# MALE INTERNAL GENITAL ORGANS



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#### I. INTRODUCTION

- Glandular organ
- Unique and central at the midline
- Beneath the bladder and above the urogenital diaphragm

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- Penetrated by the proximal part of the urethra
- Major role in fertilization and micturition
- Accessible through rectal examination



II	. DESCRIPTIVE ANATOMY	睅
A.	SITUATION	-
•	Located at the anterior part of the pelvic cavity	同時
•	Between:	-
	-Forwards: pubic symphysis	牌
	-Backwards: rectum	宇
	-Upwards: bladder	I
	-Downwards: superior fascia of	The second
	urogenital diaphragm	1
	-Laterally: sides of the funnel of	矃
	levator ani muscle	际
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#### B. <u>SHAPE</u>

- Shape of a chestnut
- Inverted rounded cone
- Upper larger base
- Lower blunt apex
- Long axis: oblique forwards and downwards

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- 4 faces: anterior, posterior and 2 inferolateral faces
- Firm consistency
- Regular surface
- Whitish grey coloured
- C. <u>DIMENSIONS</u>
- Normally broader than it is long like the caecum
- Width: 4 cm
- Heigth: 3 cm
- Thickness: 2 cm
- Weigth: 20 g





LATERAL VIEW OF THE PROSTATE SHOWING ITS DIMENSIONS

#### III. <u>SUPPORTS</u>

- Fixed
- Base:

-Fusion with the neck of the bladder

-Perforation by the urethra which traverses the whole length of the gland

Apex:

- -Cradled between the levator ani muscles
- Anterior surface:

   Connected to the bodies of the public bones by the public static ligaments
- Inferolateral surfaces:
   -Clasped by the levator prostatae parts of levator ani



- Posterior surface:
  - -Ejaculatory ducts and prostate's own ducts
- True capsule of the prostate
- Prostatic plexus of veins
- False capsule:
  - -Condensation of pelvic fascia -Continuous in front with puboprostatic ligaments -Rectovesical fascia of Denonvilliers backwards -Sacrorectogenitopubic fascia laterally -Superior fascia of urogenital diaphragm downwards -A thin spetum separating the base of the prostate from the base of the bladder



#### IV. <u>STRUCTURE</u>

- 1. True capsule:
- Thick layer of connective tissue at the periphery of the gland
- 2. Fibromuscular stroma:
- Mixture of connective tissue and smooth muscle
- Disposed into strands separating the glandular acini
- 3. <u>Glandular lobes:</u>
- 5 schematic lobes: anterior, middle, posterior and 2 lateral
- Usually no clear distinction between them
- Anterior: in front of the urethra, small, stroma tissue
- Middle: between the ejaculatory ducts and the proximal urethra, important
- Posterior and lateral lobes: right and left lobes



#### 4. Prostatic utricle:

- Embryonic remnant about 0.5 cm long resulting from union of the caudal ends of the paramesonephric Mullerian ducts
- Homologue of the uterus
- 5. Ejaculatory ducts:
- Alongside the prostatic utricle
- 6. Prostatic ducts:
- Open on the urethral crest and in the sulcus on each side

7. Prostatic urethra



FIGURE SHOWING THE INTERNAL STRUCTURE OF THE PROSTATE (FROM KAMINA)

#### V. <u>ZONAL ANATOMY OF MAC</u> <u>NEAL</u>

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- Histological
- Verumontanum-based description
- 1. Anterior zone:
- Fibromuscular stroma
- 2. <u>Peripheral zone:</u>
- 70% of the weight
- Circles the prostatic urethra under the level of the verumontanum
- Extends backwards and upwards
- 3. <u>Central zone:</u>
- 25% of the weight
- Behind the prostatic urethra at the level of the verumontanum
- Circles the ejaculatory ducts
- Seminal vesicle like histology



#### FIGURE SHOWING THE ZONAL ANATOMY OF MAC NEAL OF THE PROSTATE

- 4. Transition zone:
- 2 lobes circling the prostatic urethra at the level of verumontanum

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• Extends laterally and upwards under the neck of bladder



FIGURE SHOWING THE ZONAL ANATOMY OF MAC NEAL OF THE PROSTATE (FROM KAMINA)

#### VI. <u>BLOOD SUPPLY; LYMPH</u> DRAIANGE AND NERVE SUPPLY

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## A. <u>ARTERIES</u>

- 1. Inferior vesical artery:
- Main supply
- Branch of the internal iliac artery
- Prostatic branch



# 2. Internal pudendal and middle rectal arteries:

- Small branches
- Lower part
- Sometimes the middle rectal provides the major supply



- B. <u>VEINS</u>
- Plexus between the true and • false capsules
- Joins the vesicoprostatic plexus situated at the front and sides of the groove between bladder and prostate
- Drains backwards into the ٠ internal iliac veins



Prostatic

plexus

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#### D. <u>NERVES</u>

- Parasympathetic:
   -Pelvic splanchnic nerves
   -Acini
- Sympathetic:
  - -Inferior hypogastric plexus -Muscle fibres of the stroma -Ejaculation





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SEMINAL VESICLE

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

- Paired exocrine gland
- Connected to the spermatic tract

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- Thin-walled elongated sac
- Applied to the base of the bladder above the prostate
  Braduce about 60% of the cominal
- Produce about 60% of the seminal fluid
- Spermatozoa container



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#### A. <u>SITUATION</u>

- Applied to the base of the bladder above the prostate
- Each lies lateral to the ampulla of the ductus deferens of its own side
- Behind the retrovesical portion of the pelvic ureter
- In front of the rectum



#### B. <u>SHAPE</u>

Lobulated, blind-ending tube much folded on itself

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3 parts: •

-Tip

- -Body
- -Neck: the duct of the seminal vesicle joins the lower end of the ampulla of the ductus behind the prostate to form the ejaculatory duct
- C. DIMENSIONS
- Length: 5 cm
- Width: 1.5 cm
- Thickness: 0.5 cm ٠



SEMINAL VESICLES (FROM KAMINA)

#### III. STRUCTURE

 Muscle: thin, inner circular layer and outer longitudinal 日

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• **Mucosa:** very folded, glandular appearance, columnar pseudostratified epithelium

- IV. ANATOMICAL RELATIONS
- Front: retrotrigonal fossa of bladder

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- Back: rectovesical fascia ٠ downwards and peritoneum of rectovesical pouch upwards towards the tip
- Medially: ampulla of ductus • deferens
- Laterally: vesicoprostatic plexus and pelvic fascia
- Top: retrovesical portion of ٠ pelvic ureter
- Bottom: prostate ۲



ANATOMICAL RELATIONS OF THE SEMINAL VESICLE

#### V. <u>BLOOD SUPPLY; LYMPH</u> DRAINAGE AND NERVE SUPPLY

# A. <u>ARTERIES</u>

- Branches from the inferior vesical and middle rectal arteries
- B. <u>VEINS</u>
- Vesicoprostatic plexus to internal iliac vein
- C. LYMPH DRAINAGE
- Nearest iliac nodes
- D. <u>NERVES</u>
- Inferior hypogastric plexus



BULBOURETHRAL GLANDS OF COWPER

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Paired rounded exocrine glands

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- Lie one on each side of the membranous urethra in the deep perineal pouch above or deep to the perineal membrane, on a level between the prostate and the bulb of the penis covered by the urethral sphincter
- Contribute a small amount to seminal fluid



II. DESCRIPTIVE ANATOMY
Diameter: 1 cm
Single duct:

-2.5 cm long
-Runs parallel to the urethra and pierces the perineal membrane posterolateral to the urethra
-Open into the bulb of the penile urethra



BULBOURETHRAL GLANDS OF COWPER (FROM KAMINA)

urethra 

#### III. CONCLUSION

 Major role in ejaculation copulation and thus fertilization 1224

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- Sperm production
- Spermatozoa storage
- Pelvic fixed organs
- Variable dimensions and relations

