

Pelvis plastination specimens by Kees Maas

A series of photographs of pelvis plastination specimens created for training courses for gynaecologists and dissected by:

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These specimens and photographs are now also being used for anatomy labs for medical students.

This presentation is dedicated to the memory of doctor Kees Maas, who was strongly committed to the improvement of nerve sparing oncological surgery in the pelvis.

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19 Jan. 2023 Corrected positioning label 'U' on plates 7 and 8

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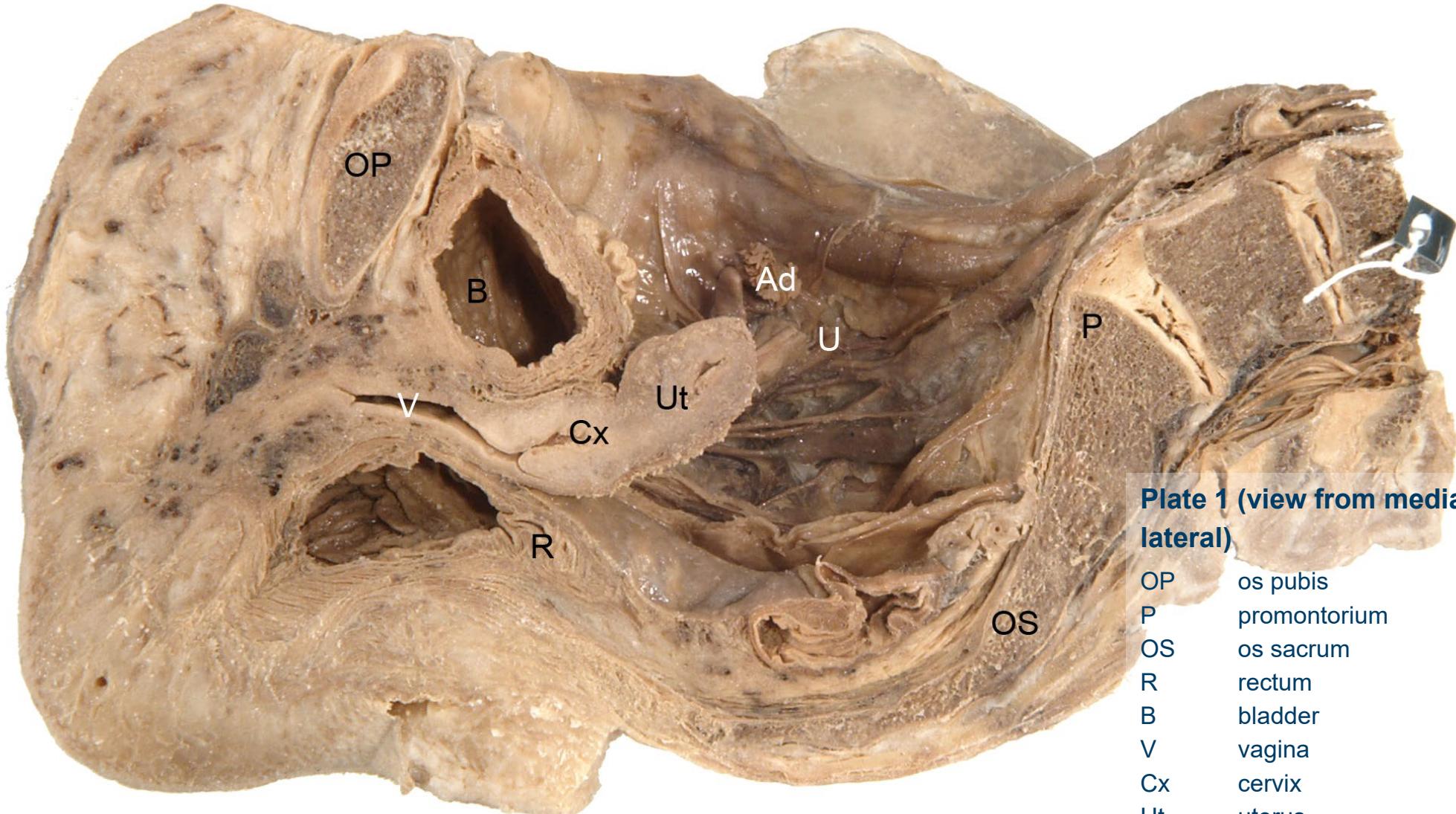
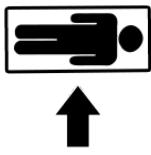


Plate 1 (view from medial to lateral)

OP	os pubis
P	promontorium
OS	os sacrum
R	rectum
B	bladder
V	vagina
Cx	cervix
Ut	uterus
U	ureter
Ad	adnex



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Plate 2 (detail of 1)

1. nervus hypogastricus
2. plexus hypogastricus inferior/
(plexus pelvicus)
3. lig. rectouterinum (sacrouterina)
4. arteria iliaca interna
5. arteria iliaca externa



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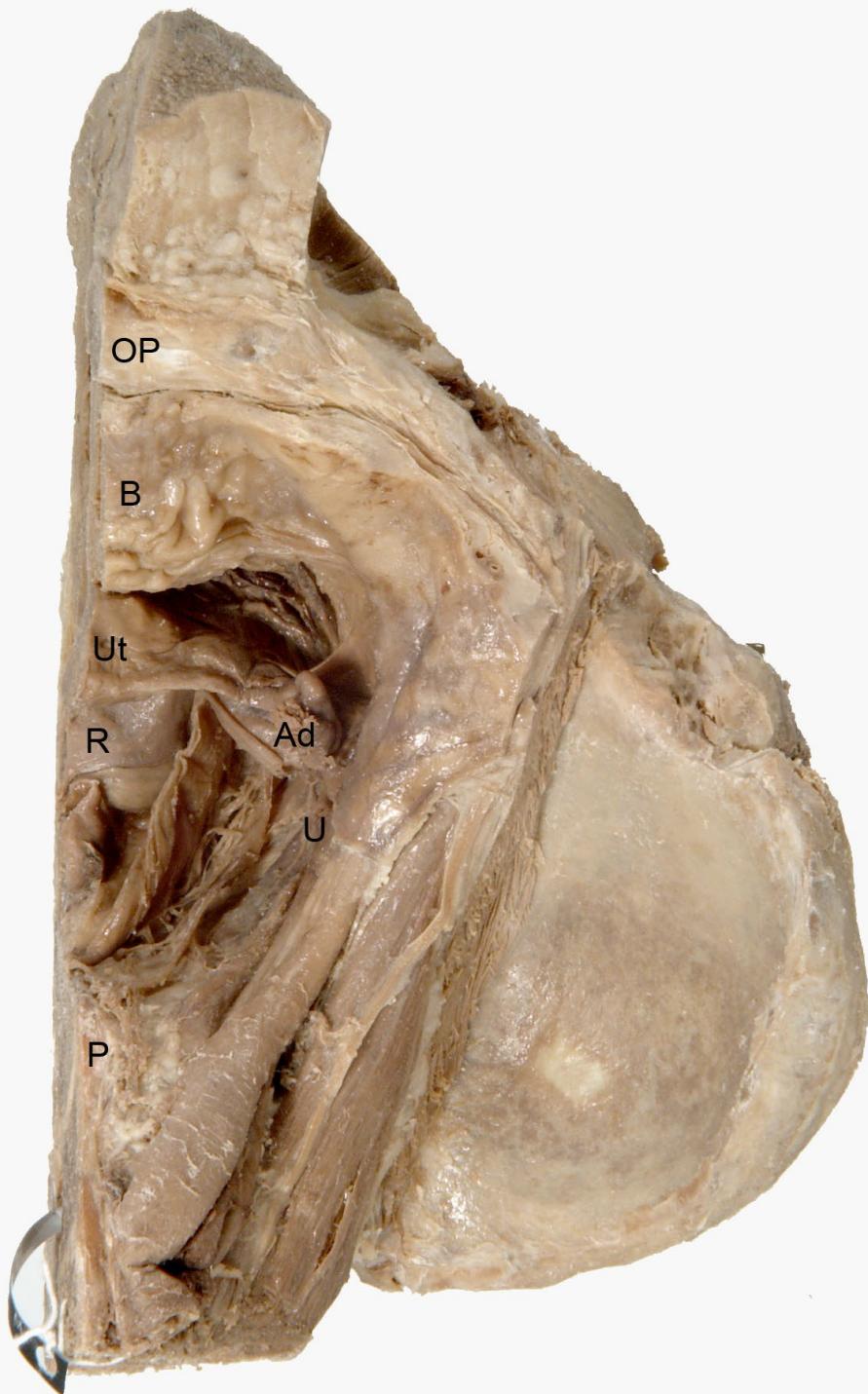


Plate 3 (view from superior)

OP	os pubis
P	promontorium
R	rectum
B	bladder
Ut	uterus
U	ureter
Ad	adnex



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Plate 4 (detail of 3)

U ureter

1. nervus hypogastricus
2. plexus hypogastricus inferior/ (plexus pelvicus)
3. lig. rectouterinum (sacrouterina)
4. arteria iliaca interna
5. arteria iliaca externa
6. arteria and vena uterina



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Plate 5 (detail of 3)

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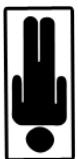
1. nervus hypogastricus
2. plexus hypogastricus inferior/ (plexus pelvis)
3. lig. rectouterinum (sacrouterina)
4. arteria iliaca interna
5. arteria iliaca externa
6. arteria and vena uterina
7. plexus pelvis, pars vesico-uretralis



Plate 6 (view from superior)

OP	os pubis
P	promontorium
OS	os sacrum
R	rectum
B	bladder
V	vagina
Cx	cervix
Ut	uterus
U	ureter
Ad	adnex

1. musculus psoas major
2. nervus femoralis
3. lig. inguinale
4. arteria femoralis



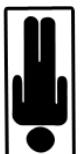
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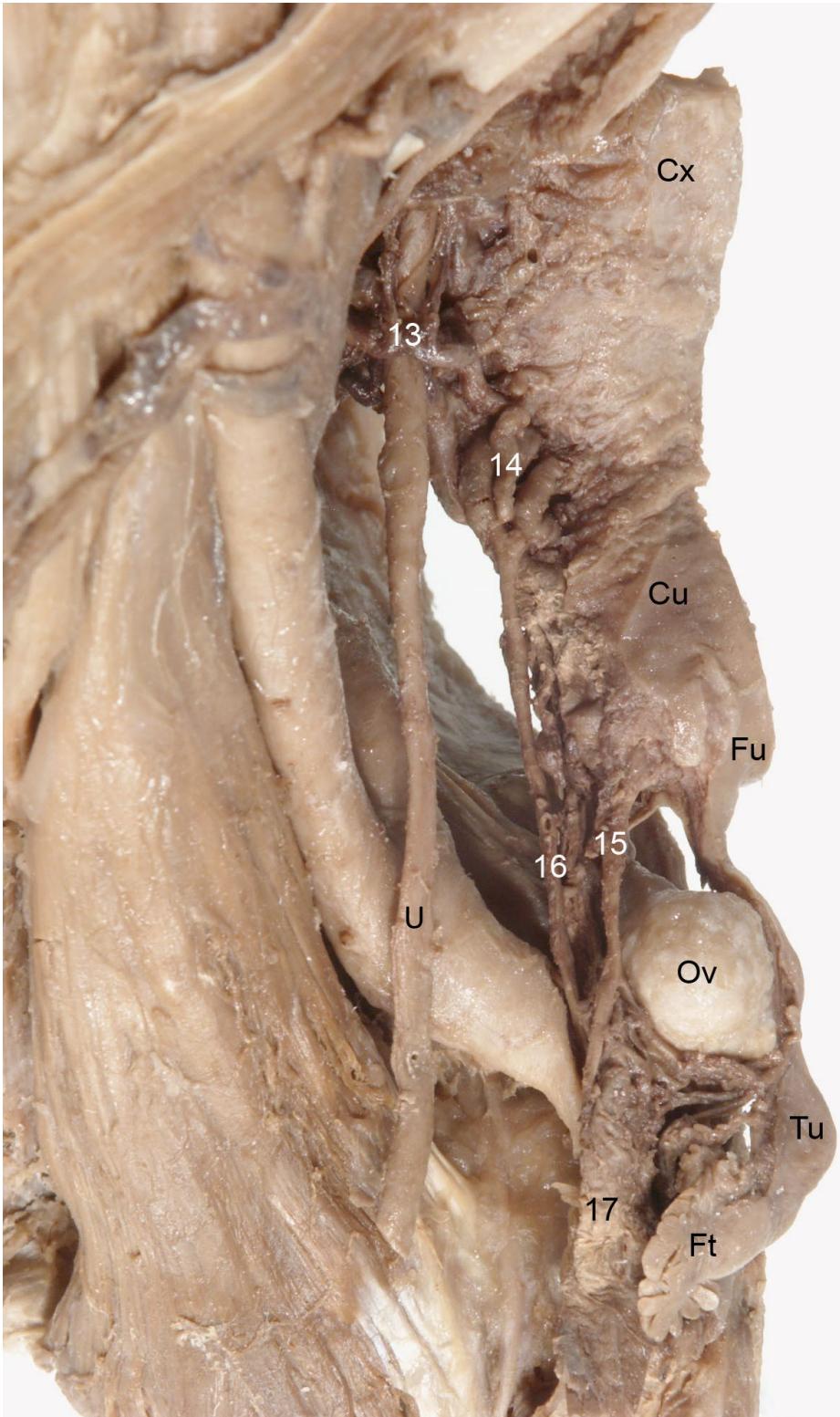


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Plate 7 (detail of 6)

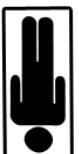
- U ureter
- 5. arteria iliaca communis
- 6. arteria iliaca interna
- 7. arteria iliaca externa
- 8. a./v. circumflexa ilium profunda
- 9. arteria epigastrica inferior
- 10. arteria umbilicalis
- 11. arteria obturatoria
- 12. arteria vesicalis superior (not labelled)
- 13. arteria uterina



**Plate 8 (detail of 7)**

Cx	cervix
Cu	corpus uteri
Fu	fundus uteri
Ov	ovarium
Tu	tuba uterina
Ft	fimbriae tuba uterina
U	ureter

13. arteria uterina
14. course of arteria uterina along cervix and corpus uteri
15. arteria uterina, r. ovaricus
16. arteria uterina, r. tubarius
17. arteria ovarica/ lig. suspensorium (lig. infundibulopelvicum)



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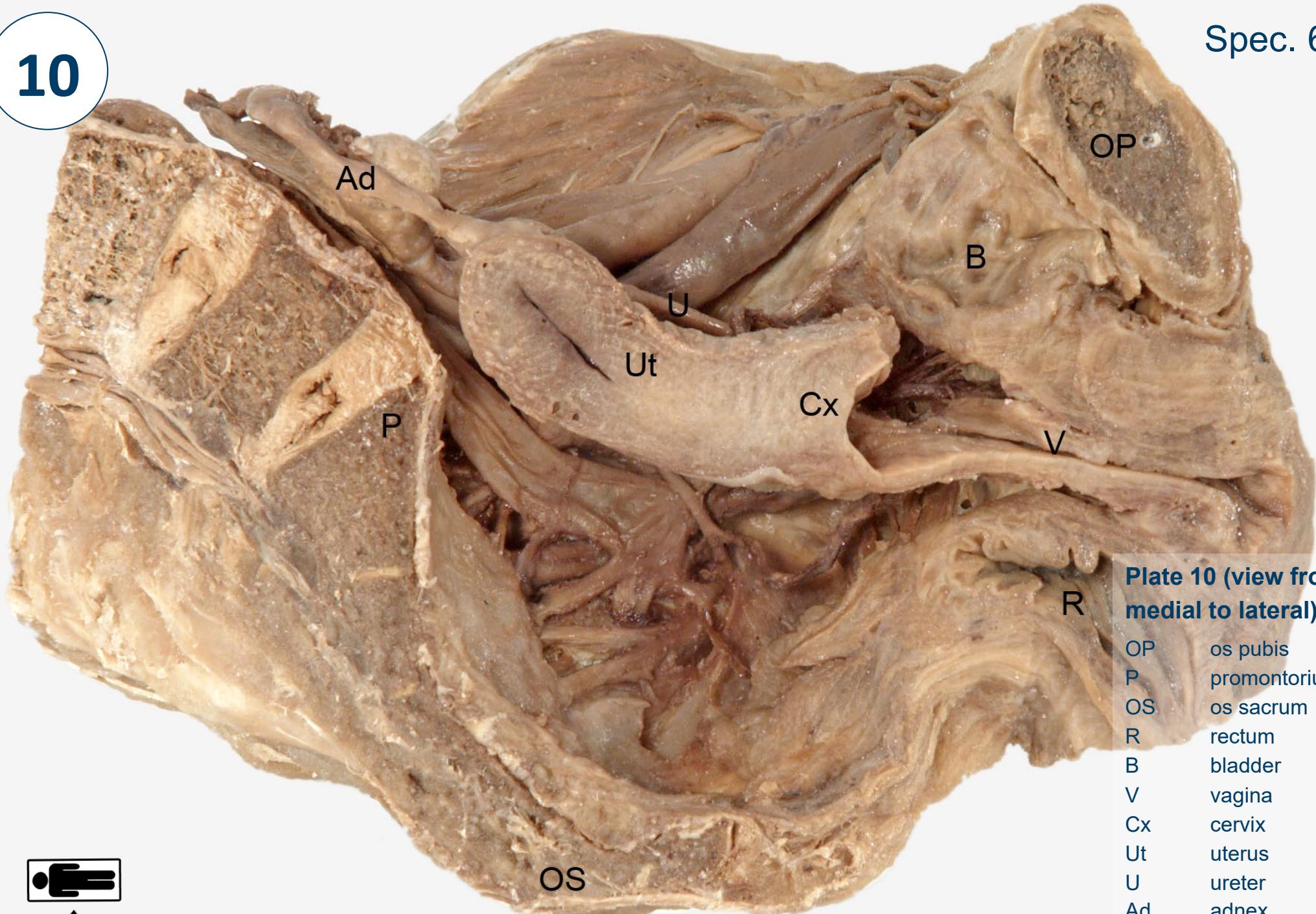
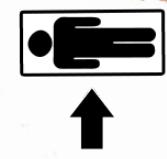


Plate 10 (view from medial to lateral)

OP	os pubis
P	promontorium
OS	os sacrum
R	rectum
B	bladder
V	vagina
Cx	cervix
Ut	uterus
U	ureter
Ad	adnex



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Plate 11 (detail of 10)

- 18. arteria pudenda interna
- 19. arteria vaginalis
- 20. arteria rectalis (inferior or media)
- 21. vena iliaca interna
- 22. plexus sacralis

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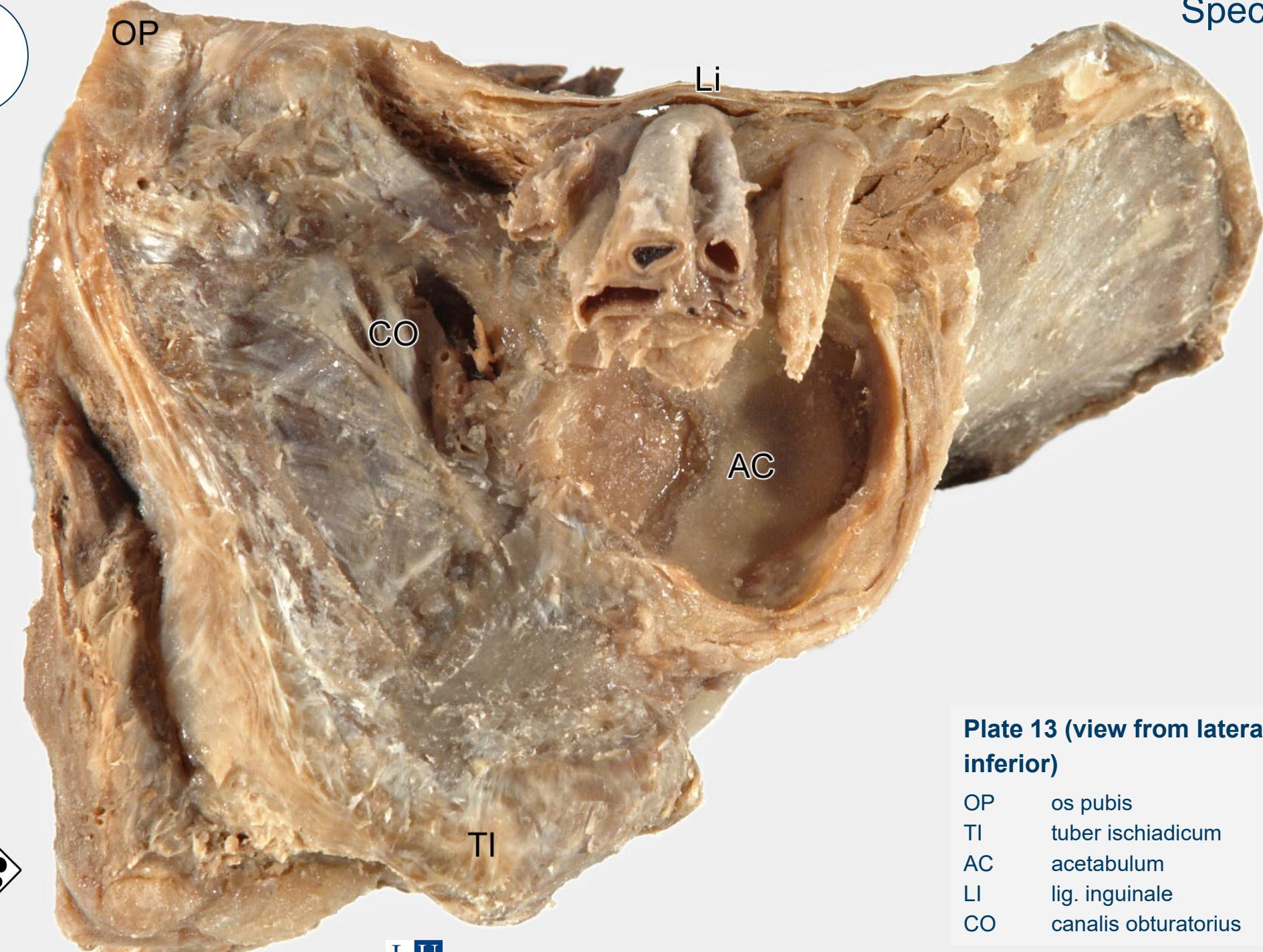


Plate 13 (view from lateral inferior)

OP	os pubis
TI	tuber ischiadicum
AC	acetabulum
LI	lig. inguinale
CO	canalis obturatorius

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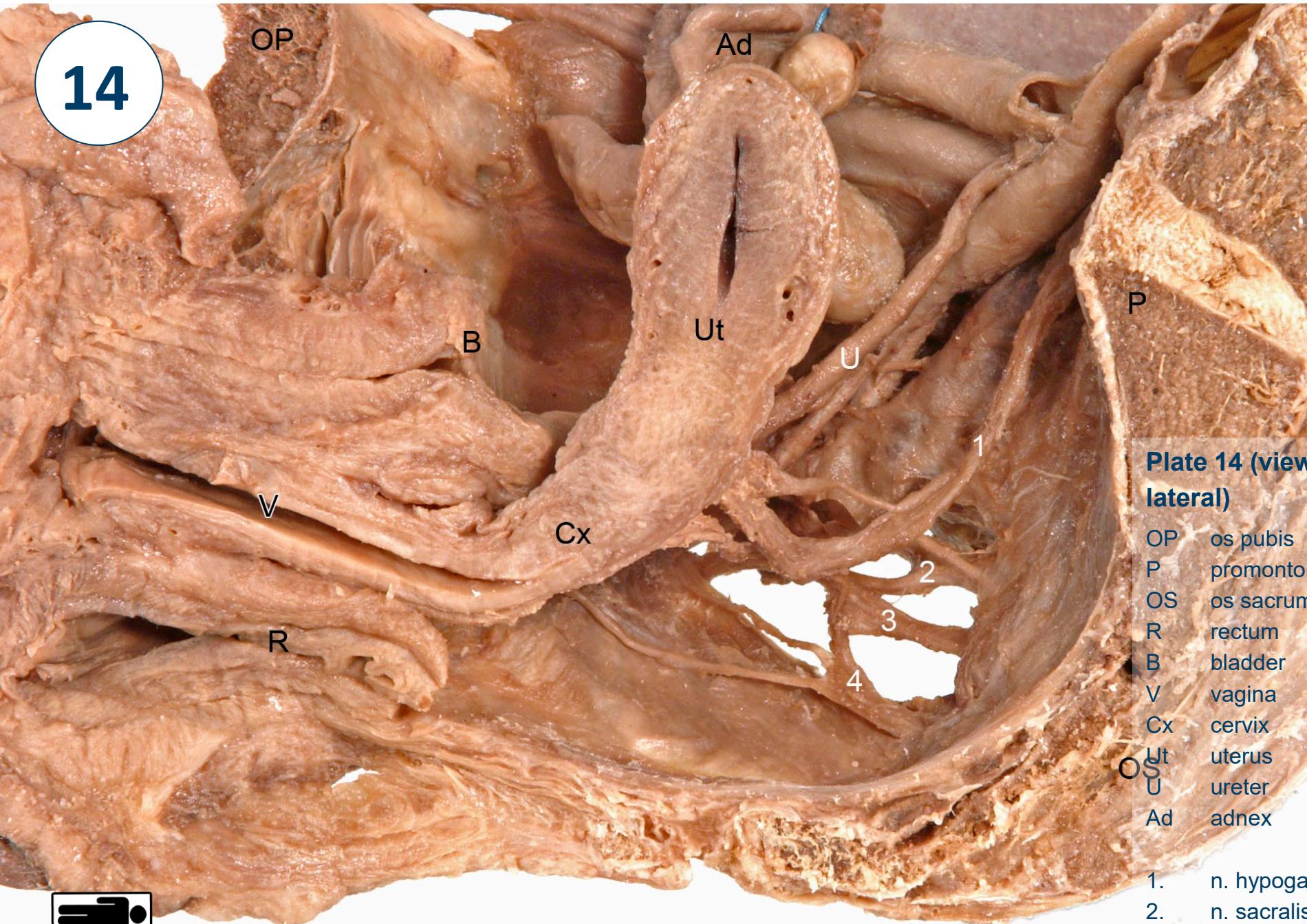
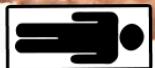


Plate 14 (view from medial to lateral)

OP	os pubis
P	promontorium
OS	os sacrum
R	rectum
B	bladder
V	vagina
Cx	cervix
Ut	uterus
U	ureter
Ad	adnex

1. n. hypogastricus
2. n. sacralis ramus anterior S2
3. n. sacralis ramus anterior S3
4. n. sacralis ramus anterior S4



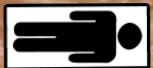
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Plate 15 (detail of 14)

1. n. hypogastricus
2. n. sacralis ramus anterior S2
3. n. sacralis ramus anterior S3
4. n. sacralis ramus anterior S4
5. pelvic splanchnic nerve
6. plexus hypogastricus inferior (pelvic plexus)
7. n. pudendus
8. n. levator ani



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Plate 16 (detail of 15, view slightly more from postero superior)

V	vagina
Cx	cervix
Ut	uterus
U	ureter
PHI	plexus hypogastricus inferior
aU	arteria uterina
aV	arteria vaginalis

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Plate 17 (view from posterior lateral)

OS os sacrum
AN anus
LM labium majorum

- 9. tuber ischiadicum
- 10. spina ischiadica
- 11. lig. sacrospinale
- 12. lig. sacrotuberale
- 13. m. levator ani



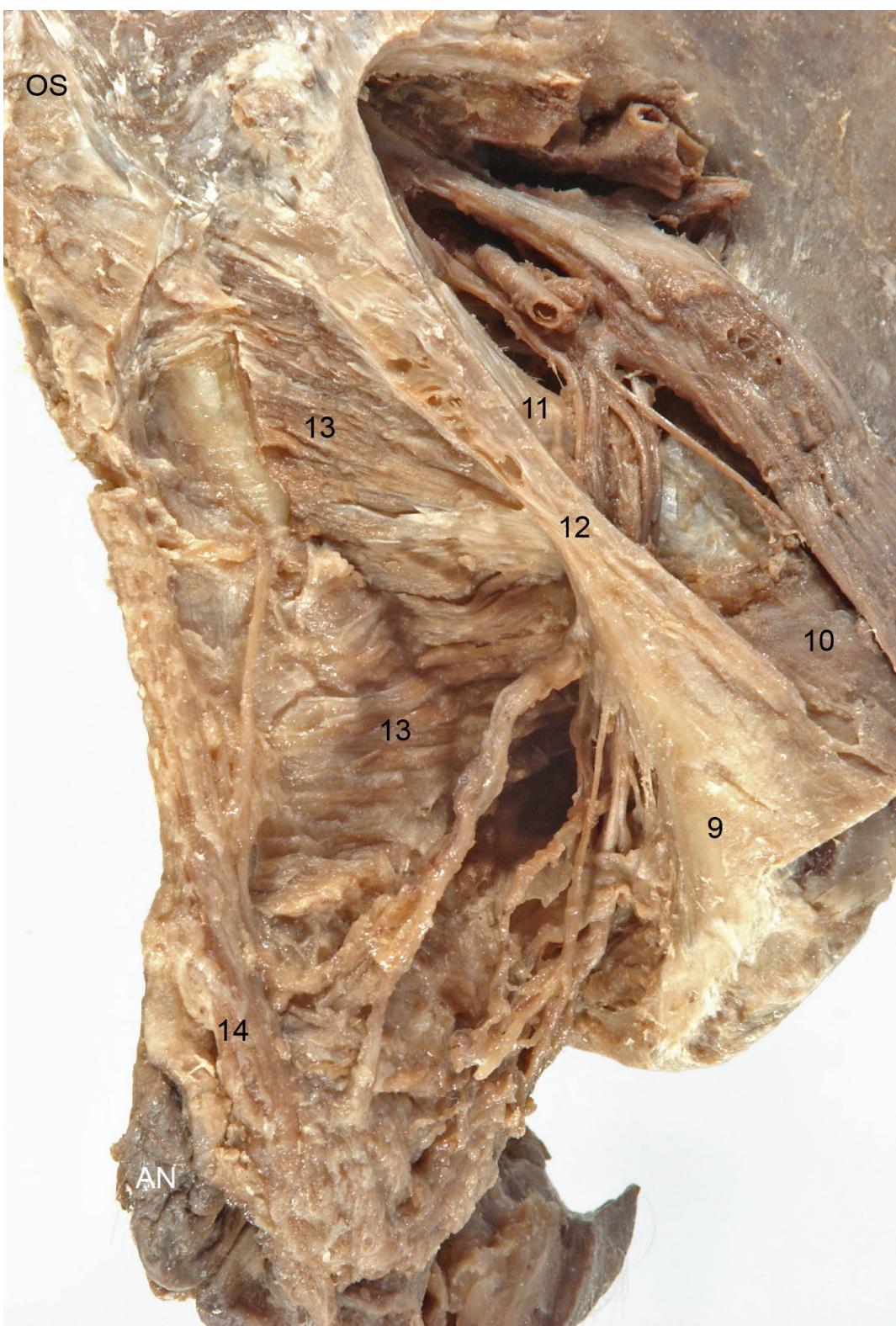
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Plate 18 (detail of 17)

OS os sacrum

AN anus

9. tuber ischiadicum

10. spina ischiadica

11. lig. sacrospinale

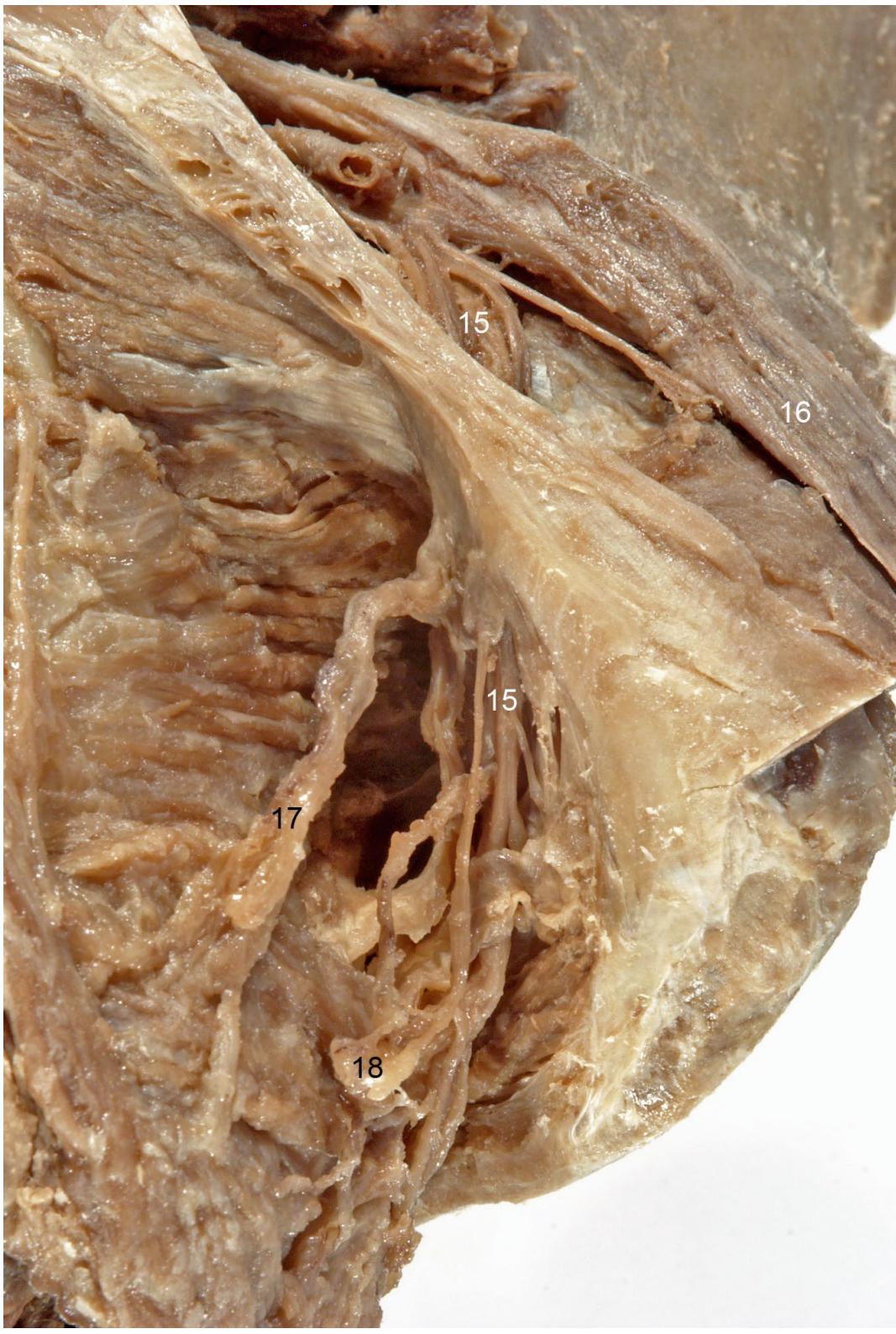
12. lig. sacrotuberale

13. m. levator ani

14. m. sphincter ani externus



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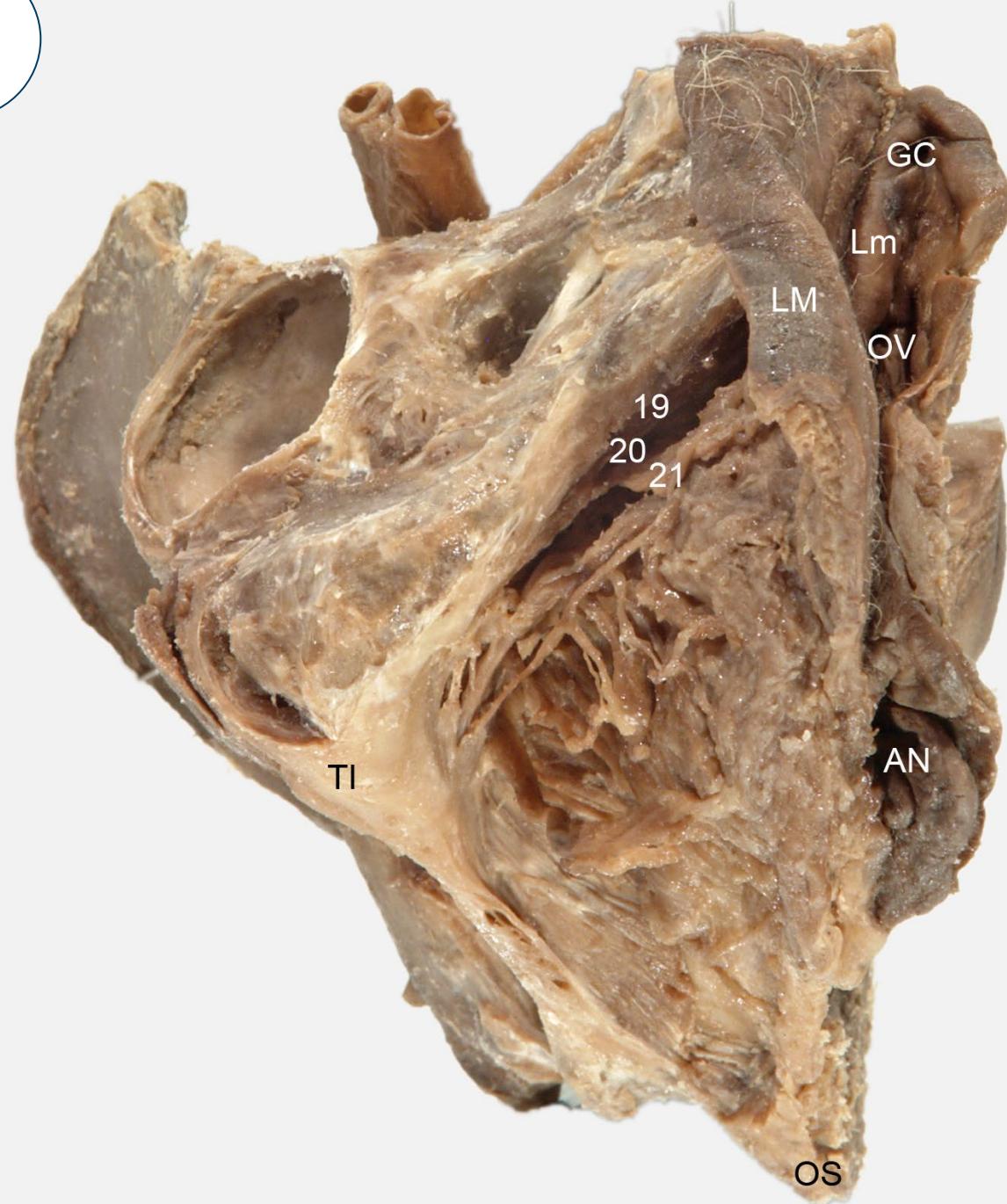
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Plate 19 (detail of 18)

15. n. pudendus
16. n. ischiadicus
17. nn. anales inferiores (rami anales inferiores)
18. nn. perineales (rami perineales)

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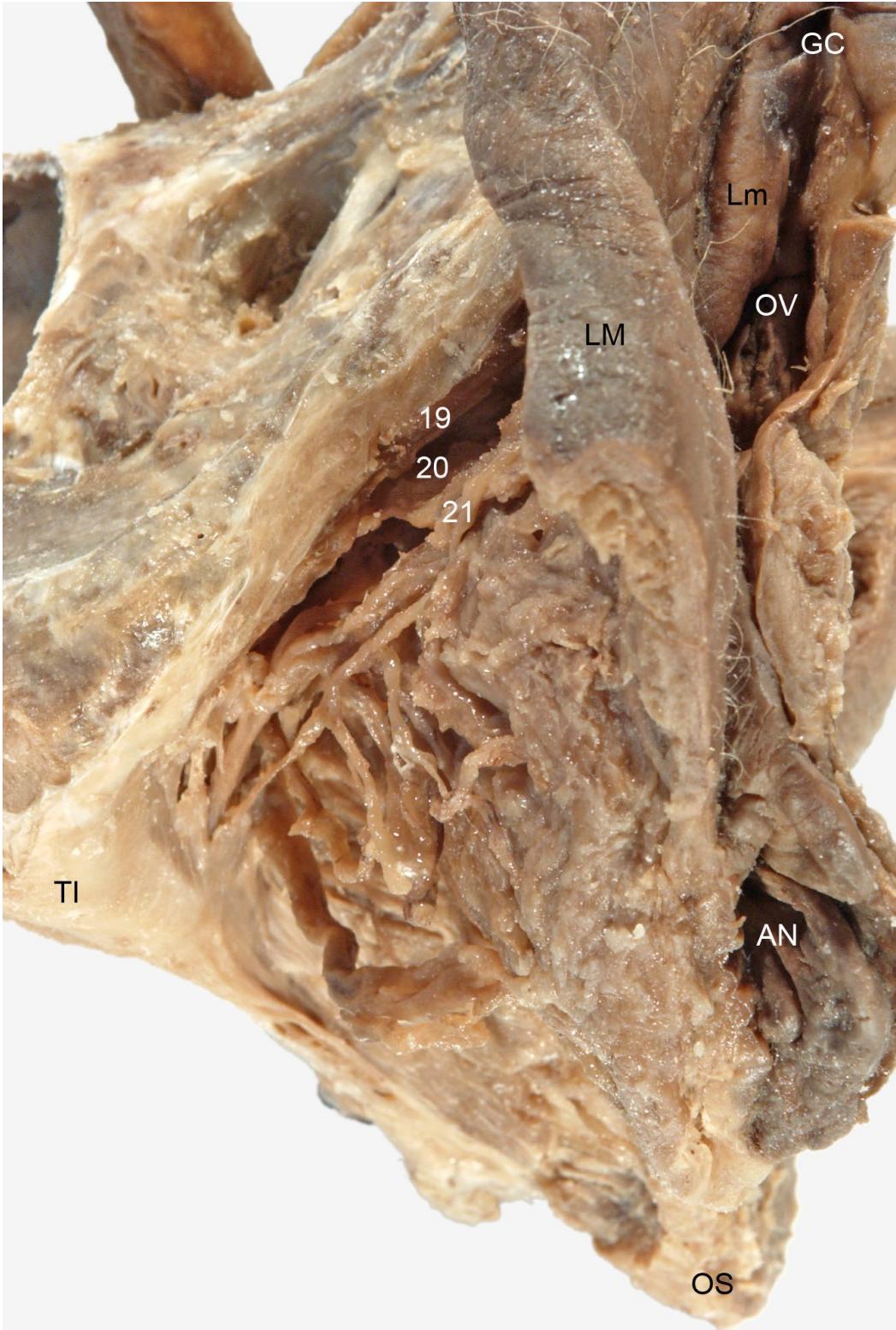


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Plate 20 (view from below, view on perineum)

OS	os sacrum
TI	tuber ischiadicum
AN	anus
LM	labium majorum
Lm	labium minorum
OV	ostium vaginae
GC	glans clitoris
19.	m. ischiocavernosus
20.	m. transversus perinei superficialis
21.	nn. labiales posteriores

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Plate 21 (detail of 20)

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| OS | os sacrum |
| TI | tuber ischiadicum |
| AN | anus |
| LM | labium majorum |
| Lm | labium minorum |
| OV | ostium vaginae |
| GC | glans clitoris |
| 19. | m. ischiocavernosus |
| 20. | m. transversus perinei superficialis |
| 21. | nn. labiales posteriores |

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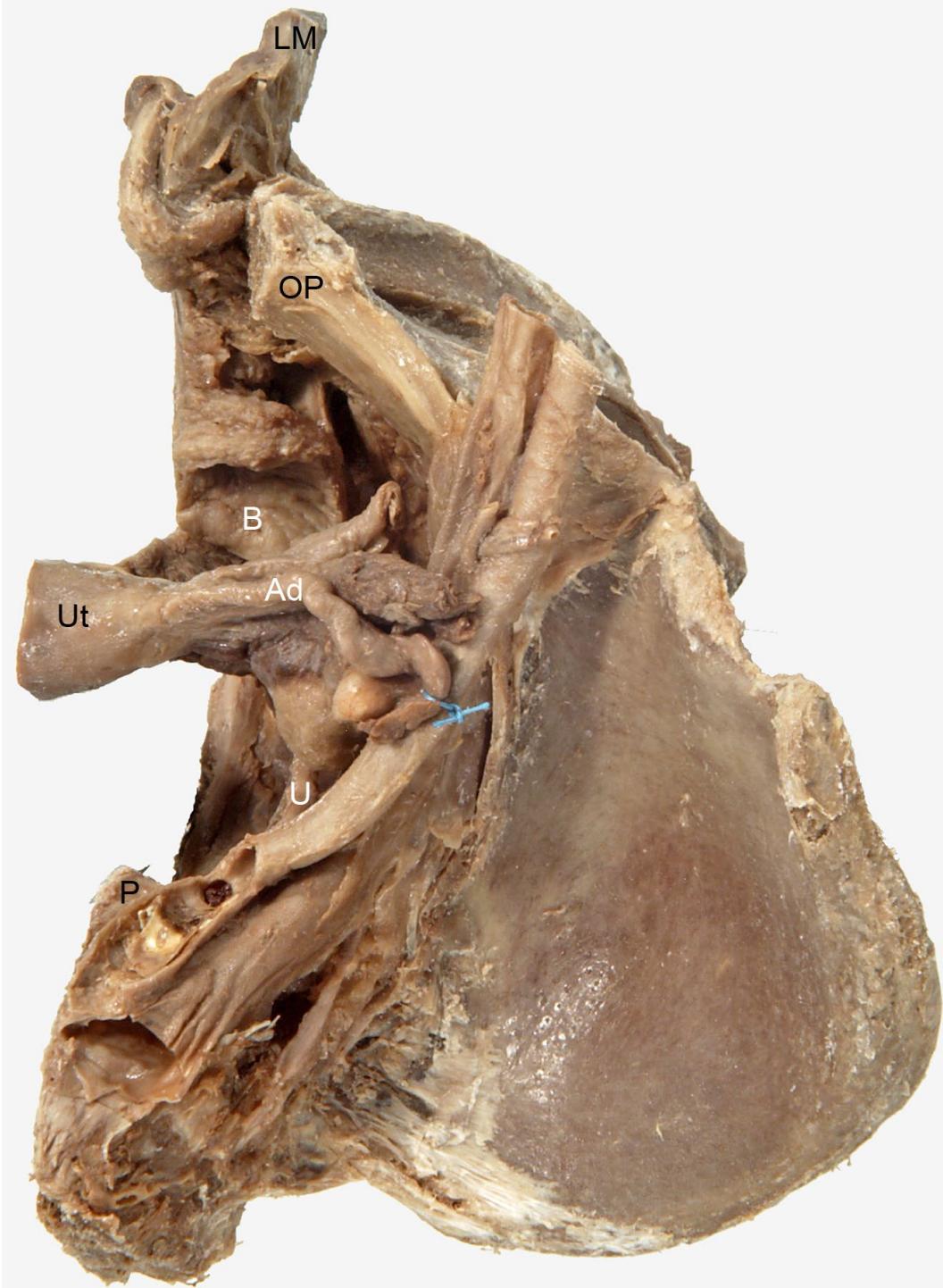


Plate 22 (viewing into pelvic cavity
from superior)

OP	os pubis
LM	labium majorum
B	bladder
Ut	uterus
U	ureter
Ad	adnex
P	promontorium

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Plate 23 (detail of 22)

- 22. lig. teres uteri (lig. rotundum)
- 23. lig. suspensorium ovarii
(lig. infundibulopelvicum)
- 24. tuba uterina
- 25. fimbriae tubae uterinae
- 26. ovarium



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Plate 24 (as 23, slightly more from posterior, focus on depth)

- 27. n. hypogastricus
- 28. n. levator ani



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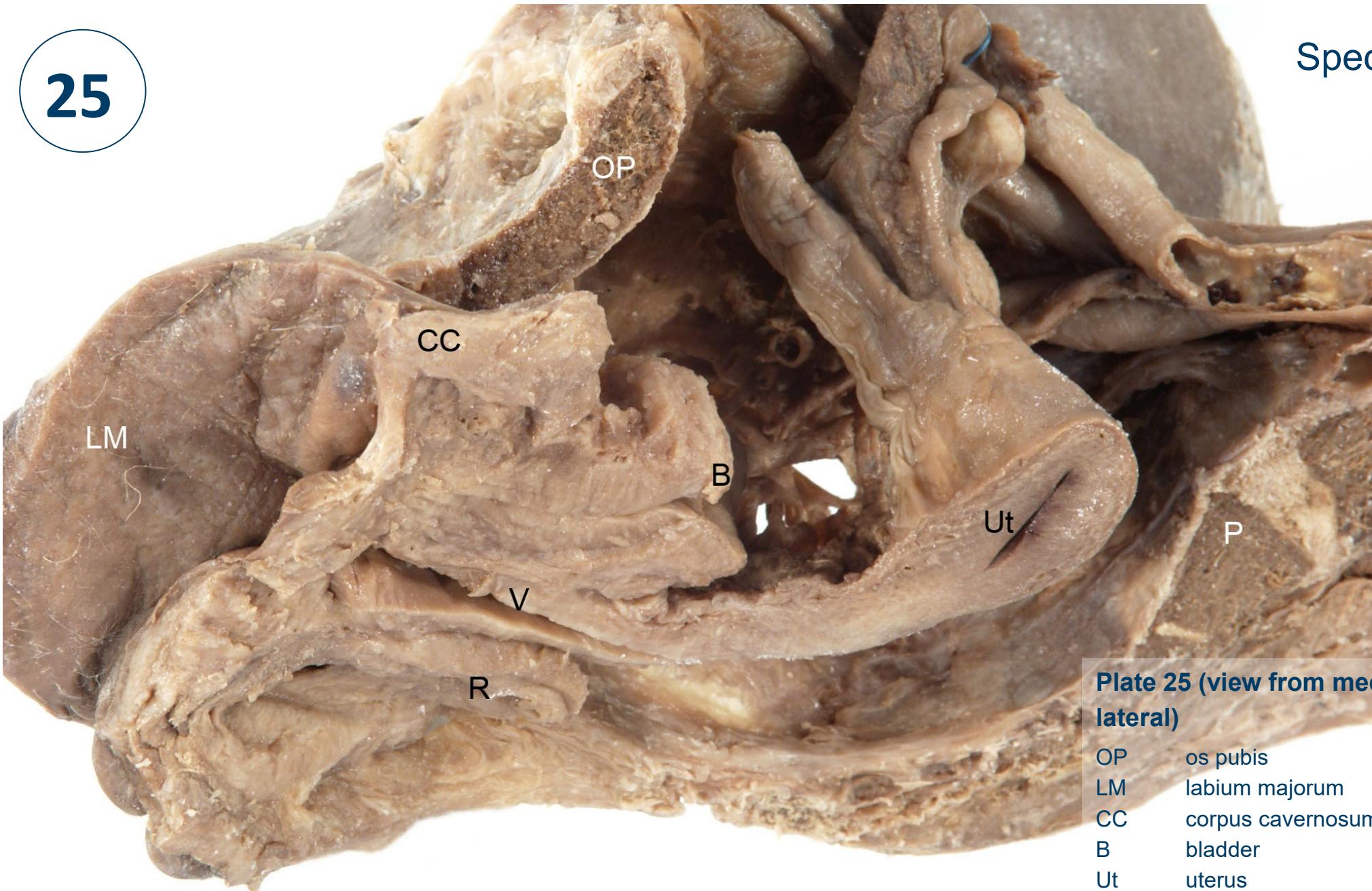


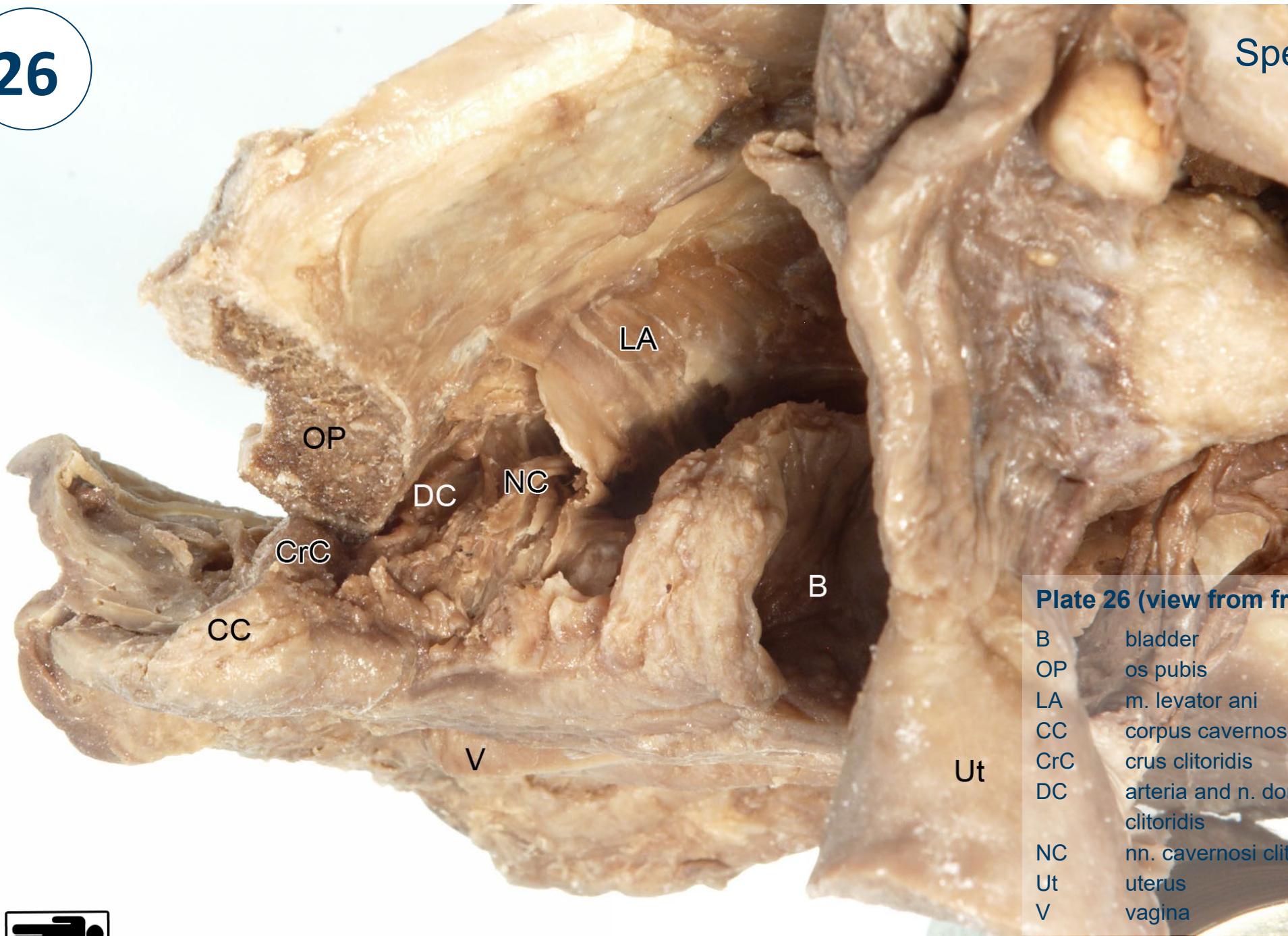
Plate 25 (view from medial to lateral)

OP	os pubis
LM	labium majorum
CC	corpus cavernosum clitoridis
B	bladder
Ut	uterus
V	vagina
R	rectum
P	promontorium



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**Plate 26 (view from front)**

B	bladder
OP	os pubis
LA	m. levator ani
CC	corpus cavernosum clitoridis
CrC	crus clitoridis
DC	arteria and n. dorsalis clitoridis
NC	nn. cavernosi clitoridis
Ut	uterus
V	vagina



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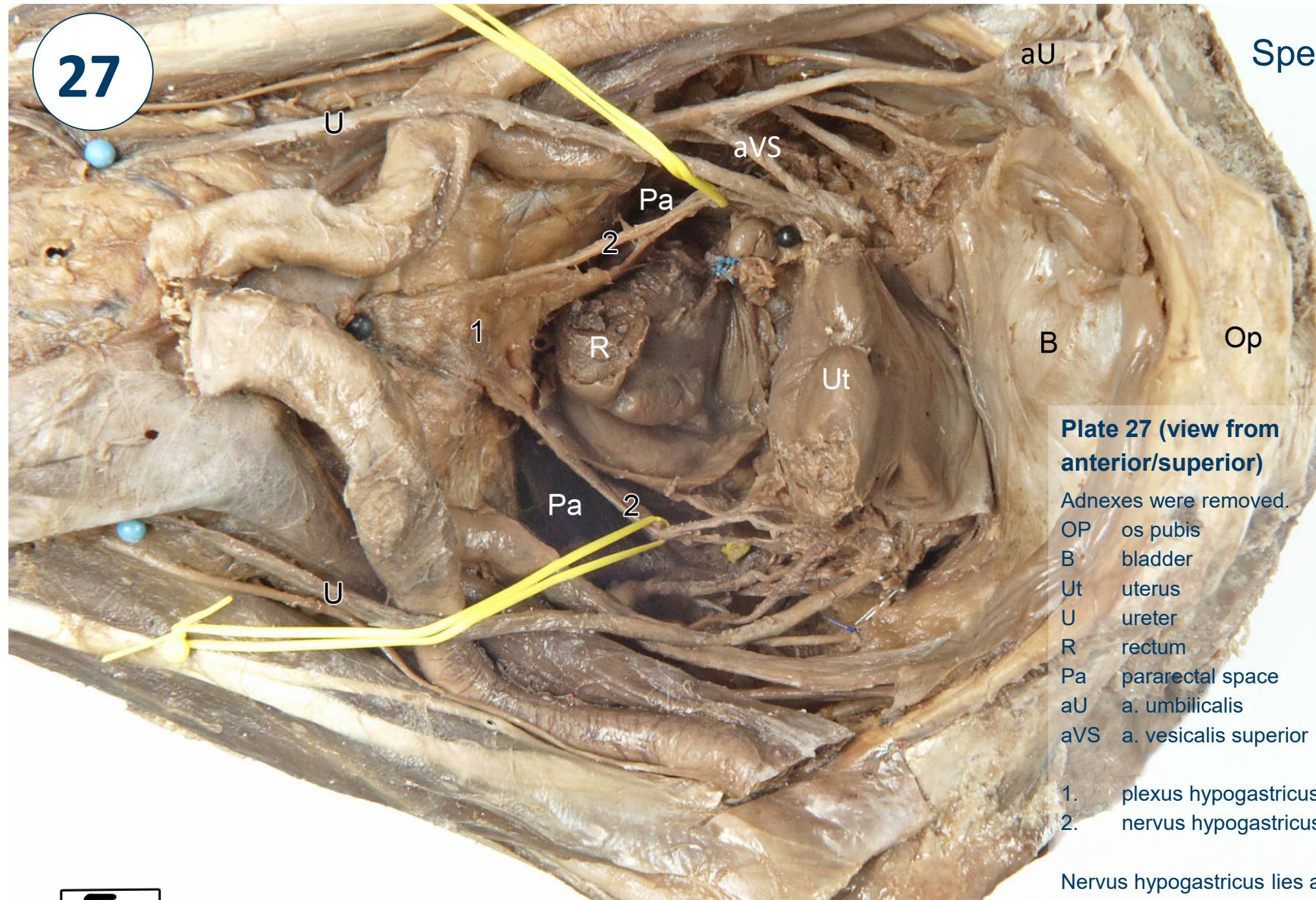


Plate 27 (view from anterior/superior)

Adnexes were removed.

OP os pubis

B bladder

Ut uterus

U ureter

R rectum

Pa pararectal space

aU a. umbilicalis

aVS a. vesicalis superior

1. plexus hypogastricus superior
2. nervus hypogastricus

Nervus hypogastricus lies against/ in lig. rectouterinum, laterally of it.



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Plate 28 (detail of 27)

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| B | bladder |
| Ut | uterus |
| U | ureter |
| R | rectum |
1. plexus hypogastricus superior
 2. nervus hypogastricus
 3. n. splanchnicus pelvis (at yellow mark)

Nervus hypogastricus lies against/in lig. rectouterinum, laterally of it.



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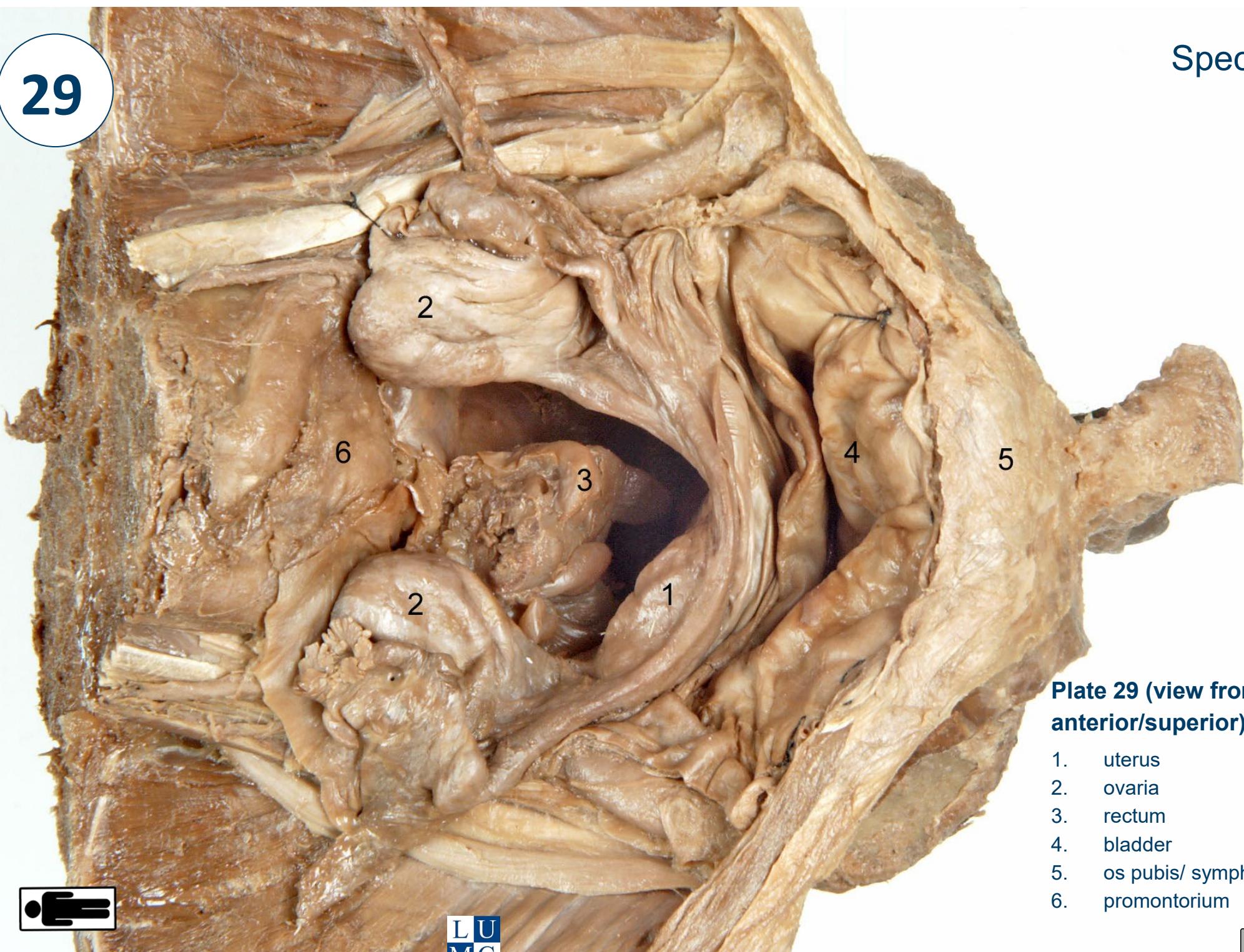


Plate 29 (view from anterior/superior)

1. uterus
2. ovaria
3. rectum
4. bladder
5. os pubis/ symphysis
6. promontorium



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Plate 30 (detail of 29)

1. uterus
2. ovary
3. rectum
4. bladder (not labelled on this photo)
5. os pubis/ symphysis
6. promontorium
7. lig. ovarii proprium
8. tuba uterinae
9. lig. suspensorium ovarii (lig. Infundibulopelvicum)
10. mesosalpinx
11. mesovarium
12. lig. latum. uteri (this part is also mesometrium)
13. lig. teres uteri (lig. rotundum)



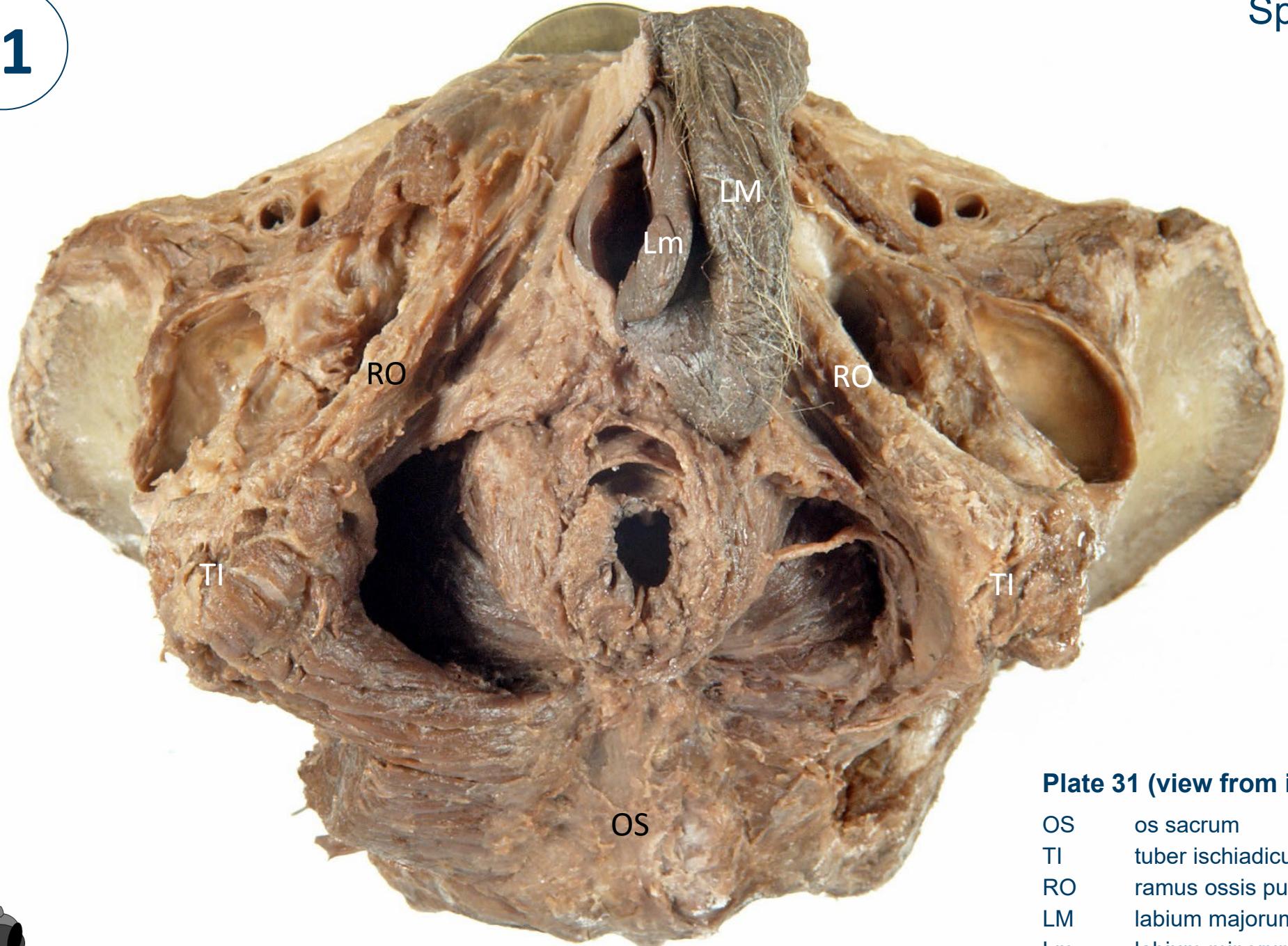


Plate 31 (view from inferior)

OS	os sacrum
TI	tuber ischiadicum
RO	ramus ossis pubis
LM	labium majorum
Lm	labium minorum



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Plate 32 (detail of 31)

1. membrana perinei / diafragma urogenitale,
m. transversus perinei profundus
2. m. gluteus major
3. m. sphincter ani externus, pars superficialis
4. m. sphincter ani externus, pars profundus
5. m. levator ani - m. pubococcygeus

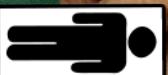
**Plate 33 (as 32, view more from posterior)**

- 3. m. sphincter ani externus, pars superficialis
- 4. m. sphincter ani externus, pars profundus
- 5. m. levator ani - m. pubococcygeus
- 6. lig. anococcygeum
- 7. m. levator ani - m. puborectalis
- 8. n. pudendus

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1. Ureter
2. Ostium ureteris in bladder



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1. Os pubis
2. M. obturatorius internus
3. Arcus tendineus of m. levator ani
4. M. levator ani
5. M. coccygeus
6. Posterior border of m. coccygeus, entrance of pudendal canal
7. Canalis obturatorius
8. N. obturatorius
9. A. obturatoria

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