

SCREENING, INVESTIGATION AND STAGING OF CA CERVIX

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INDICATIONS OF SCREENING

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Routine cervical cancer screening

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**Abnormal bleeding /
suspicious cervical lesion**

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Post treatment surveillance of CIN

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Before Inserting IUD

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Followup on women with HPV positivity

SCREENING

1. Cervical Cytology

2. HPV DNA testing

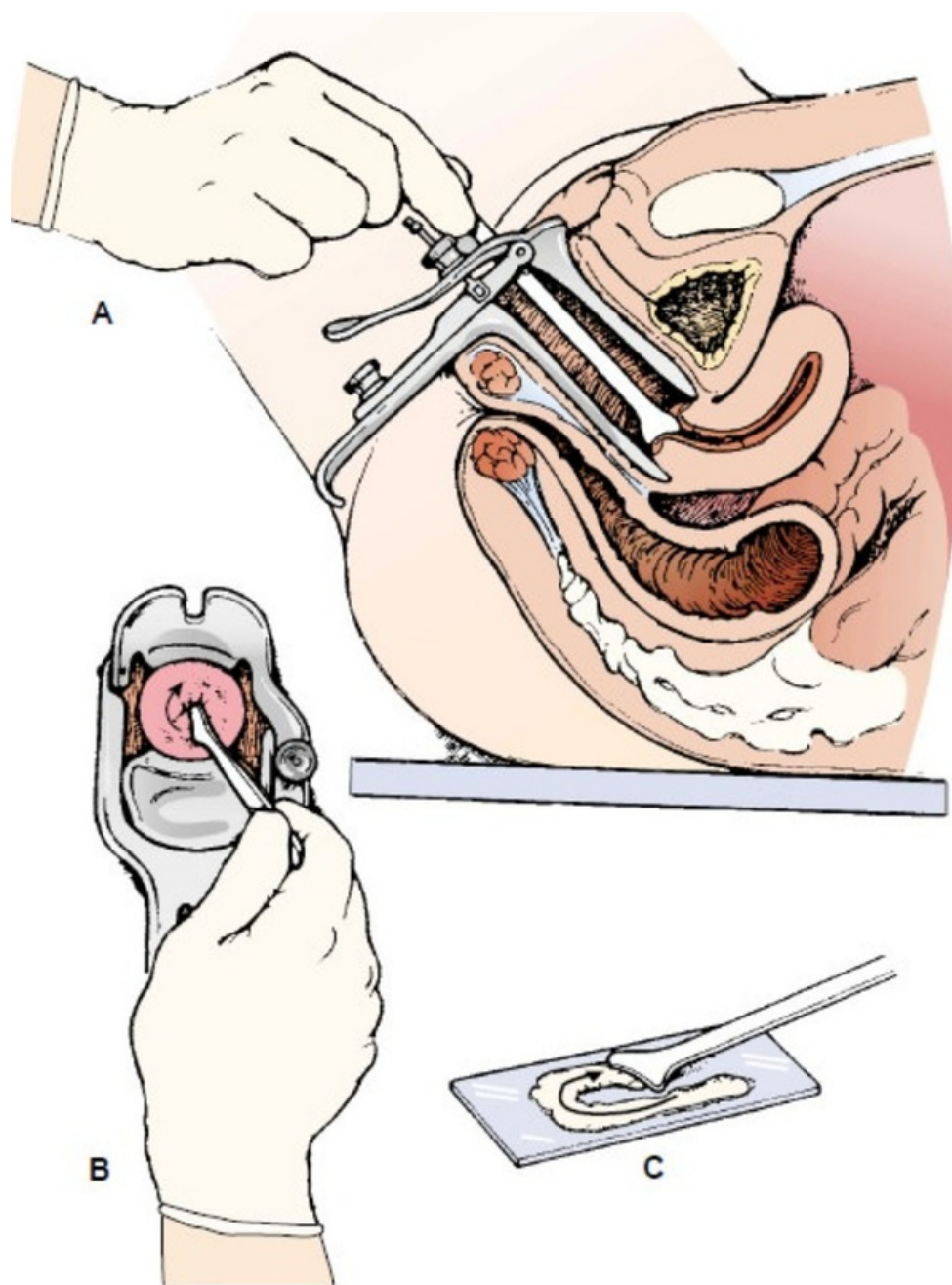
Co - testing

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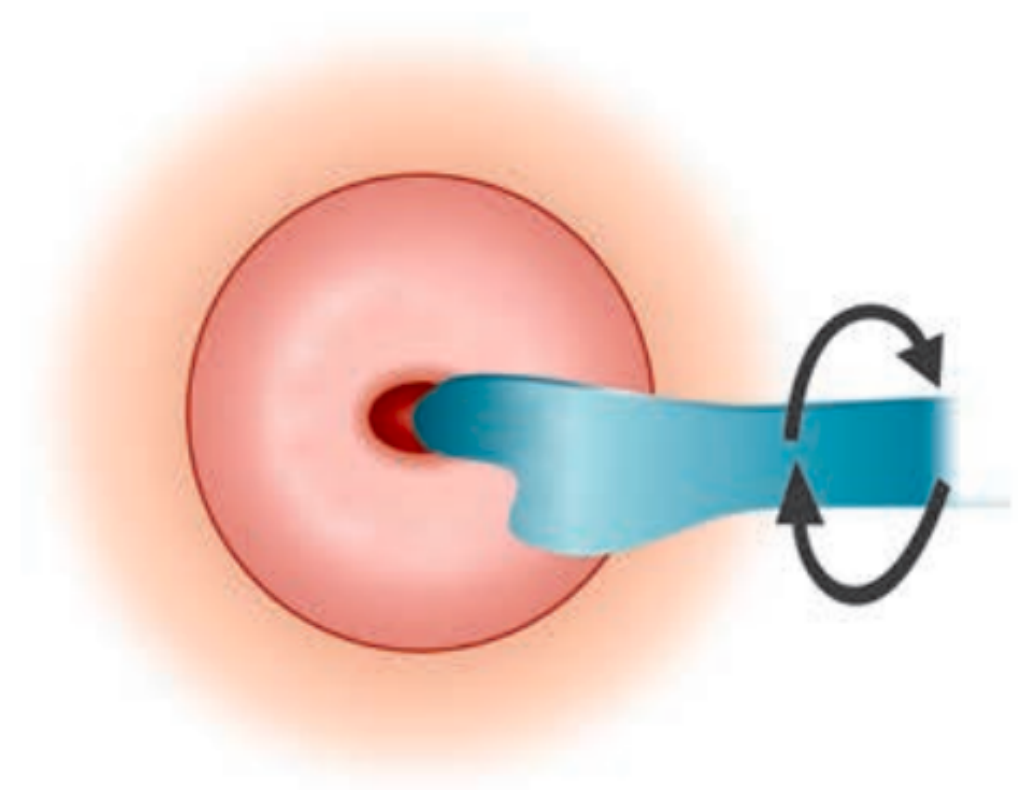
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1. Cervical Cytology

PAP Test



- Dorsal position
- Cusco's speculum
- Ayre's spatula
- Rotate 360°
- Smear
- 1:1 solution of 95% ethyl alcohol & Ether
- Papanicolaou stain



Liquid based cytology.

- Placed in a liquid fixative (**buffered methanol solution**)
- Removes blood, mucus, inflammatory cells
- Also test HPV infection
- More sensitivity and specificity



Bethesda System

- **NILM** : Negative for intraepithelial Lesion or Malignancy
- **ASC - US** : Atypical squamous cells of undetermined significance
- **LSIL** : Low grade Squamous Intraepithelial Lesion
- **ASC - H** : Atypical squamous cells cannot exclude HSIL
- **HSIL** : High grade Squamous Intraepithelial Lesion
- **AGC** : Atypical glandular cells

2. HPV DNA Testing

- Higher Sensitivity and specificity
- Important component of ASC - US cytology
- PAP test + HPV DNA testing : **Co - testing**

3. VIA

- Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid

4. VILI

- Visual Inspection with Lugol's Iodine

SCREENING RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Started 3 years after first sexual intercourse**
 - **PAP Smear alone: Every 3 years**
 - **Co testing with HPV DNA : Every 5 years**
 - **Stopped at 65 years of age, provided**
 - 3 consecutive negative cytological reports. (OR)
 - 2 consecutive negative co test reports
- in the prior 10 years, with the most result occurring within **5 yrs**
- **High risk women : continued for 20 more years**

INVESTIGATIONS

1. Pap Smear

2. Colposcopy

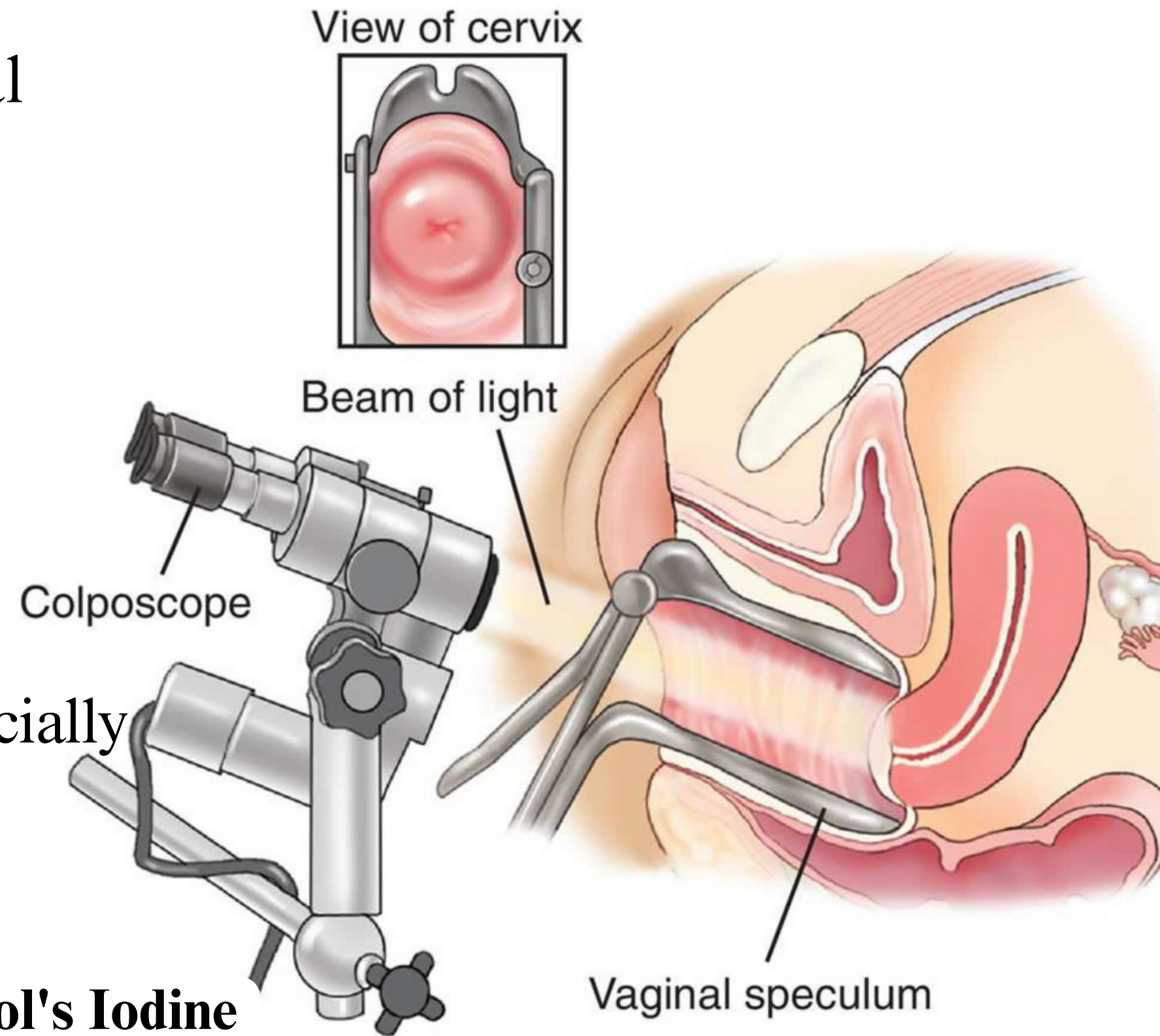
3. Punch Biopsy

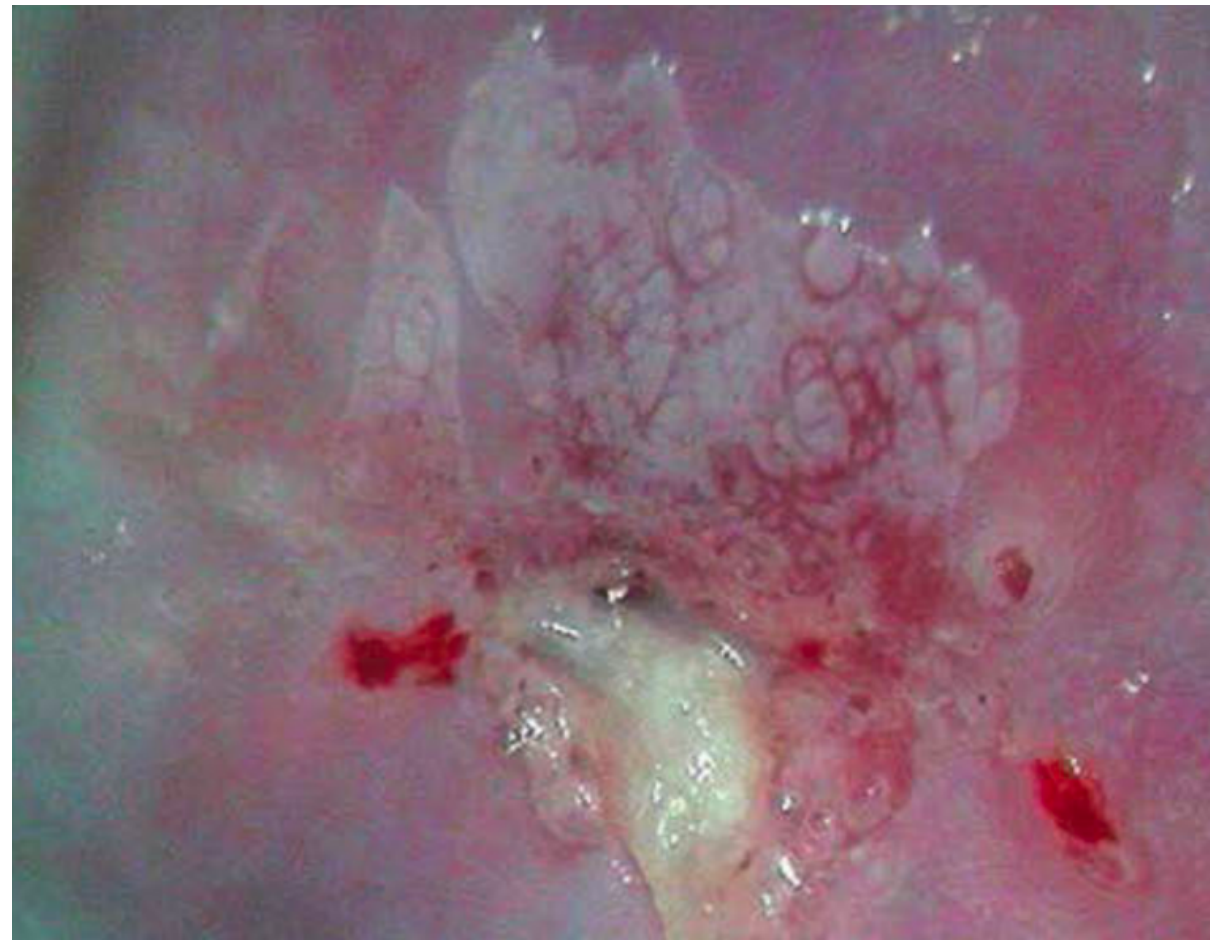
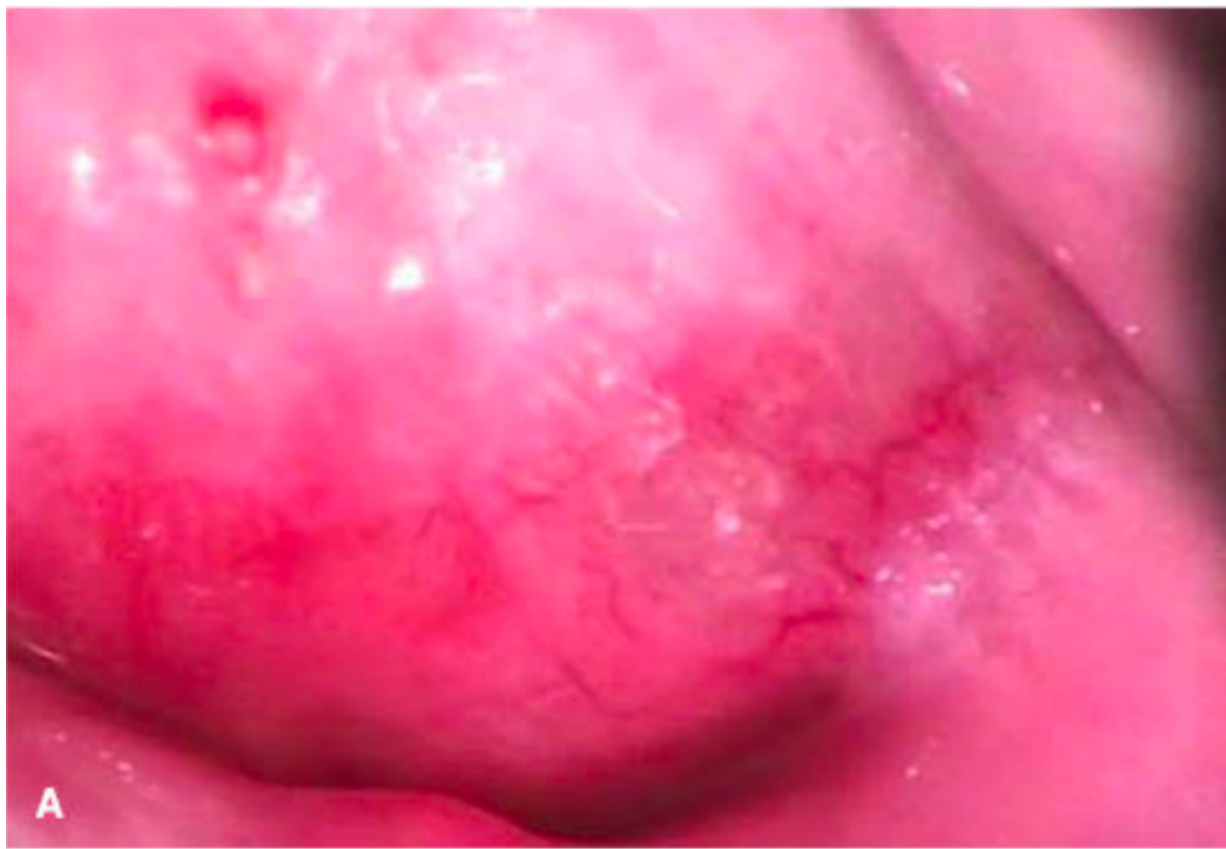
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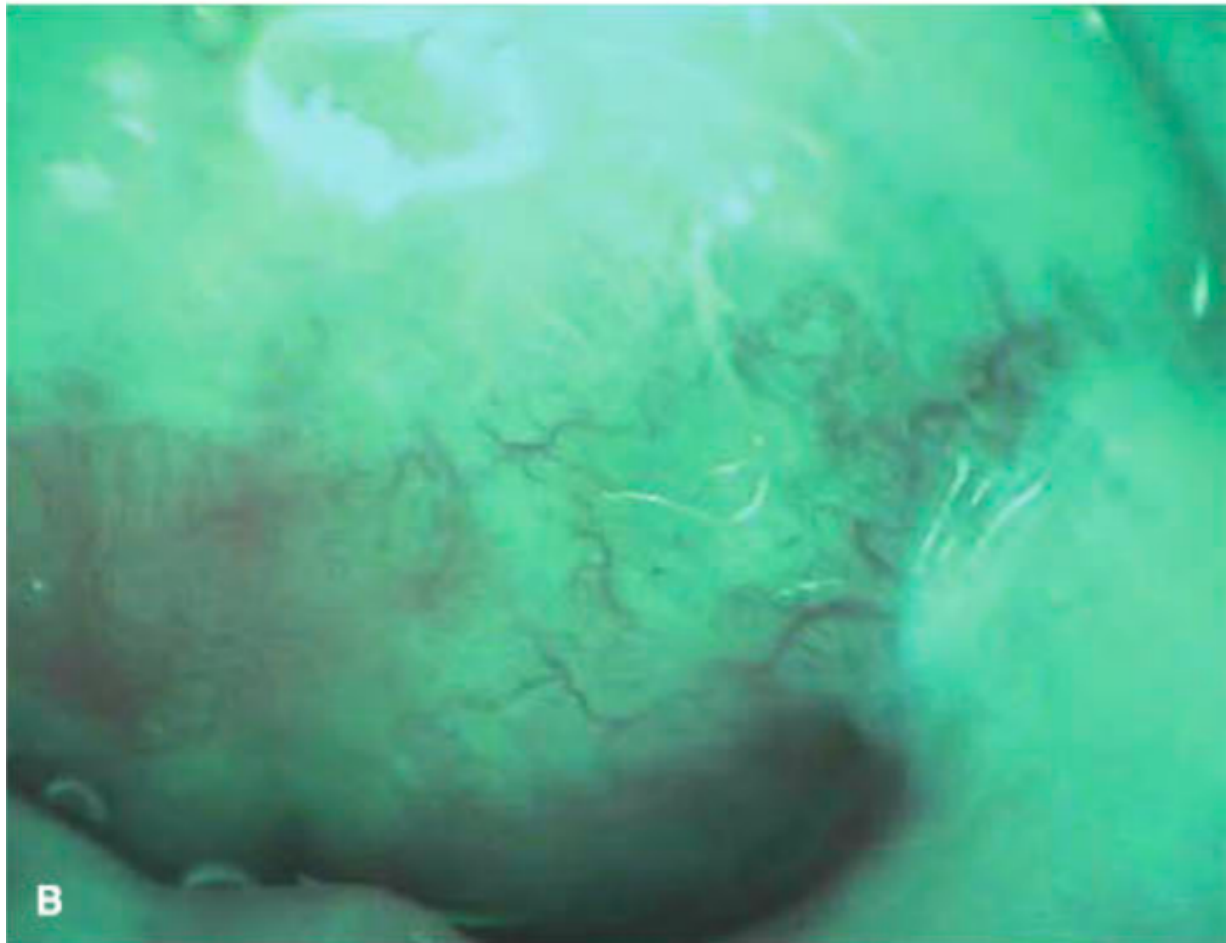
Indications

- Abnormal or recurrent inadequate cervical cancer screening result
- Unexplained lower genital tract bleeding
- Unexplained vaginal discharge
- **Endocervical curettage** can also be done with colposcopy to evaluate an abnormal smear, especially in glandular lesions
- **Normal Saline → Green filter → 5 % Acetic acid. → Lugol's Iodine**

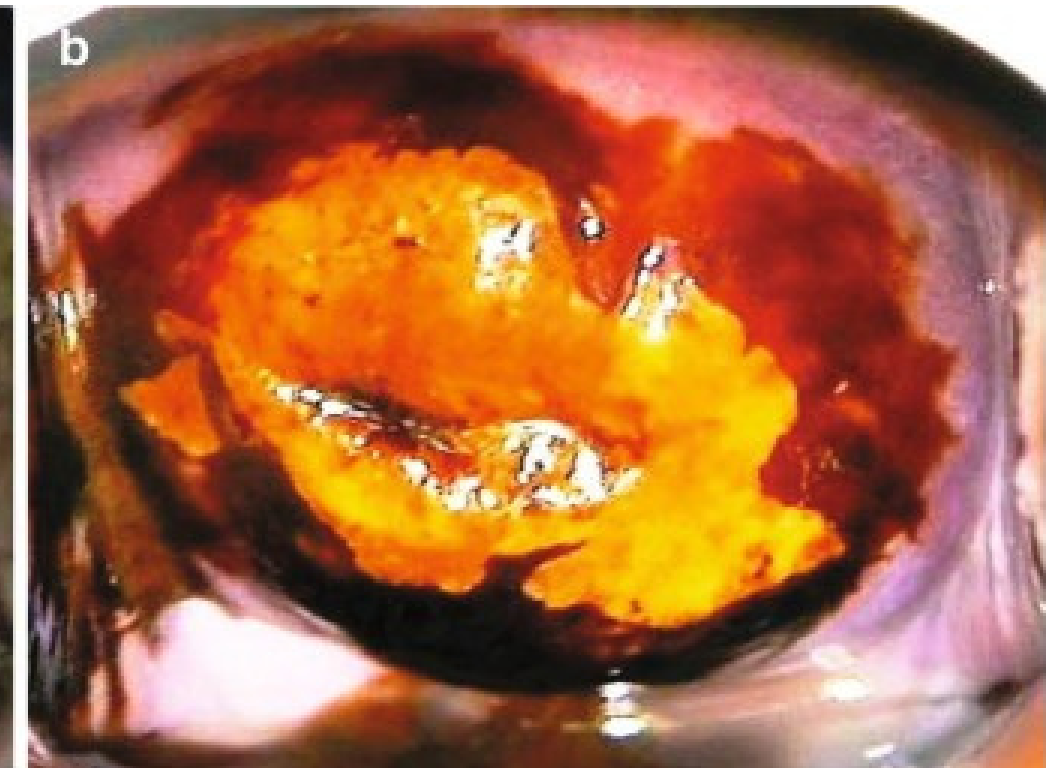




5% acetic acid --->
Acetowhite lesions



Green filter



Lugol's Iodine ---> Precancerous: **Mustard yellow**,
Normal cells: **Mahogany brown**

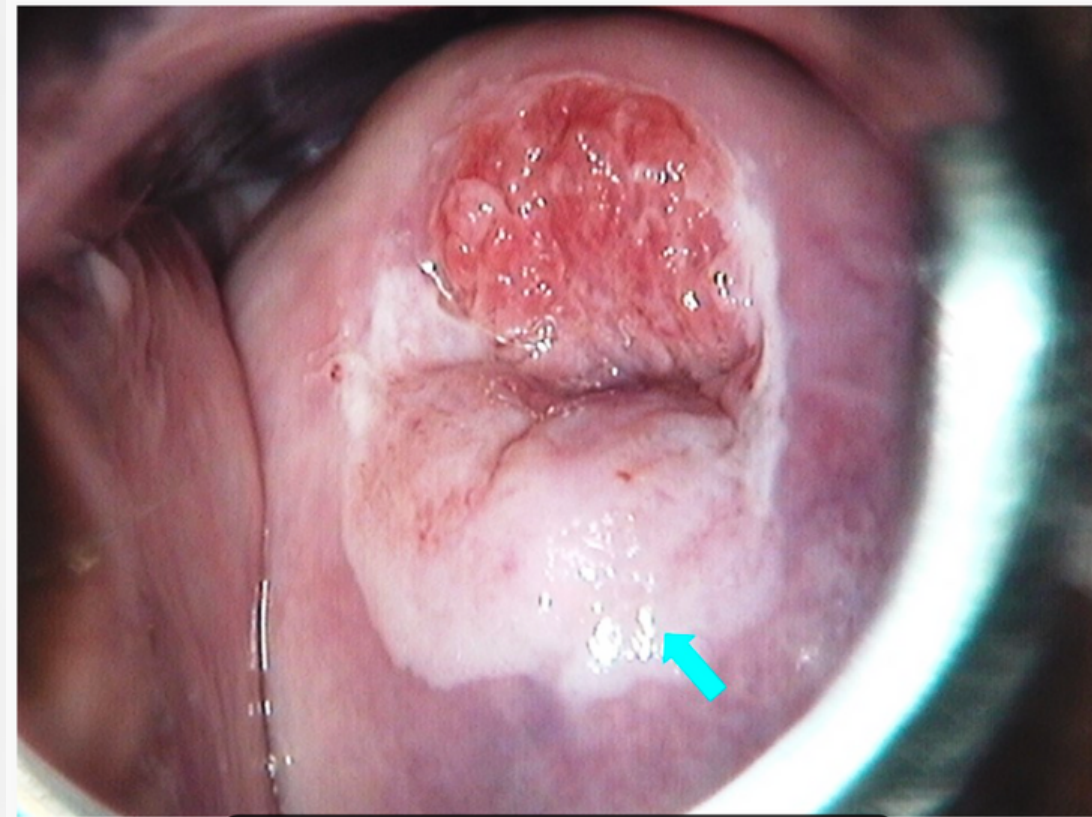
Reid's Index

Colposcopic sign	0 points	1 point	2 points
Margin	Flocculated or feathered edges, indistinct margins	Smooth, straight lines, sharp peripheral margins	Rolling, peeling edges, internal border between lesions of different grade
Color	Shiny or snow-white, transparent, indistinct acetowhite epithelium	Shiny, gray-white	Dull white, oyster-gray
Vessels	Uniform, fine caliber; fine mosaic or punctations	Absence of blood vessels after acetic acid	Coarse punctation and mosaicism, large intercapillary distance, dilated individual vessels
Iodine staining	Positive iodine uptake producing brown color, low grade by other criteria (<2/6)	Partial variegated iodine uptake, tortoiseshell color	Mustard-yellow color in uptake, high grade by other criteria (>3/6)
<i>Colposcopic score</i>	0–2, human papillomavirus or CIN 1	3–4, CIN 1 or CIN 2	5–8, CIN 2 or CIN 3

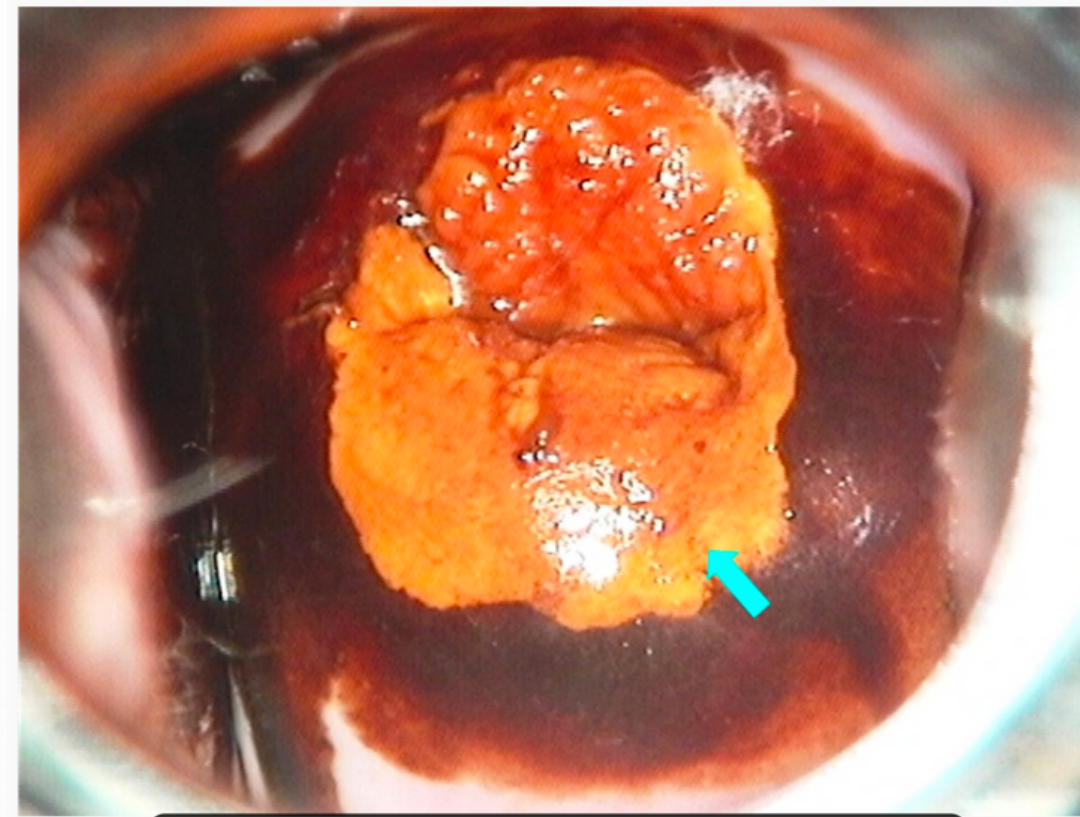
Swede Score

Low resource setting

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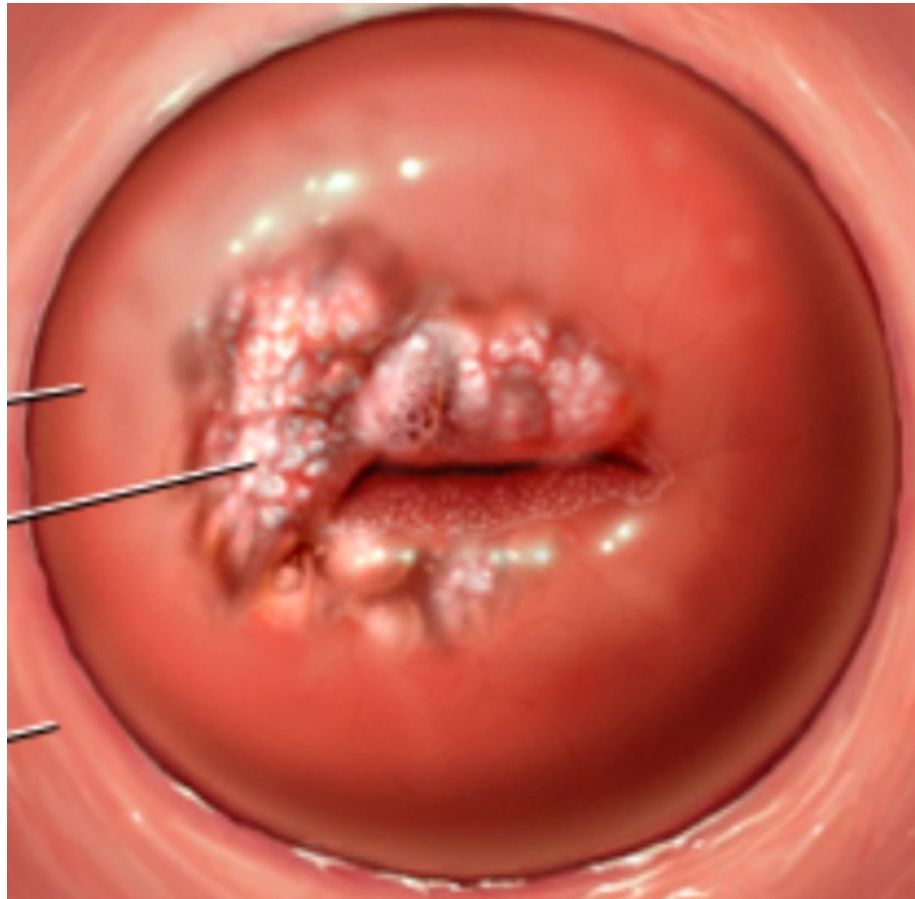


Dense acetowhite area in the TZ after application of acetic acid (histopathology: HSIL-CIN3)
Acetowhite area (blue arrow)

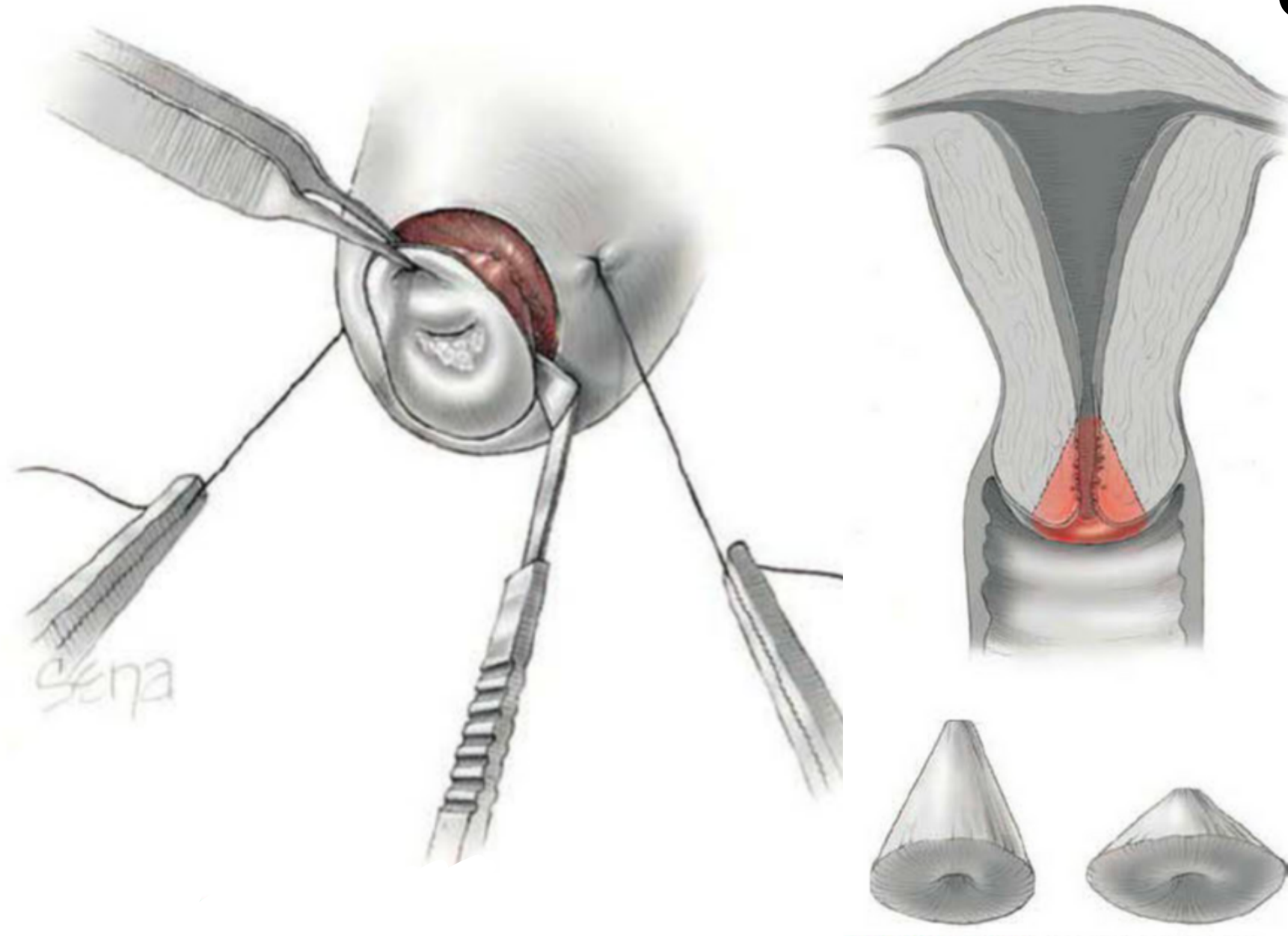


The acetowhite area does not take up iodine and appears bright mustard yellow after application of Lugol's iodine
Iodine-negative area (blue arrow)

3. Punch Biopsy



4. Cone Biopsy



Colposcopy available

- ☒ Entire limits of the lesion not seen
- ☒ Transformation zone not seen
- ☒ Evidences of microinvasion on biopsy, colposcopy or CIN on endocervical curettage
- ☒ Normal colposcopic findings with abnormal cytology/biopsy

Colposcopy not available

- ☒ Abnormal smear with healthy cervix
- ☒ Biopsy report is inconsistent with cytologic findings

OTHER INVESTIGATIONS

Laboratory :CBC | Urinalysis | LFT | Creatinine /BUN

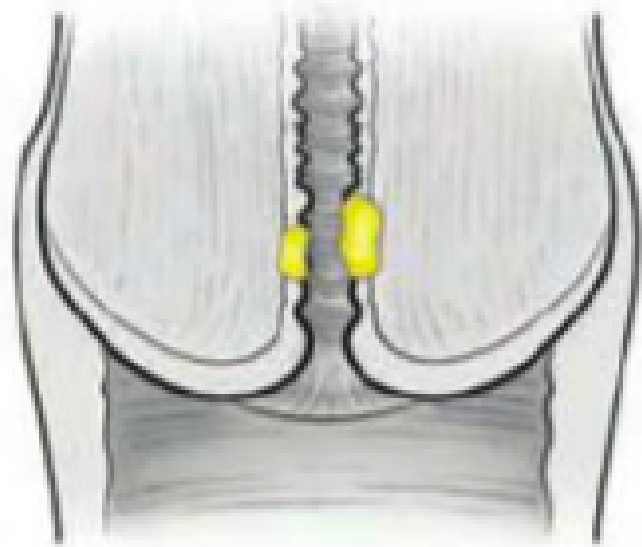
Radiological

- Chest radiograph: Lung metastasis
- IVP : Hydronephrosis
- CT scan (abdominopelvic) : Nodal or distant organ metastasis
Hydronephrosis
- MR imaging: Local parametrial invasion; nodal metastasis; tumor size
- PET scan: Nodal or distant organ metastasis

STAGE I

Carcinoma strictly confined to cervix

IA1
D <3 mm



IA2
D ≥3 – <5 mm

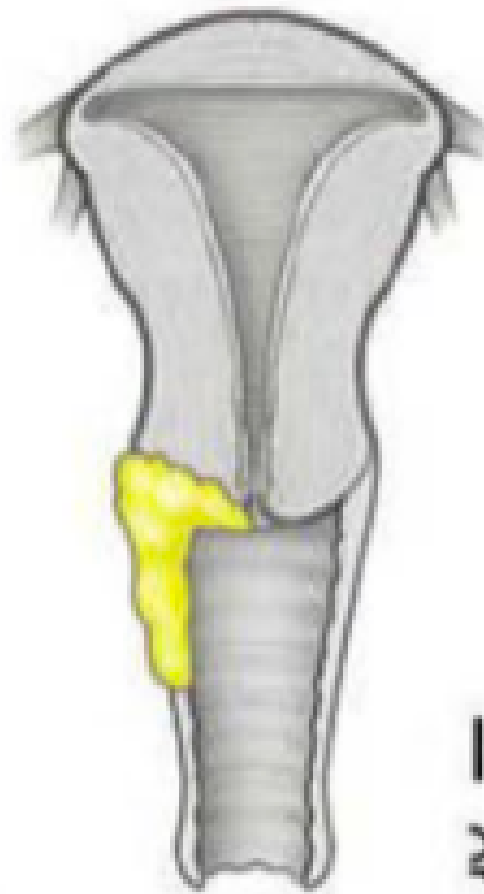


Depth ≥5 mm
IB1: <2 cm
IB2: ≥2 – <4 cm
IB3: ≥4 cm

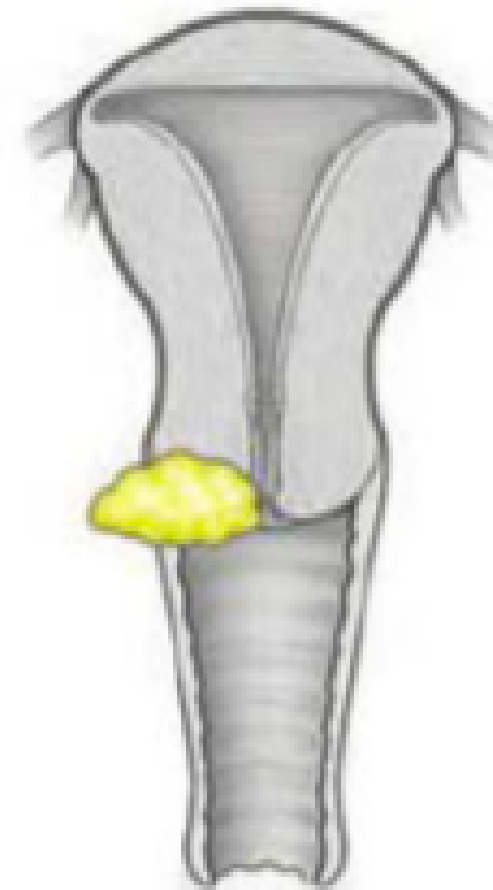
STAGE II

Upper 2/3 rd of vagina / parametrial involvement

IIA1
<4 cm



IIA2
≥4 cm

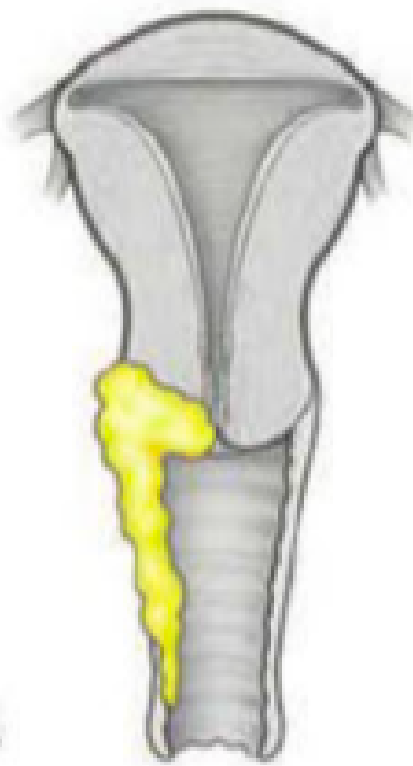


IIB

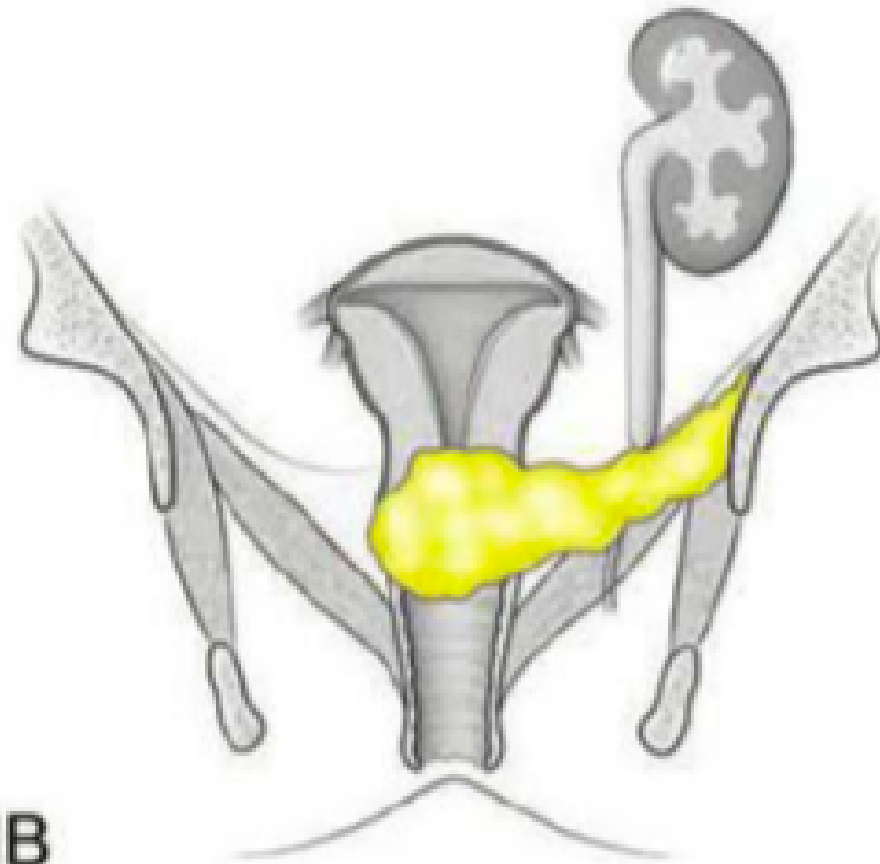
STAGE III

Lower 2/3rd of vagina / pelvic wall / hydronephrosis/ lymph nodes

IIIA



IIIB



IIIC2

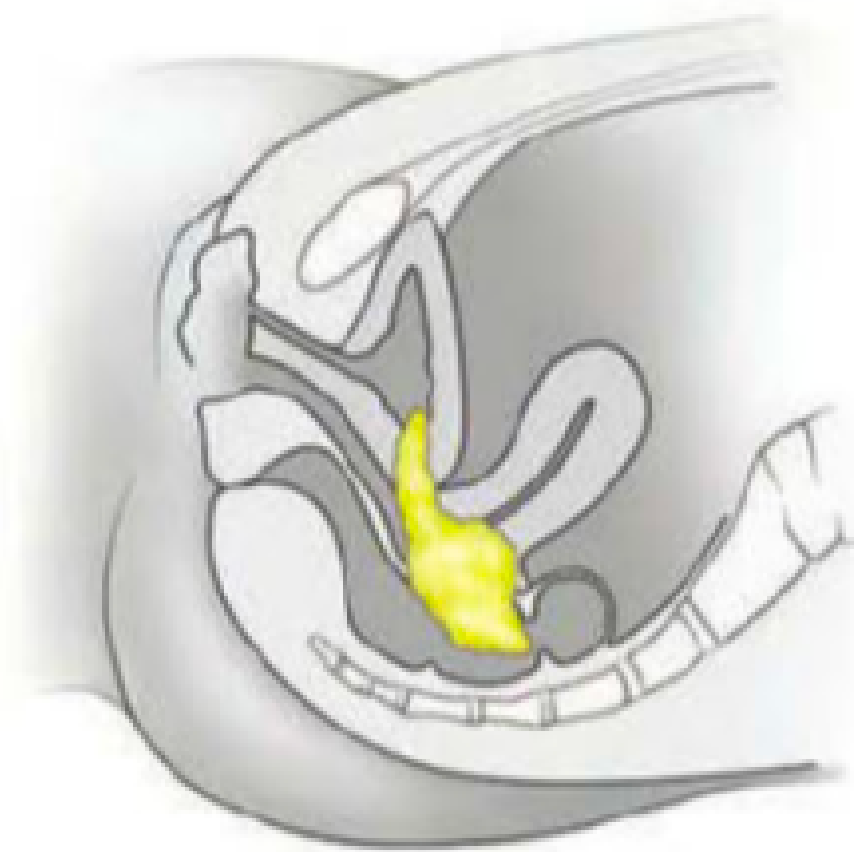
IIIC1



STAGE IV

Adjacent/distant organs

IVA



IVB



THANK YOU!

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