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The optimized Caesarean Section – A spreading method, but what are the consequences on human evolution?



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## **Der Kaiserschnitt**

Indikationen – Hintergründe – Operatives Management der Misgav-Ladach-Methode





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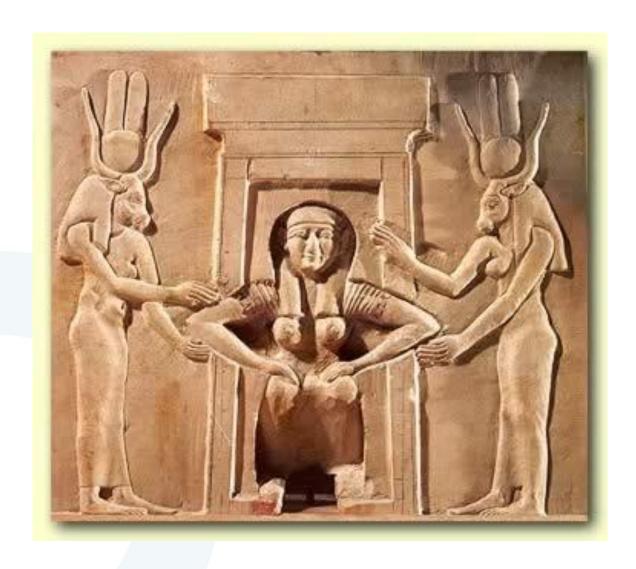
Wie steht es um die Zukunft einer durch Kaiserschnitt entbundenen Zivilisation?

What is the future of a civilization delivered by c-section?





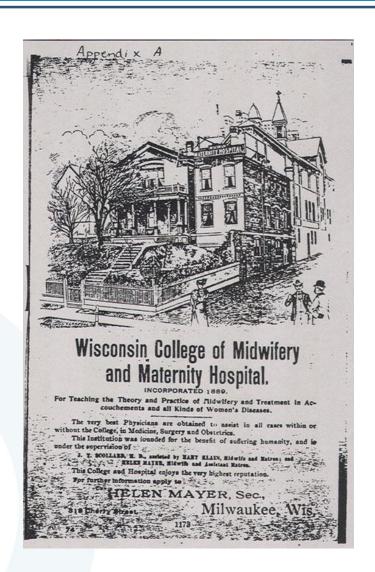














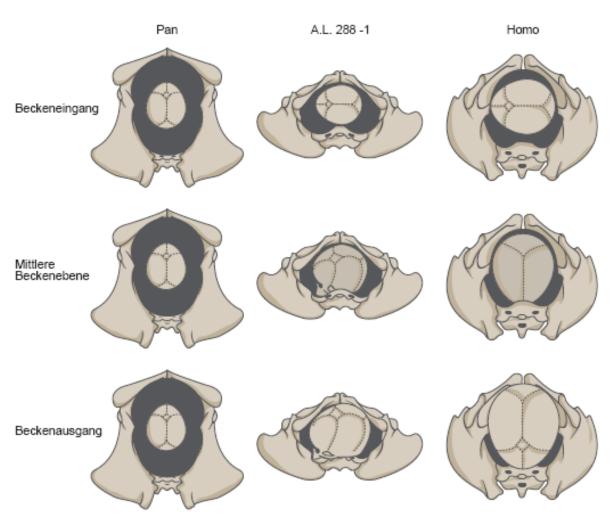
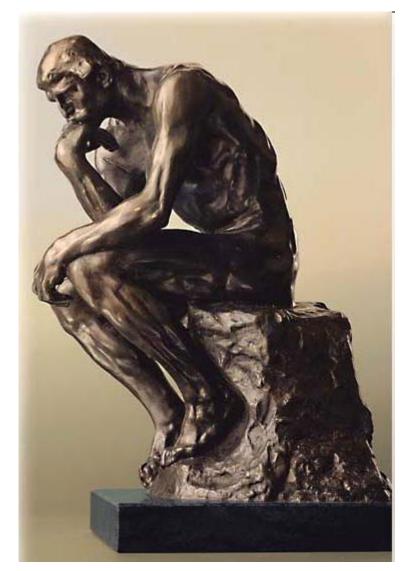


Abb. 2.3 Vergleich der Geburtsmechanismen beim Schimpansen (Pan), Australopithecus (A.L. 288-1) und einem modernen Menschen (Homo). Das Diagramm zeigt den Durchtritt des neonatalen Kopfes durch den Geburtskanal aus dem Blickwinkel einer Hebamme oder eines Geburtshelfers. In jeder Zeichnung werden das mütterliche Becken und der neonatale Kopf von unten gezeigt, mit dem Sakrum am unteren Bildrand und der Symphyse am Oberrand [modifiziert nach Tague und Lovejoy 1986].





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#### Kaiserschnitt



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Teil 1: Kaiserschnitt auf Wunsch?

Teil 2: Kaiserschnitt für besseren Sex?

Teil 3: Emanzipation oder

Vermännlichung?

#### Kaiserschnitt für besseren Sex?

**Wecarelife:** Jetzt gibt es seit Millionen von Jahren natürliche Gehurten...

**Dr. Michael Adam:** Mich brauchen Sie nicht zu überzeugen. Ich glaube, dass die Evolution das größte Erfolgsprogramm der Geschichte ist. In den USA gibt es in den U-Bahnen Werbung, die

sagt: "Save your Love-Channel, have a Caesarean". Das ist meiner Meinung nach das allerletzte! Das ist eine so unterschwellige Argumentation, die - das sag ich jetzt



"the authors support the view that the parturient herself should be enabled to decide what level of risk is acceptable to her"

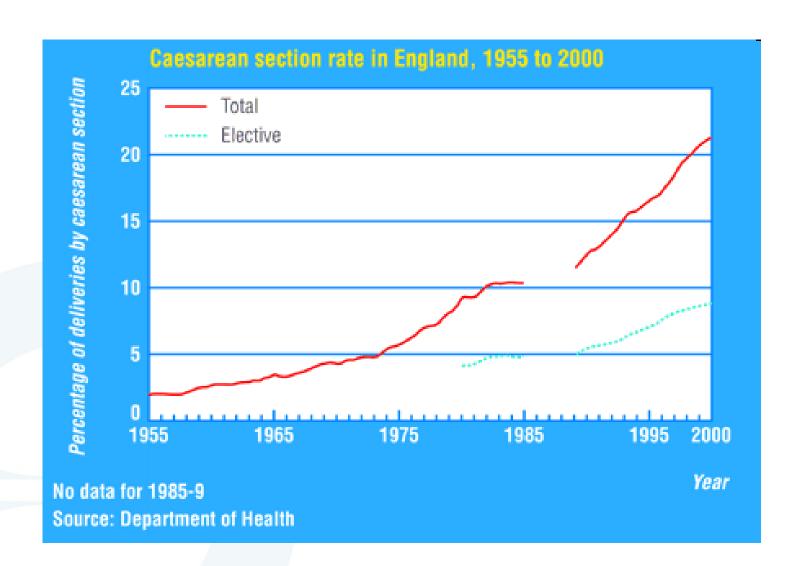
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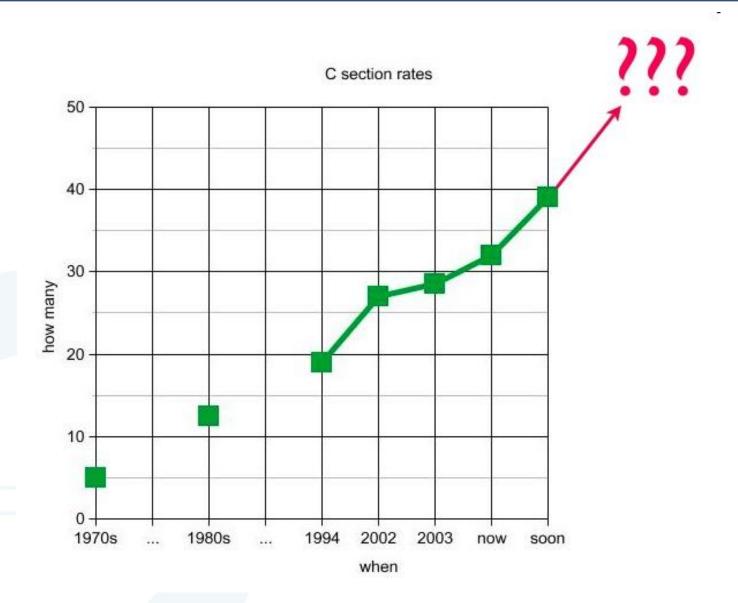
"Elective CS is a safe and psychologically well tolerated procedure. The results are comparable with uncomplicated vaginal delivery and far superior to secondary intervention such as vacuum delivery or emergency CS."

Schindl M, Birner P, Reingrabner M, Joura E, Husslein P, Langer M. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand. 2003;82(9):834-40.









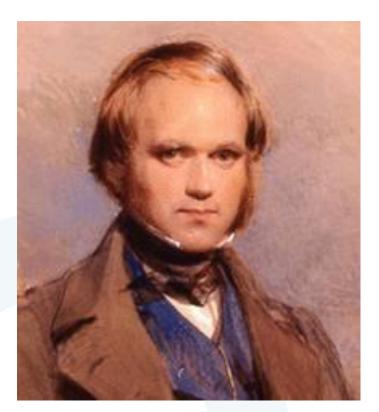


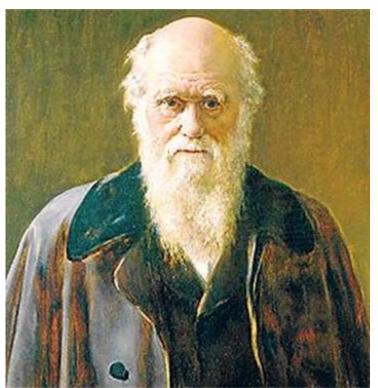




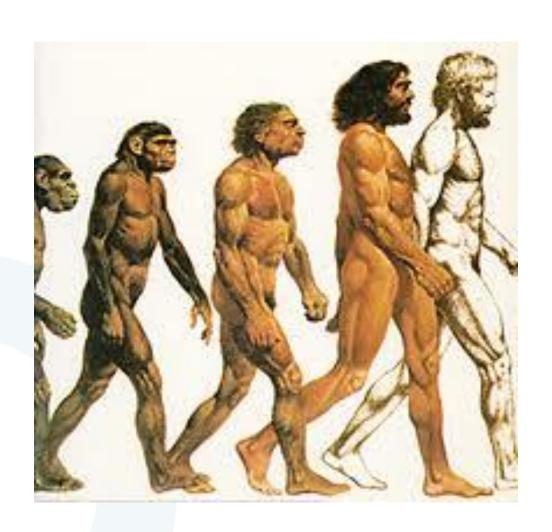




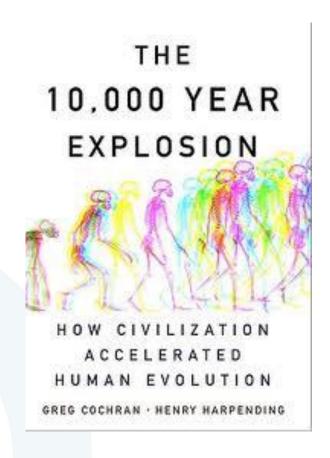












Resistance to malaria. Blue eyes. Lactose tolerance. What is common to them all? They have emerged only in the last 10,000 years.



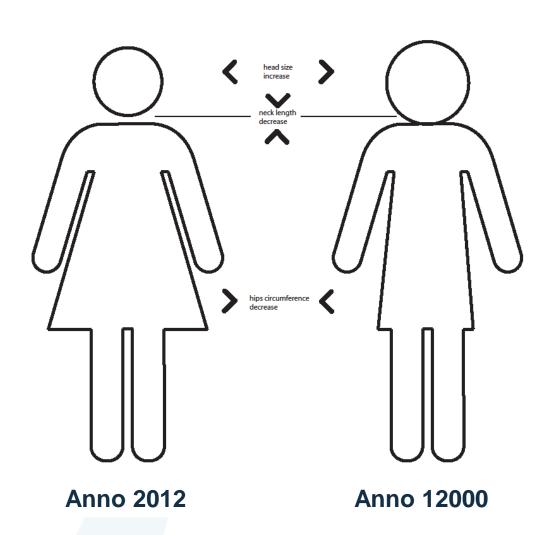




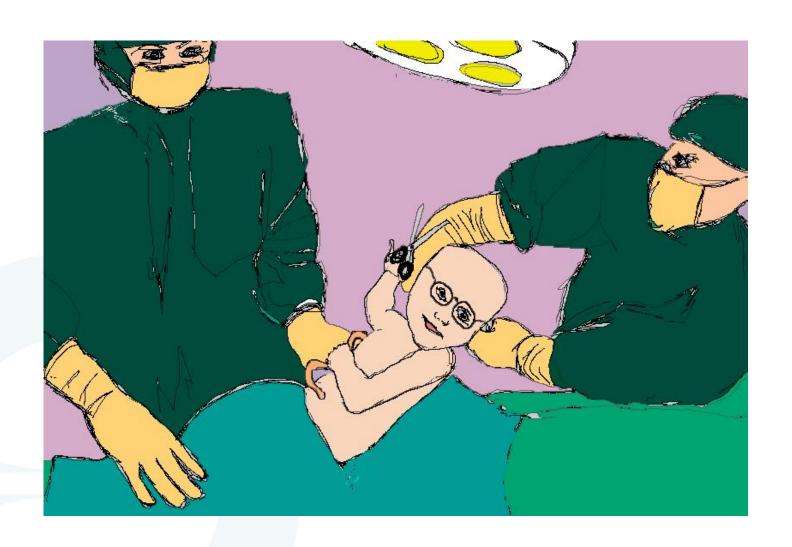




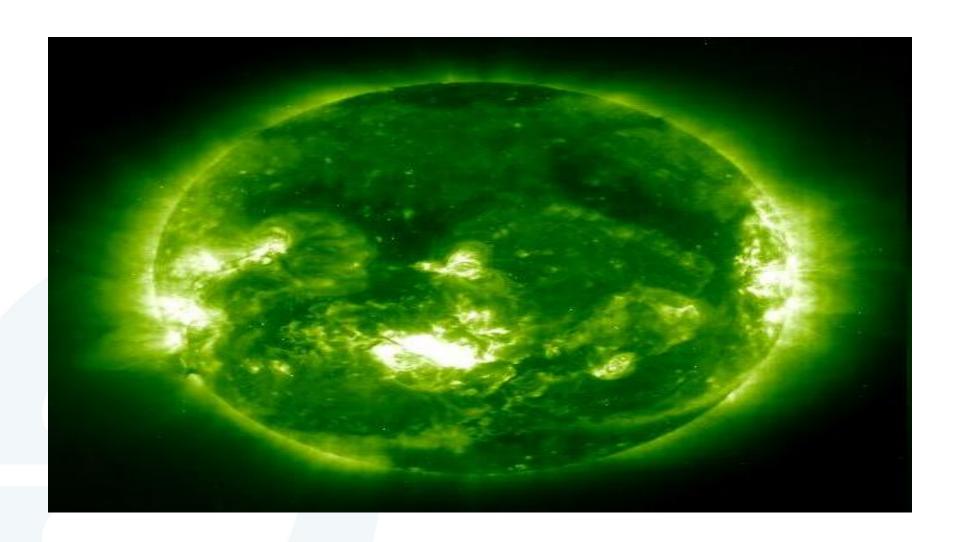




















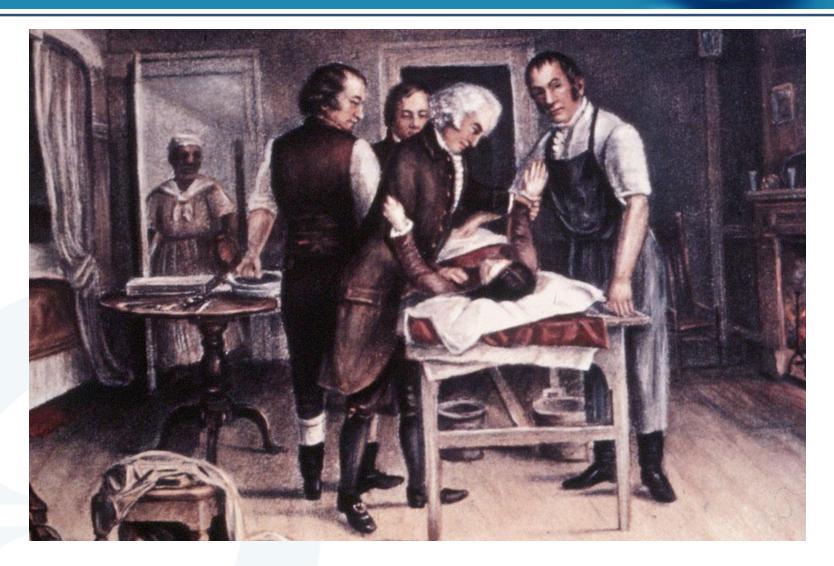
What is the hardest material in the world?

## The second hardest material in the world...







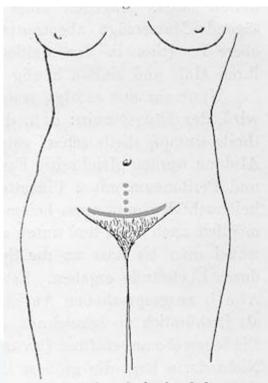


Ephraim McDowell 1771 - 1830



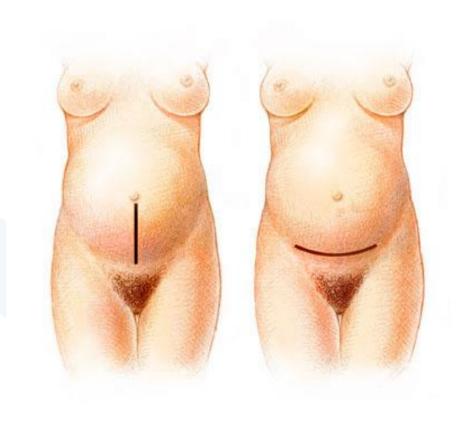






Schema der Schnittführung.
Die bogenförmige transversale Linie
bedeutet den Schnitt durch Haut,
Unterhautfettgewebe und die Fascien,
die punktirte Linie den Schnitt durch
die zwischen den Musculi recti gelegene Bindegewebsschicht, die Fascia
transversa und das Peritoneum.





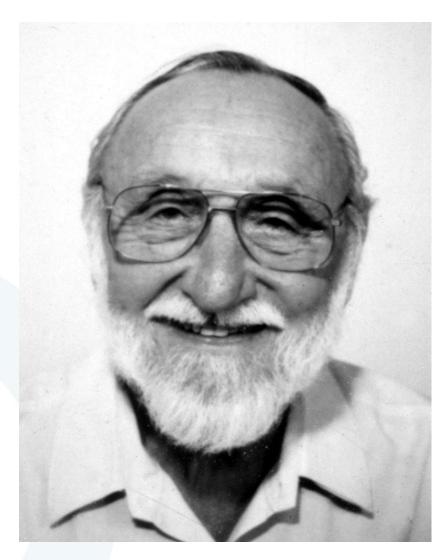
# ABDOMINAL WOUND DEHISCENE AFTER C-SECTION (vertical vs. Pfannenstiel)



	Vertical	Transverse	
No.	1635	540	
Dehiscence	48	2	
Rate	2.94 %	0.37 %	

Mowat J, Bonnar J. Br Med J 1971; 2 (756): 256-257





Prof. S. J. Joel-Cohen 1913 - 2002

## POST-OPERATIVE RECOVERY RELATED TO INCISION IN C/S



	Modified Joel-Coher	n Pfannenstiel	р
Number of cases	121	124	
Febrile morbidity (9	%) 7.4	18.6	< 0.05
Duration of analger requirement (hours	1010	20.1	NS
Doses of analgetic	s given 2.9	3.3	NS

Stark M, Finkel A. Eur J Obstet Gynecol Reprod Biol 1994; 53 (2): 121-122



Every step
should be analyzed for its necessity
and for its optimal way of
performance,
even in "trivial" aspects,
such as:







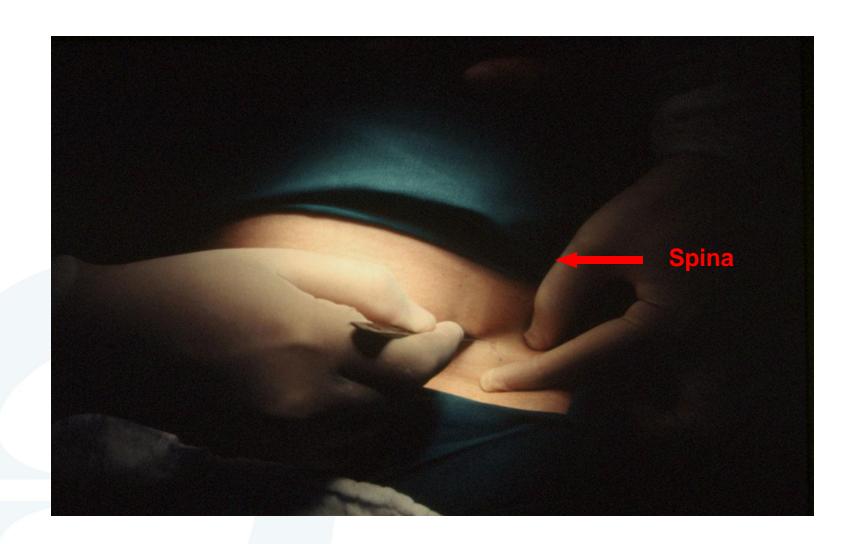
### ON WHICH SIDE OF THE PARTURIENT SHOULD THE SURGEON STAND?



•The right-handed surgeon should stand on the right side of the table, because:

- •It is easier and more comfortable to deliver the baby with the right hand
- •The needle points away from the bladder while stitching the uterus













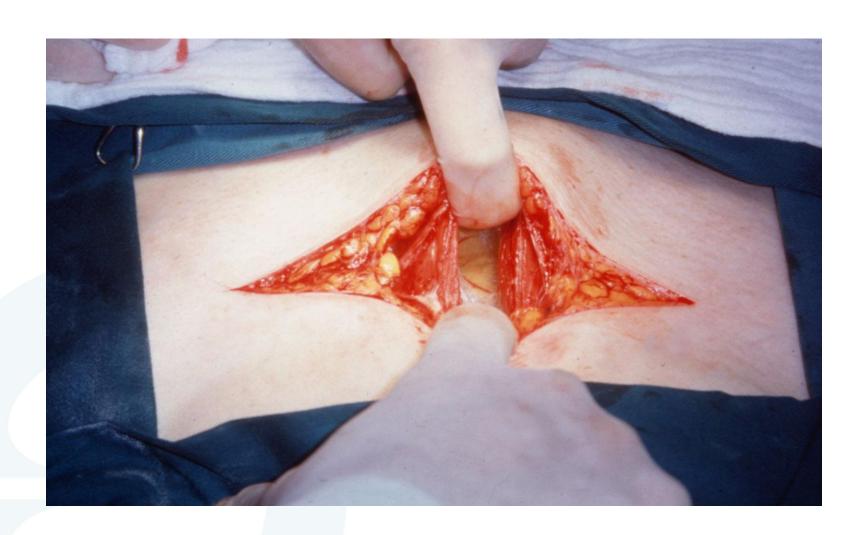




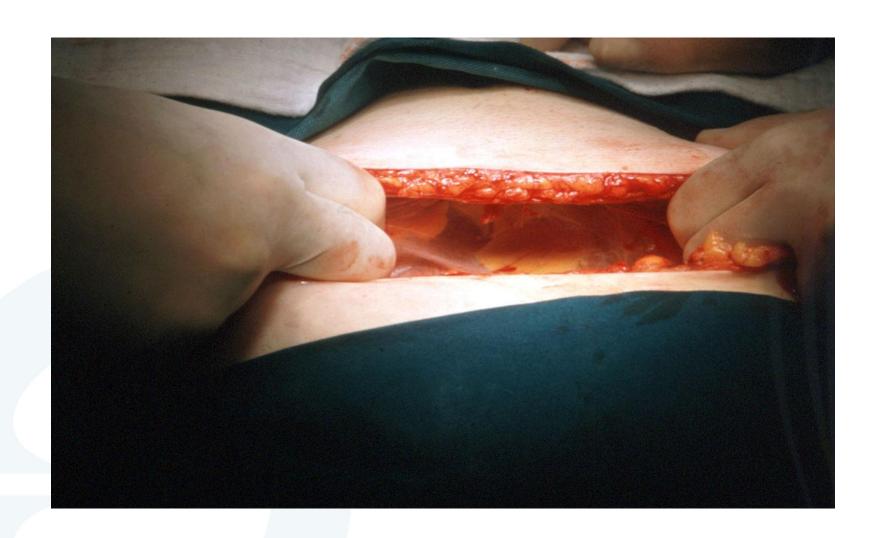




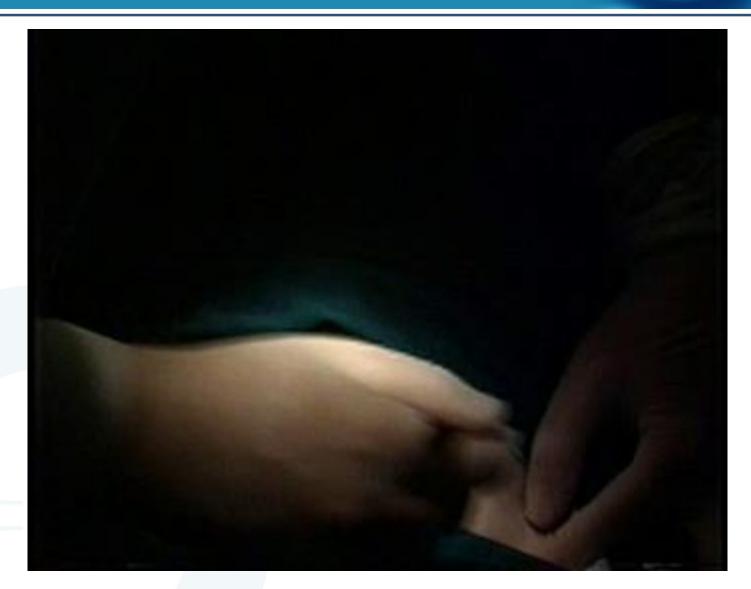




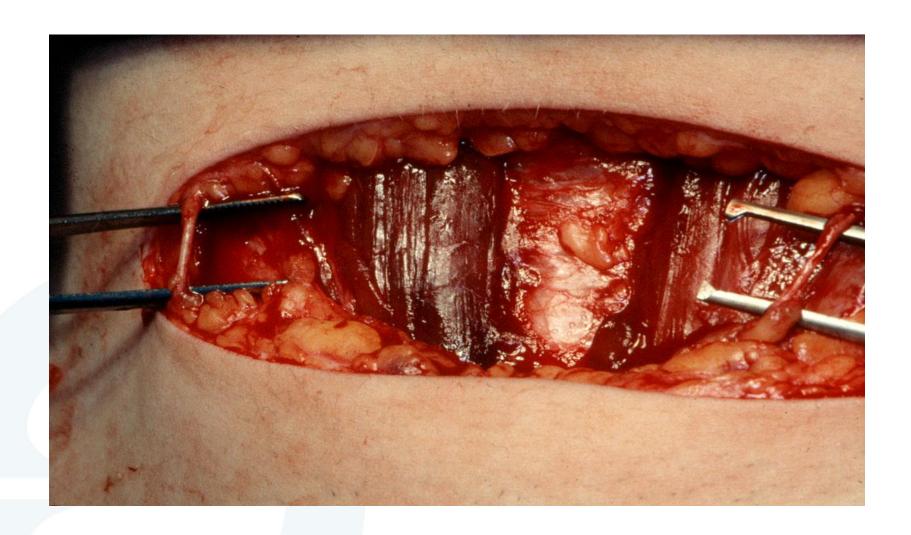












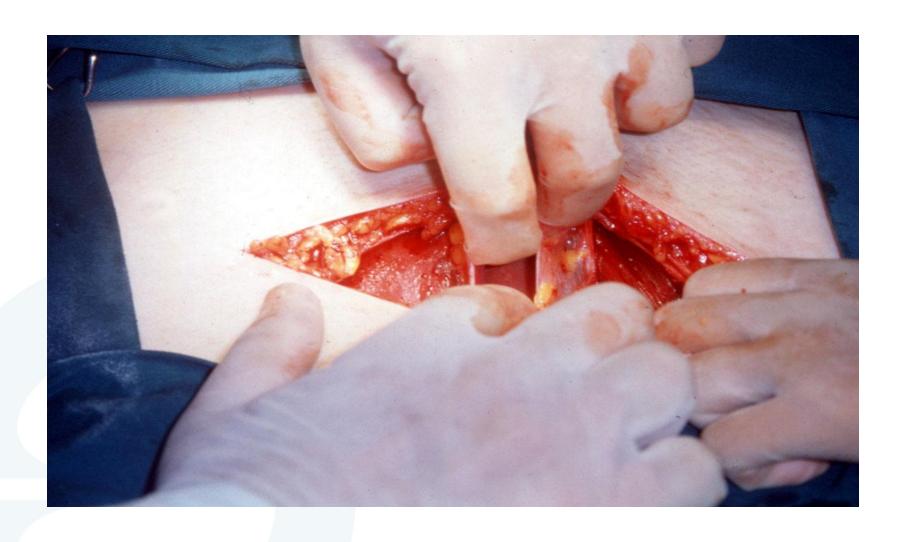






# OPENING PERITONEUM BY BI-DIGITAL REPEATED STRETCHING







# In the era of 'non-closure of the peritoneum', how to open it?

Stark M, Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand, 2009, 88(1): 119.

### THE RATIONAL OF WHY NOT TO USE ABDOMINAL PACKS



Fewer adhesions formed

Why do surgical packs cause peritoneal adhesions?

Down RH, Whitehead R, Watts JM. Aust N Z J Surg 1980; 50 (1): 83-85

Enables bacteriostatic action of the amniotic fluid

Enhancement of the antibacterial property of amniotic fluid by hyperthermia.

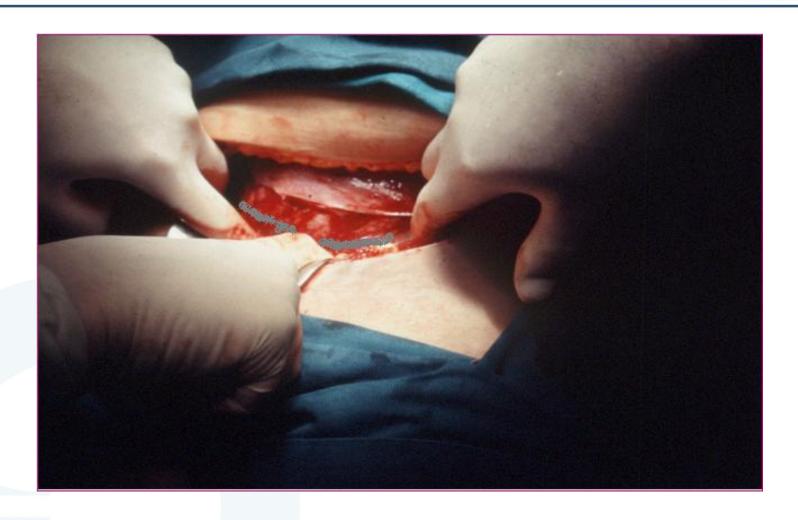
Larsen B, Davis B. Obstet Gynecol 1984; 63 (3): 425-429





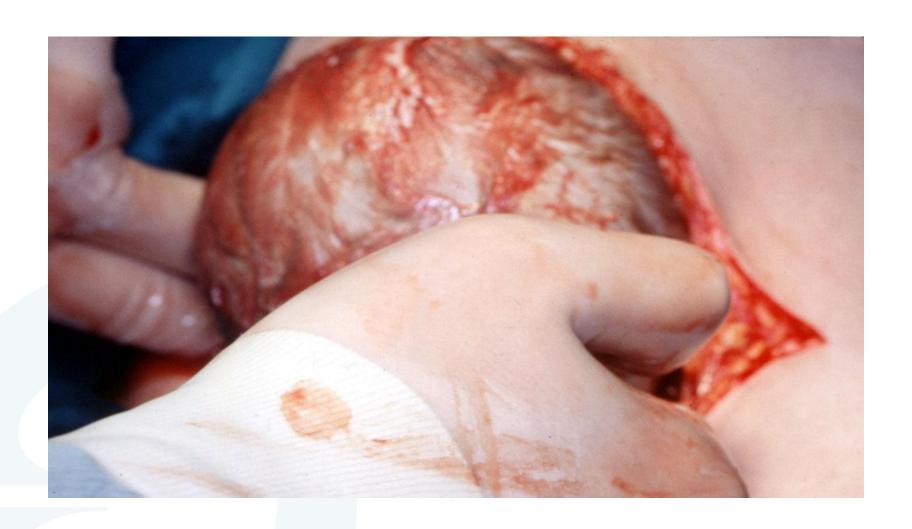
J.M. Munro Kerr 1868 – 1960





Lower segment transverse incision (1924)









#### **EXTERIORIZATION OF THE UTERUS:**



#### Advantages:

- prevents damage to abdominal organs while stitching
- enables manual contraction of the uterus, therefore less bleeding
- makes inspection of the ovaries easier

#### Disadvantage:

might cause pressure and pain when the operation is under epidural anaesthesia

### THE MISGAV LADACH METHODE FOR CESAREAN SECTION COMPARED TO THE PFANNENSTIEL METHOD



	Misgav Ladach	Traditional	р
Duration of operation (min)	12.5	26	< 0.001
Estimated blood-loss (ml)	448	608	0.017
Dosage of analgetics (injections)	4.2	5.4	0.017
Average Hospital Stay (days)	4	4	N.S.

Darj E, Nordström ML. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand 1999; 78: 37-41

#### **SUTURING THE UTERUS IN ONE LAYER:**



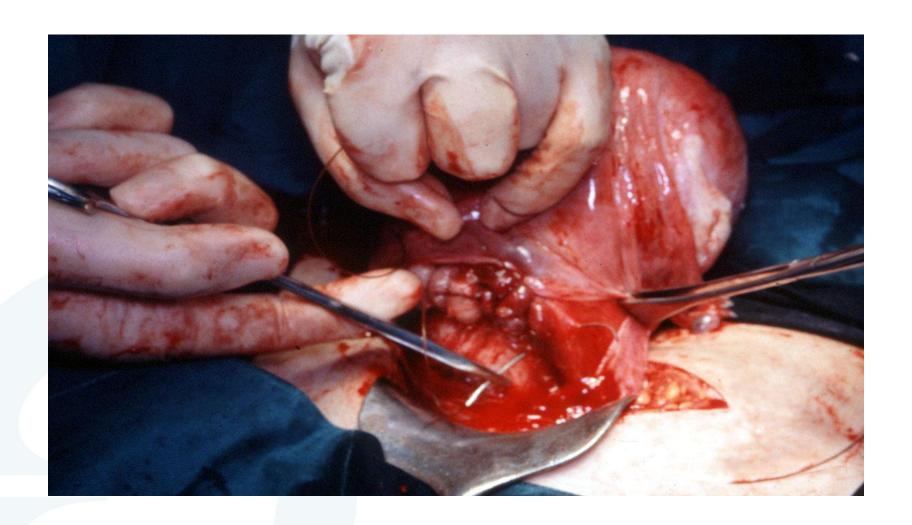
- causes less sacculations
- makes stronger scars

Csucs L, Kott I, Solt I. Zentralbl Gynäkol 1972; 94 (34): 1121-1126

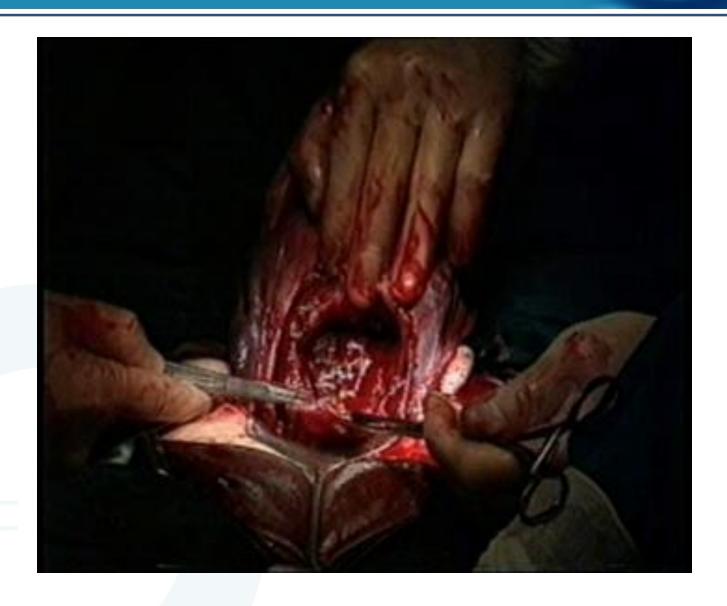
Hauth JC, Owen J, Davis RO. Am J Obstet Gynecol 1992; 167 (4 Pt 1): 1108-1111

Jelsema RD, Wittingen JA, Vander Kolk KJ. J Reprod Med 1993; 38 (5): 393-396









## VAGINAL DELIVERY AFTER MISGAV-LADACH CESAREAN SECTION = IS THE RISK OF UTERINE RUPTURE ACCEPTABLE?



### During VBAC of 448 patients:

- 5.28% (16/303) had a uterine rupture with a previous ML
   C-Section
- 13.11% (19/145) had a uterine rupture with a previous double-layer suturing
- (p < 0.05)



In the second pregnancy, prior single-layer closure was not associated with uterine rupture after a trial of labor (0% vs 1.2%, P = .30).

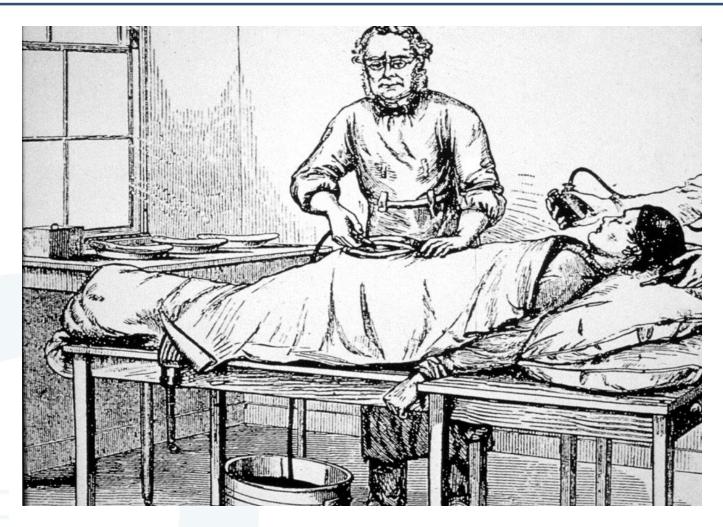
### Optimised meta-analysis should be based on standardised methods



"Only standardized and optimized surgical methods will allow valuable meta-analysis and enable a comparison of surgical outcome in different institutions and by different surgeons."

Stark M. BJOG. 2011;118(6):765-6.





Ether anaesthesia, started 16. October 1846 by William T.G. Morton (Boston, Massachusetts)



- Peritoneum does not heal by approximation of its edges
- New peritoneum is formed within 24 48 h
   from the coelum cells
- Sutures are providing focal points for adhesions

Ellis H. Internal overhealing: the problem of intraperitoneal adhesions. World J Surg 1980; 4: 303-306

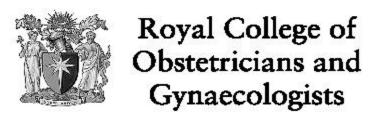
### **ADHESIONS IN REPEATED OPERATIONS**



	No.	Adhesions	%
Peritoneum previously left open	16	1	6.3
Peritoneum closed previously	147	35	23.8

Stark M. World J Surg 1993; 17 (3): 419





Setting standards to improve women's health

Guideline No 15
Revised July 2002

#### PERITONEAL CLOSURE

Non-closure of the parietal peritoneum at caesarean section is recommended because it is associated with lower postoperative febrile morbidity and postoperative use of analgesics.

Non-closure of the visceral peritoneum at caesarean section is recommended because it is associated with significantly shorter operating time and postoperative hospital stay, as well as significantly lower postoperative febrile and infectious morbidity.

### LONG-TERM OUTCOMES OF TWO DIFFERENT SURGICAL TECHNIQUES FOR CESAREAN



A total of **124 women** were assessed at repeat cesarean section

Adhesions were found

- in 7 (11.3 %) of women who underwent the Stark CS
- in 22 (35.5 %) of women who had a Pfannenstiel-Kerr CS

(p = 0.0026; relative risk 3.14 [95 % CI, 1.45-6.82])

Nabhan AF, Int J Gynaecol Obstet. 2008; 100 (1): 69-75



Table III. Analysis of mean adhesion scores dependent on cesarean section method.

	Adhesion score		
Cesarean section method	Mean	SD	p-value
Misgav Ladach	0.43	± 0.79	p < 0.05
Pfannenstiel-Dörffler	0.71	$\pm 1.27$	_
Misgav Ladach	0.43	$\pm 0.79$	p < 0.05
Low midline laparotomy-Dörffler	0.99	$\pm 1.49$	
Pfannenstiel-Dörffler	0.71	$\pm 1.27$	p = 0.0529
Low midline laparotomy-Dörffler	0.99	$\pm1.49$	

SD: standard deviation.

Fatusic Z, Hudic I, J Matern Fetal Neonatal Med. 2009 22(2):157-60.

### EFFECTS OF VISCERAL PERITONEAL CLOSURE ON SCAR FORMATION AT CESAREAN DELIVERY



Table 2
Histologic characteristics of samples taken from serosa to mucosa on the low uterine segment scar<sup>a</sup>

Characteristic	Closure of VP (group 1, n=54)	Non-closure of VP (group 2, n=58)	P value <sup>b</sup>
Adhesions	31 (57.4)	12 (20.6)	< 0.05
Mesothelial hyperplasia	28 (51.8)	8 (13.7)	< 0.05
Fibrosis involving mesothelial	26 (48.1)	4 (6.8)	< 0.05
stroma			
Neoangiogenesis of mesothelial	24 (44.4)	7 (12)	< 0.05
stroma			

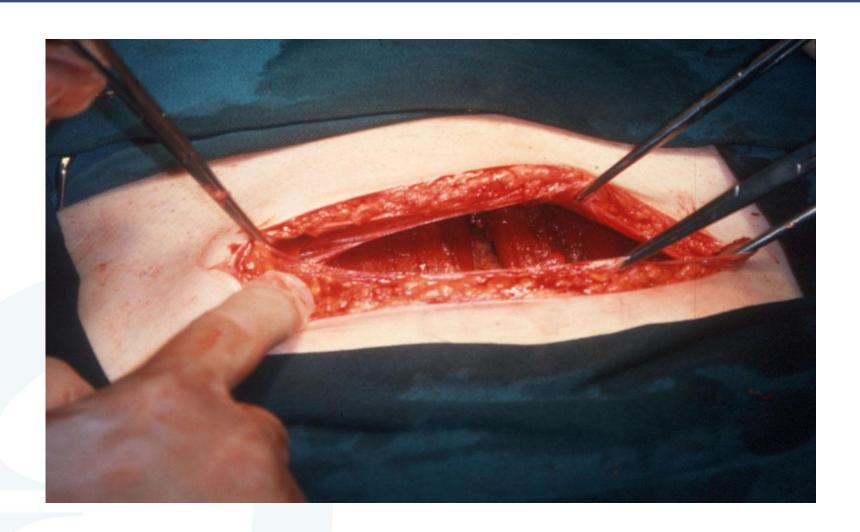
Abbreviations: VP, visceral peritoneum.

Malvasi A, Tinelli A, Farine D, Rahimi S, Cavallotti C, Vergara D, Martignago R, Stark M, Int J Gynaecol Obstet 2009 Feb 19

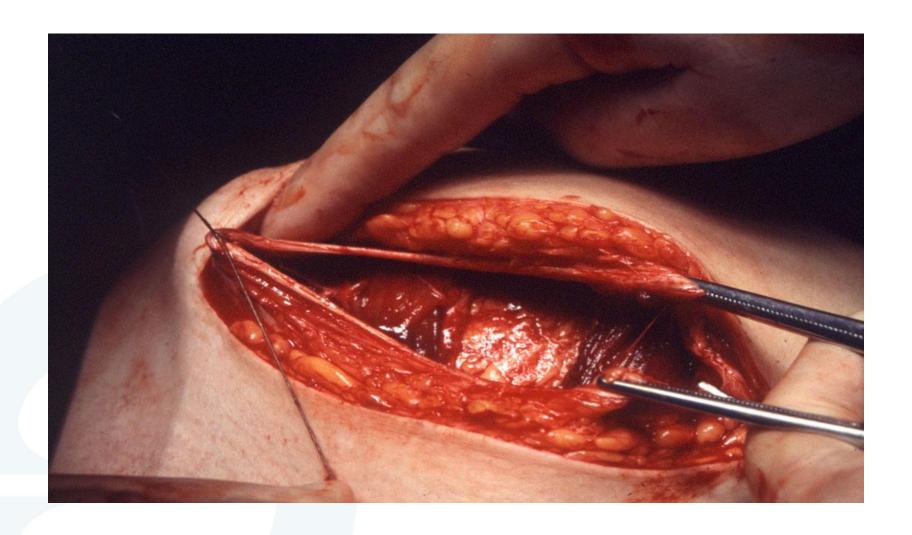
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Values are given as number of patients (percentage).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> For statistical analysis, differences among the percentages of positive patients were assessed using the  $\chi^2$  test.

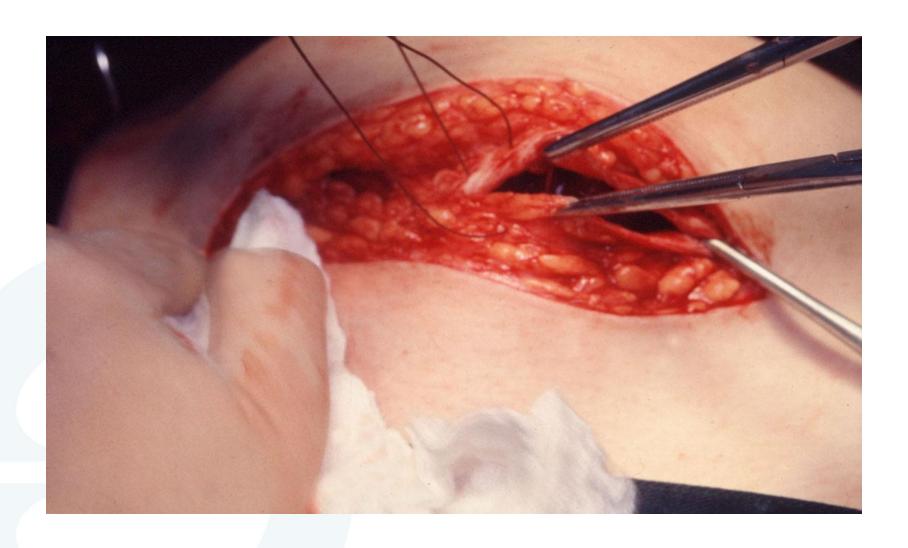




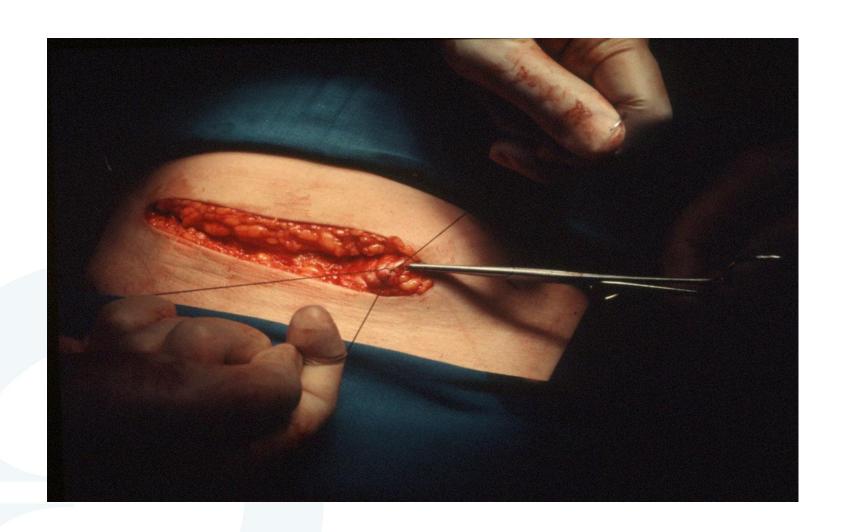










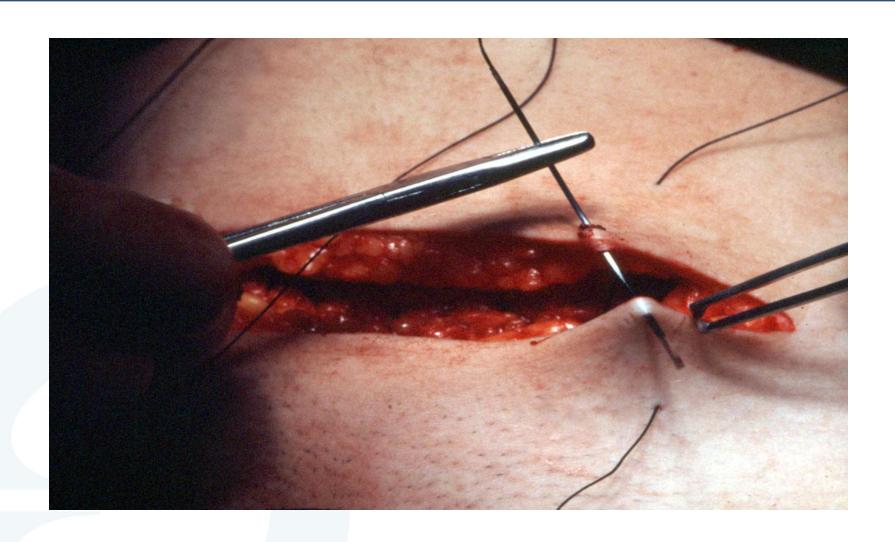


### **WIDELY SPACED SKIN SUTURES CAUSES...**

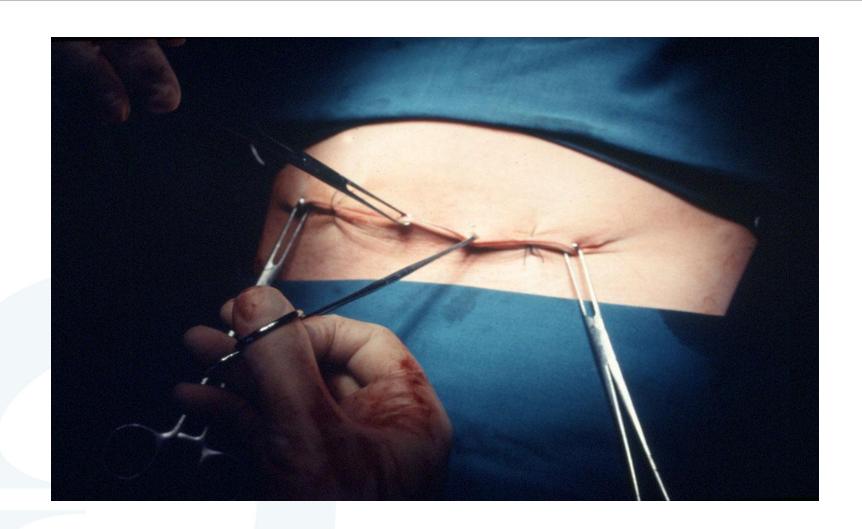


- less seromas
- less hematomas
- therefore less post-operative pain and fever









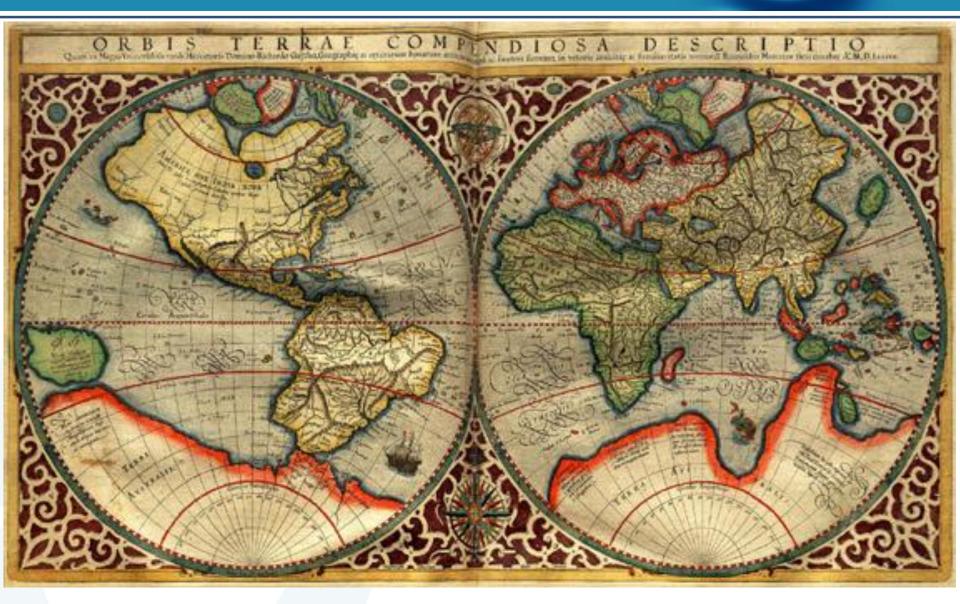






- The Misgav Ladach Caesarean Section was introduced in 1994 during the Montréal FIGO World Congress.
- Then, printed material and videos of this method were distributed by the University of Uppsala (Unit for International Child Health – ICH) in more than 100 countries







- Lectures and surgical courses were held by medical staff members of the Misgav Ladach Hospital and the NESA in 39 countries
- There was very good acceptance, due to...









## IMMEDIATE POSTOPERATIVE ORAL HYDRATION AFTER CAESAREAN SECTION



"Immediate postoperative oral rehydration had no harmful effect upon peristalsis post-caesarean section."

Guedj P, Eldor J, Stark M Asia Oceania J Obstet Gynaecol. 1991 Jun; 17(2): 125-9.





## STUDY ON MODIFICATION OF THE MISGAV LADACH METHOD FOR CESAREAN SECTION



	Misgav Ladach	Traditional	Significance
No. of cases	57	56	
Average delivery time (min)	3.6	5.7	P < 0.05
Median operating time (min)	27.5	28.3	P < 0.05
Average blood loss (ml)	128 ± 35	212 ± 147	P < 0.05

Li, M, Zou L, Zhu J. J Tongji Med Univ 2001; 21 (1): 75-77

## POST-OPERATIVE COURSE, COMPLICATIONS AND ANTIBIOTICS GIVEN, BY CESAREAN SECTION METHOD



	Stark Traditional		Significance	
	n	n	X <sup>2</sup>	р
Post-operative course				
Normal / complicated	133/36	132/38	0.055	0.815
Complications				
Wound infection and / or Febrile illness	27	29	0.072	0.788
Wound infection only	5	13	3.148	0.076
Febrile illness only	1	6	-	0.121*
Wound infection and Febrile illness	21	10	4.318	0.311
Antibiotics				
Given intra-operatively	10	24	6.418	0.011
Given post-operatively	5	8	0.702	0.402
Antibiotics given intra				
and/or post-operatively*	14	29	5.901	0.015

<sup>\*</sup> Fisher`s exact test (2-sided)

Björklund K, et al. British Journal Obst Gyn 2000; 107 (2): 209-216

**<sup>†</sup>** One patient in the ML group and three in the LMI group were treated both intra and post-operatively with antibiotics.

# POST-OPERATIVE MOBILIZATION AND DISCHARGE OF PATIENTS WITH OR WITHOUT POSTOPERATIVE COMPLICATIONS, BY CESAREAN SECTION METHOD

Post-operative course	Stark Mean (SD)	Traditional Mean (SD)	Mean difference	95% CI
Uncomplicated Mobilization (h) Discharge (days)	26.1 (6.6)	42.8 (10.5)	-16.7	-18.4; -14.6
	5.7 (0.9)	6.6 (0.9)	-0.9	-1.1; -0.7
Complicated Mobilization (h) Discharge (days)	33.5 (14.1)	47.0 (14.2)	-13.5	-20.0; -6.9
	8.3 (2.0)	8.7 (1.9)	-0.4	-1.3; -0.54

Björklund K, et al. British Journal Obst Gyn 2000; 107 (2): 209-216



	Stark C/S (n = 100)	Traditional C/S (n = 100)	р
Duration of operation (min)	27.2 ± 5.7	50.7 ± 7.9	0.001
Estimated blood-loss (ml)	510.5 ± 338.1	479.5 ± 310.9	N.S.
Average hospital stay (days)	$5.2 \pm 0.6$	$7.3 \pm 1.0$	0.001
Febrile morbidity (%)	9	13	N.S.
Dosage of pain killers	0.52	1.17	
Dehiscence of wound (%)	2	1	N.S.
Infection at operation Site (%)	6	8	N.S.

Federici D, et al. Int J Gynaecol Obstet 1997; 57 (3): 273-279

## COMPARISON OF TWO CESAREAN TECHNIQUES: CLASSIC VS. MISGAV LADACH



	Misgav Ladach	Traditional	Significance
No. of cases	200	200	
Average delivery time (min)	5.26	6.20	P < 0.05
Median operating time (min)	36.36	54.38	P < 0.05
Direct operation cost (caculated in €)	75	92	P < 0.05

Moreira P, et al. J Gynecol Obstet Reprod (Paris) 2002; 31 (6): 572 – 576

## PROSPECTIVE, RANDOMIZED, COMPARATIVE STUDY OF MISGAV LADACH VS. TRADITIONAL CESAREAN SECTION



	Misgav Ladach	Traditional	Significance
No.	80	80	
Median operating time (min)	20.4 (SD 6.1)	30.4 (SD 6.1)	P < 0.001
No. of Pethidine Amp.	1.3 (SD 0.6)	1.9 (SD 0.7)	P < 0.001
No. of Tablets of Ibuprofen	15.1 (SD 2.0)	16.4 (SD 1.8)	P < 0.001
Visual analogue Scale Score	3.0 (SD 1.5)	4.9 (SD 2.0)	P < 0.01

Ansaloni L, et al. World J Surgery 2001; 25 (9): 1164-1172

### MODIFIED MISGAV LADACH METHOD FOR CESAREAN SECTION: CLINICAL EXPERIENCE



	Misgav Ladach	Traditional	Significance
No.	217	153	
Febrile morbidity (%)	2.30	4.57	P = 0.001
Wound infection (%)	0.92	1.96	P = 0.01
Operation time (min.)	26.24	39.41	P < 0.001
Anemia (%)	3.68	7.84	P = 0.001

Kulas T, Habek D, Karsa M, Bobic-Vukovic M, Gynecol Obstet Invest 2008; 14; 65 (4): 222-226

#### MODIFIED MISGAV-LADACH AT A TERTIARY HOSPITAL



The modified Misgav Ladach surgical technique was associated with better obstetric results than those of the traditional surgical technique.





























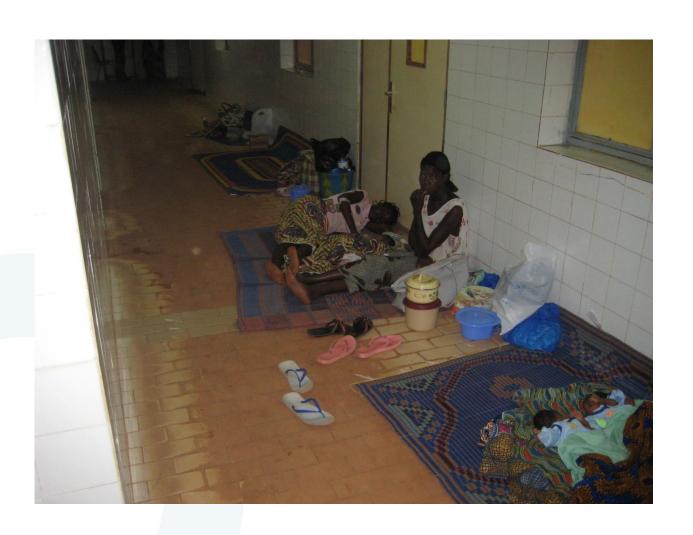


































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