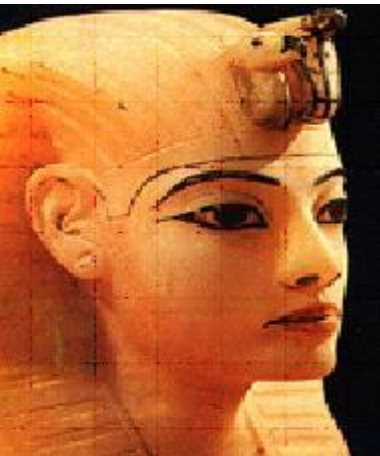


Postpartum Hemorrhage (PPH)

An Evidence Based View

Part II “Intractable PPH”



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Sources of Evidence

- + Pub Med.
- + Cochrane library
- + SOGC Hemorrhagic Shock Guideline No 115 2002
- + RCOG Guideline P.Previa No.27 2005
- + Misoprostol Guidance WHO 2007&FIGO 2009
- + RCOG Guideline PPH No.52 May 2009
- + WHO Guidelines PPH 2009
- + SOGC PPH Guideline No 235 Octob.2009

WHO guidelines for the management of postpartum haemorrhage and retained placenta



SOGC CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE

No. 235 October 2009 (Replaces No. 88, April 2000)

Preventive Management of the Third Stage of Labour: Prevention and Treatment of Postpartum Hemorrhage

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PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF POSTPARTUM HAEMORRHAGE

the first edition of this guideline.

1. Purpose and scope

Management Of Established PPH

4 components: undertaken simultaneously:

1.Communication

2.Resuscitation

3.Monitoring and investigation

4.Arresting the bleeding

➤ **Treatment of the underlying disorder (4Ts)**

➤ **Management of Intractable PPH**

Intractable PPH

About 10 % of women will not respond to the initial management steps and are considered as intractable PPH.

They are caused mainly by

- Uterine atony
- Placenta Previa accretes at CS scar (PP accreta)
- Difficult trauma repair
- Coagulopathy

Intractable Postpartum Hemorrhage Algorithm

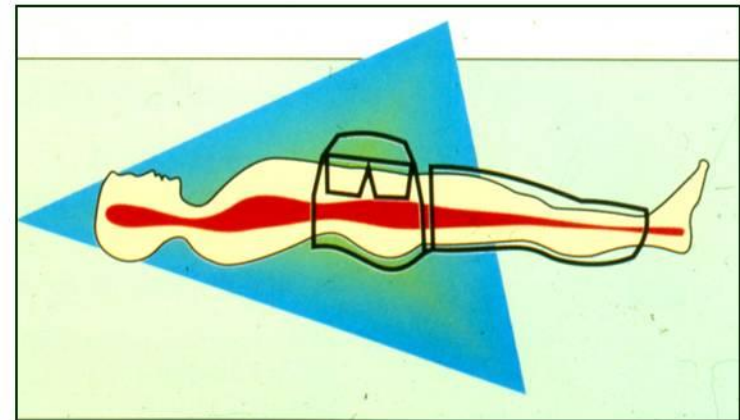
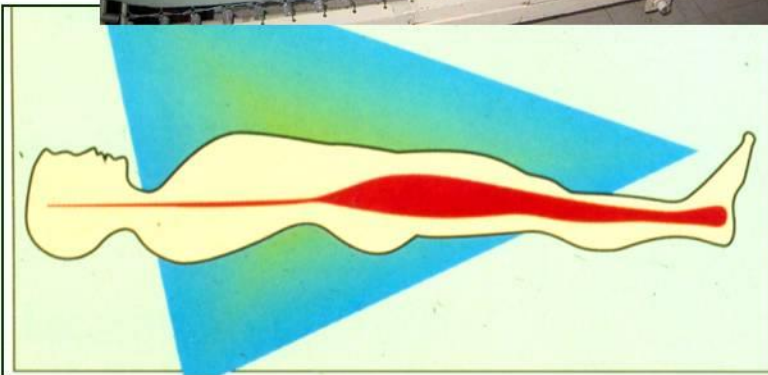
Vaginal delivery

Local
Control

- Garment
- balloon tamponade
- Arterial embolization



Garment



Suellen Miller, 2005

Management of Uterine Atony

If pharmacological measures fail : “Intrauterine balloon tamponade” is the first-line ‘surgical’ intervention

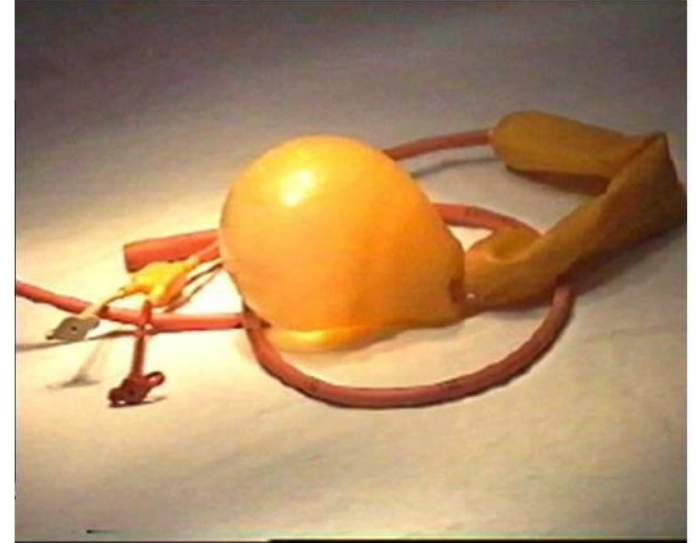
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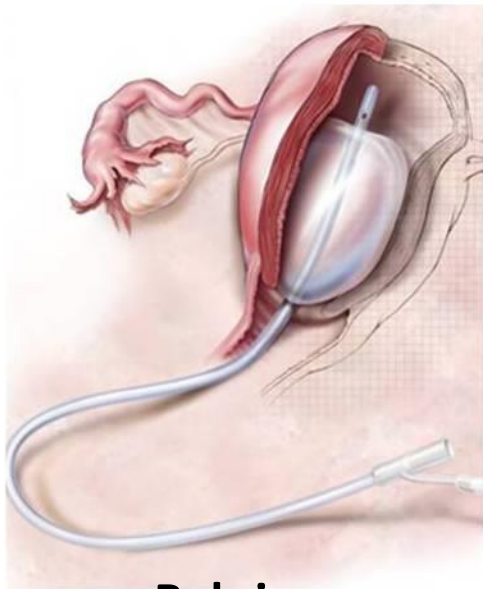


Local
Control

Garment
Gauze Pack or Balloon
Tamponade
Arterial embolization



Sengstaken-Blakemore Tube



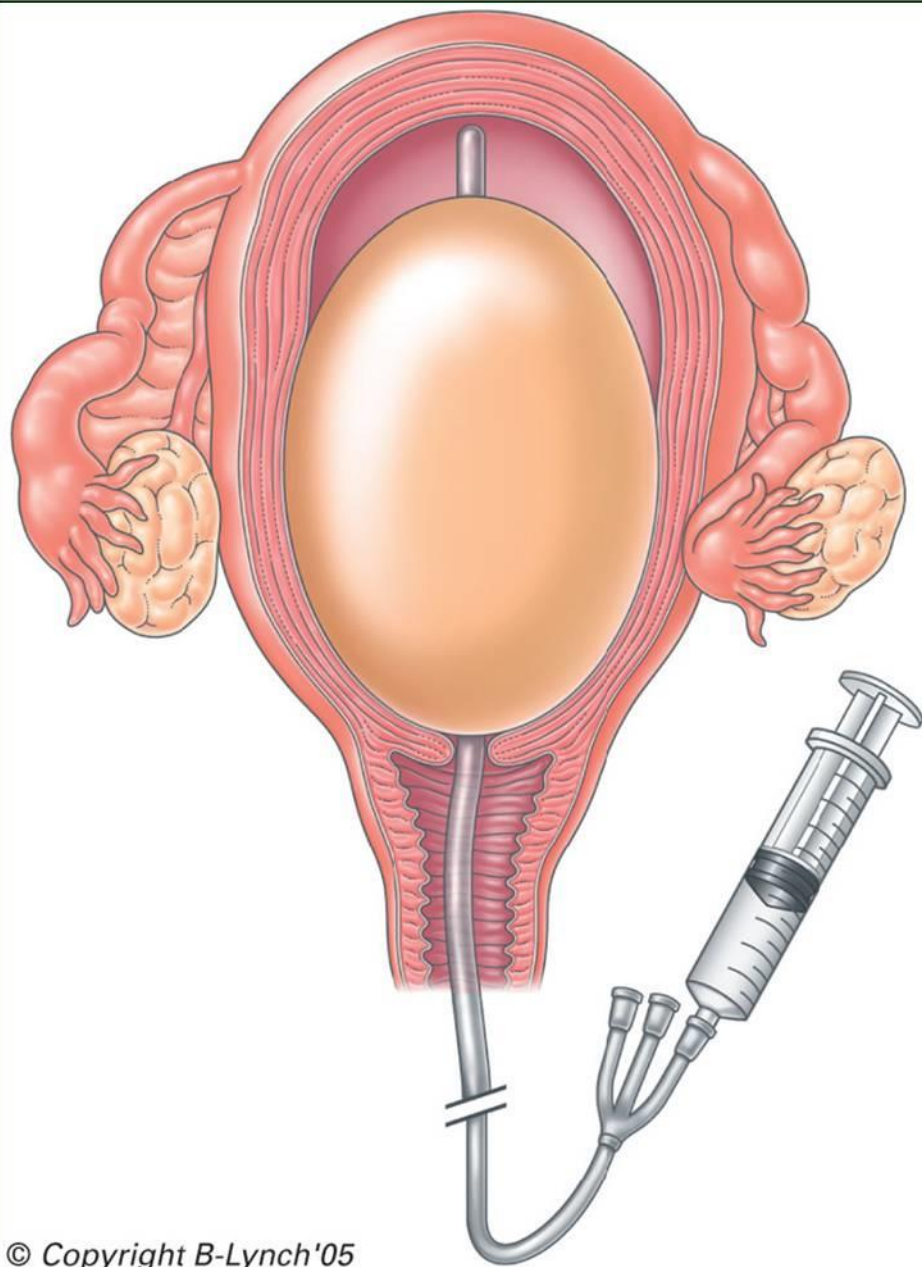
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Tamponade Balloon



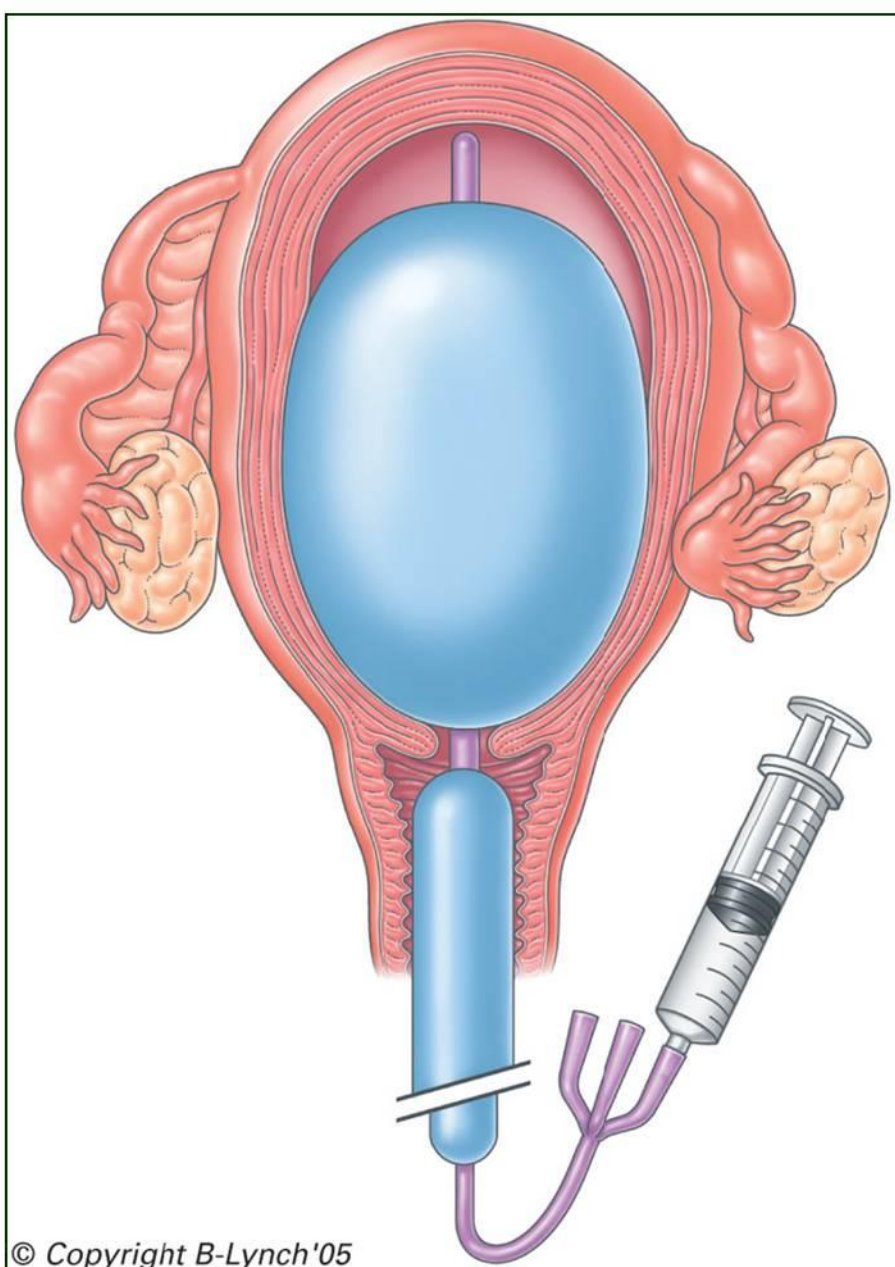
Condom





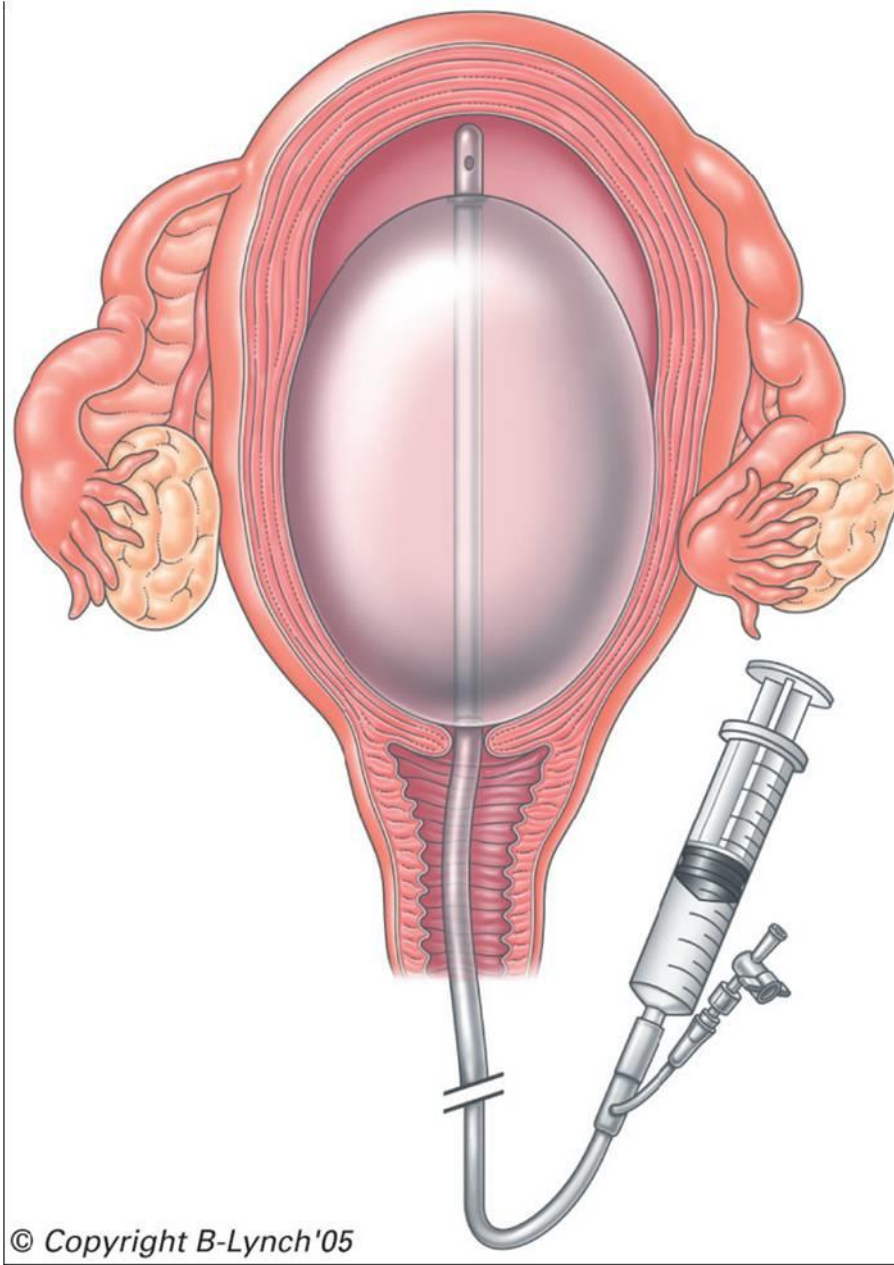
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Bakri balloon



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Sengstaken-Blakemore tube

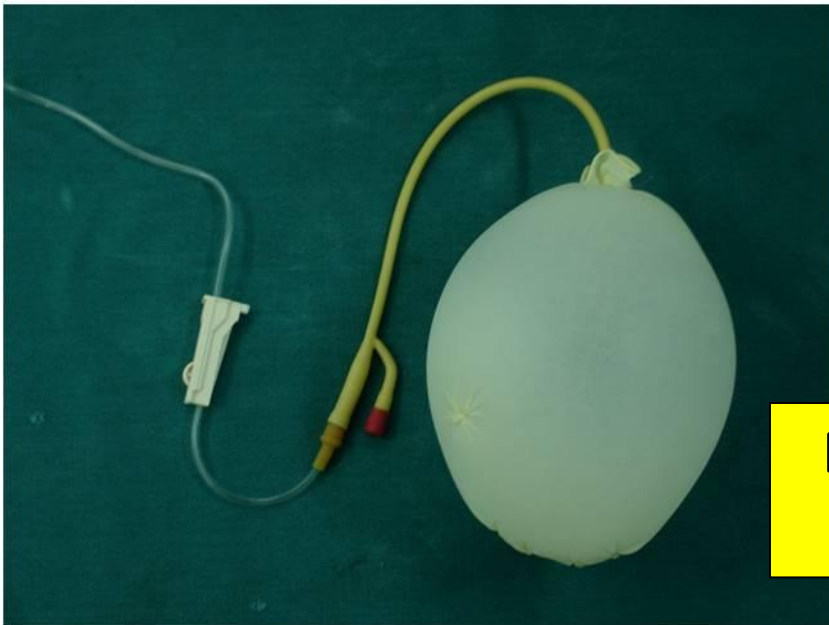


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Rüsch hydrostatic balloon catheter

El-Sherbiny Inverted Glove Tapsade

- With aseptic precautions knots are made on all fingers of a surgical glove to render it a single cavity. Then the glove is inverted to have a smooth outer surface.
- A sterile rubber catheter fitted with an inverted glove is introduced into the uterus. The glove is inflated with 200-500 mL normal saline, according to need.



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Inverted finger knotted glove “Sherbiny Damietta”

Inverted finger knotted glove "Sherbiny"



finger knotted



finger inverted

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El-Sherbiny Inverted Glove Tapedade

- A roller gauze is introduced into the vaginal cavity to keep the uterine balloon in situ.
- The gloves are catheter was kept for 24 hours, and gradually deflated when bleeding ceased.

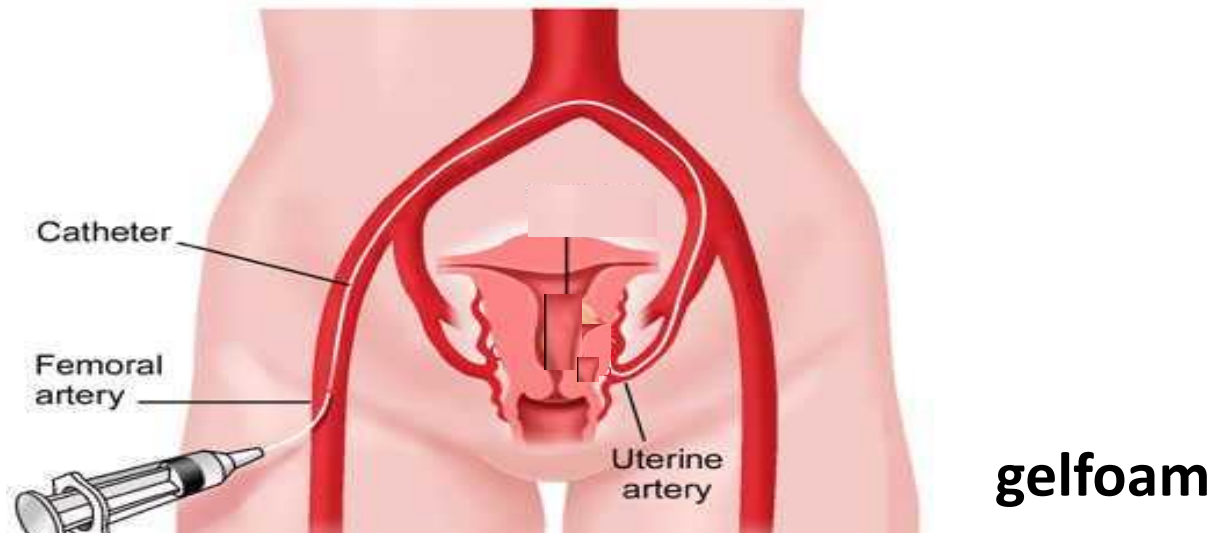
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Vaginal delivery

Local
Control

- + Garment
- + Gauze Pack or Condom
- + Arterial embolization

Arterial Embolization



selective arterial embolization

Intractable Postpartum Hemorrhage Algorithm

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Local Control

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- + Gauze Pack or Balloon
- + Arterial embolization

CS

Failed

Surgery

Fertility need

Laparotomy

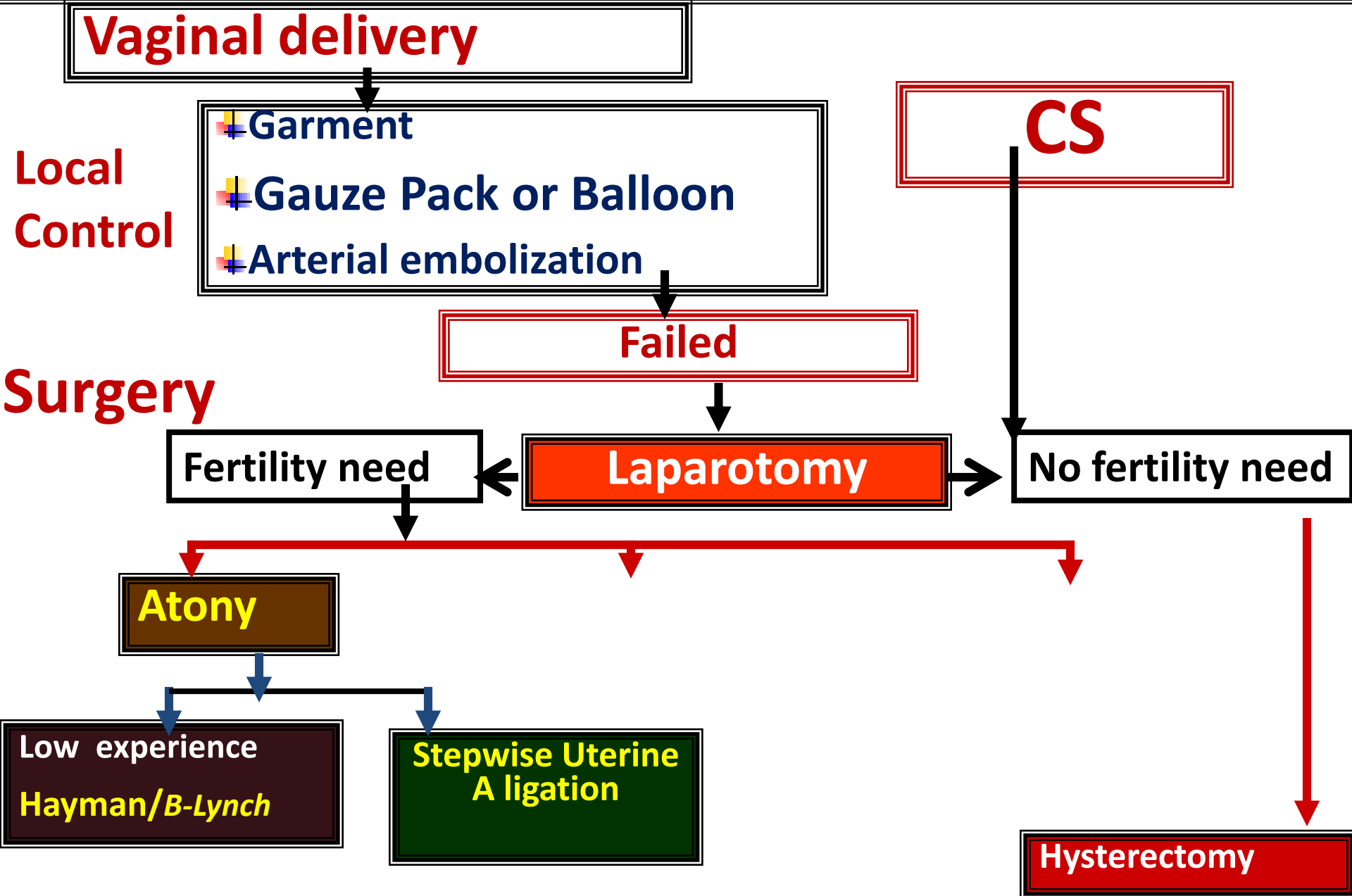
No fertility need

Atony

Low experience
Hayman/B-Lynch

**Stepwise Uterine
A ligation**

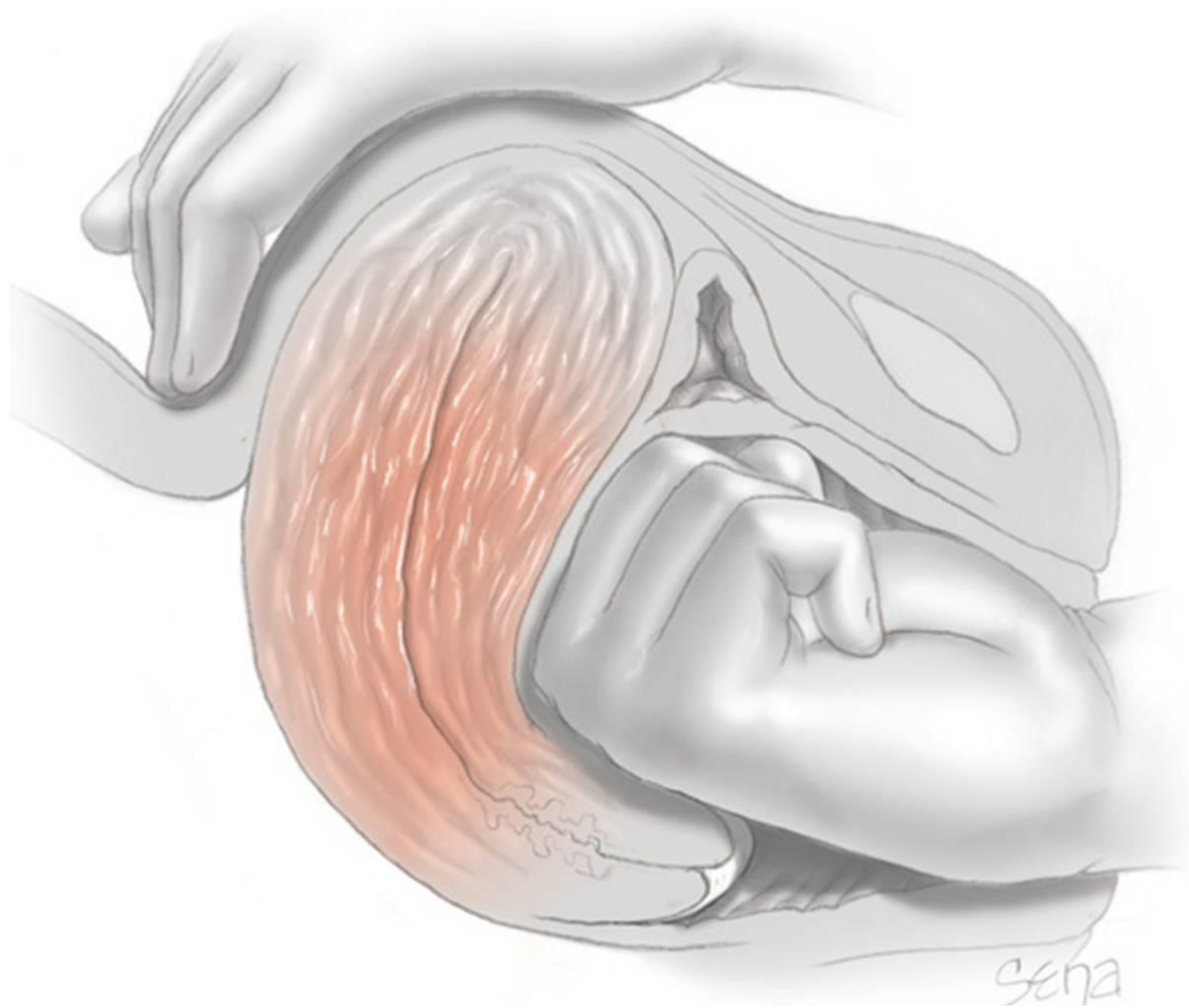
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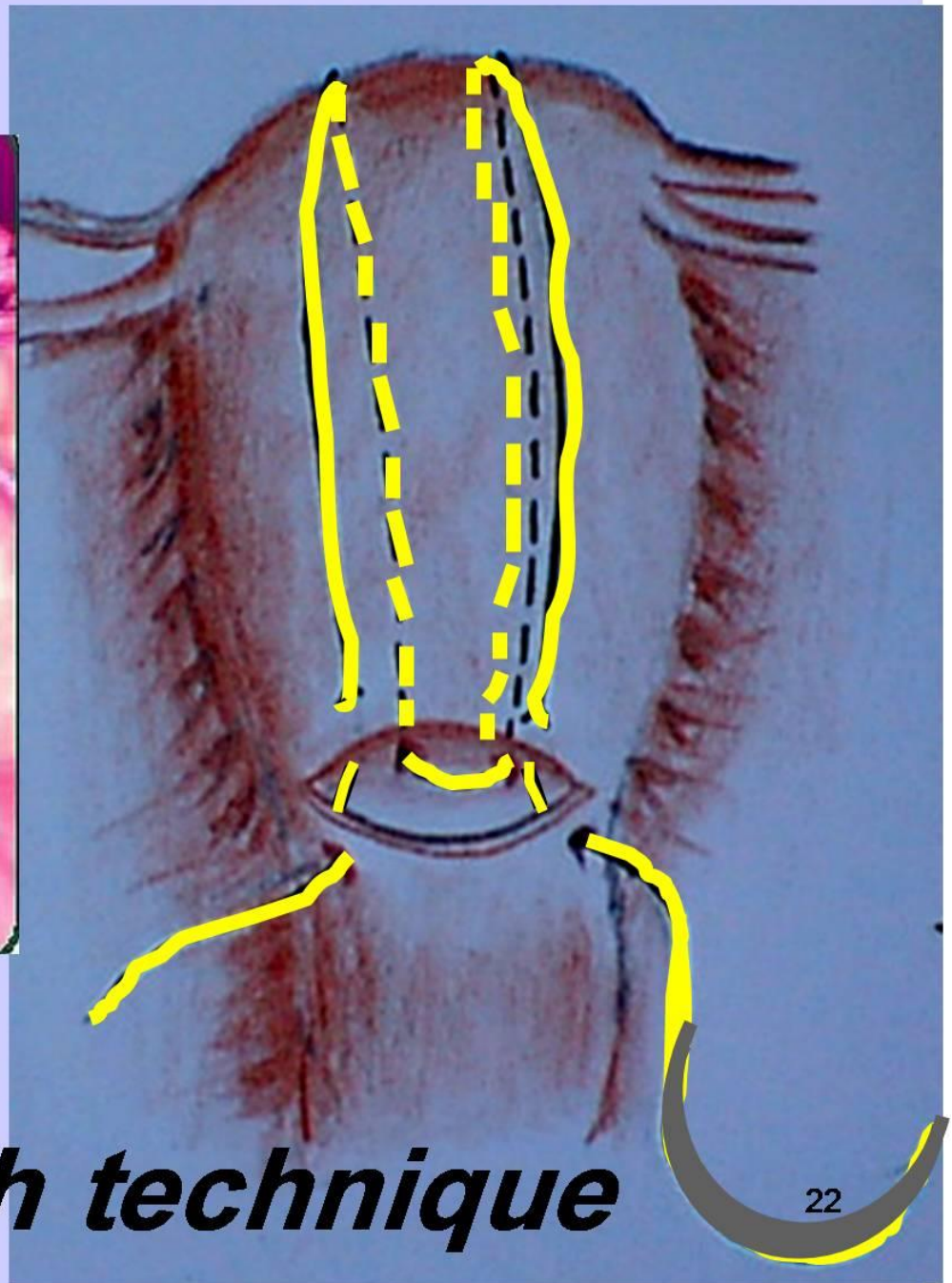
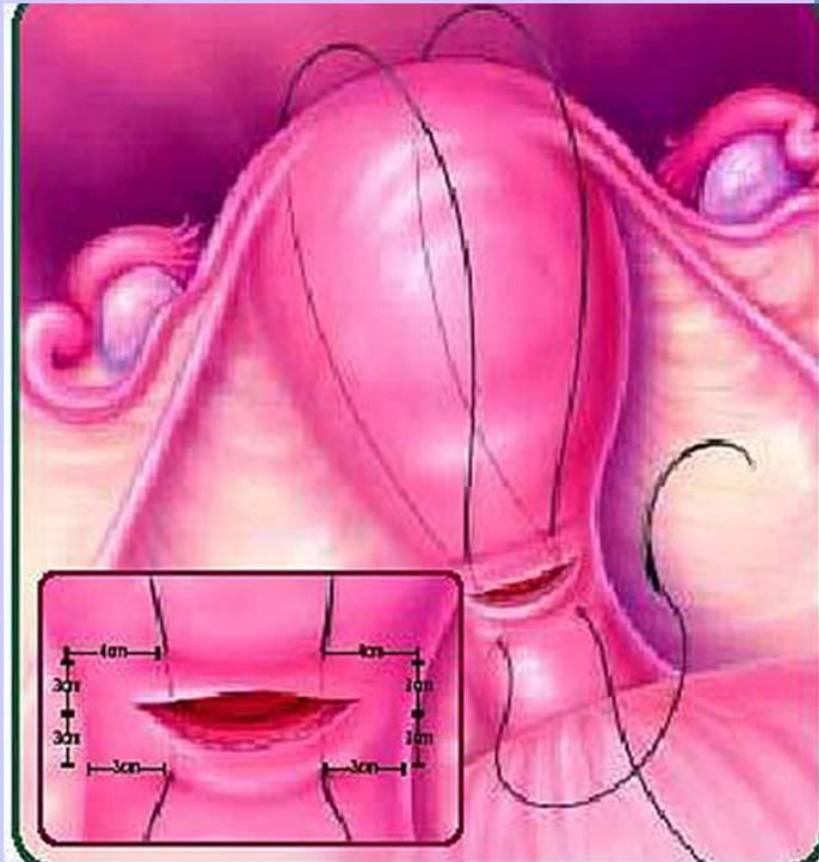


Management of Uterine Atony

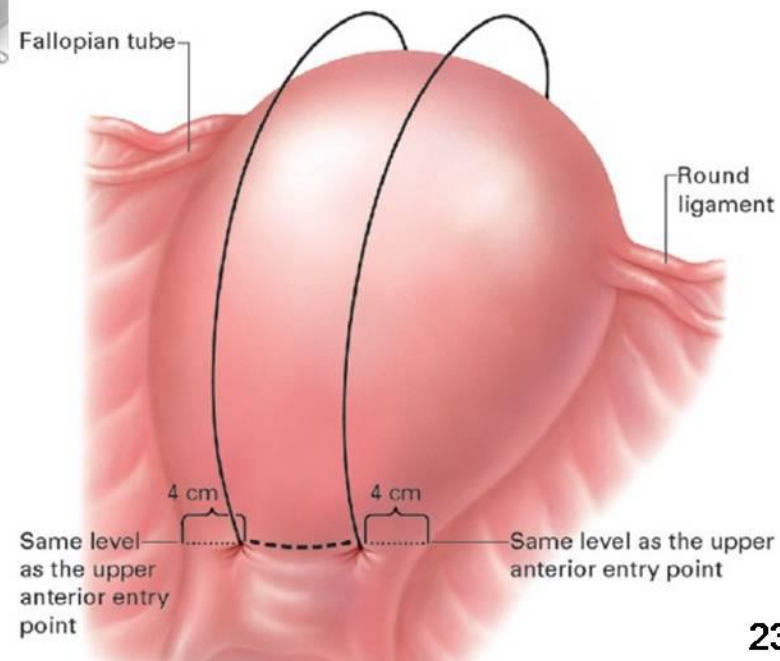
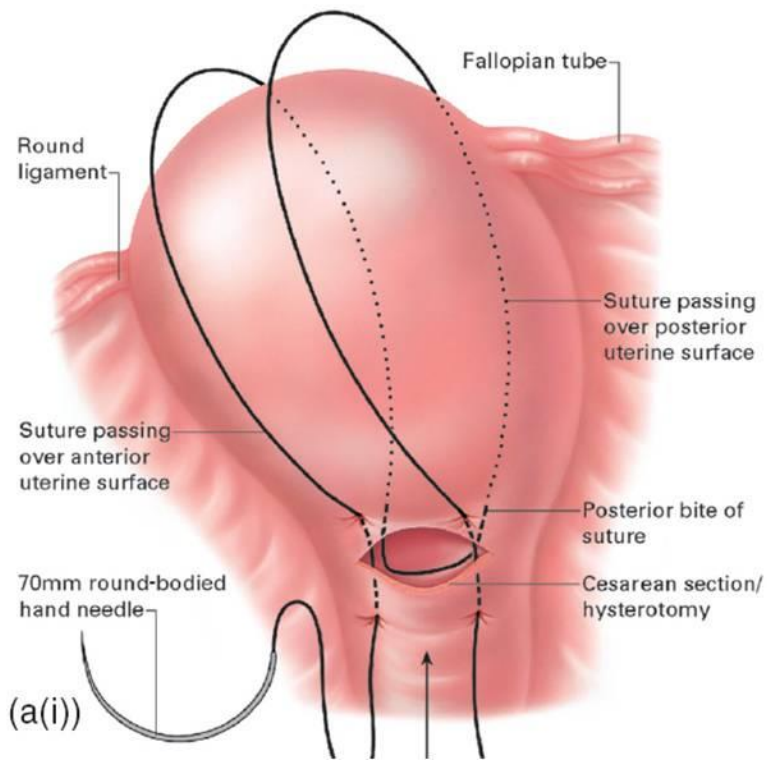
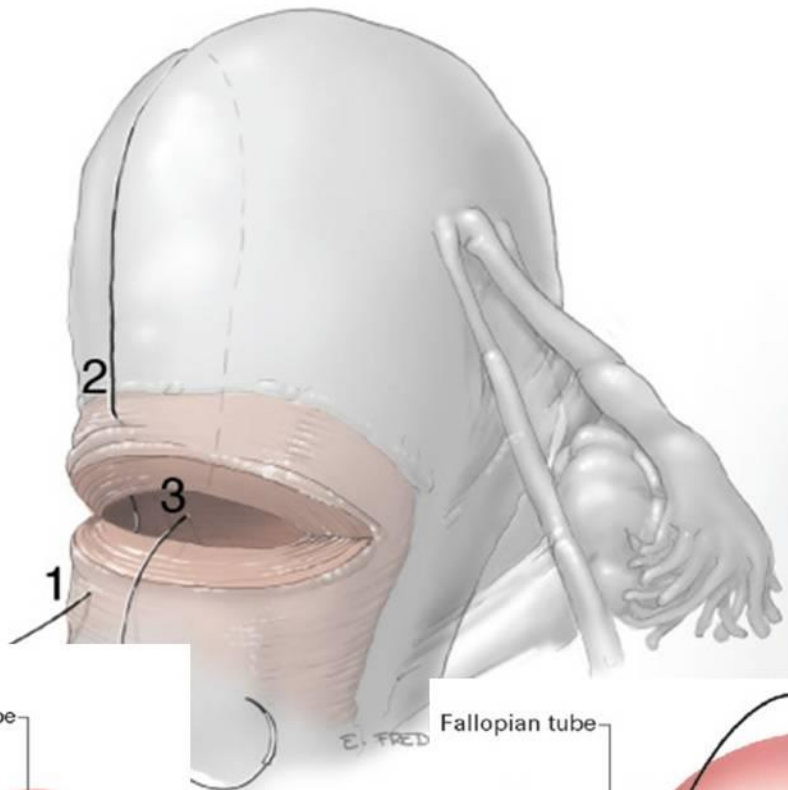
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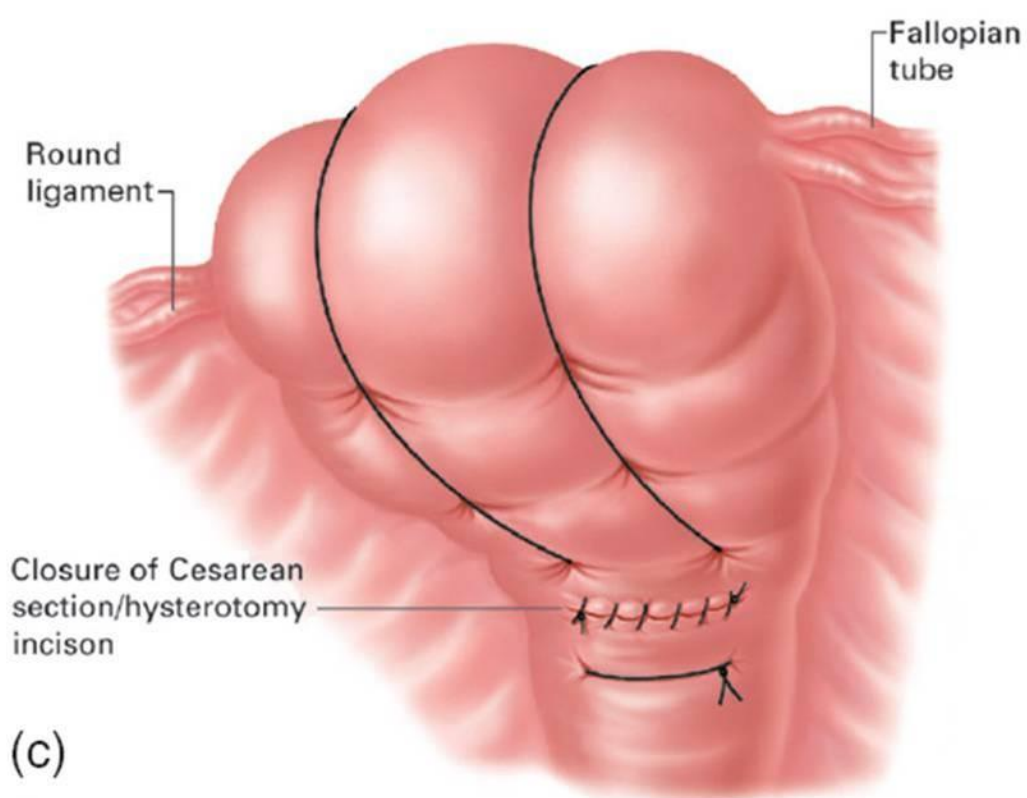
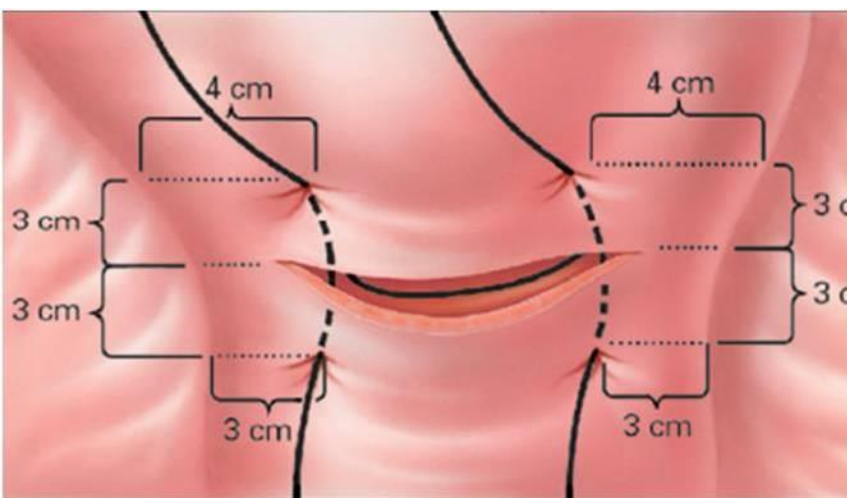
- **Haemostatic brace suturing (B-Lynch or modified compression sutures)**
- **Bilateral ligation of uterine arteries**
- **Bilateral ligation of internal iliac (hypogastric) arteries**
- **Selective arterial embolisation**





B-Lynch technique





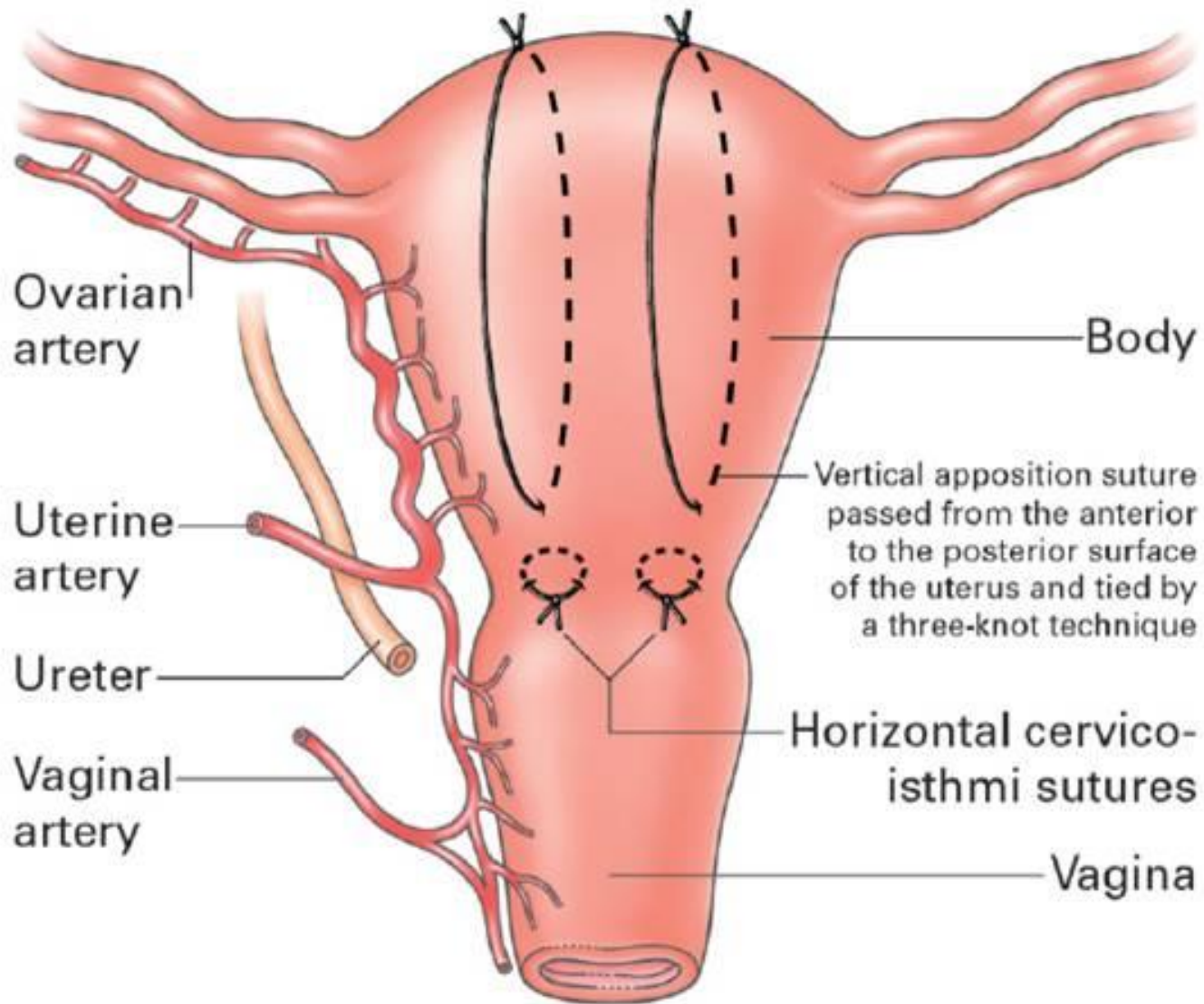
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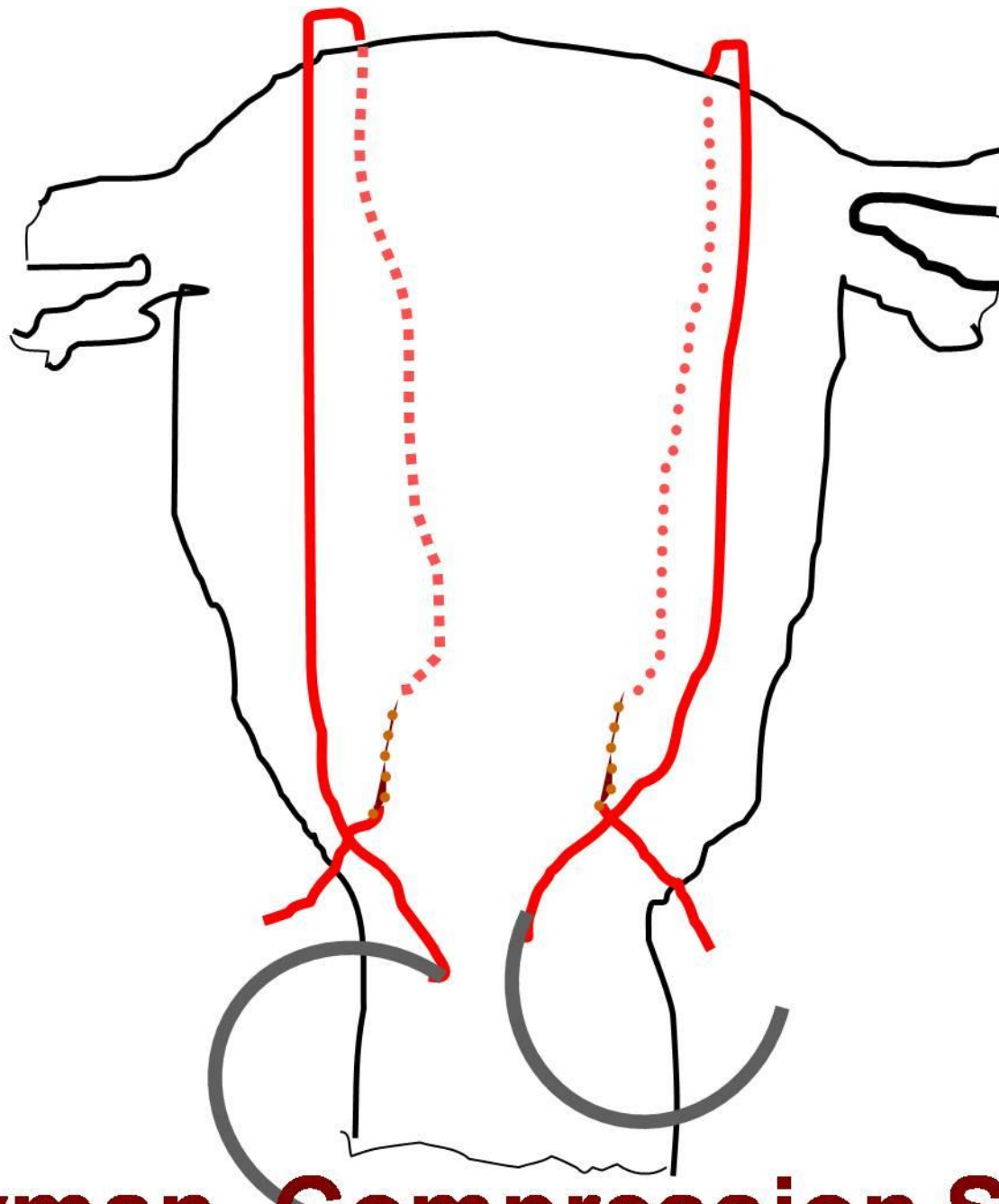


Hayman Compression Suture

A number 2 Vicryl or Dexon suture on a straight, blunt needle is used to transfix the uterus from front to back, just above the reflection of the bladder and is then tied at the fundus of the uterus.

This can be done as one suture on each side of the uterus, or more than one suture if the uterus is particularly broad,





Hayman Compression Suture²⁸

Hayman Uterine Compression Suture

Uterine cavity not opened

Probably quicker to apply

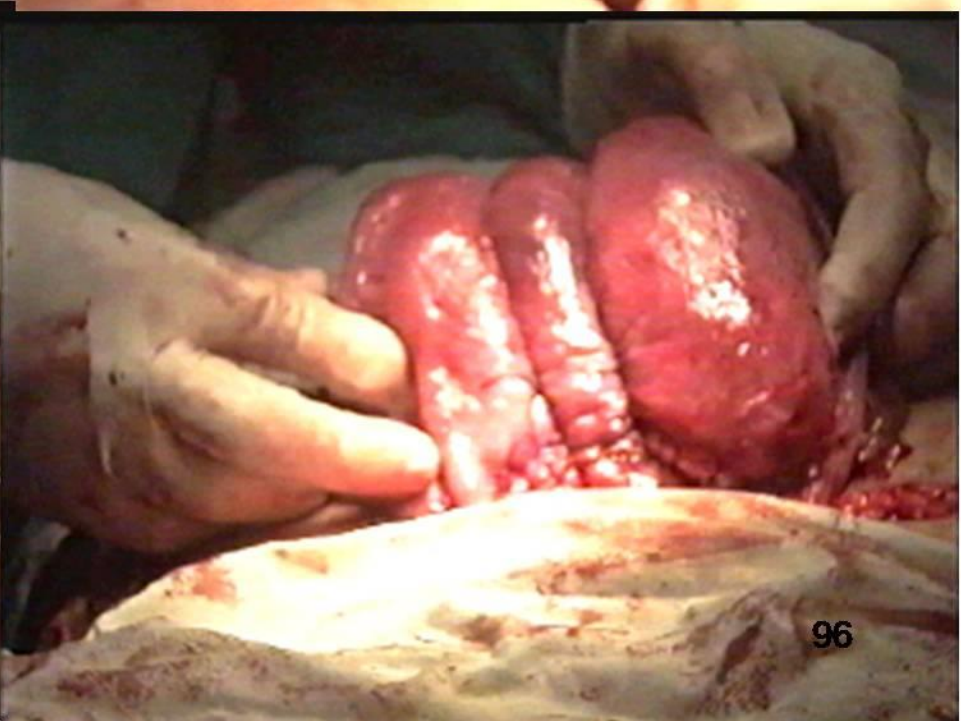
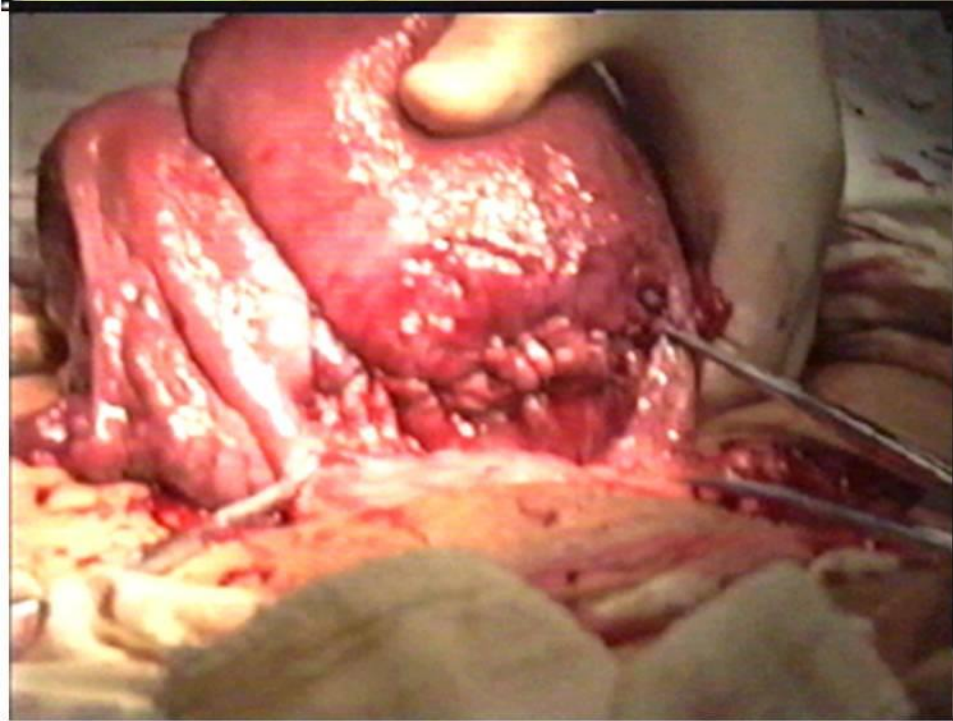
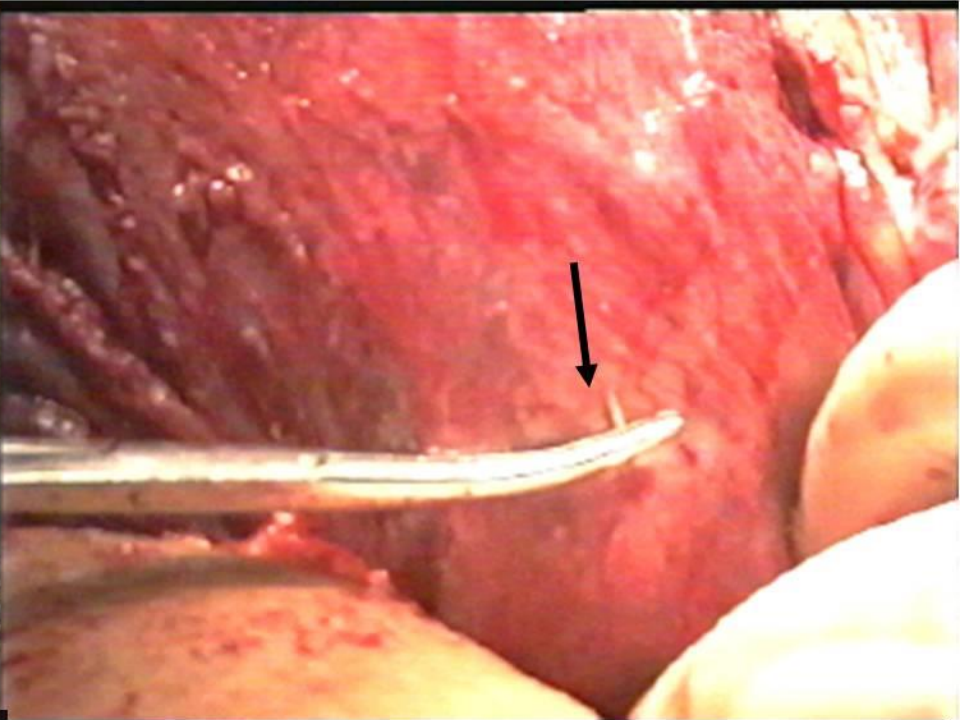
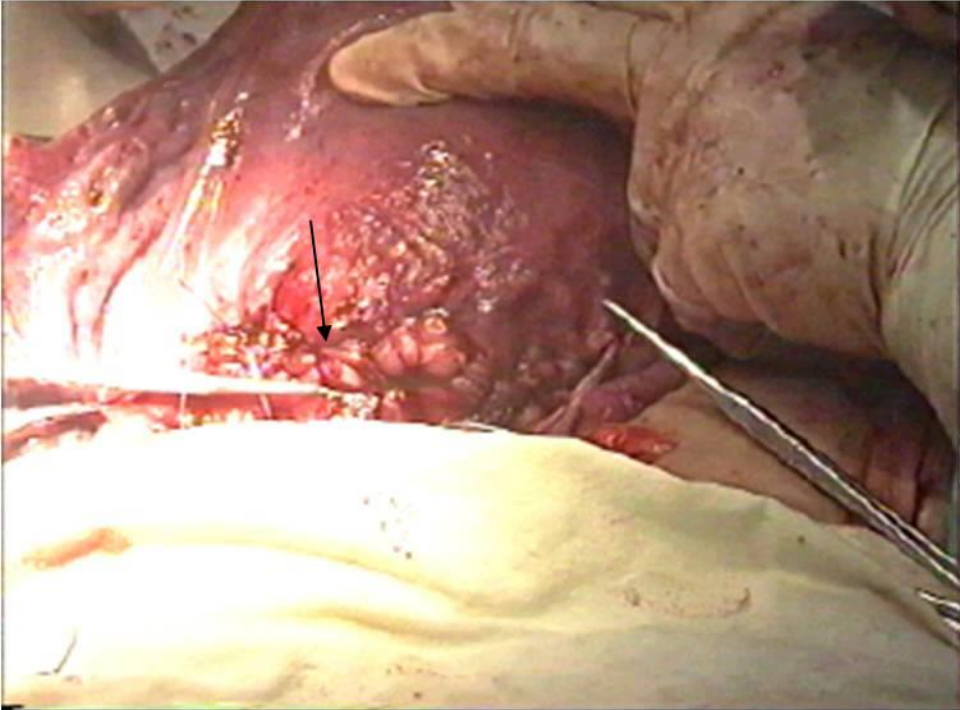
Uterine cavity not explored under direct vision

No feed-back data on fertility outcome

Morbidity feed-back data limited

Unequal tension leads may to segmented

**Ischemia secondary to slippage of suture –
‘shouldering’ with venous obstruction**



Stepwise

Uterine

Devascularization

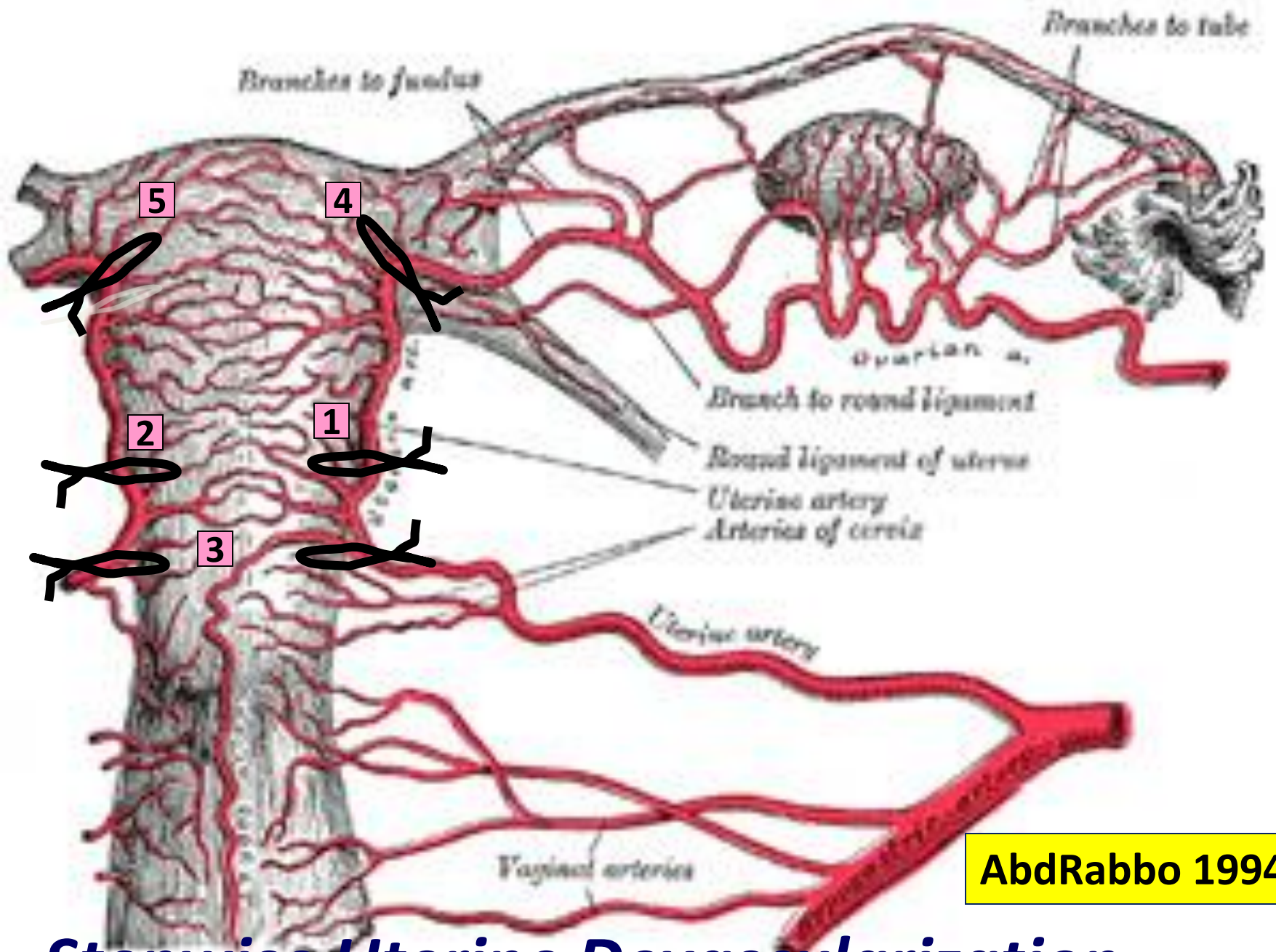
Stepwise Uterine Devascularization

This technique entails five successive steps, so if bleeding is not controlled by one step the next step is taken until bleeding stops. The steps are

- (1) unilateral uterine vessel ligation,**
- (2) bilateral uterine vessel ligation**
- (3) low uterine vessel ligation**
- (4) unilateral ovarian vessel ligation**
- (5) bilateral ovarian vessel ligation.**

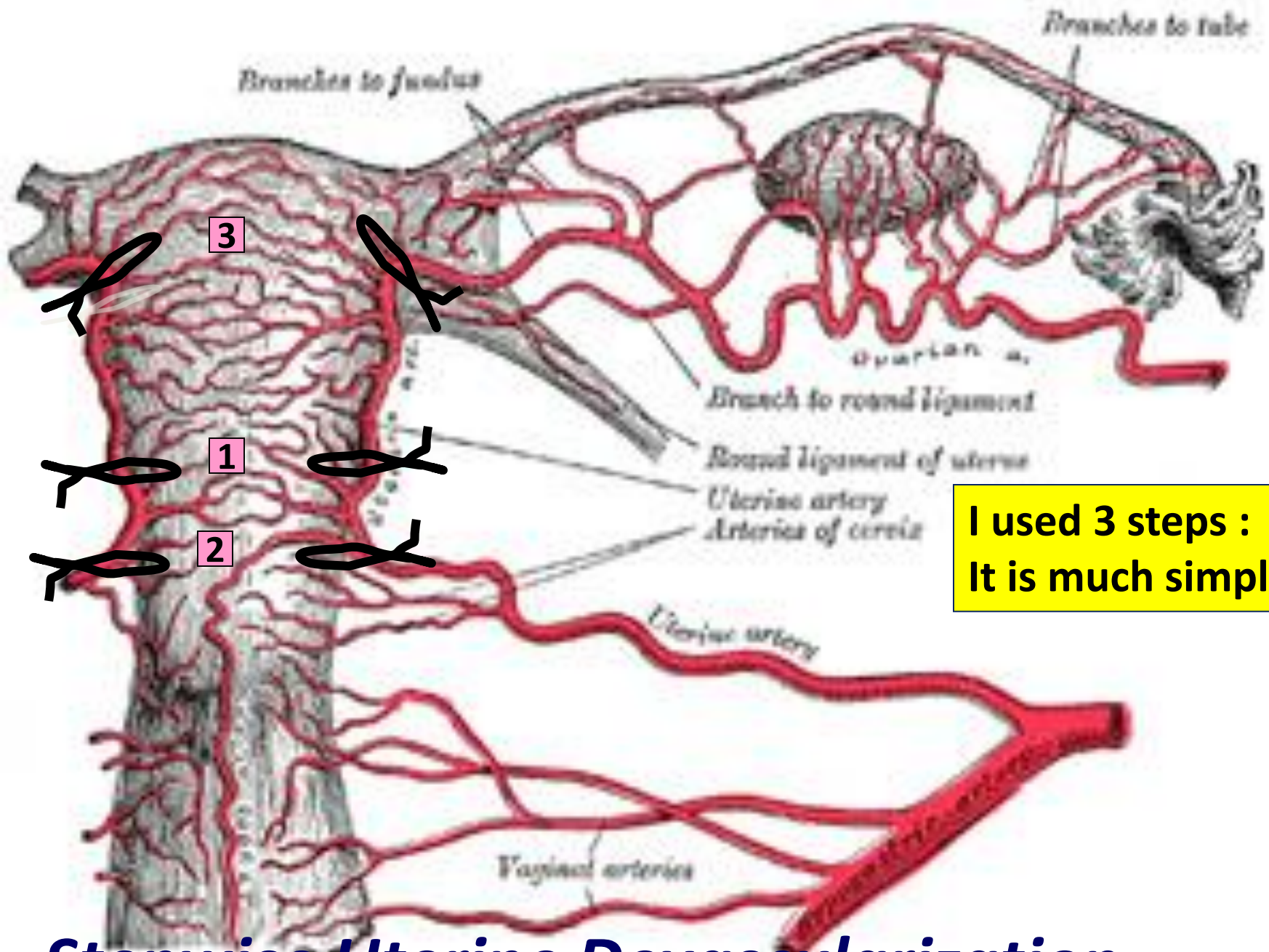
AbdRabbo ,Am J Obstet Gynecol. 1994 Sep;171(3):694-700 (103 patients intractable PPHg result 100%)

Each suture: Starts in a vascular area just lateral to the outer margin of the uterus, then encompasses 2cm of uterine walls medially encircling the blood vessels within it.



AbdRabbo 1994

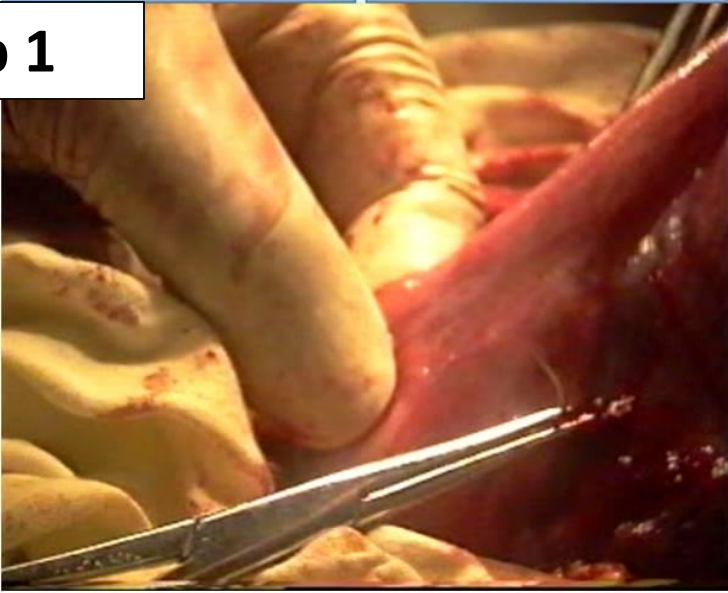
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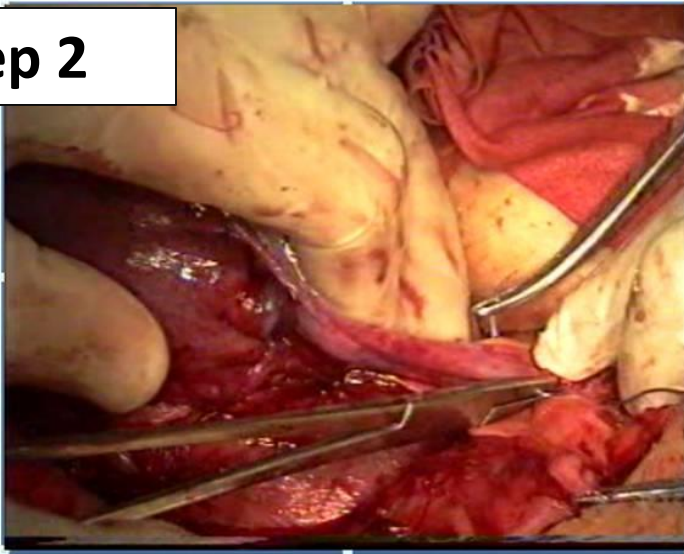
Uterine vessel ligation :1- Needle passing from anterior to posterior

Step 1



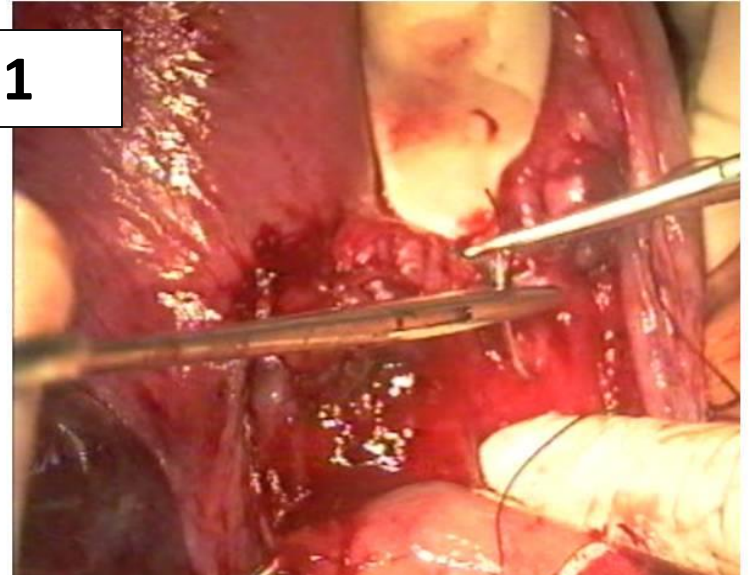
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Step 2



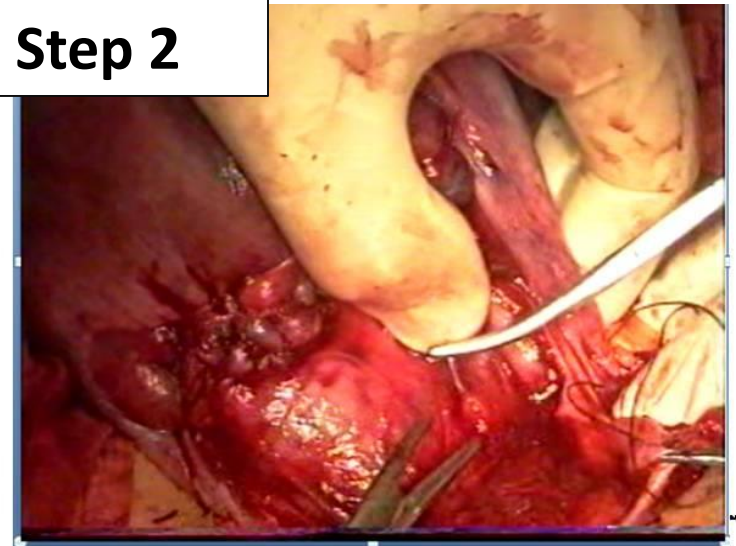
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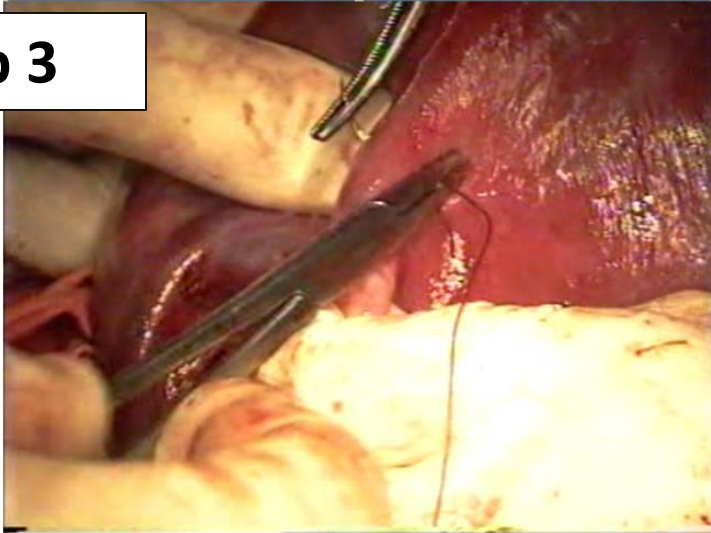
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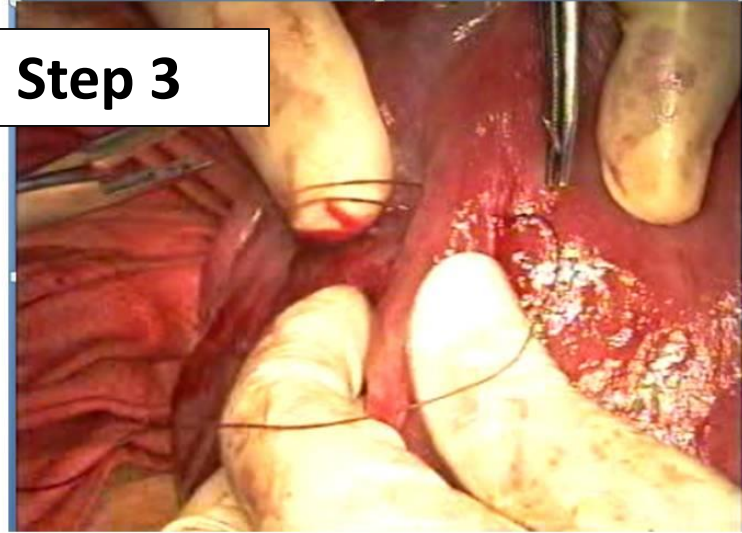
Ovarian vessel ligation :1- Needle passing from anterior to posterior

Step 3



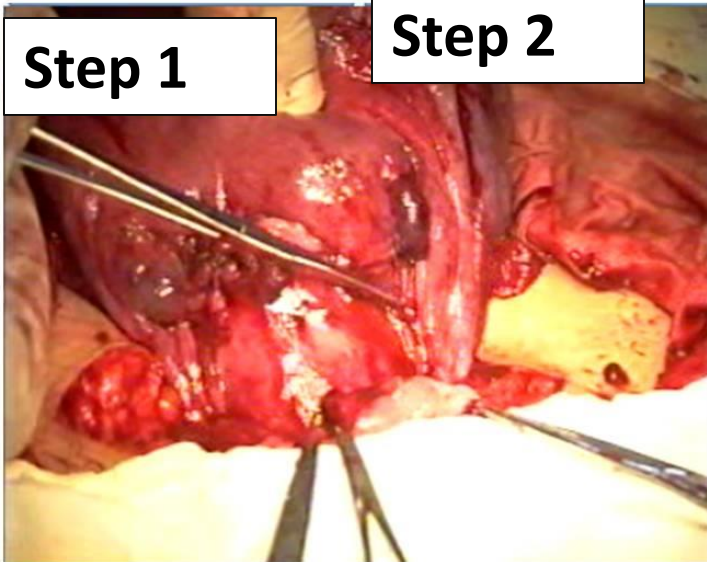
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Step 3

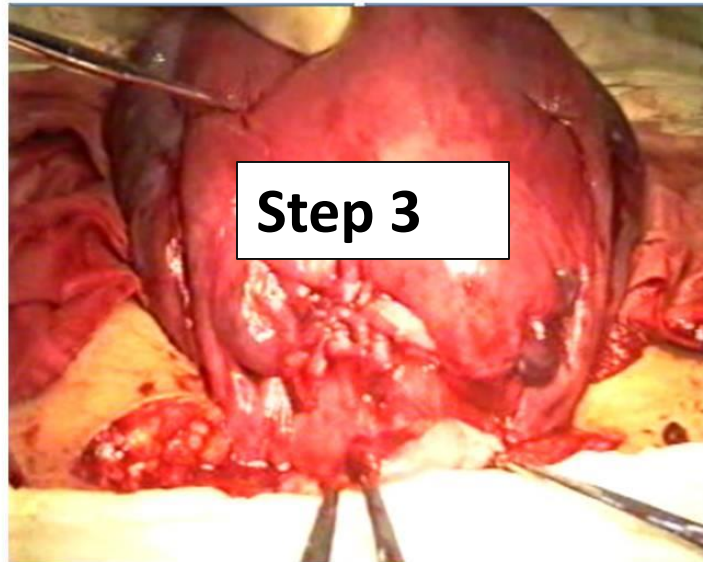


Step 1

Step 2







Step 3



Stepwise Uterine Devascularization

Advantages over internal iliac ligation:

-  **Easier dissection.**
-  **Lower complication rates.**
-  **More distal occlusion of arterial supply with less potential for rebleeding because of collaterals**
-  **High reported rates of success in controlling haemorrhaging.**

Intractable Postpartum Hemorrhage Algorithm

Vaginal delivery

Local Control

- + Garment
- + Gauze Pack or Balloon
- + Arterial embolization

CS

Failed

Laparotomy

Fertility need

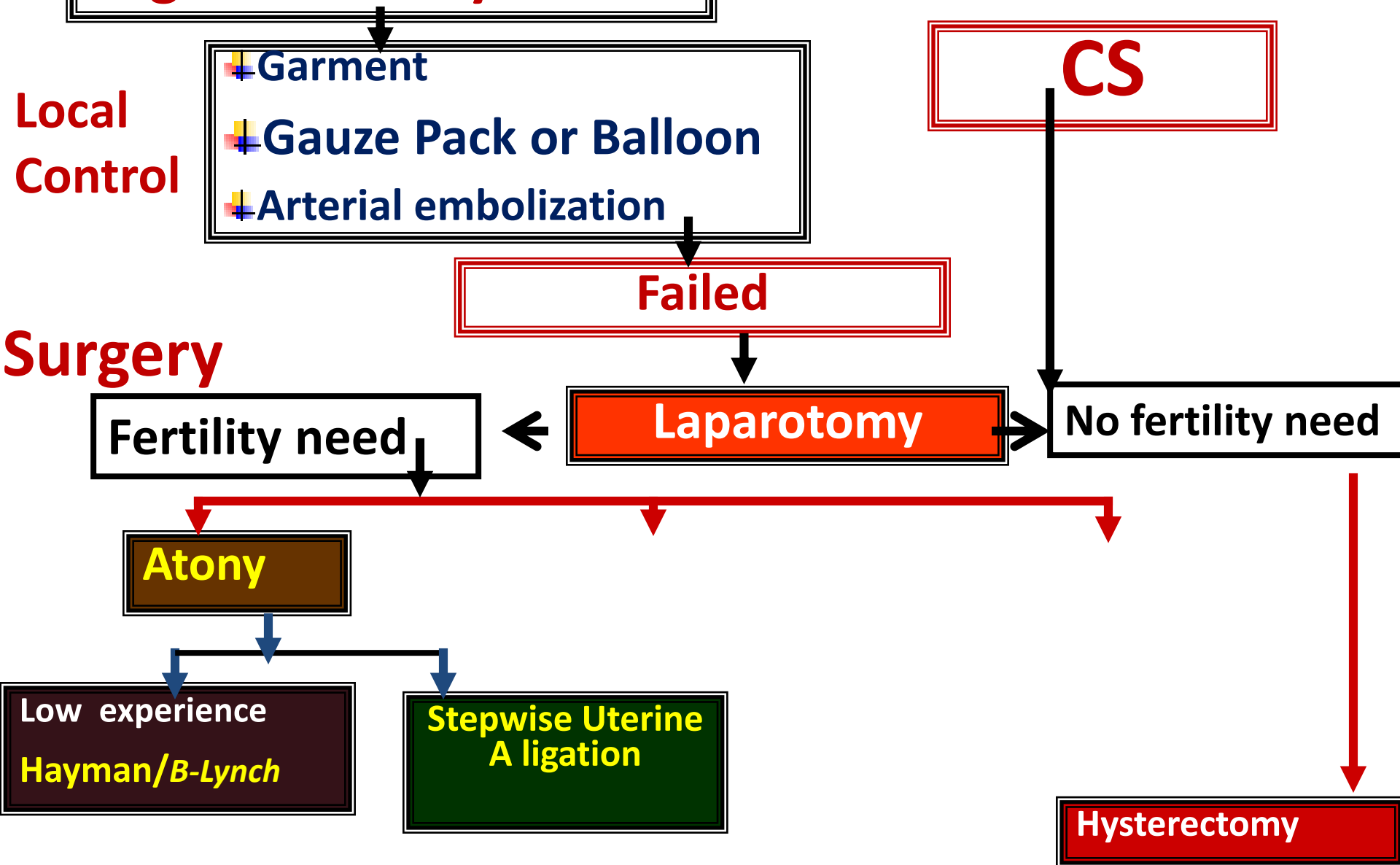
No fertility need

Atony

Low experience
Hayman/B-Lynch

**Stepwise Uterine
A ligation**

Hysterectomy



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Failed

Laparotomy

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No fertility need

Atony

PP or PP Accreta

**Trauma, or
Resistant Cases**

**Internal iliac
ligation**

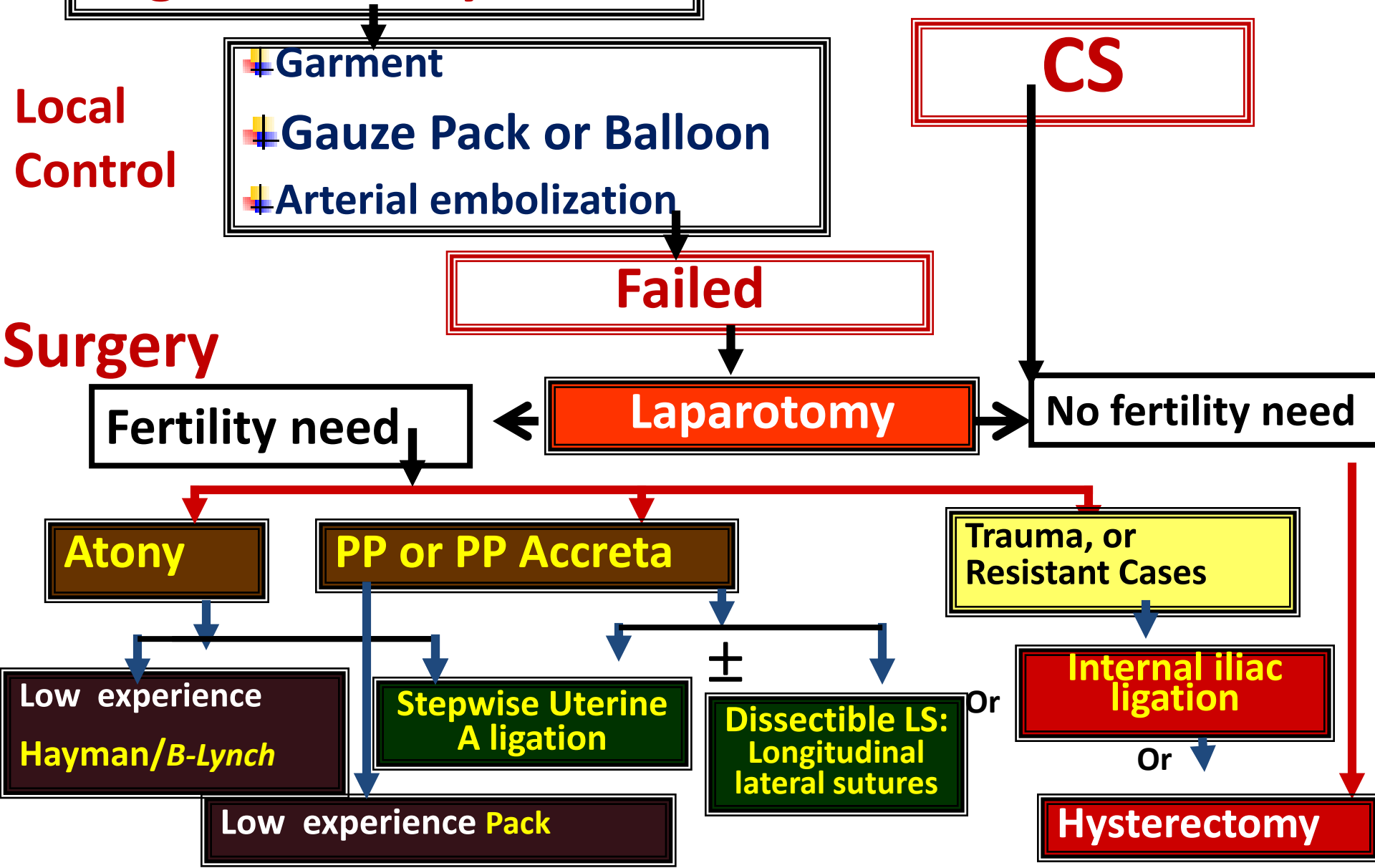
Hysterectomy

**Low experience
Hayman/B-Lynch**

**Stepwise Uterine
A ligation**

**Dissectible LS:
Longitudinal
lateral sutures**

Low experience Pack



A Morbidly Adherent Placenta (PP Accreta)



Vascular lacunae "swiss cheese appearance" +ve Pred.v :95%

SA8000

pp percreata

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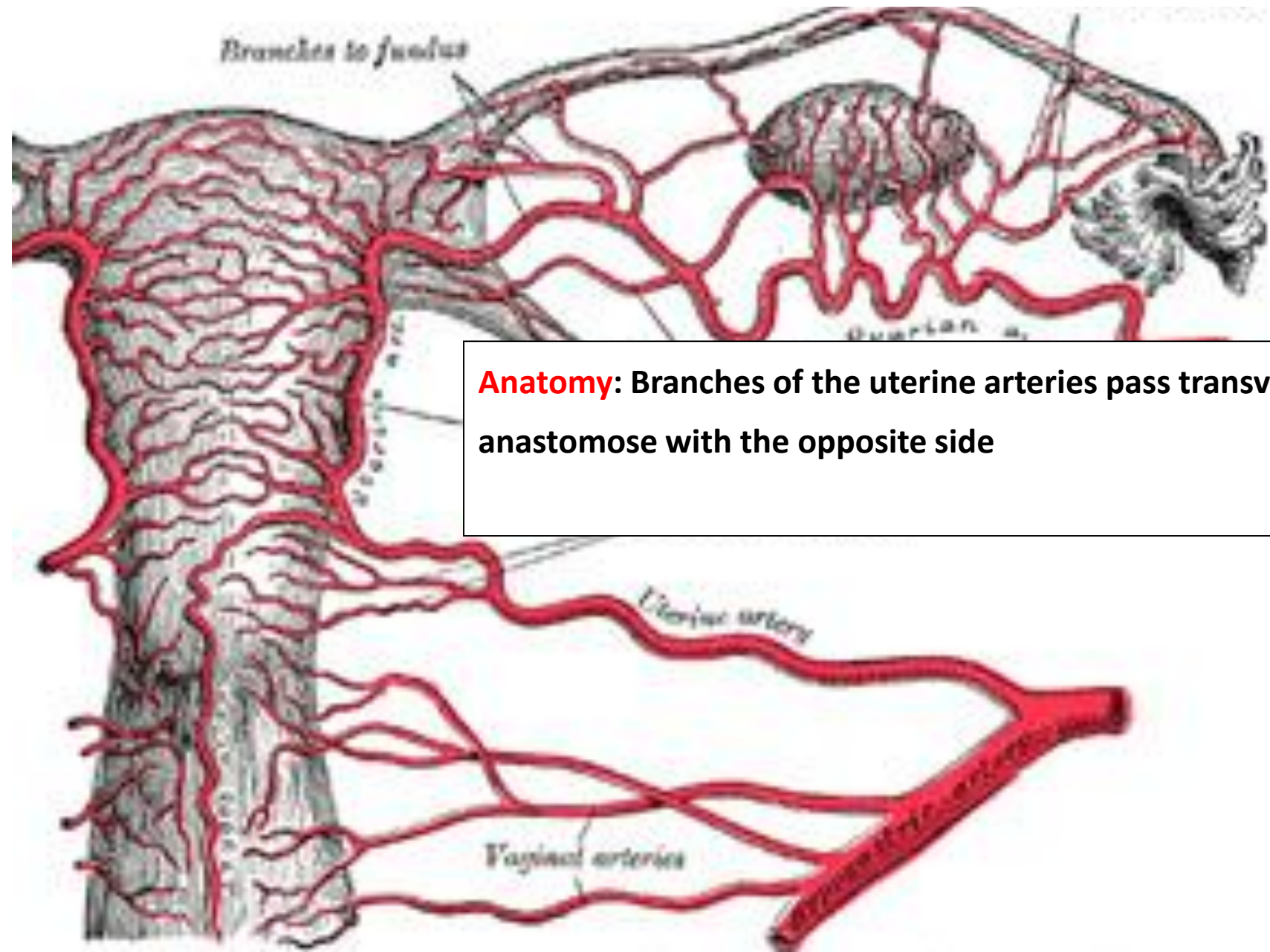
High vascularity area

Placenta Increta : wide area of invasion (high vascularity area)

Stepwise Longitudinal Lateral Uterine Sutures:

**For severe bleeding from placenta
previa or placenta previa accreta**

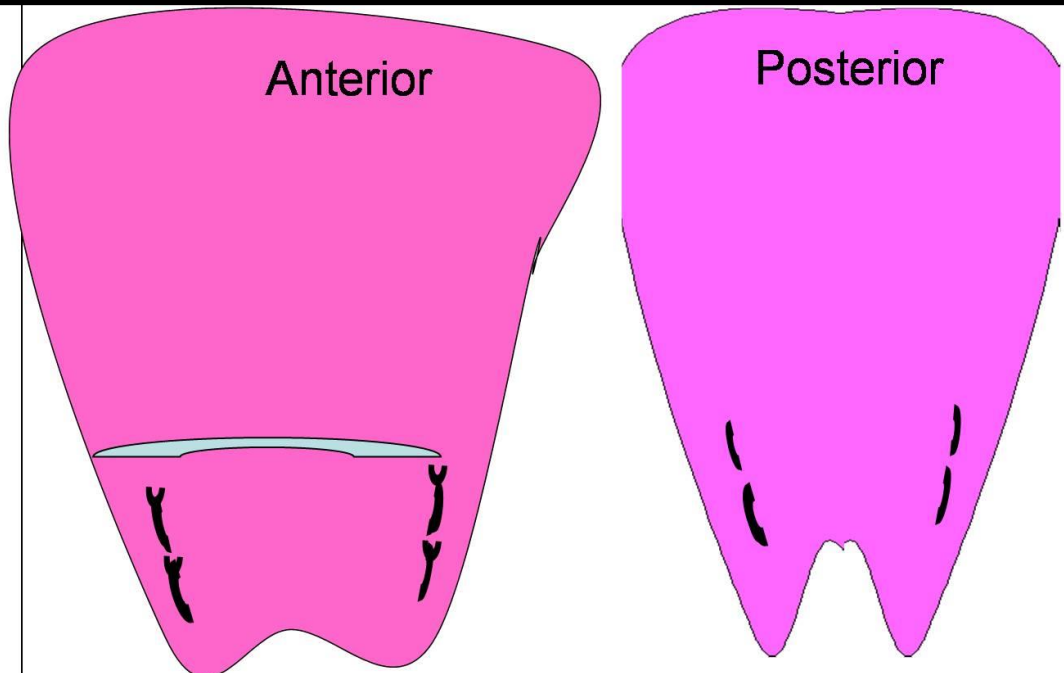
Stepwise Longitudinal Lateral Sutures



Anatomy: Branches of the uterine arteries pass transversely to anastomose with the opposite side

Stepwise Longitudinal Lateral Uterine Sutures: First Step

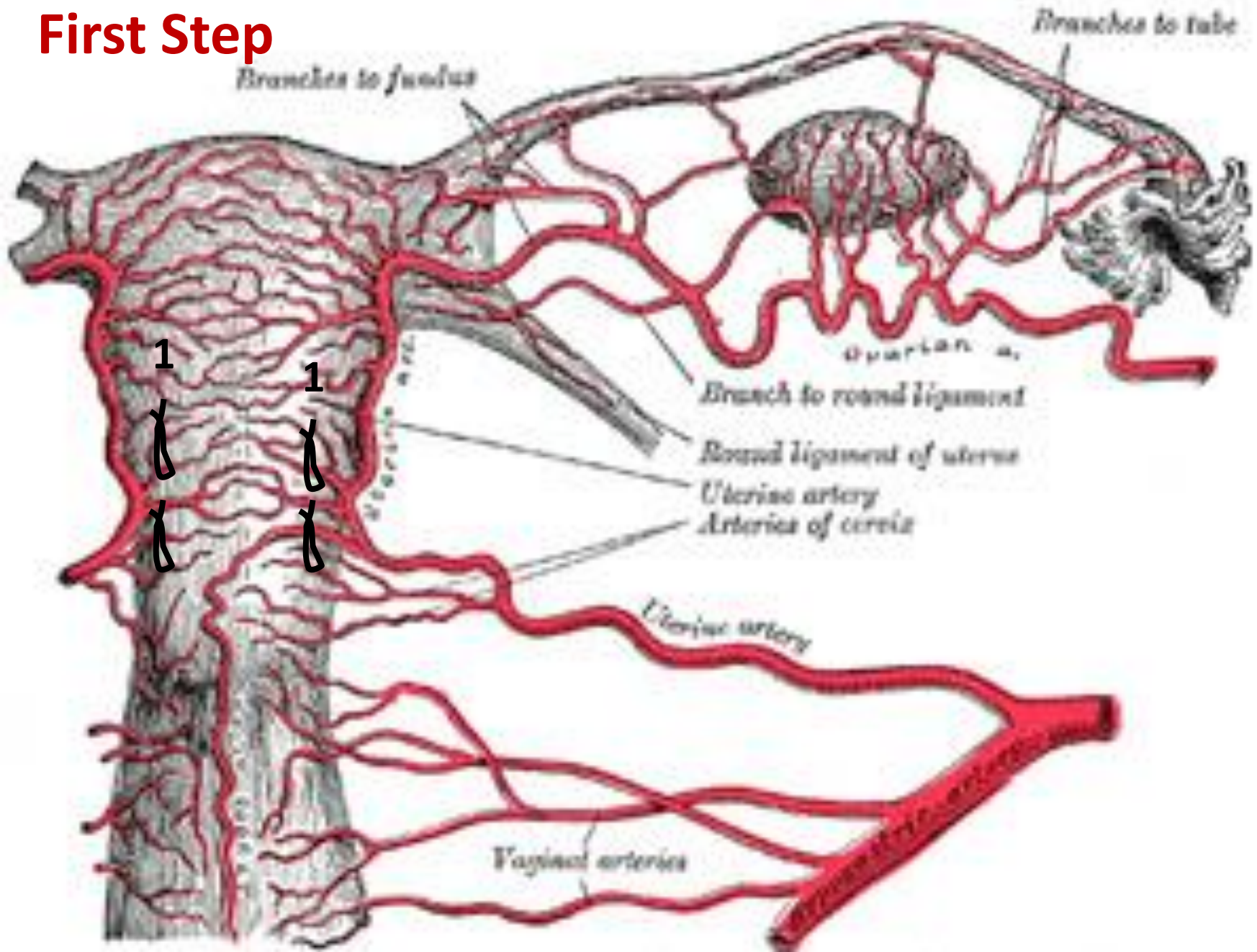
Tow lines of longitudinal number 1 chromic catgut sutures are taken through anterior and posterior uterine wall perpendicular to the vessels and 2 cm medial to the outer borders of the lower uterine segment .



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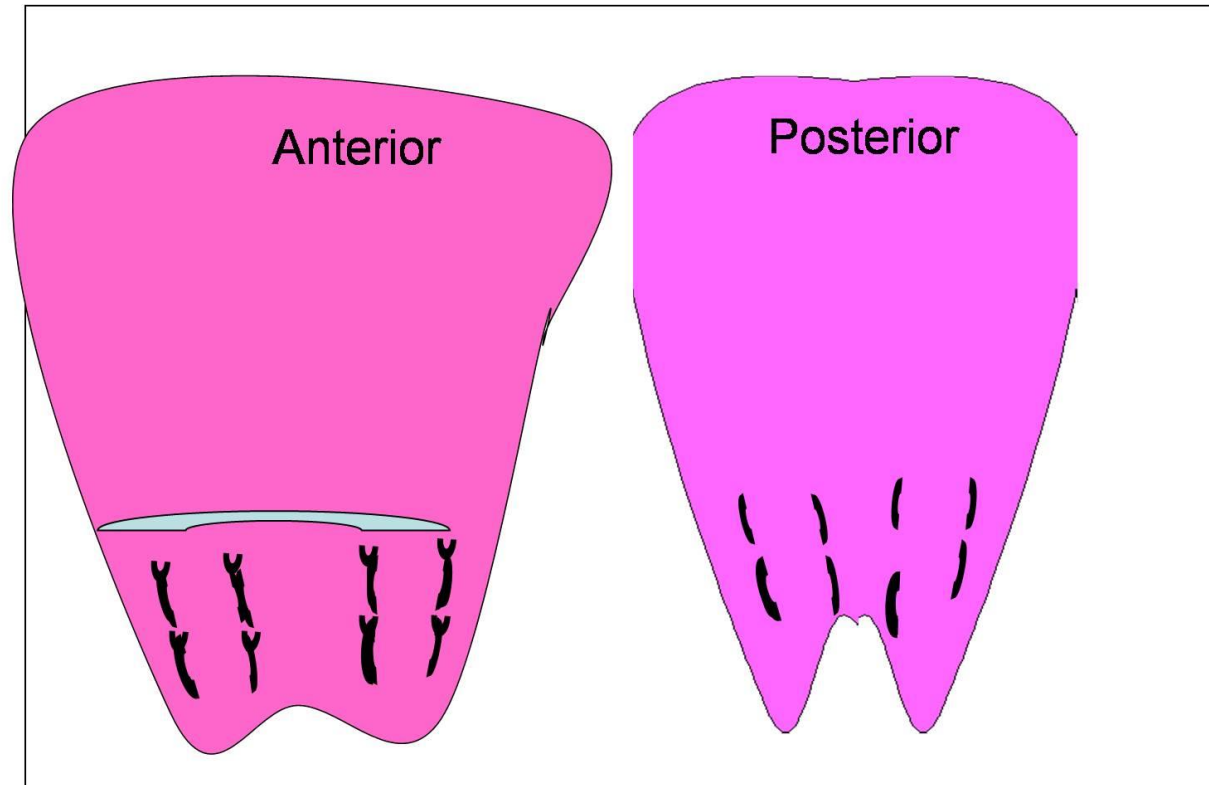
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Stepwise Longitudinal Lateral Uterine Sutures: Second Step

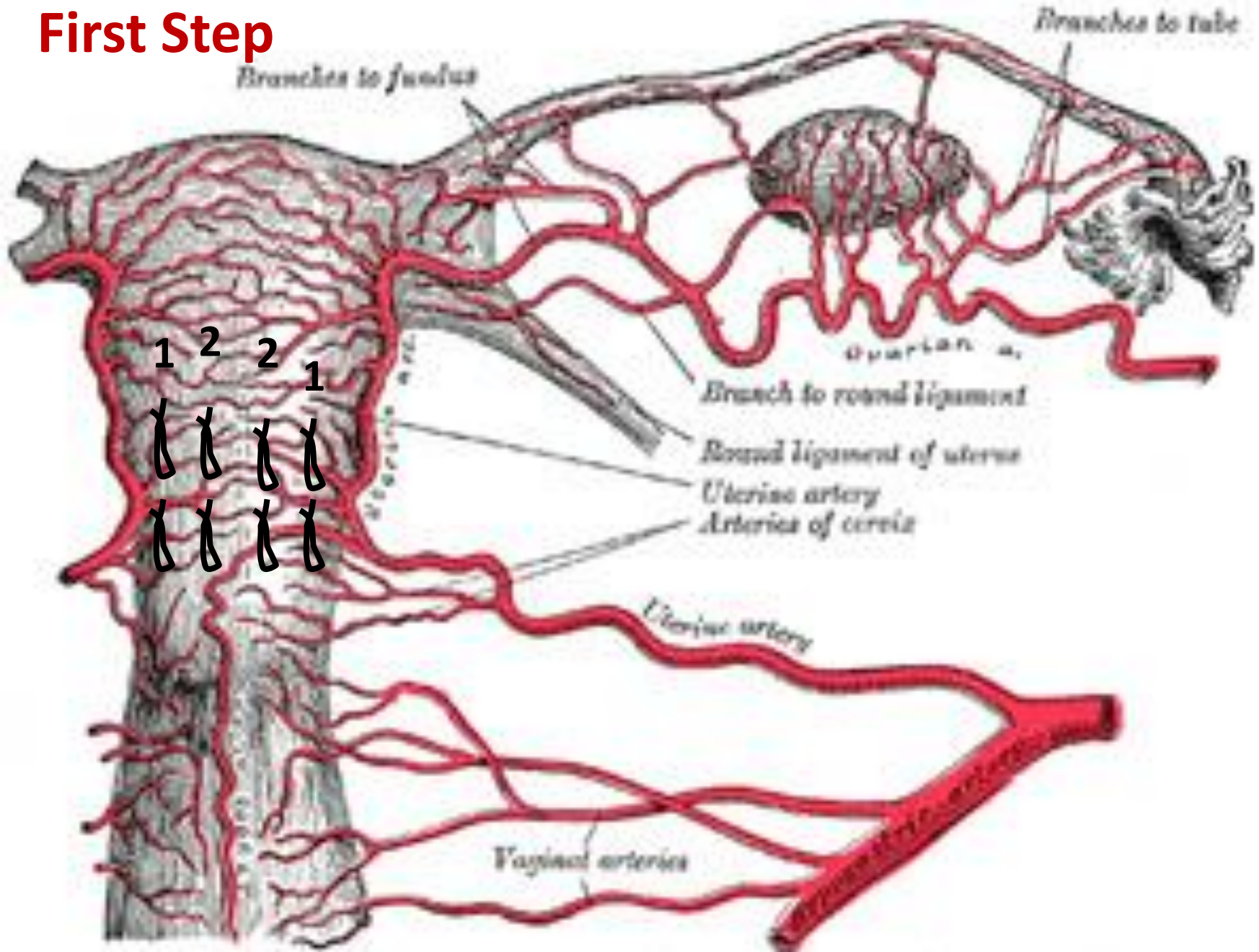
If still there is bleeding, other 2 medial similar lines of catgut sutures are taken leaving free central area.

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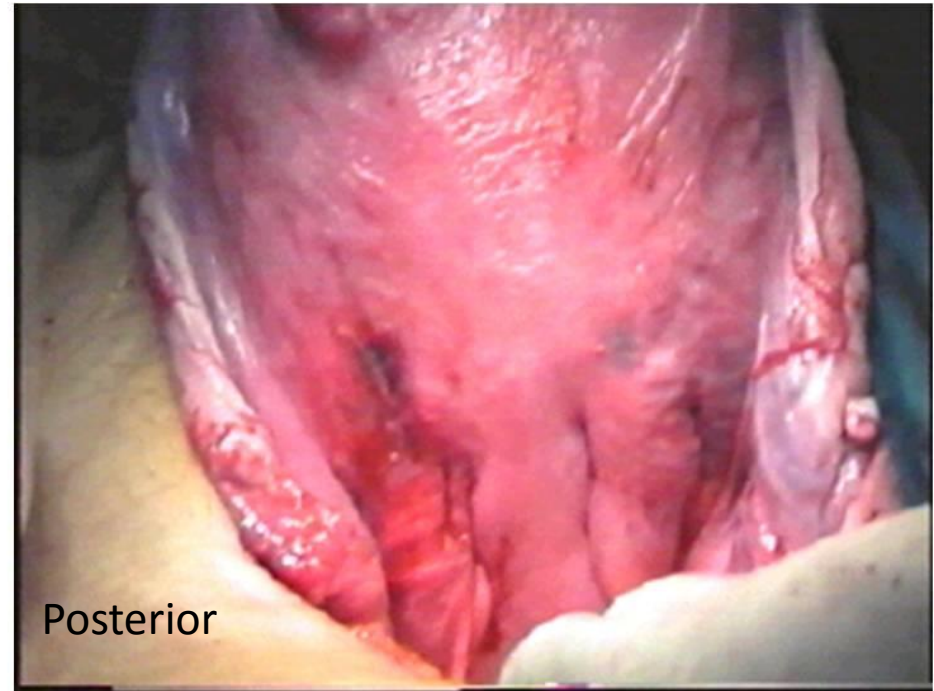
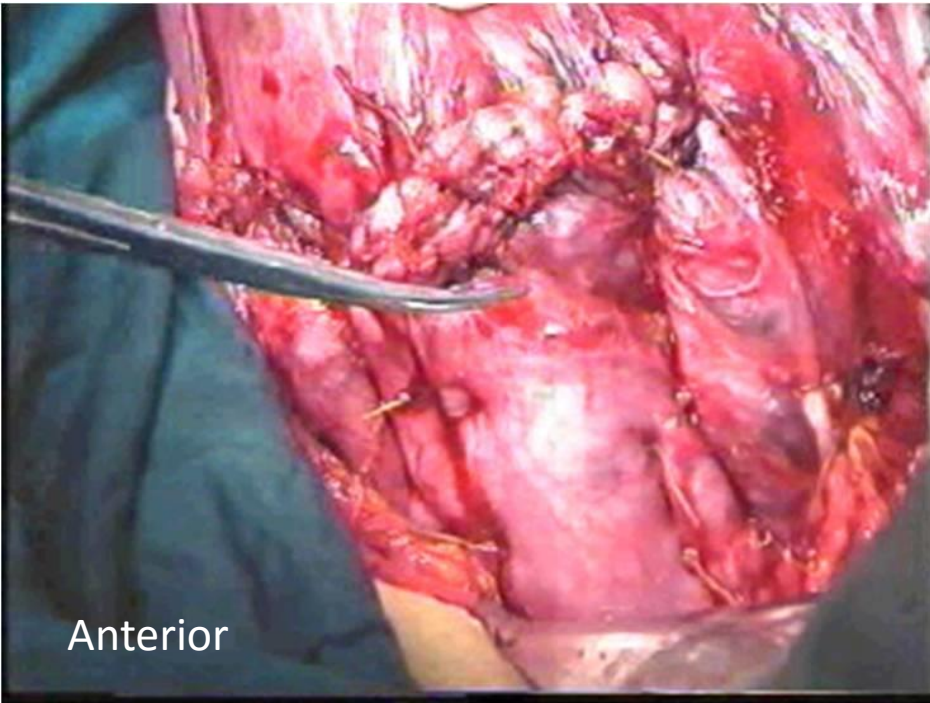


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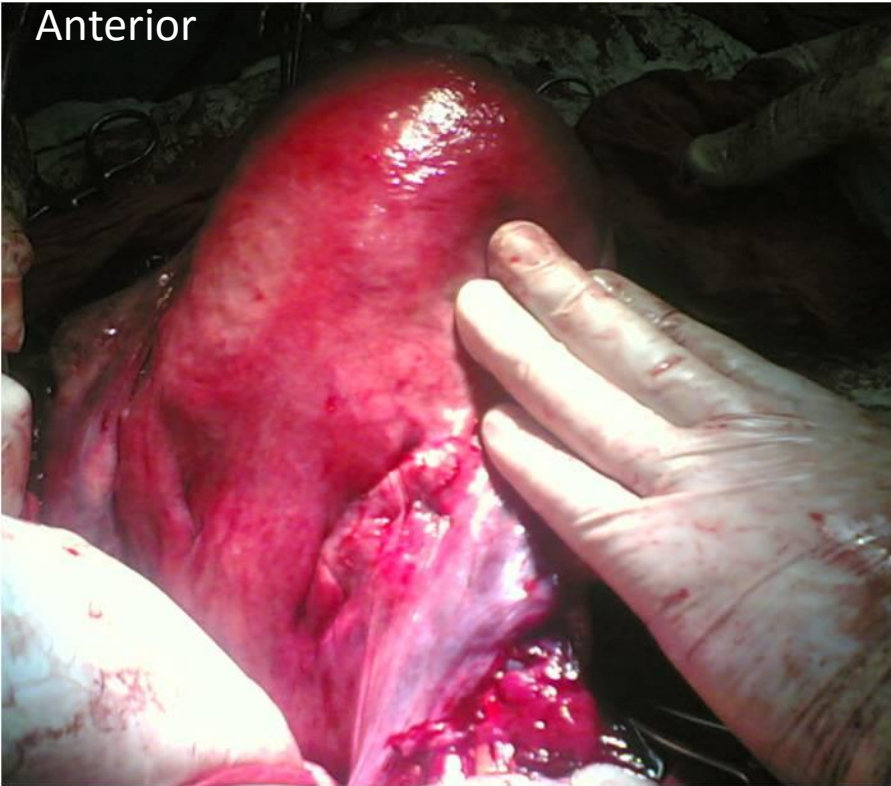
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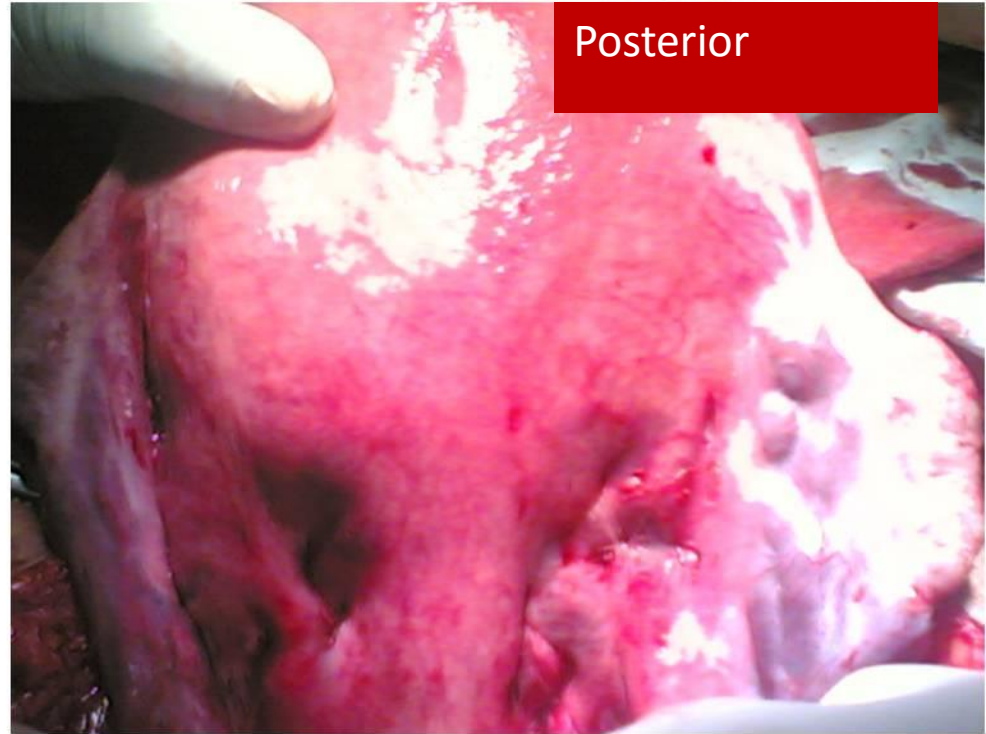
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Stepwise Longitudinal Lateral Uterine Sutures: Second Step

Anterior



Posterior



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Stepwise Longitudinal Lateral Uterine Sutures: Reproductive Outcome

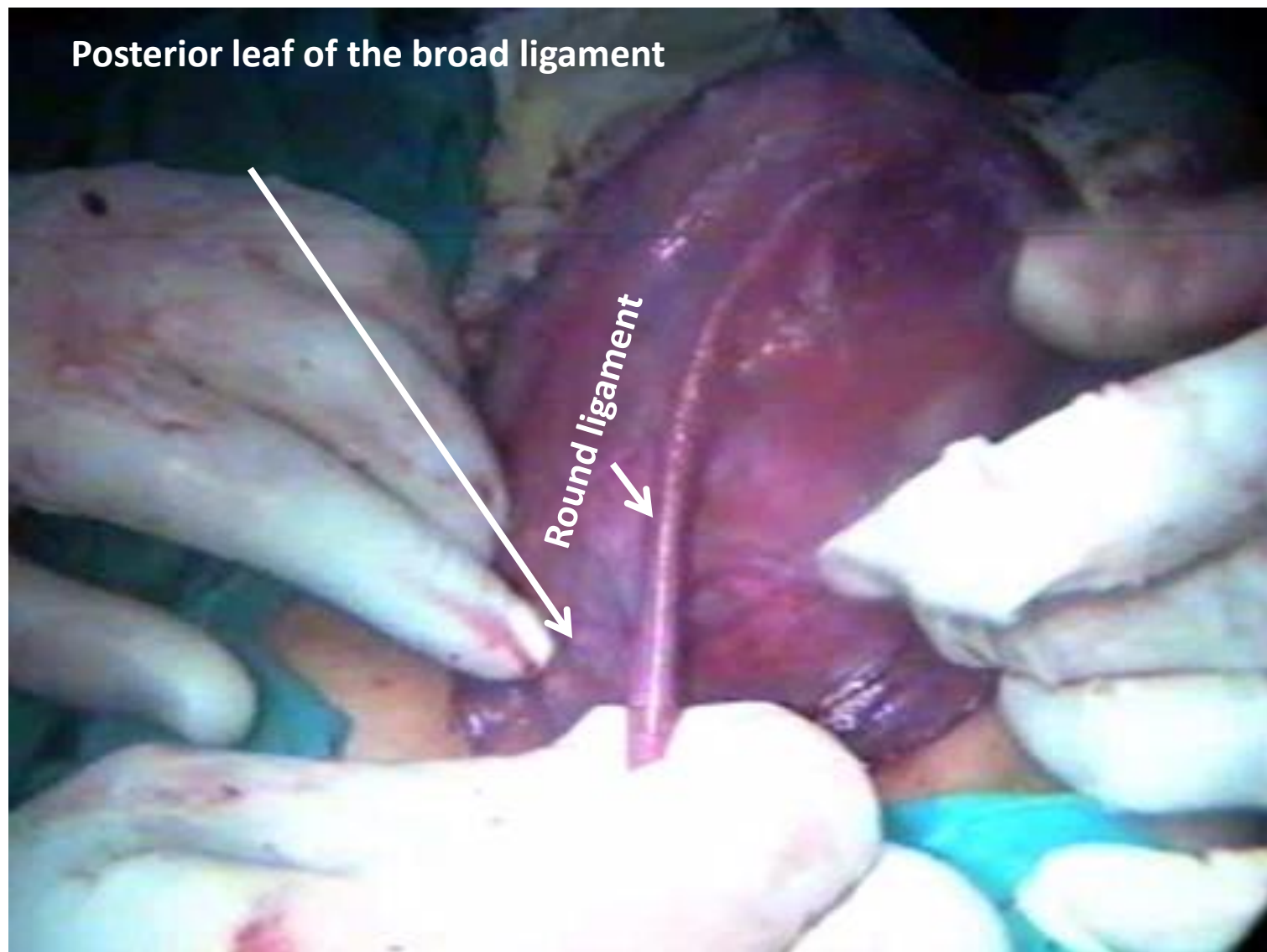
15 case:

- + 8 Localized PP Accreta
- + 7 PP Centralis with Severe Bleeding

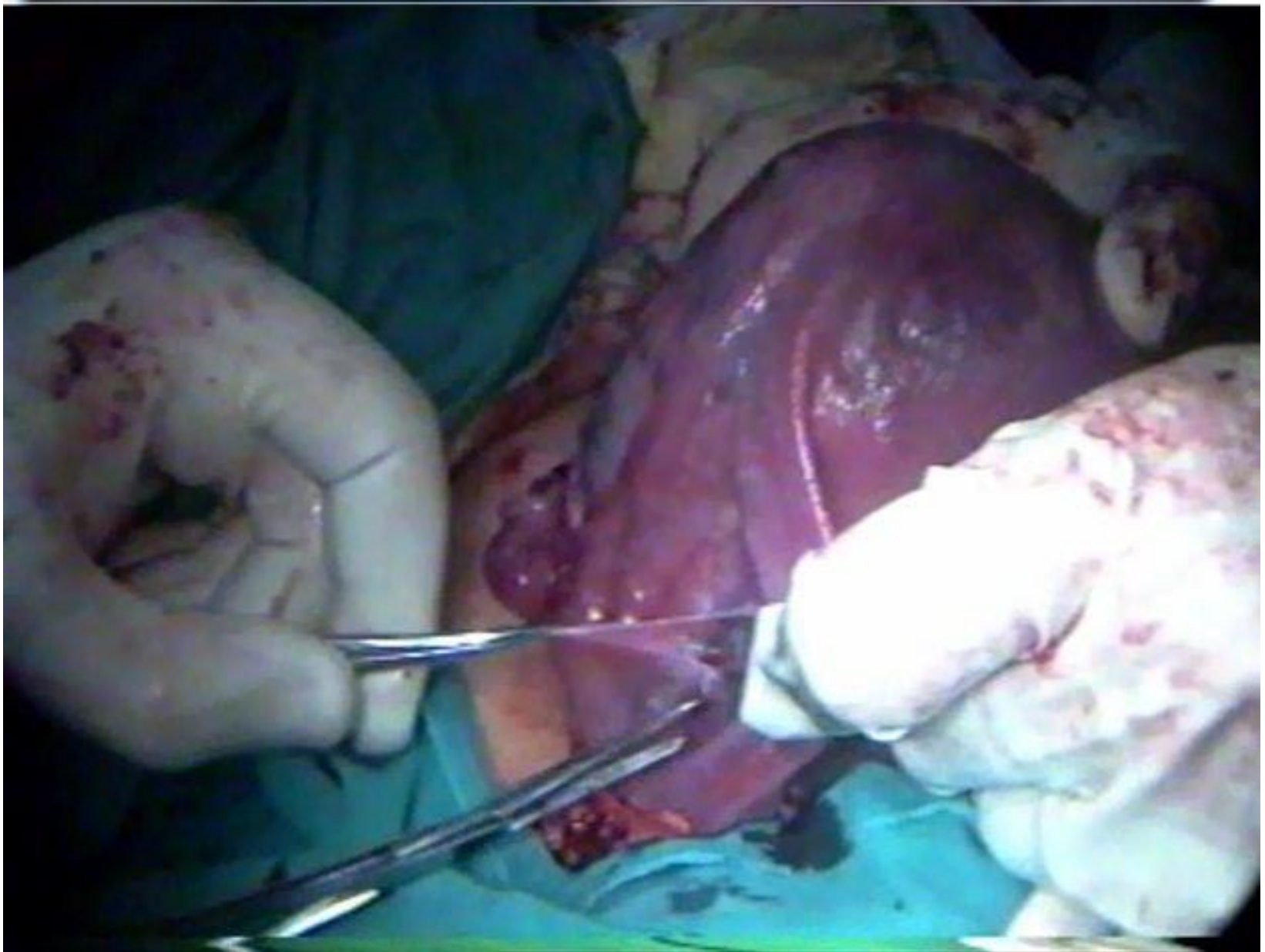
- + Return to normal menses : 15 (100%)
- + Hysteroscopy :13 out of 14 (93%): Normal
- + 2 years fertility outcome: 9 cases
 - 6 full term pregnancy 67%
(one recurrent accreta)
 - 1 abortion 11%
 - 2 Infertility 22%

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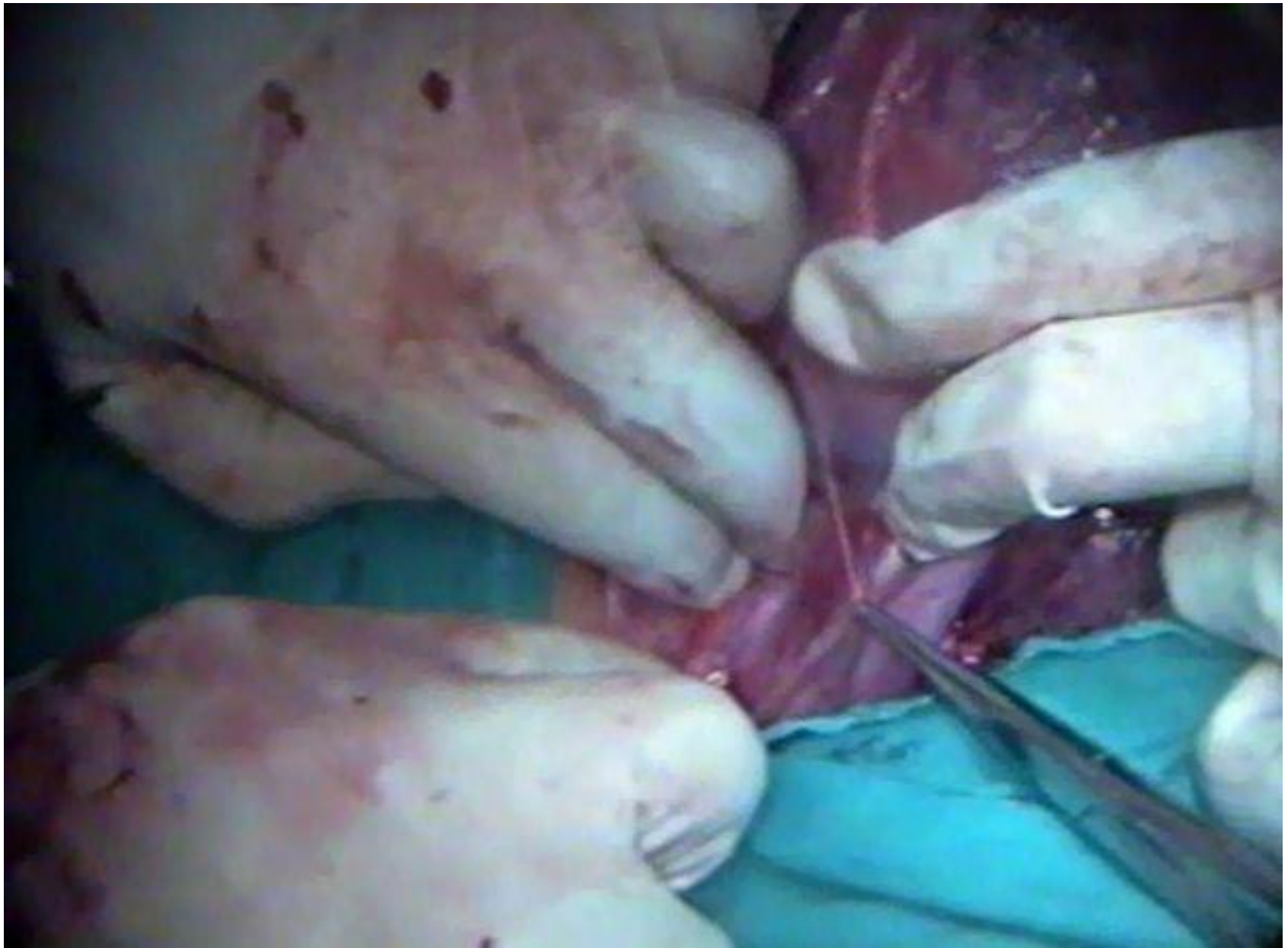
Internal Iliac Arteries Ligation



A vertical incision is done at the posterior leaf of the broad ligament medial to the round ligament. The incision can be done at the anterior leaf (if not adherent due to previous CS)



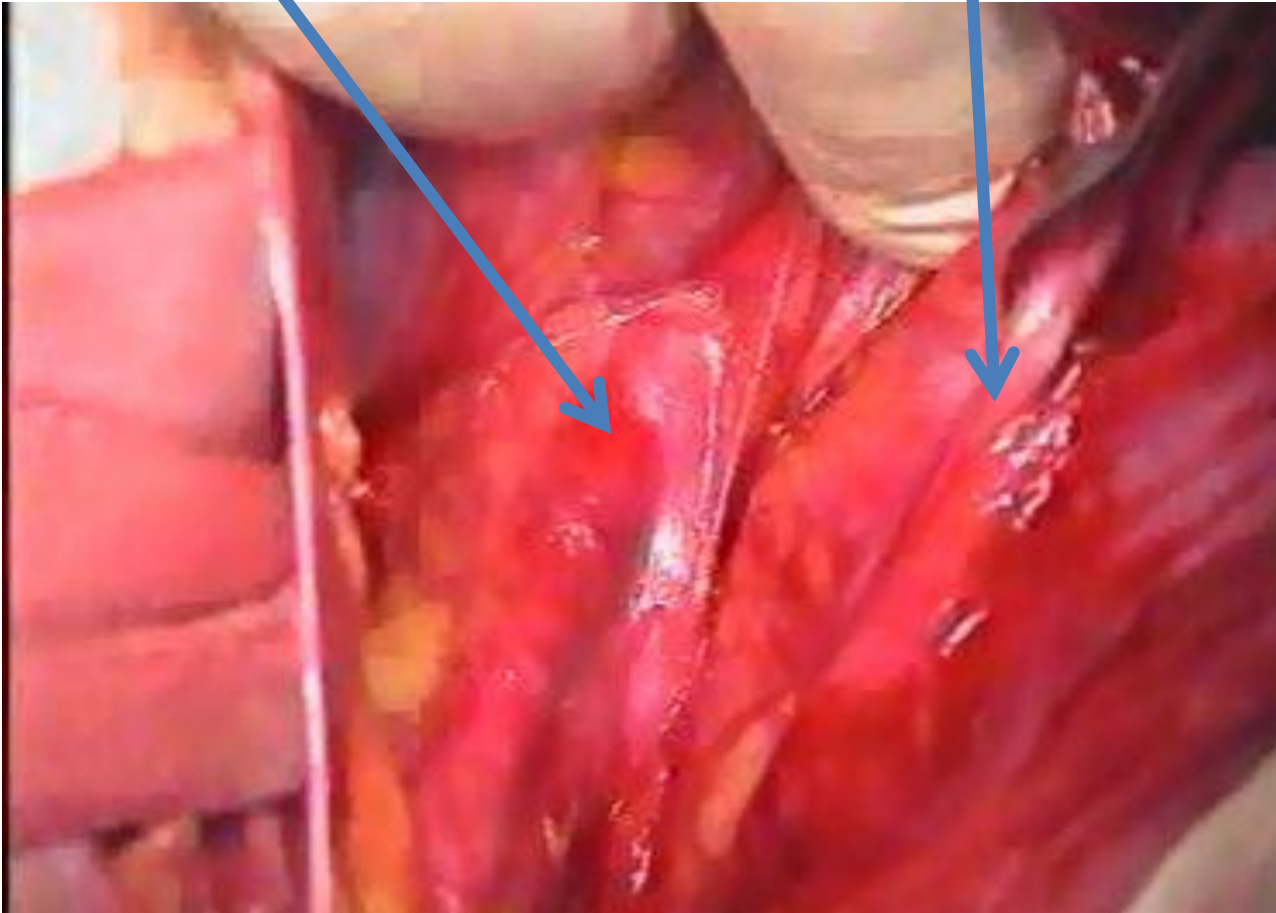
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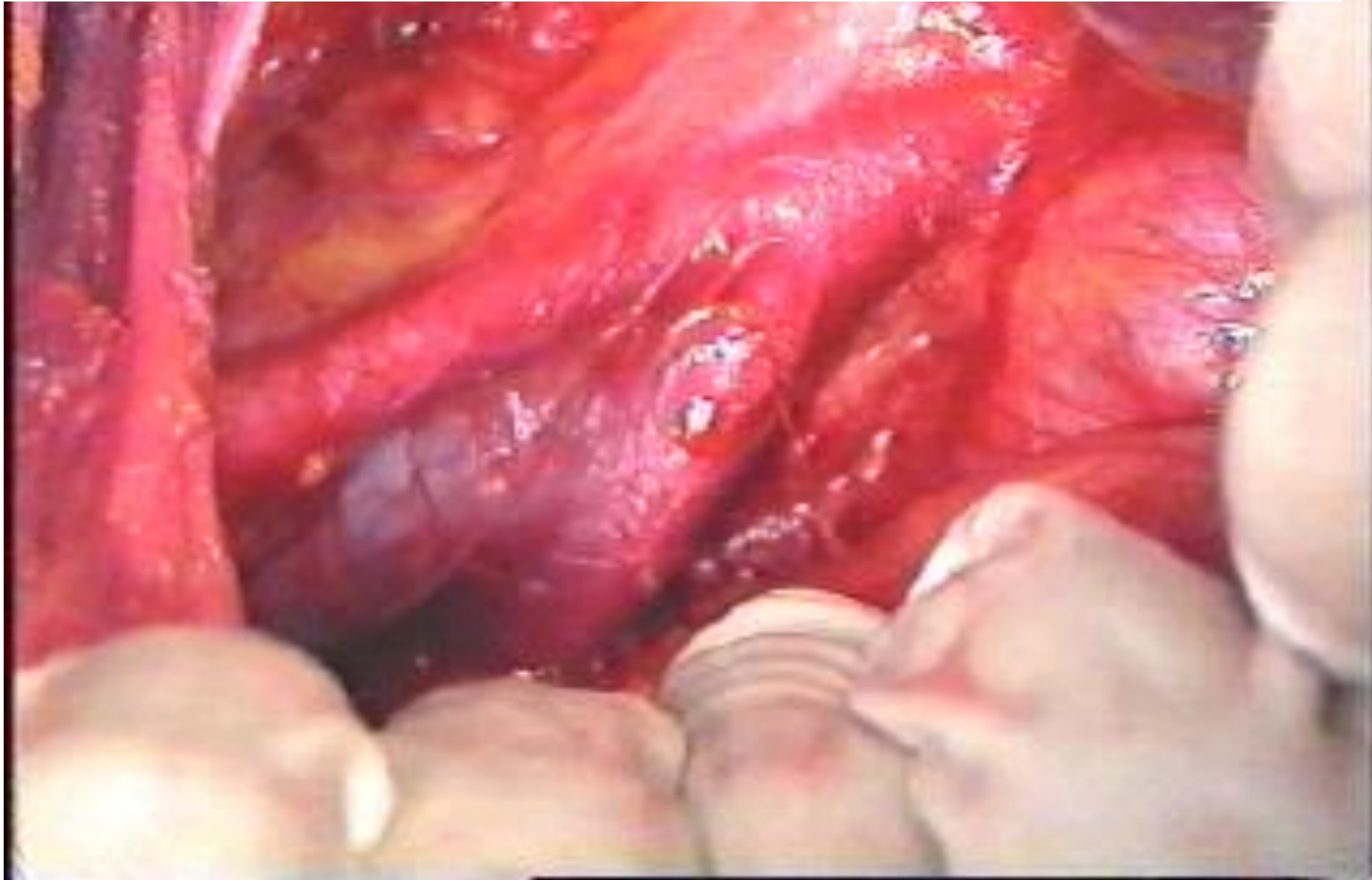
A blunt dissection is done along the felt illic arteries

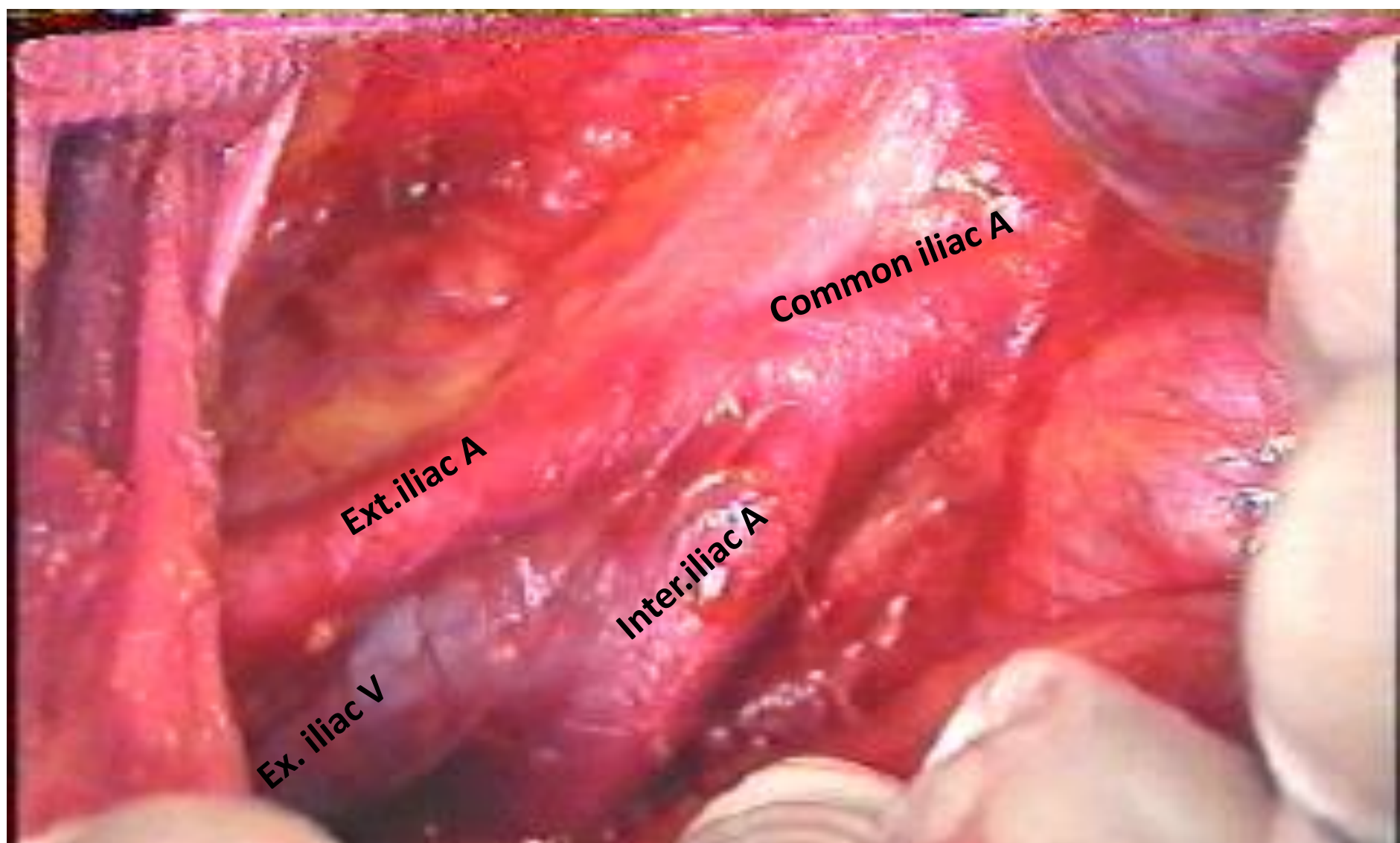
The ureter is explored then retracted medially

Common Iliac Artery



The common, external and internal iliac arteries are explored

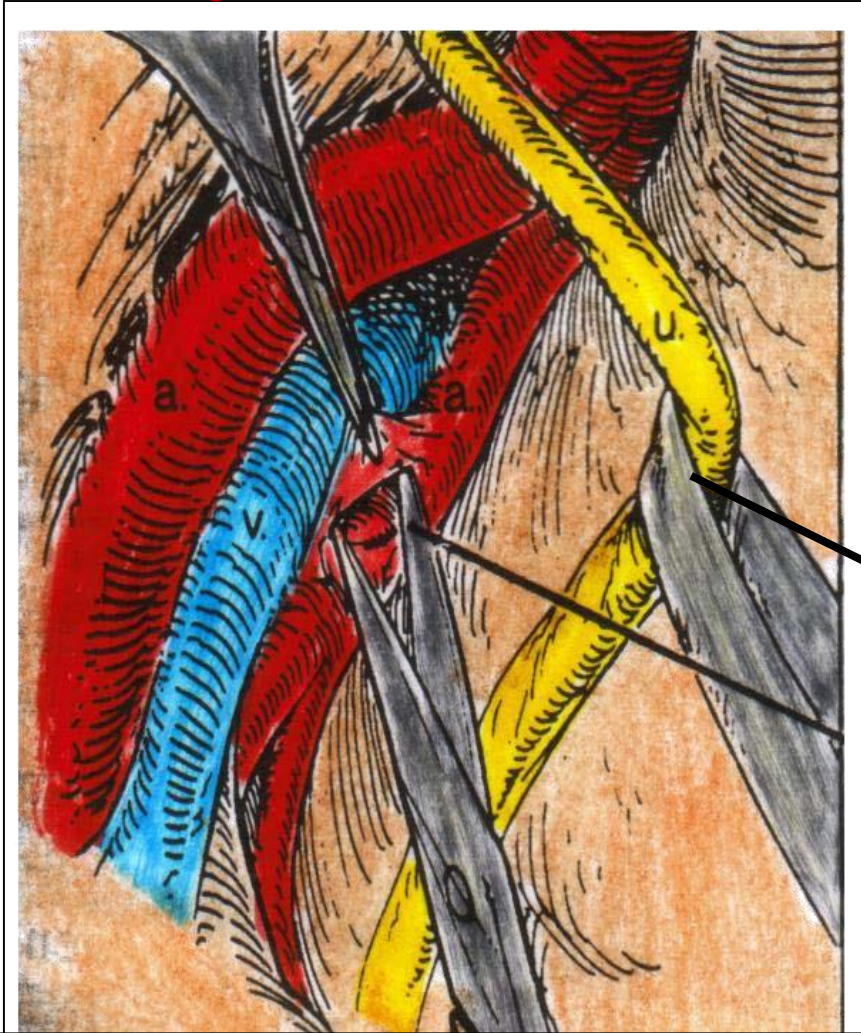




The common, external and internal iliac arteries are explored . The external iliac vein is just posterolateral to the internal iliac artery in one sheath

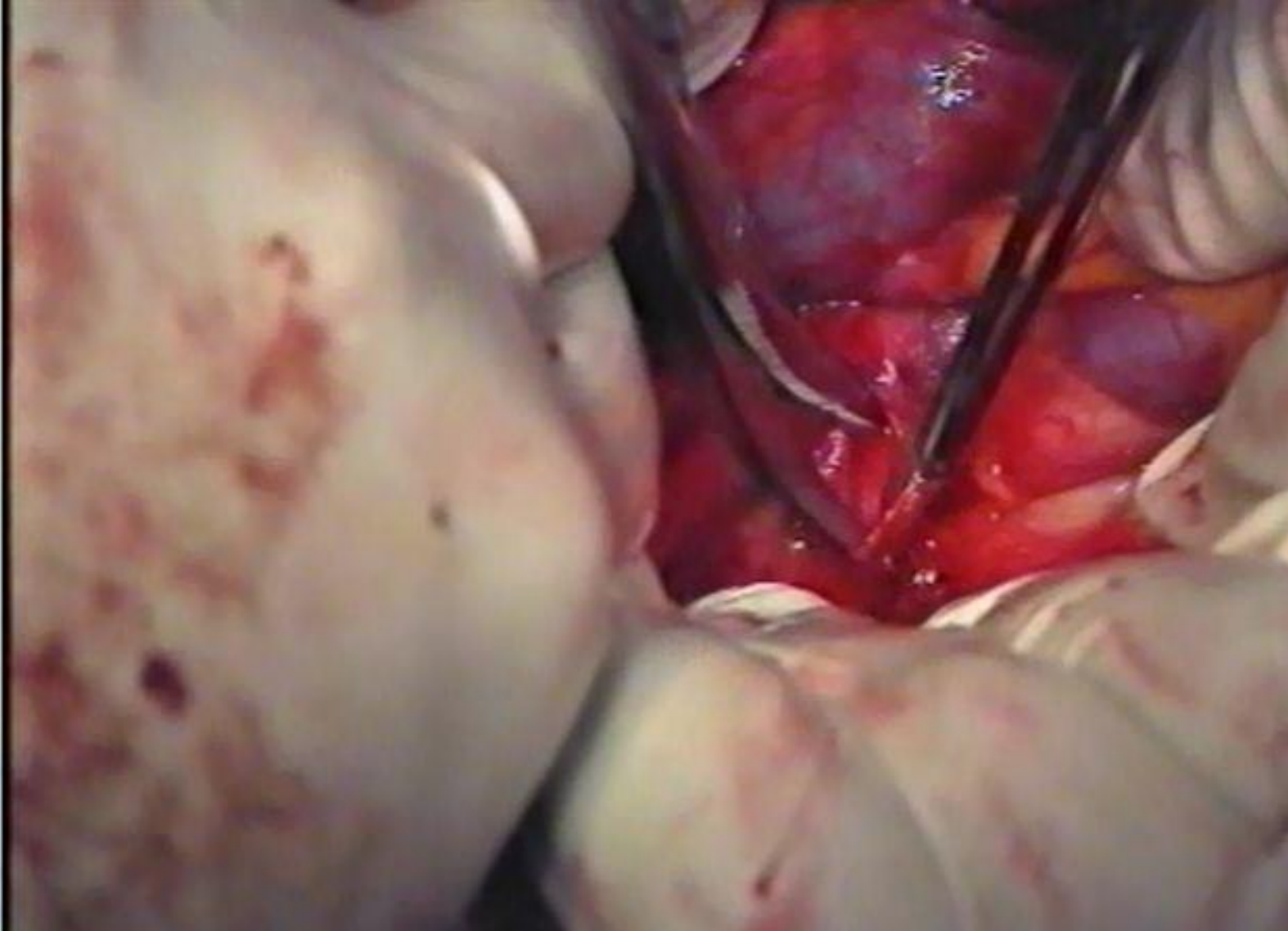
Injuries to the underlying veins is hazardous.

How to prevent ?

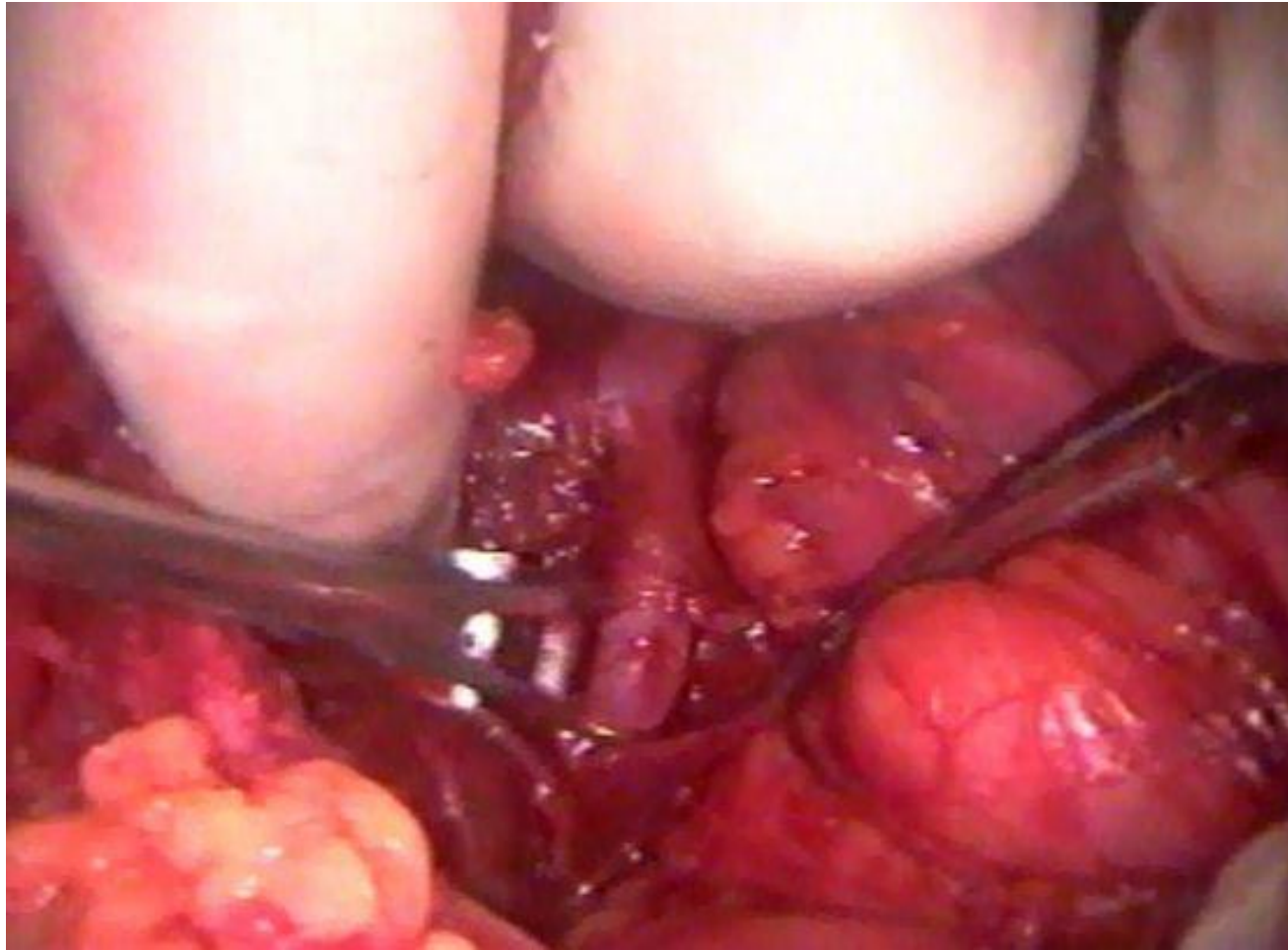


1-The areolar sheath covering the artery & the veins should be opened.

Ligation of the right internal iliac artery.

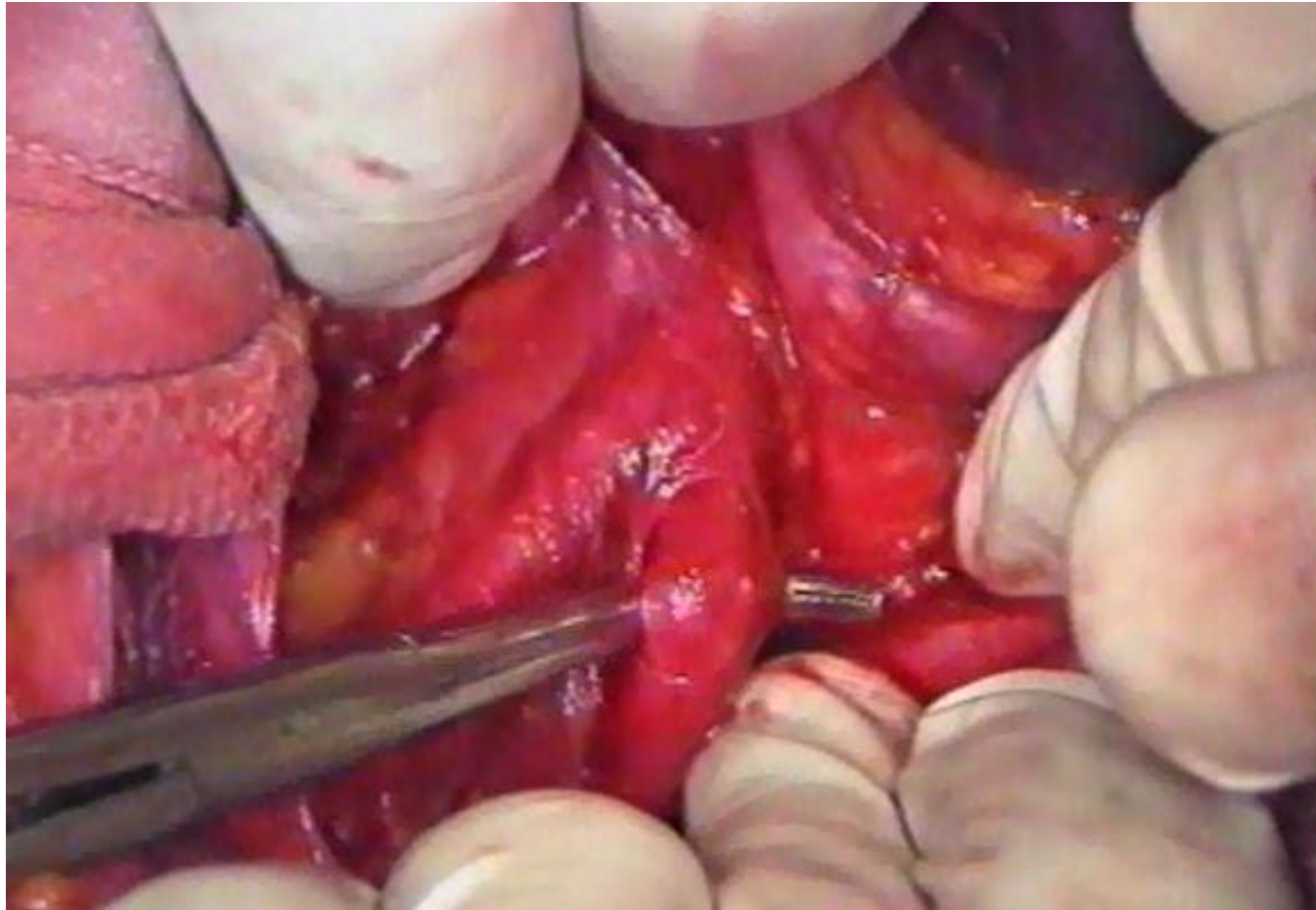


1-The areolar sheath covering the artery and the veins is opened.



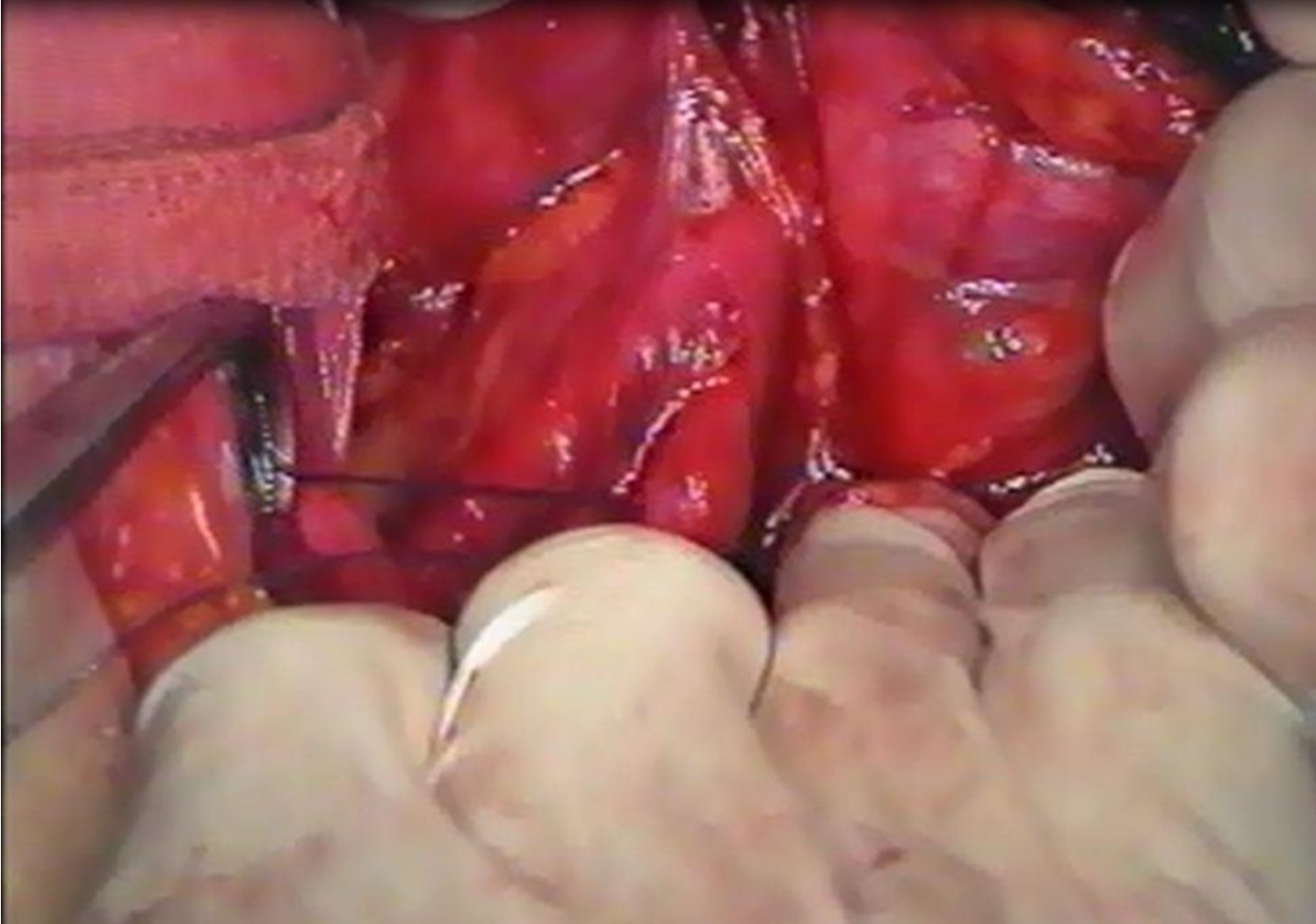
1-The areolar sheath covering the artery and the veins is completely dissected. The internal iliac artery is now separable .

2- Passing the tips of the clamp from lateral to medial to avoid vein injuries.



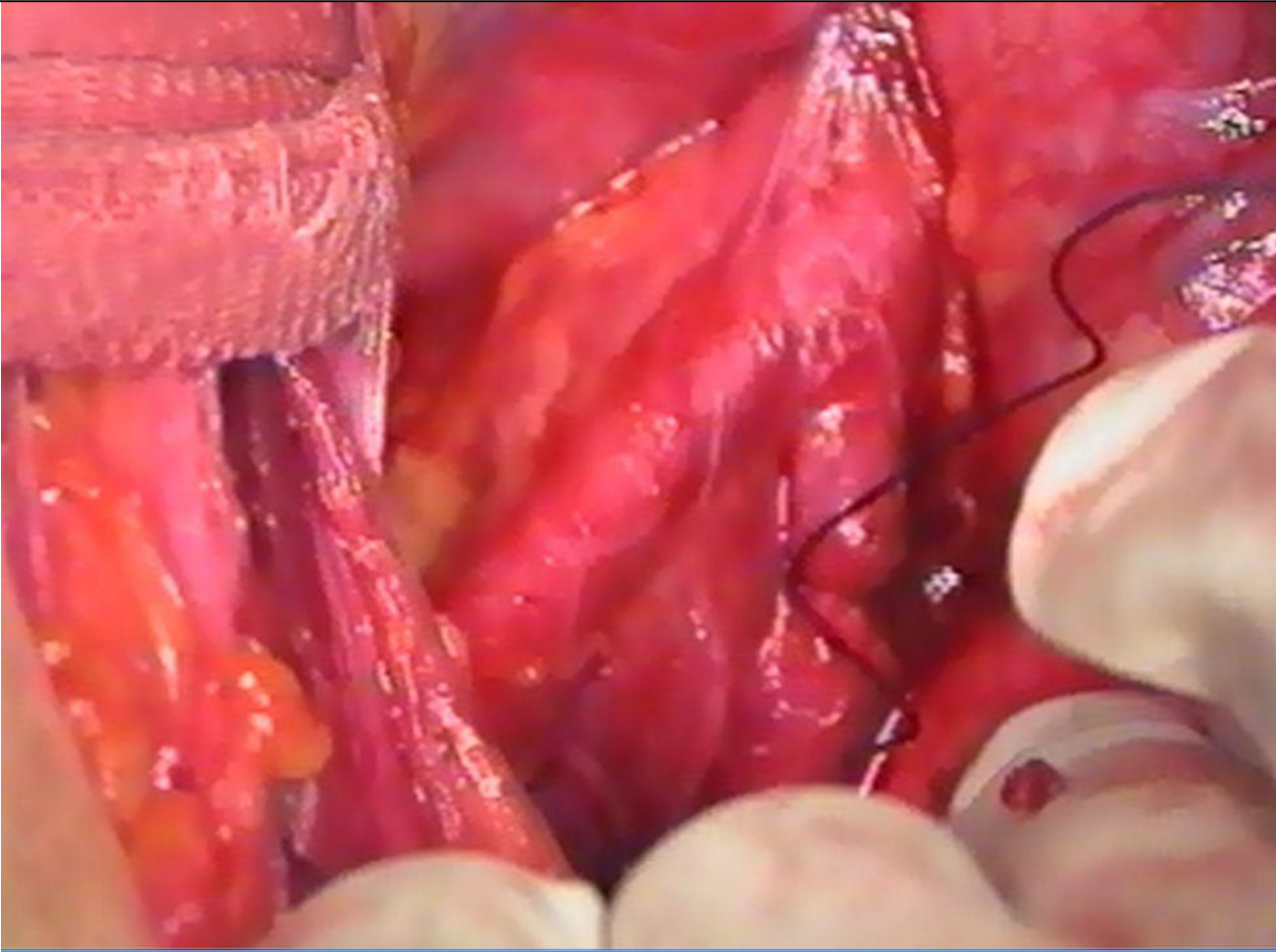


Feeding the tips of the clamp with vacryl NoI then slow lateral pull of the clamp will result in a loop around the internal iliac artery



Feeding the tips of the clamp with vacryl No1 then slow lateral pull of the clamp will result in a loop around the internal iliac artery

Tying the internal iliac artery 2 cm below the bifurcation of the common iliac artery .



The external iliac artery pulsation should be confirmed before completing the surgical knots.

Hysterectomy

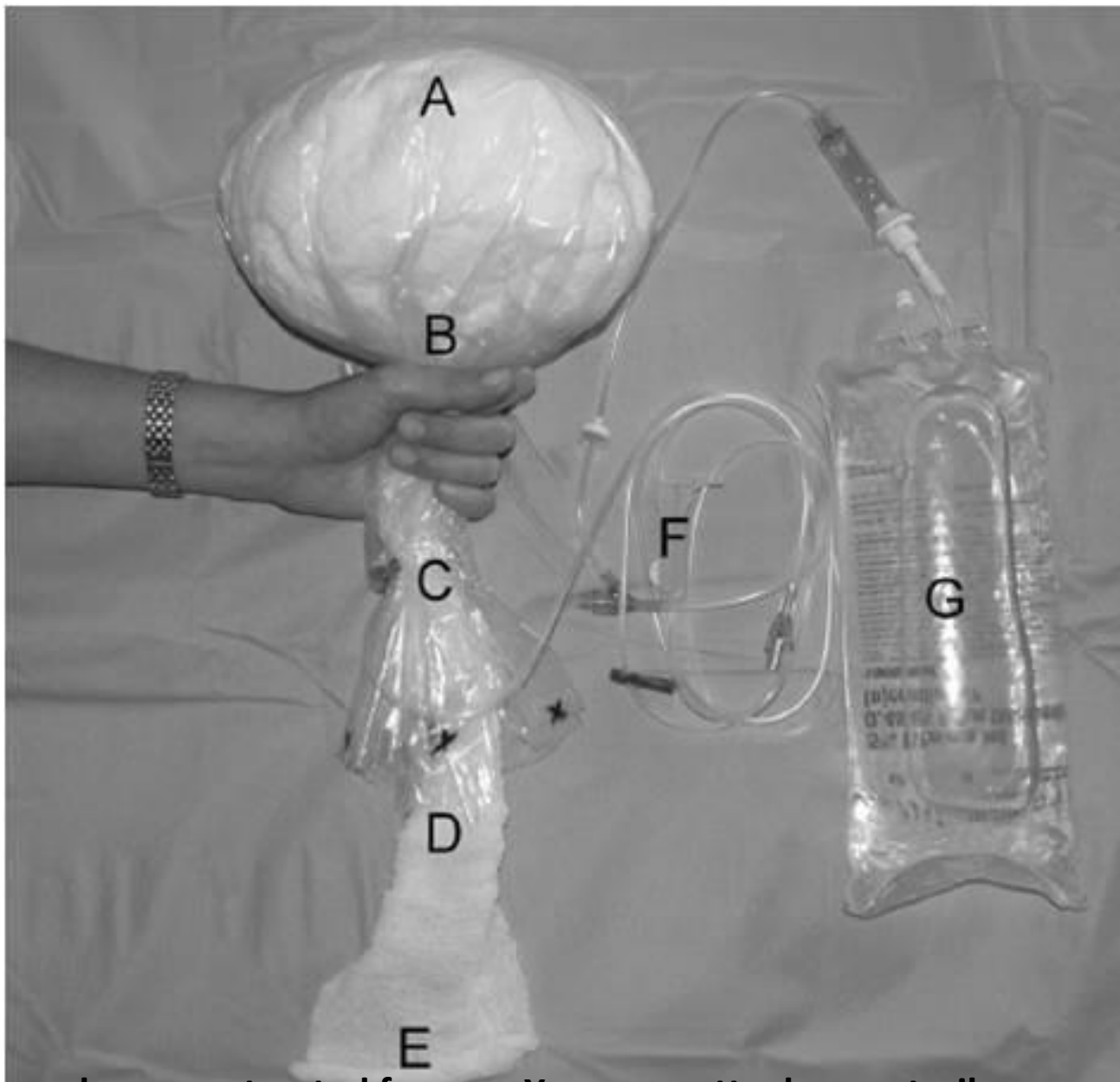
**Resort To Hysterectomy
Sooner Rather Than Later**

Post Hysterectomy Bleeding

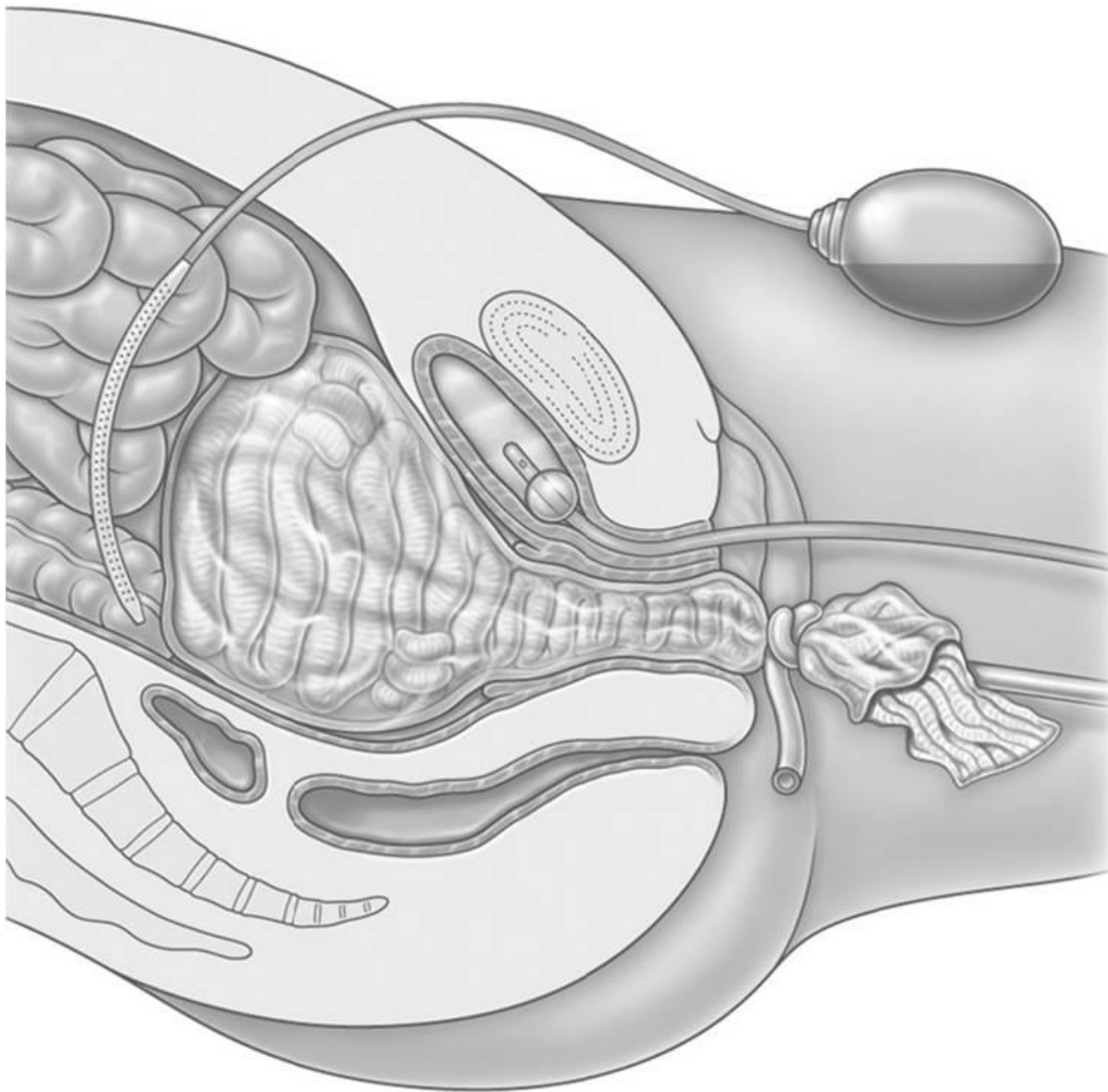
- Diffuse post hysterectomy bleeding may be controlled by abdominal packing to allow time for normalization of the woman's haemodynamic and coagulation status. (II-3)
- The pack composed of gauze in a sterile plastic bag brought out through the vagina and placed under tension. This pack is also known as a parachute, mushroom, or umbrella pack.

Assembly of a pelvic pressure pack to control hemorrhage. A sterile x-ray cassette cover drupe (plastic bag) is filled with gauze rolls tied end-to-end. The length of gauze is then folded into a ball **(A)** and placed within the cassette bag in such a way that the gauze can be unwound eventually with traction on the tail **(D)**. Intravenous tubing **(E)** is tied to the exiting part of the neck **(C)** and connected to a 1-liter bag **(G)**. Once in place, the gauze pack **(A)** fills the pelvis to tamponade vessels and the narrow upper neck **(B)** passes to exit the vagina **(C)**. The IV bag is suspended off the foot of the bed to sustain pressure of the gauze pack on bleeding sites.

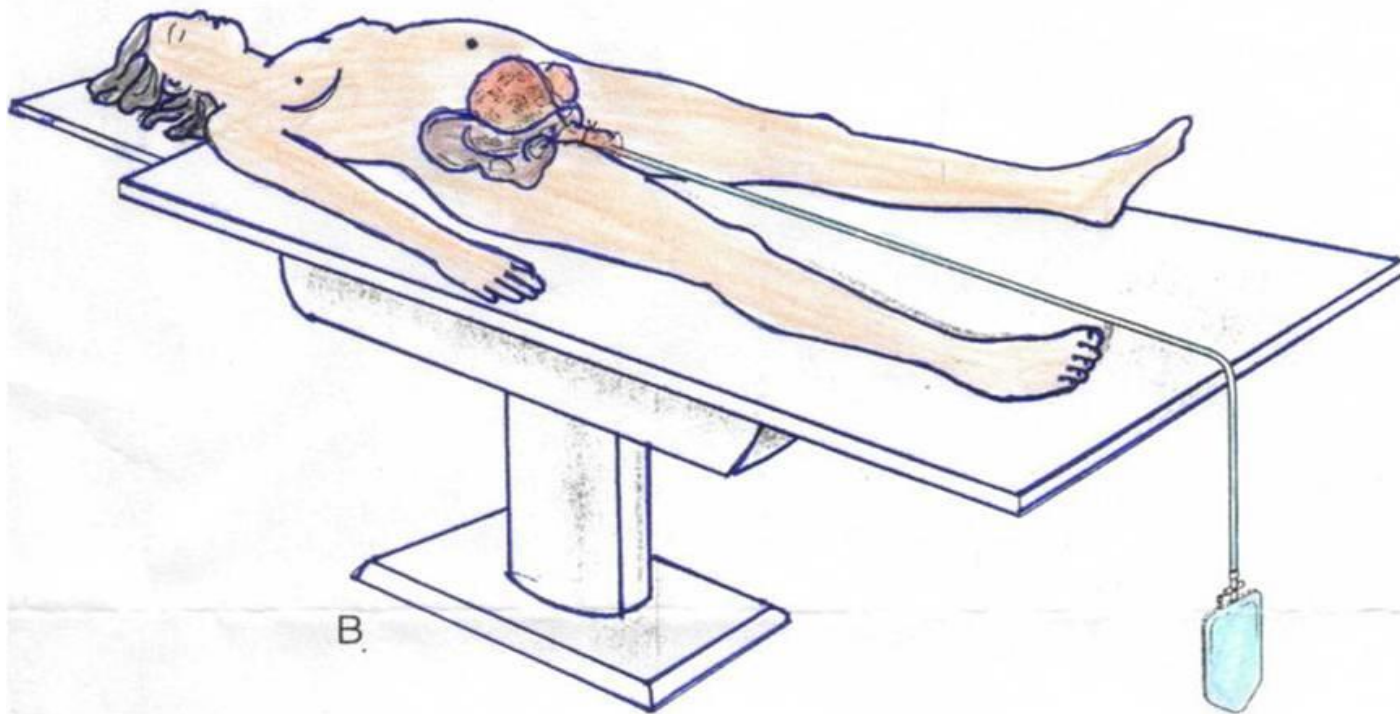
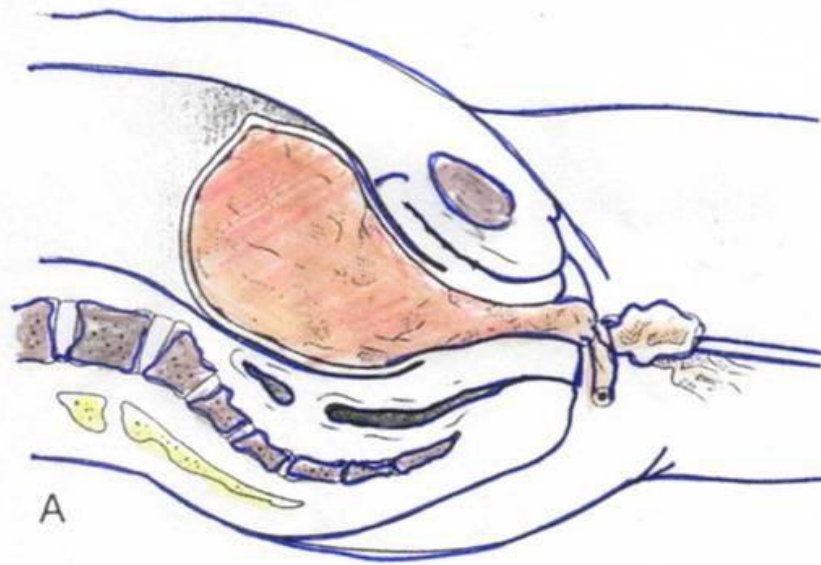




pelvic pressure pack, as constructed from an X-ray cassette drape, sterile gauze rolls, and an intravenous infusion set-up



The pelvic pressure pack *in situ*



Secondary PPH

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It is often associated with endometritis.

A combination of ampicillin (clindamycin if penicillin allergic) and metronidazole is appropriate.

In cases of endomyometritis (tender uterus) or overt sepsis, then the addition of gentamicin is recommended.

Management of Secondary PPH

30 u oxytocin +1000 L.Ringer& Antibiotics

Pelvic U/S

Remnant

**Suction
Curettage**

No remnant

**Methergin IM/6 h ,Misoprostol
600ug oral or sublingual**

If no response

**Foley's Balloon tamponade or
Hysteroscopic coagulation**

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