

Surgery of the Pancreas

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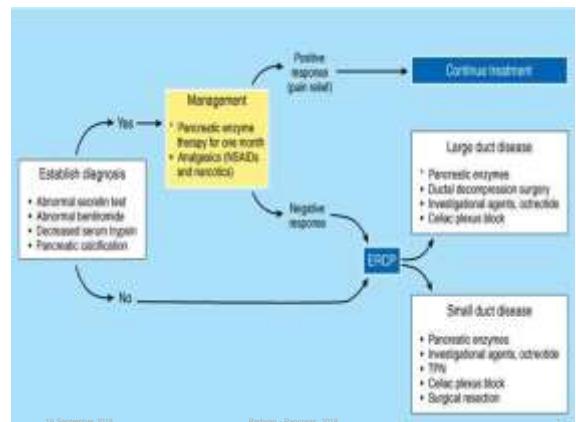
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Chronic Pancreatitis

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Sonography in chronic pancreatitis. Transabdominal sonogram of patient with chronic pancreatitis demonstrates heterogeneity of the pancreatic parenchyma, dilated ductal systems, and cyst formations.

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Gross appearance of chronic pancreatitis. Areas of fibrosis and scarring are seen adjacent to other areas within the gland in which the lobular architecture is grossly preserved. A dilated pancreatic duct indicates the presence of downstream obstruction in this specimen removed from a patient with chronic pancreatitis.

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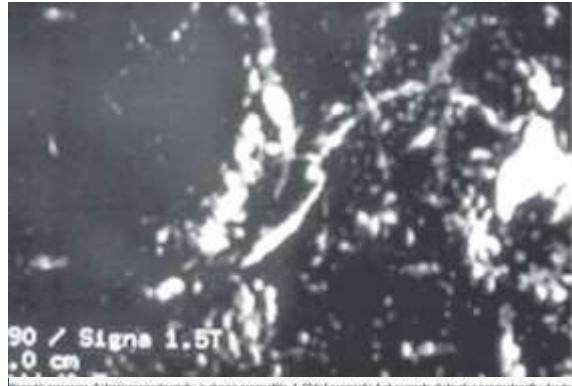


Computed tomographic imaging of chronic pancreatitis. A dilated pancreatic duct is seen, with evidence of intraductal stones and peripancreatic fluid collections.

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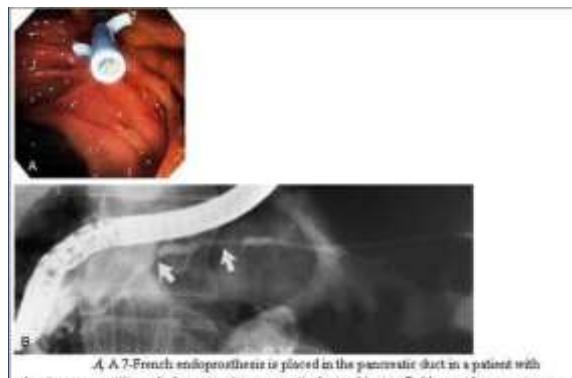
Magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography in chronic pancreatitis. A dilated pancreatic duct suggests obstructive pancreatitis due to peripancreatic scarring.

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Pancreatic duct stenting. At endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography, a stent is placed in the proximal pancreatic duct to relieve obstruction and reduce syndromes of pain. Pancreatic duct stents are left in place for only a limited time to avoid further inflammation.



A, A 7-French endoprosthesis is placed in the pancreatic duct in a patient with relapsing pancreatitis and a hyperensitive pancreatic duct sphincter. *B*, Altimidal pancretogram after stent extraction. Note the stenoses (arrows). Pancretographic abnormalities resolved by 3 months.

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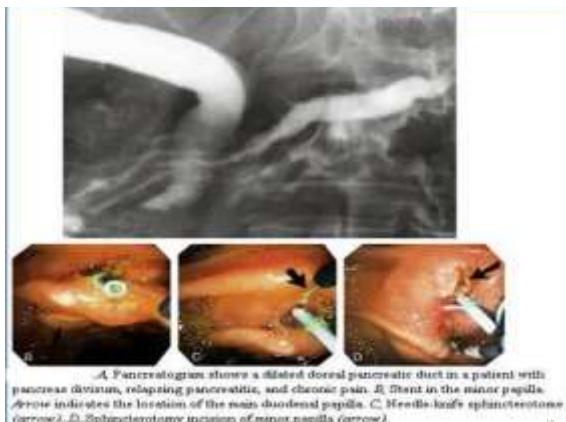
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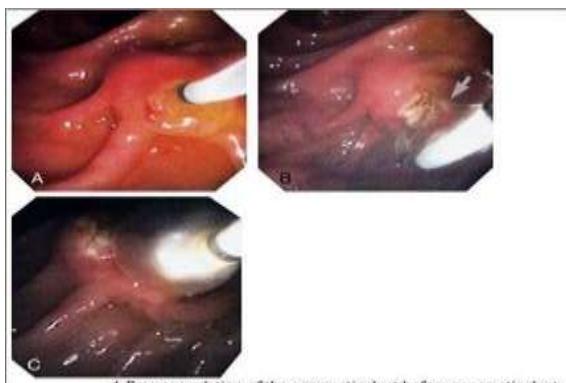
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A, Pancreatogram shows a dilated dorsal pancreatic duct in a patient with pancreas divisum, relapsing pancreatitis, and chronic pain. *B*, Stent in the minor papilla. Arrow indicates the location of the minor duodenal papilla. *C*, Needle-knife sphincterotomy (arrow). *D*, Sphincterotomy incision of minor papilla (arrow).



A, Pancreatogram shows a potentially obstructing calculus (arrow) at the junction of the main and the accessory pancreatic ducts. *B*, Calculus fragments (arrow) extracted with a balloon catheter after pancreatic duct sphincterotomy. *C*, Additional fragments are extracted with the basket.



A, Free cannulation of the pancreatic duct before pancreatic duct sphincterotomy. *B*, Pancreatic duct sphincterotomy (arrow). *C*, Balloon extraction of pancreatic calculi.

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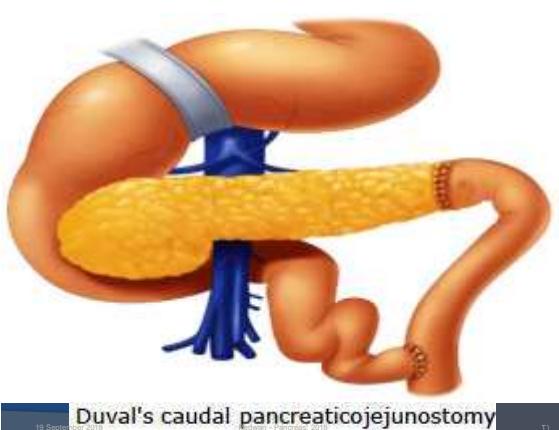
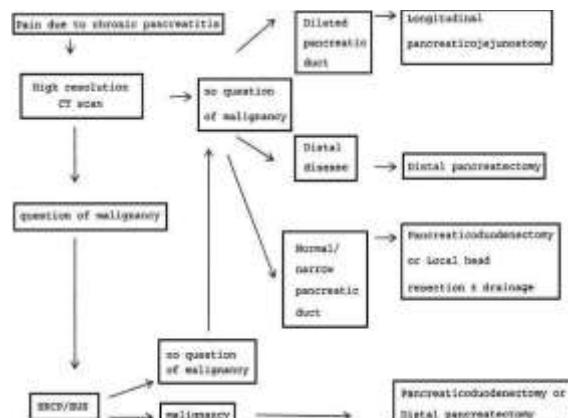
Table 38–2. Indications for Surgery in Chronic Pancreatitis

Intractable pain
Pancreatic ductal stenosis
Biliary obstruction (Wadsworth syndrome)
Duodenal obstruction
Left sided portal hypertension from splenic vein thrombosis
Colonic obstruction
Pseudocyst
Pancreatic ascites
Pancreatic fistula
Pancreatic carcinoma

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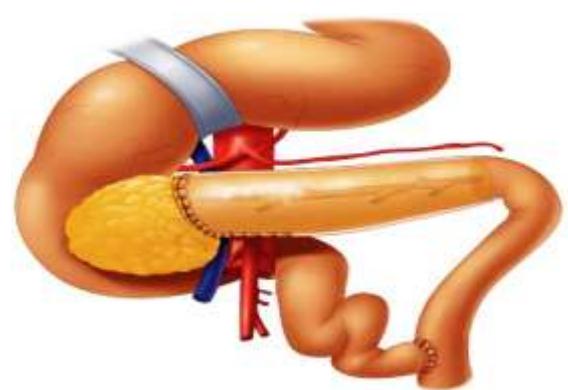
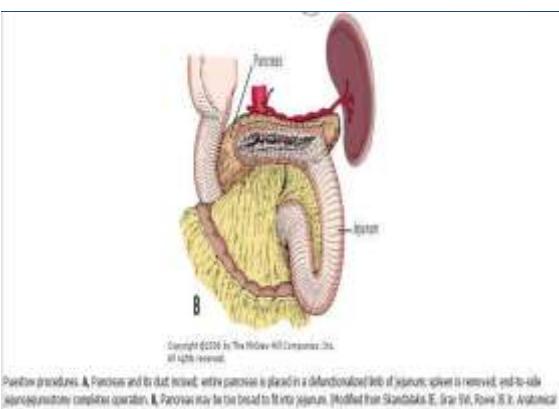
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**Duval's caudal pancreateicojejunostomy**

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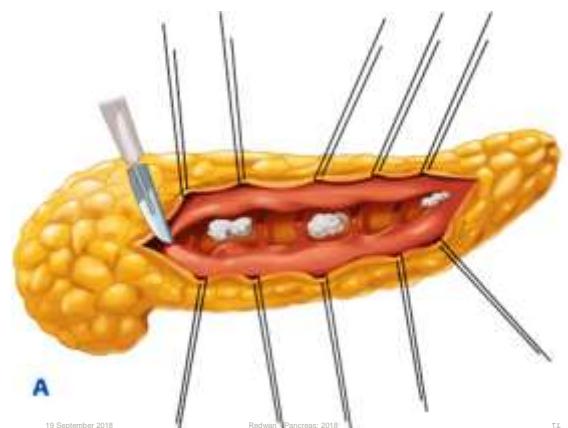
**Puestow and Gillette's longitudinal pancreateicojejunostomy** Originally described as an irrigating anastomosis that drained the entire body and tail, the anastomosis was created after amputating the tail of the gland and opening the duct along the long axis of the gland.Copyright ©2006 by The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.
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Pancreas procedures. **A**, Pancreas and its duct visualized; entire pancreas is placed in a defunctionalized loop of jejunum; sphincter is removed, end-to-end jejunoperitoneal anastomosis completed operation. **B**, Pancreas may be divided to fit into jejunum. (Modified from Siewers AE, Orr IS, Ross JS: *Anatomical Complications in General Surgery*. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1992; with permission.)

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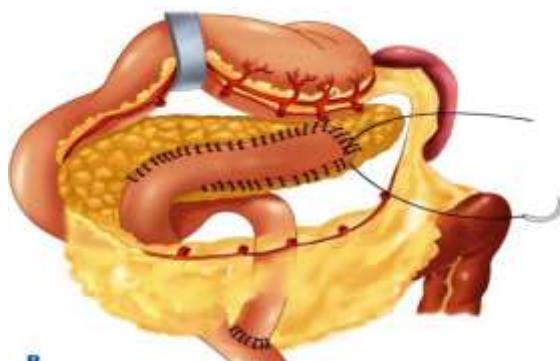
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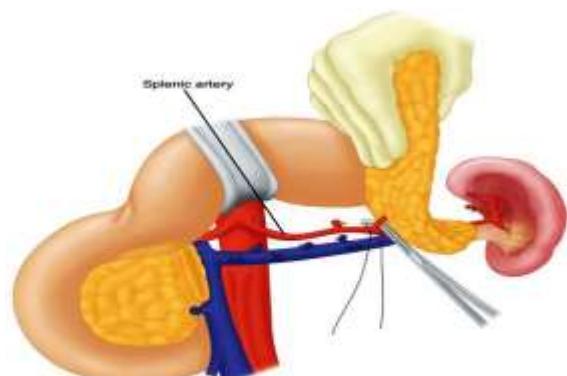
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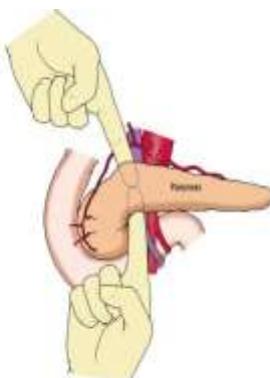
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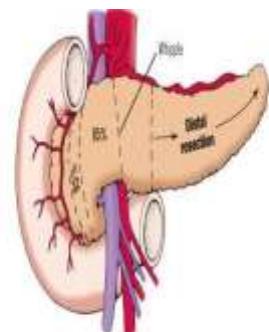
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Longitudinal duodenectomy in obstructing caecal pancreatitis. A longitudinal pancreatectomy typically discloses segmental elements of the pancreatic duct and the presence of intraductal calculi in a patient with chronic, caecal pancreatitis (A). Following mobilization of a loose bed of peritoneum, a longitudinal pancreatectomy is performed to permit extensive drainage of the pancreatic duct system (B). This technique, described by Partington and Hartstone, is the typical method used for the Neustein procedure.
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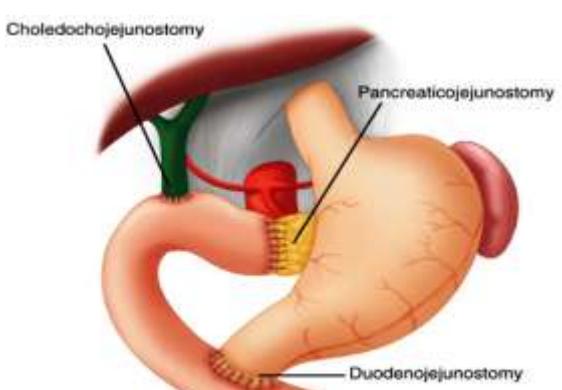
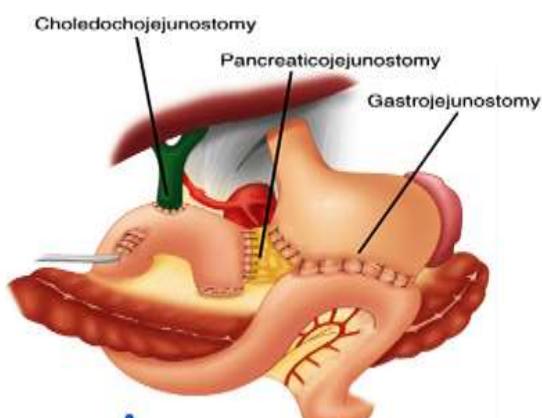
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Distal (gloves-sparing) pancreatectomy. A distal pancreatectomy for chronic pancreatitis is usually performed with en bloc splenectomy. In the presence of minimal inflammation, a glove-sparing version can be performed, as shown here.
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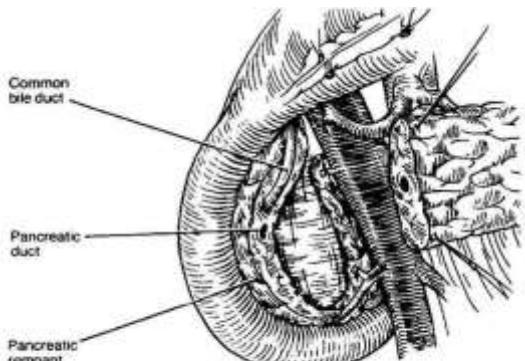


Exploration of pancreas. To explore the pancreas, it is necessary to identify the main pancreatic duct, which should be separated early from underlying blood vessels. (Modified from Siewers AH, Siperstein AE, Larson DA, Yoo JY, Mandelblatt L. *Anesthesia considerations of abdominal surgery*. Containing Chap 171, pp 17-30; with permission.)
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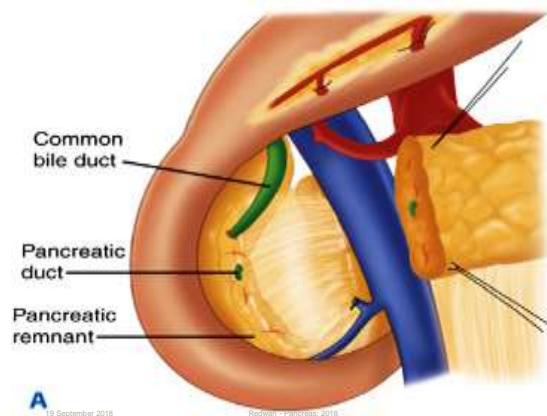


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Pancreaticoduodenectomy (Whipple procedure). 95 percent pancreatectomy; 100 percent pancreatectomy; Whipple procedure; distal pancreatectomy. Modified from Standl E, Gray SW. *Roux-15* in: *Anatomical Complications in General Surgery*. New York: McGraw-Hill; 1981; with permission.
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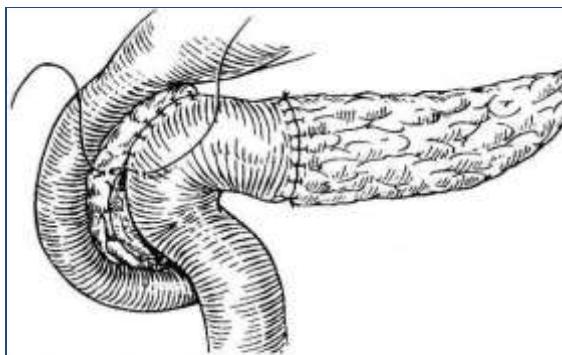
The anatomy following the transection of the neck of the pancreas and removal of the head during the Whipple procedure.



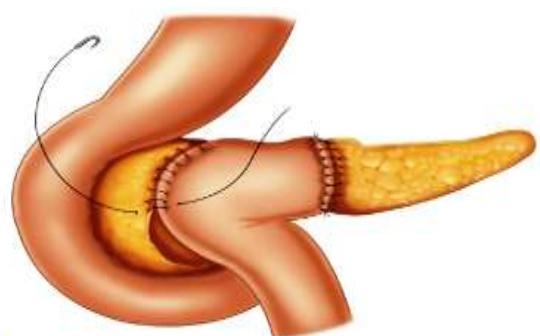
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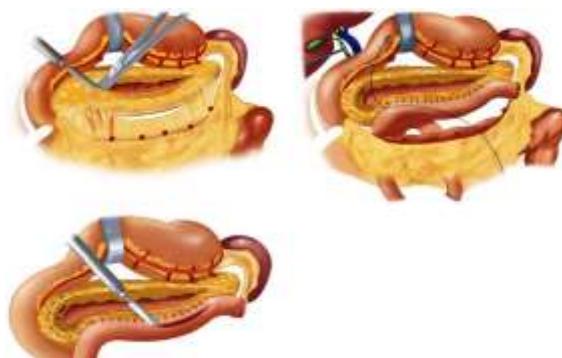
The final anatomy of the reconstruction following a Whipple procedure.
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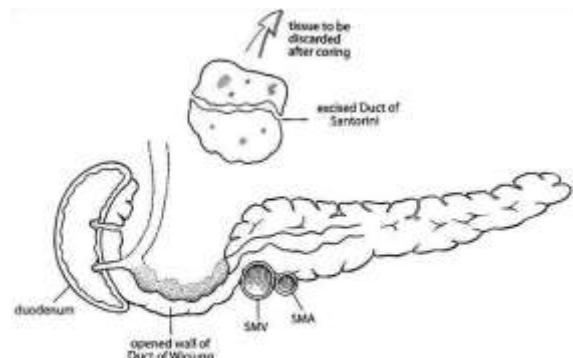
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The duodenum-preserving pancreatic head resection described by Beger and colleagues. A. The completed resection after transection of the pancreatic neck, and subtotal removal of the pancreatic head, with preservation of the distal common bile duct and duodenum. B. Completion of the reconstruction with anastomosis to the distal pancreas and to the proximal jejunum by the same Roux limb of jejunum.

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Frey procedure. The local resection of the pancreatic head with longitudinal pancreatectomy (L-PT) provides complete decompression of the entire pancreatic ductal system. Reconstruction is performed with a site-to-site Roux-en-Y pancreatectomy.



Cross-section drawing of the pancreas following the resection of the pancreatic head during a Frey procedure.

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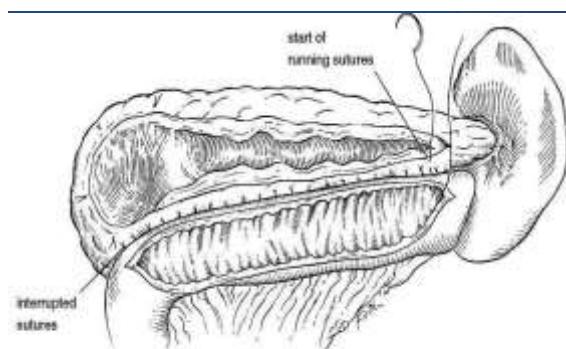


Operative view of excised head of the pancreas during the Frey procedure. The main pancreatic duct is opened widely down to the level of the ampulla, and the head of the pancreas is excavated in a concave fashion so as to allow complete decompression of the chronically stretched and inflamed pancreatic ducts.

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Complete excavation of the pancreatic head and distal pancreatic ductotomy. A true excavation and removal of the proximal ductal system is combined with a distal pancreatic ductotomy. Reconstruction is performed with a single side-to-side Roux-en-Y pancreaticojunostomy.



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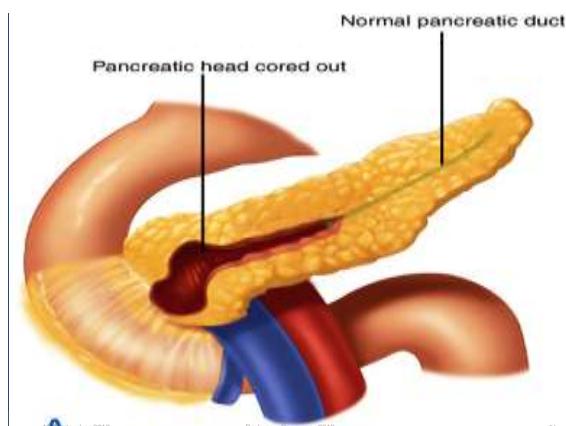
The pancreaticojejunostomy of the Frey procedure

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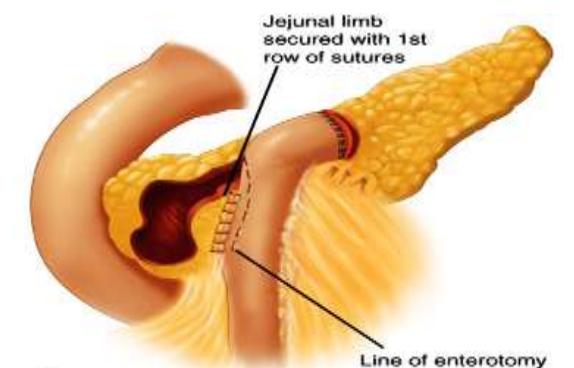


The Hamburg modification of the local resection of the pancreatic head with longitudinal pancreaticojunostomy.



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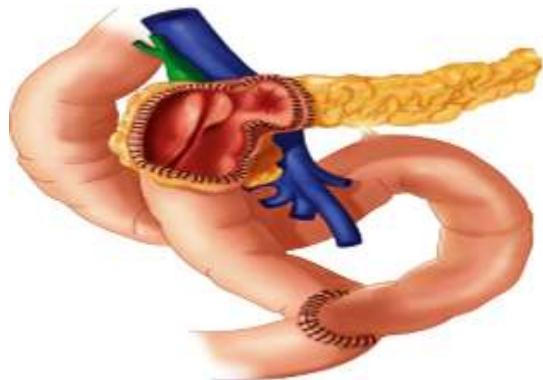
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Excavation of pancreatic head without longitudinal pancreaticojunostomy.

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The Berney modification of the local resection of the pancreatic head with longitudinal pancreaticojjunostomy.

