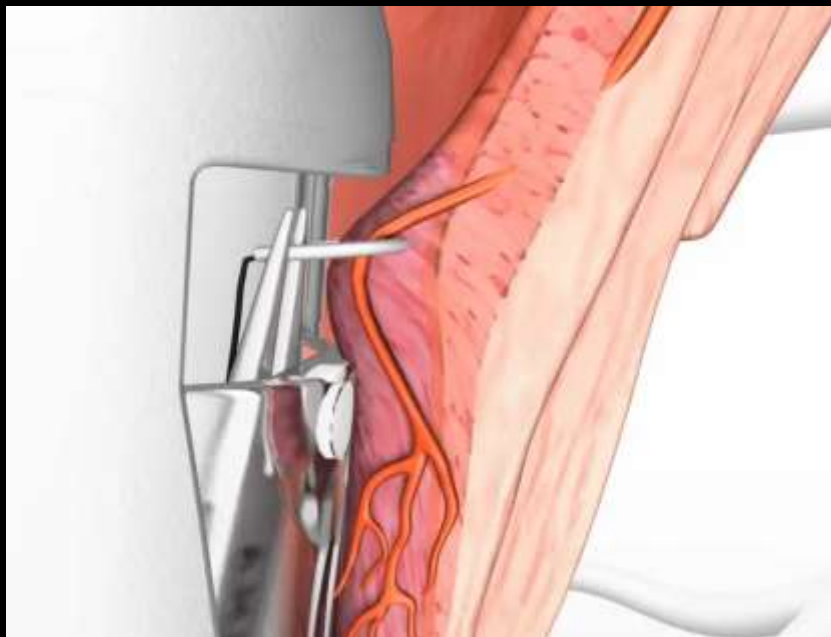
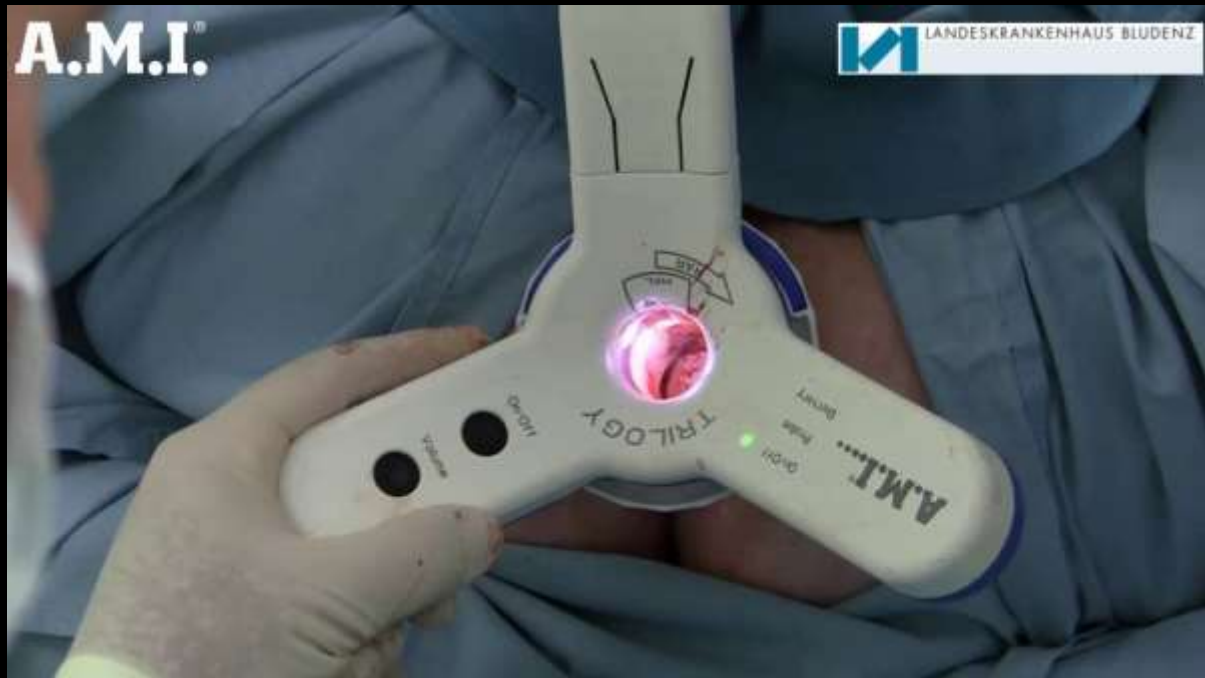
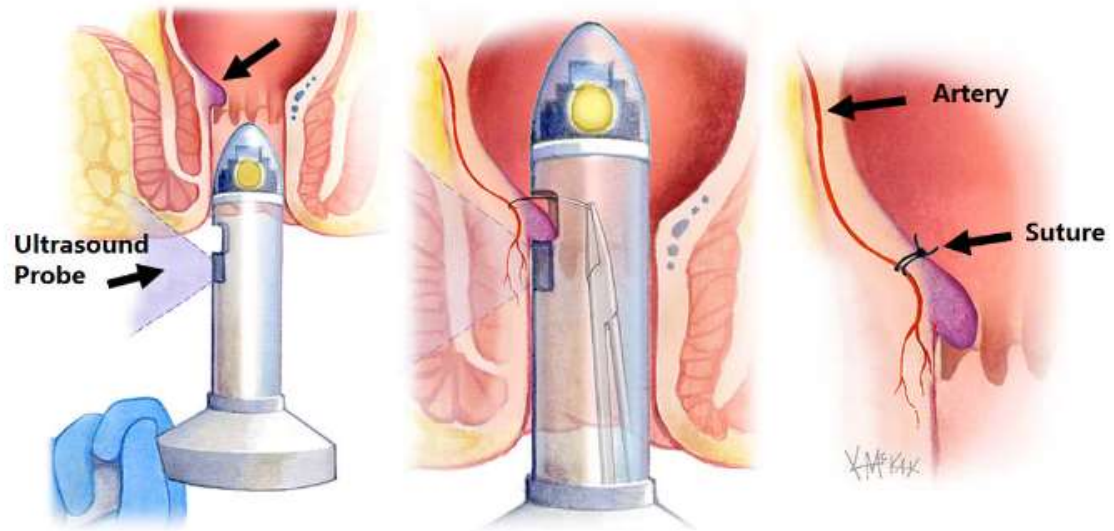
(Sclerotherapy, Stapled Haemorrhoidopexy)



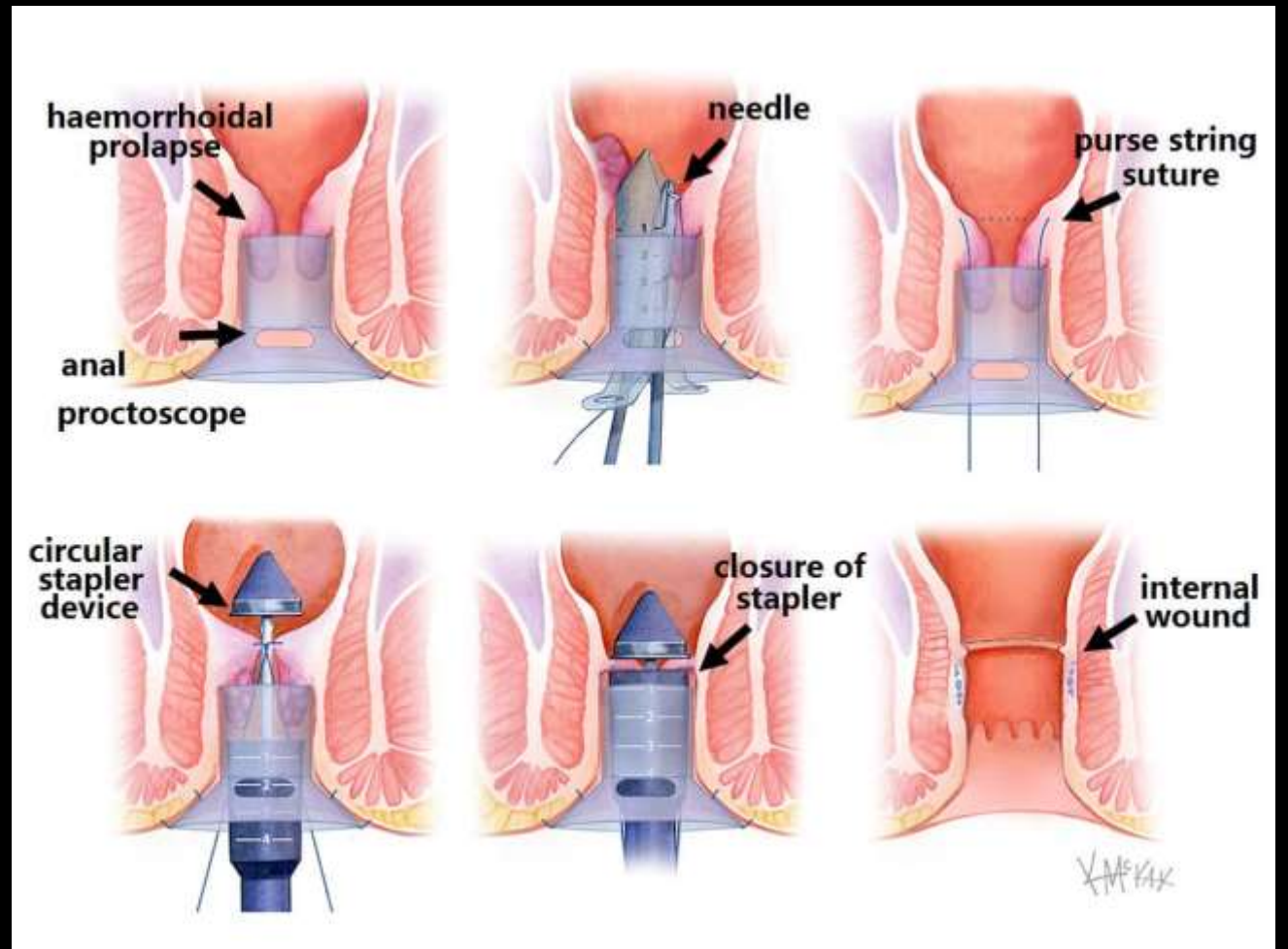
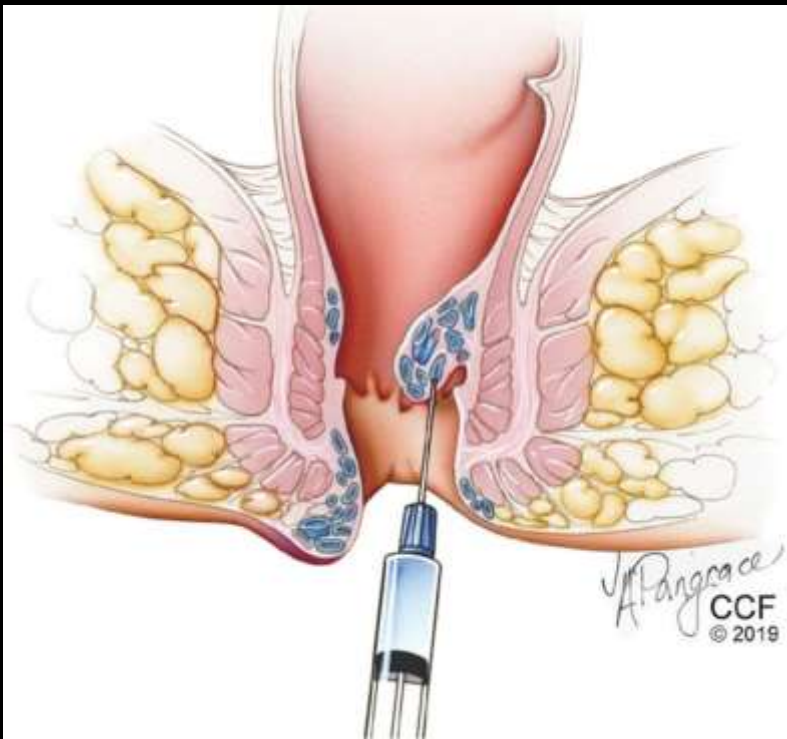




# Doppler-guided Haemorrhoid Artery Ligation (HAL)







**250mg in 5ml**

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## Oily Phenol Injection 5%w/v

For submucosal injection  
Phenol 5%w/v in Almond Oil

POM

10 x 5ml ampoules

# Perianal haematoma



- 24-72h – consider incision and evacuation
- After 72h – conservative mx (sitz baths, lignocaine gel, ice, topical/oral analgesia)

# Anal fissure



# Anal fissure – management

- Lifestyle and dietary measures – as for haemorrhoids
- Relieve sphincter spasm
  - Rectogesic ointment (GTN 0.2%)
  - Diltiazem paste 2%
    - *4xDiltiazem CD 240mg capsules ground to a fine powder and mixed with 47g white soft paraffin*
    - *Apply TDS for 6 weeks*
- Surgical options
  - Botox injection
  - Lateral internal sphincterotomy
  - Advancement flap

**\*\*Beware anal cancer – “atypical” fissure, ulcerated or firm mass**





# Key points

- Look for red flags
  - Painful bleeding most commonly an anal fissure
  - Haemorrhoids and fissure may both be present concurrently
  - First line management principles
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