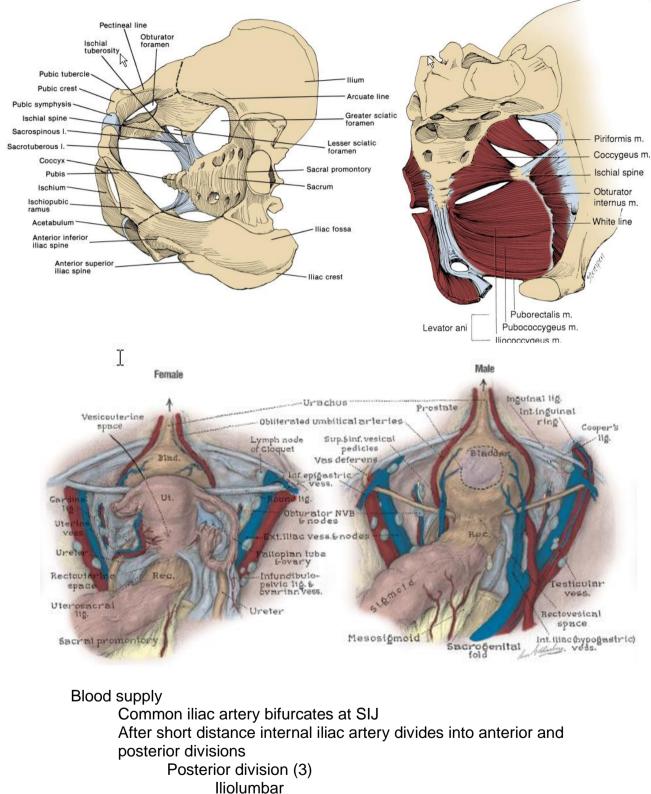
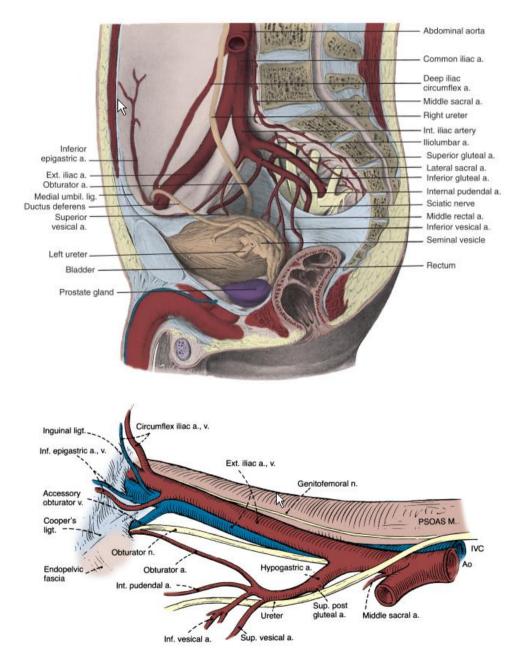
## Lower tract anatomy



Lateral sacral Superior gluteal Anterior division (9; 3 bladder, 3 other viscera; 3 parietal) Superior vesical Obliterated umbilical Inferior vesical Middle rectal Vaginal Uterine Obturator\* Inferior gluteal Internal pudendal

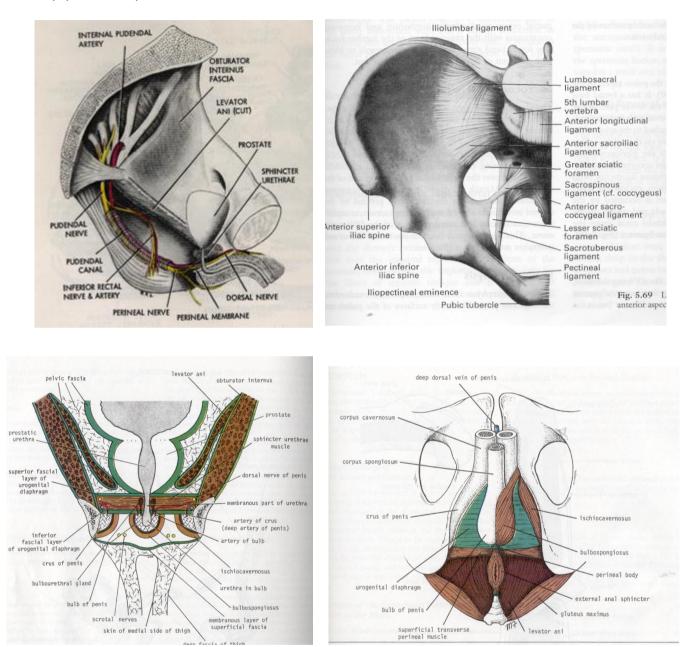
Vaginal and uterine arteries in females only. Equivalent vessels supplying prostate and seminal vesicles in males derived from inferior vesical artery. \* Accessory obturator artery from inferior epigastric artery in 25% patients (accessory obturator veins drain into external iliac vein in 50%)



## Internal pudendal artery

Passes out of the pelvis below piriformis through greater sciatic foramen

Runs in Alcock's canal within ischiorectal fossa then turns into lesser sciatic foramen and runs on surface of obturator internus which is closely applied to ischial tuberosity. Gives off inferior rectal branch and runs forward piercing deep perineal space.



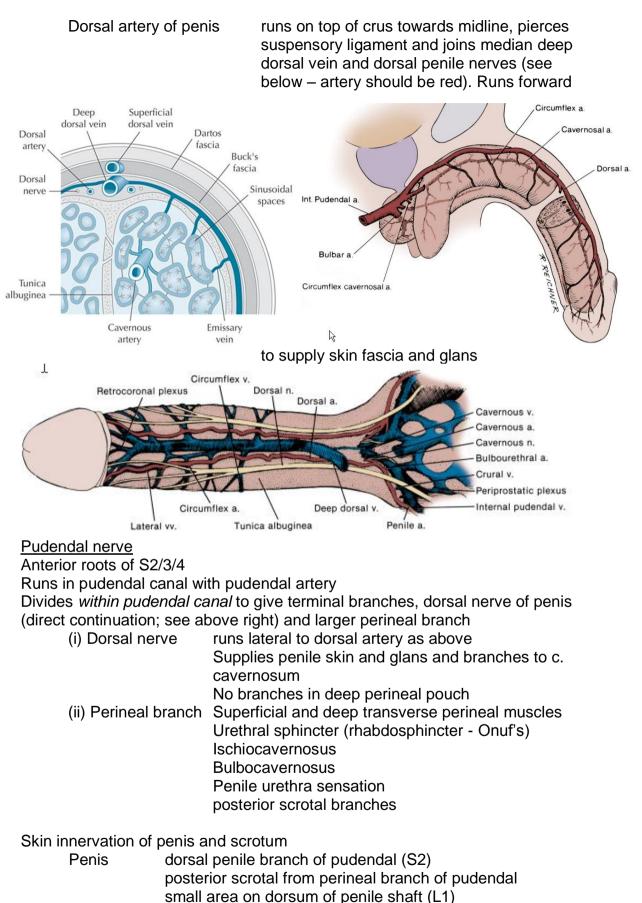
Branches of internal pudendal artery:

Inferior rectal Posterior scrotal Transverse perineal Artery to bulb

Deep penile artery

runs medially in deep perineal space to supply corpus spongiosus (above right) and urethra

runs forward into crus of penis to supply corpus cavernosum. Just before entering crus gives off:



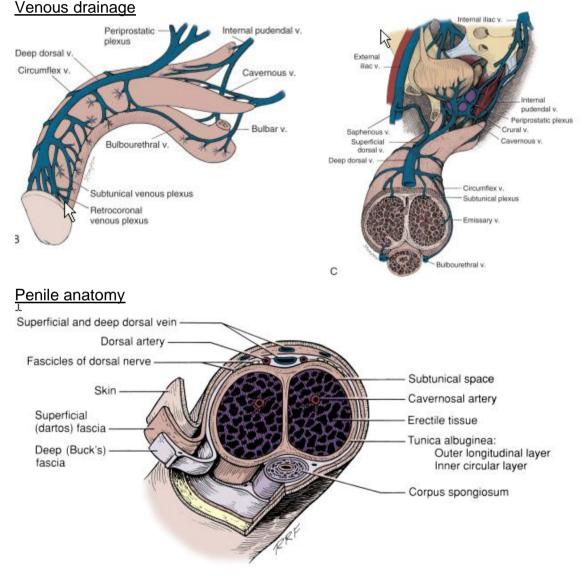
Scrotum Anterior 1/3 ilioinguinal nerve and genital branch of genitofemoral nerve (L1)

## Posterior 2/3 perineal branch perineal nerve (S3)

## Erectogenic pelvic nerves

Intermediolateral horn cells of S2/3/4

Run in pelvic splancnic pelvic nerves to inferior hypogastric plexus (also known as pelvic plexus; located in saggitalplane on either side of rectum) Cavernosal nerves travel from tip of seminal vesicles along posterolateral border of prostate to apex of prostate (5 o'clock and 7 o'clock). Pierce perineal membrane, give slips to sphincter at 3 o'clock and 9 o'clock positions, and rotate dorsally above cavernous vein to enter corpora at 1 o clock and 11 o'clock positions respectively



Bucks fascia fuses with tunica albuginea proximally. Therefore rupture of tunica albuginea contained within Buck's fascia – aubergine deformity Dartos fascia in continuity with Scarpa's fascia. Therefore rupture of tunica abuginea and Buck's fascia leads to Butterfly deformity. If unRx associated urethral injury urine can spread to limits of Scarpa's fascia – namely collar bones, mid-axillary lines and limit of fusion with fascia lata [NB. Dartos fascia also known as Colles' fascia]

<u>Bladder</u>

~ 500ml capacity

Anchored to anterior abdominal wall by urachus

Bladder neck

BN detrusor muscle develops into three distinct layers (differs for men vs. women:

- Inner Radially orientated smooth muscles fibres contiguous with ureteric longitudinal smooth muscle
- Middle Circular pre-prostatic sphincter (adrenergic) men >> women
- Outer Thick longitudinal bundles of smooth muscle passing equatorially. Slips to puboprostatics and pubourethral ligs ? function in continence

Trigone

Waldeyer's sheath develops only 2-3cm from trigone

Strong backplate of detrusor allows closure of ureteric orifice by flap mechanism – no intrinsic sphincter

3 layers of trigone:

Superficial Fine longitudinal, contiguous with ureter. Joins with contralateral side to form intertrigonal bar (of Mercier) Covered with thin layer of tightly adherent urothelium

Deep Continuation of Waldeyer's sheath, inserts into BN Outer Smooth muscle layer from middle and outer

Outer Outer smooth muscle layer from middle and outer layers of bladder neck