

# Induction of labour and prolonged pregnancy

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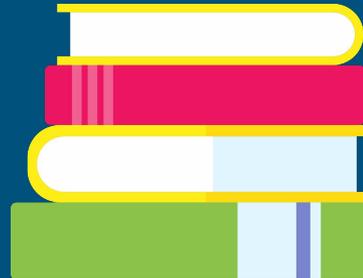
# Objectives

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For Fifth Year Students

At the end of this presentation you will be able to:

- describe the findings of vaginal examination and bishop score
- describe methods of management and complications of prolonged pregnancy
- describe indications and contraindications for induction of labour
- describe methods of induction of labour
- describe complications of induction of labour
- counsel women about induction of labour. OSCE



# Before we start... A

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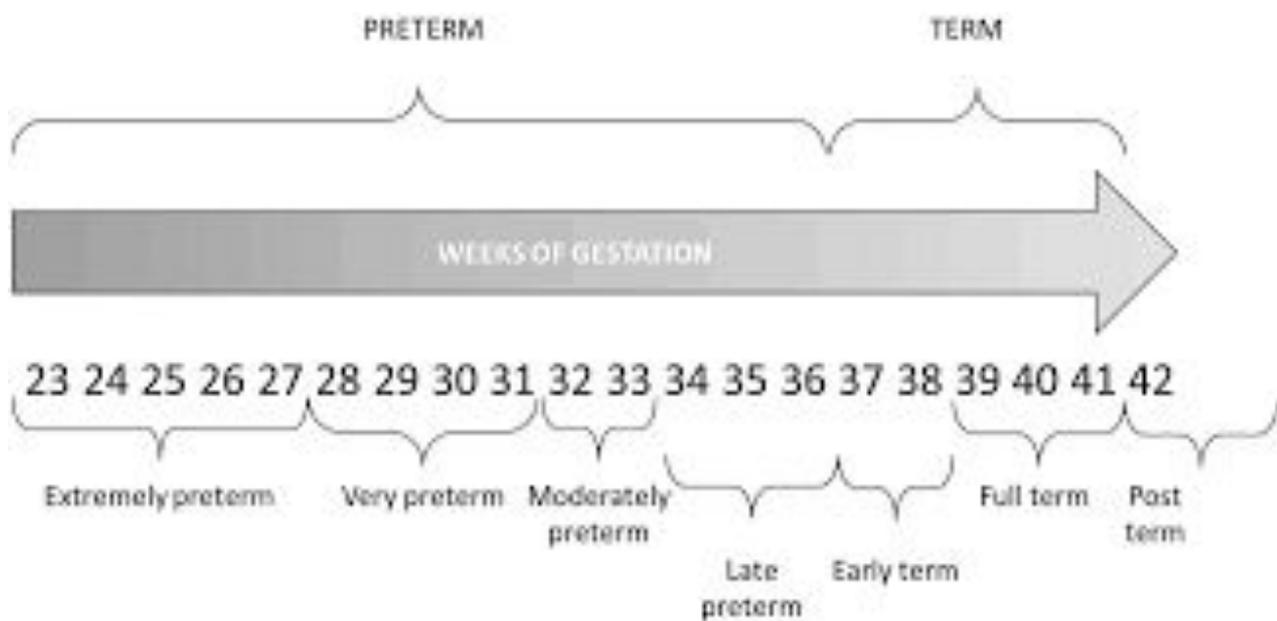
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**Augmentation of labour**

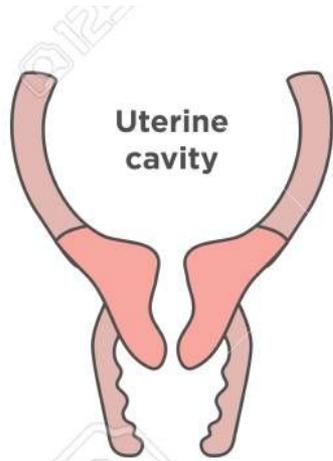


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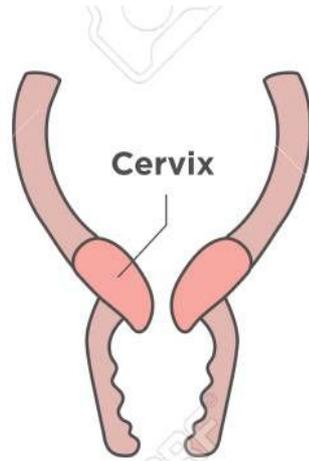


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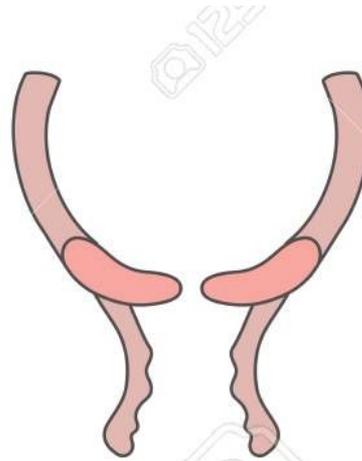
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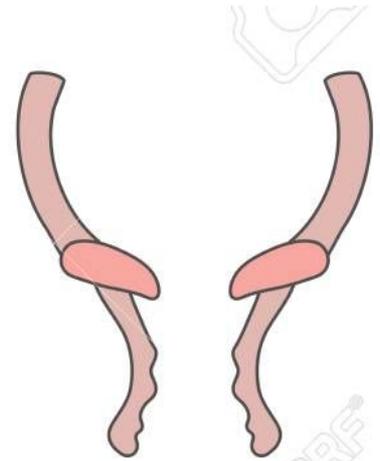
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**Early effacement:  
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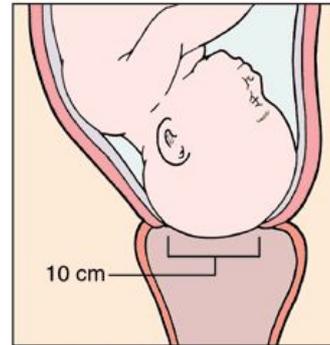
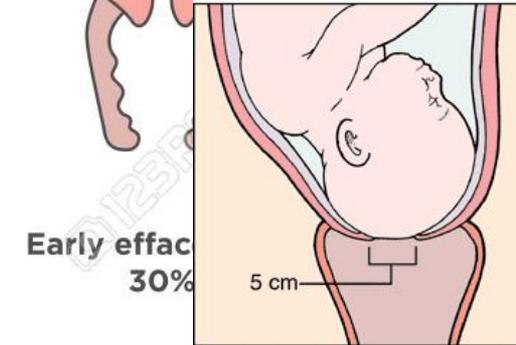
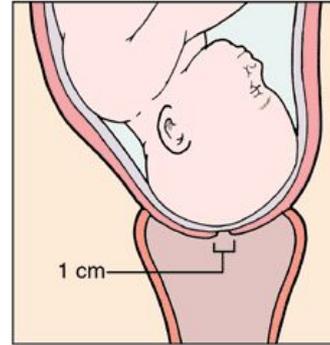
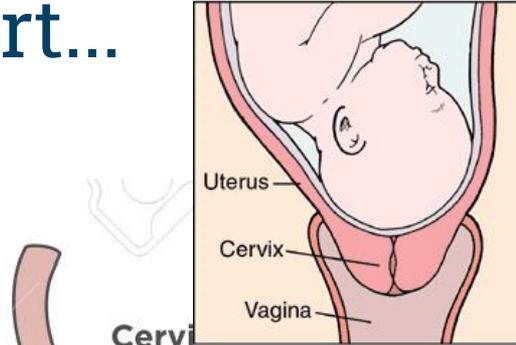
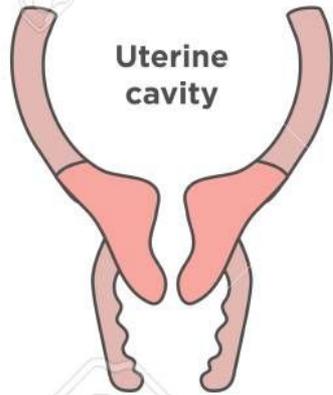


**Complete effacement:  
100%**



**Complete dilation**

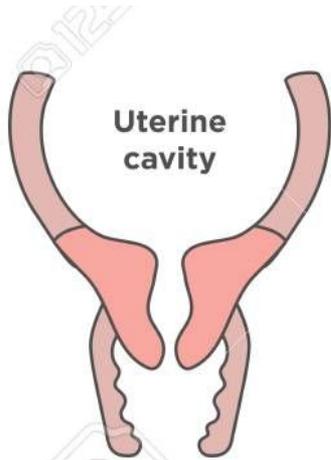
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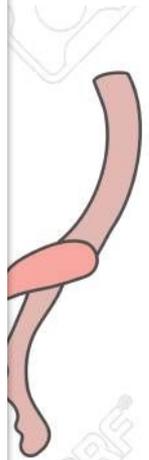
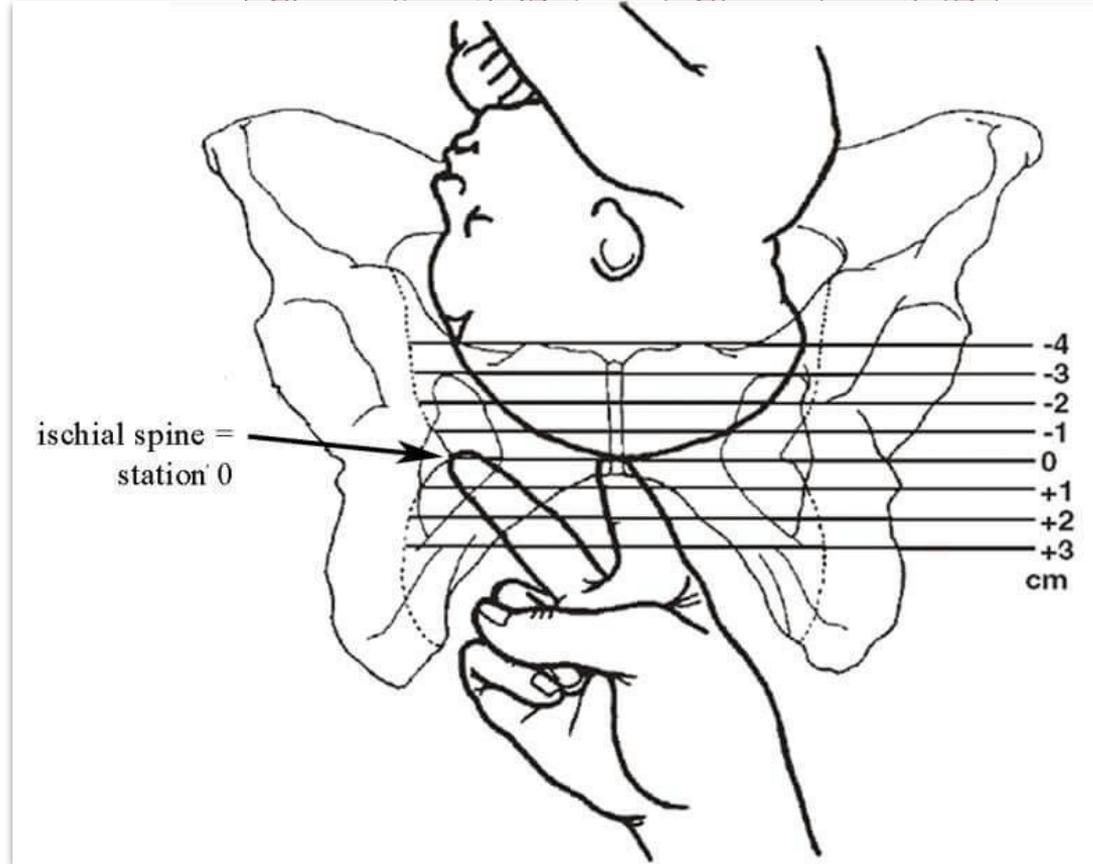
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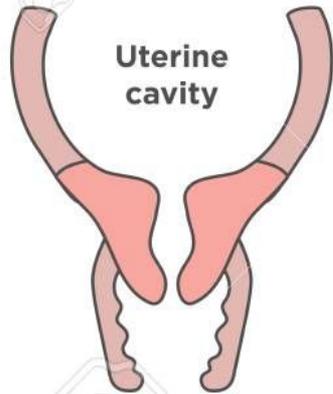


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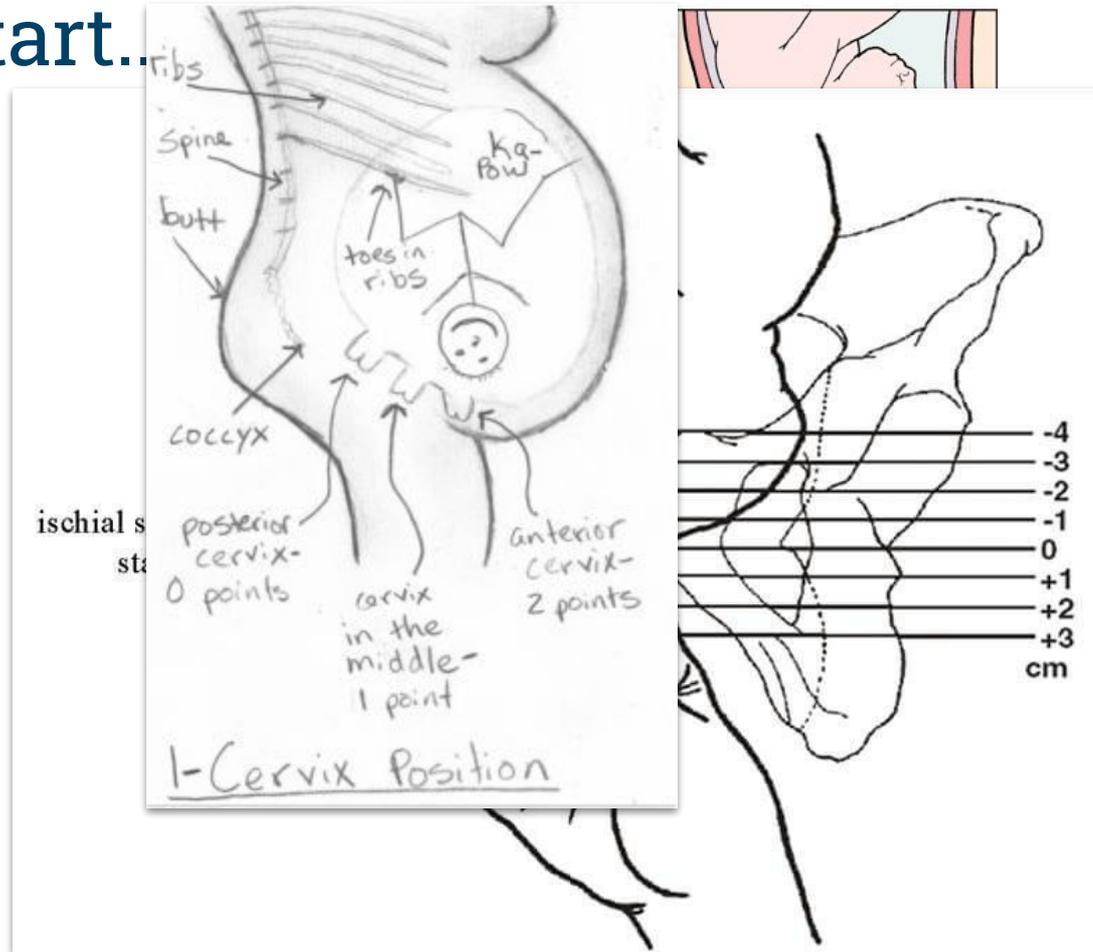


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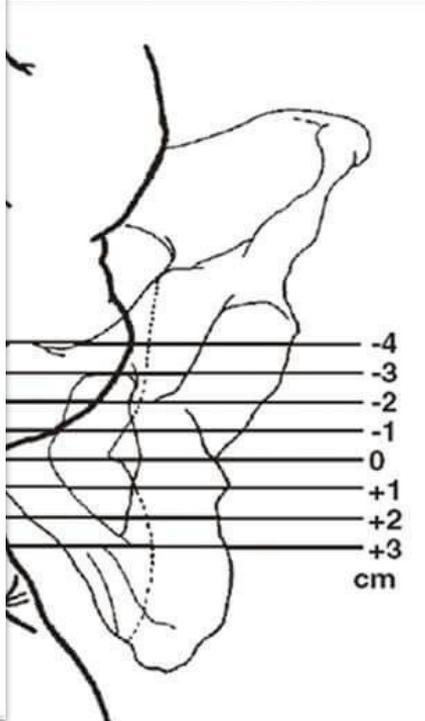
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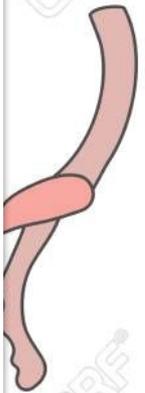
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ribs  
Spine  
butt  
coccyx  
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kg-Row  
toes in ribs  
WF

1-Cervix Position

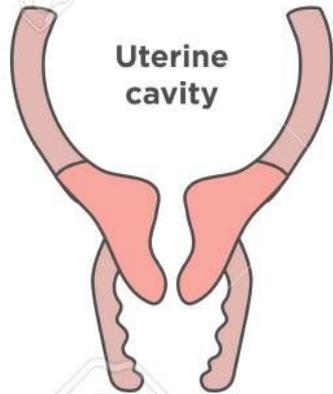


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-2  
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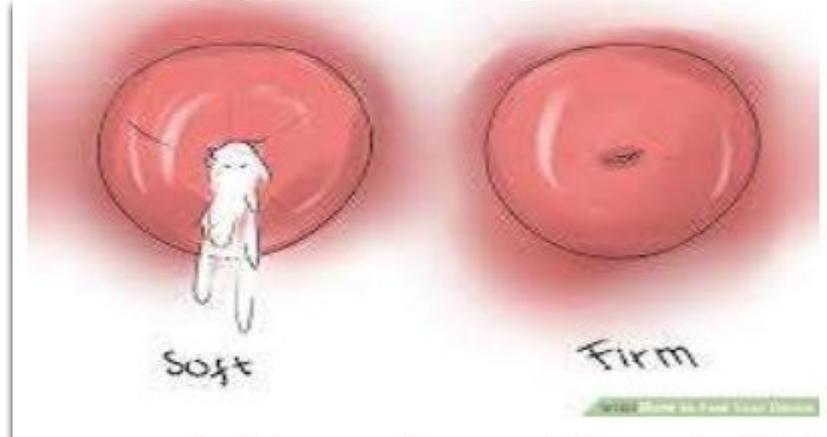


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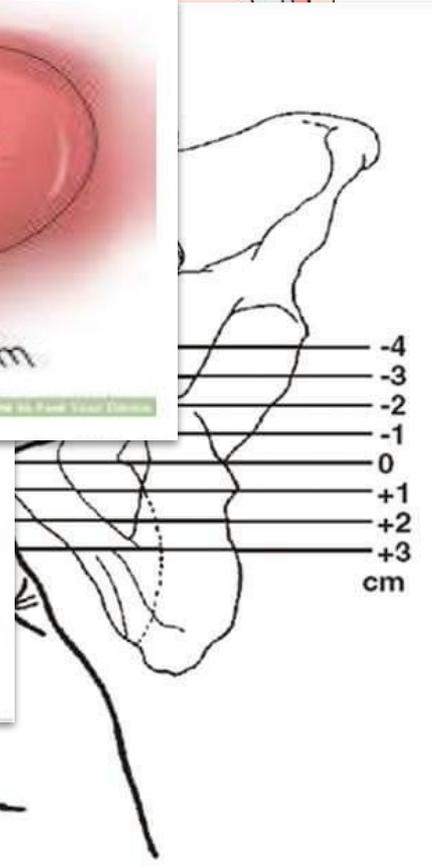


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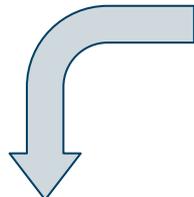
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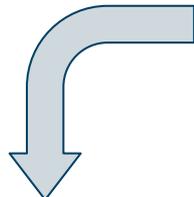


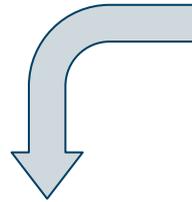
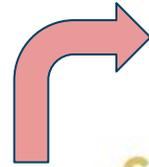
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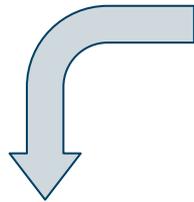
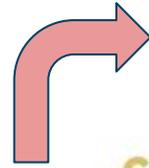
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Dilation (cm)

Length of cervix (cm)

Station (relative to ischial spines)

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Position

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Summary

# Table 12.1 Modified Bishop scoring system

	0	1	2	3
Dilatation of cervix (cm)	0	1 or 2	3 or 4	5 or more
Consistency of cervix	Firm	Medium	Soft	-
Length of cervical canal (cm)	>2	2-1	1-0.5	<0.5
Position of cervix	Posterior	Central	Anterior	-
Station of presenting part	-3	-2	-1 or 0	Below spines

Simplified Bishop score 5 or more

Simplified Bishop score less than 5

Modified Bishop score 7 or more

Modified Bishop score less than 7

**High score -> favourable' cervix**

**Low score -> 'unfavourable' cervix**

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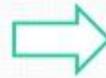
- First measurable increase in tissue distensibility when compared with non pregnant cervix  
(Read *et al.*, 2007)



- Change in type **I** and **III** collagen

Alteration in processing  
of collagen monomers

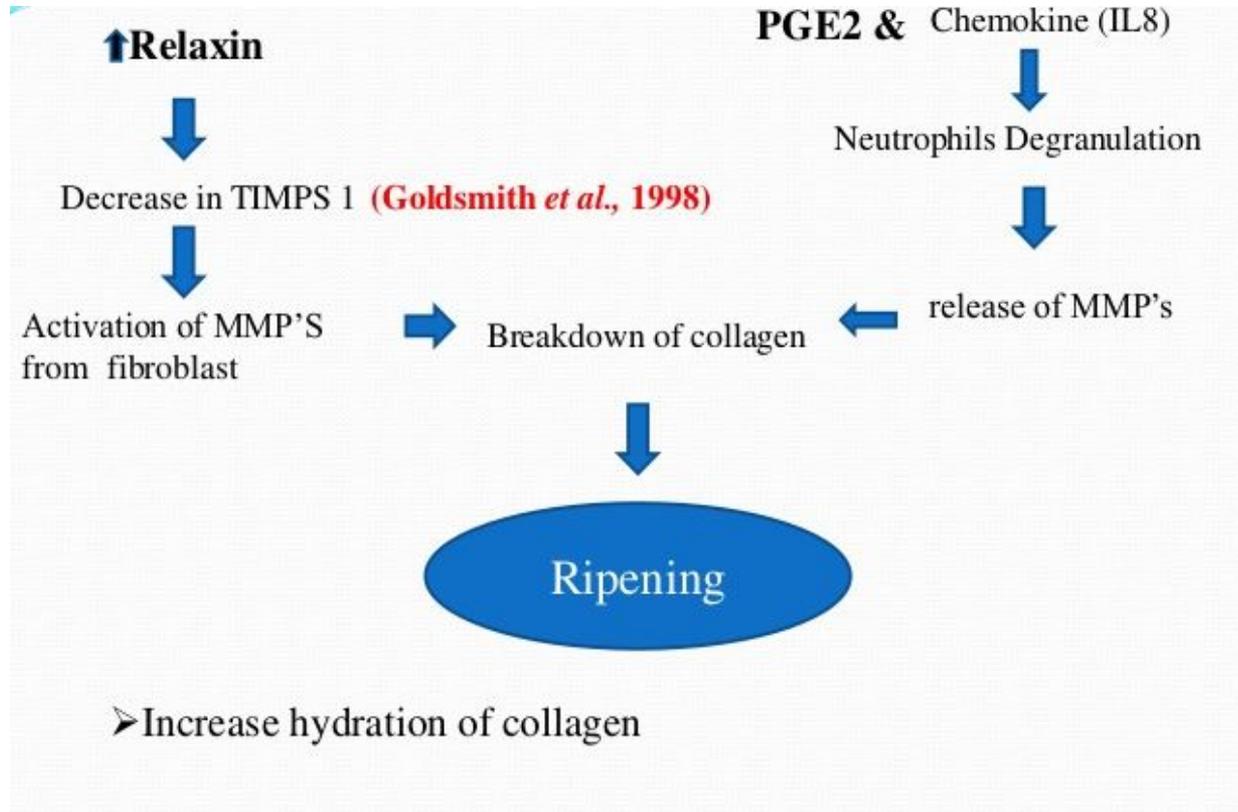
Degradation of fibers



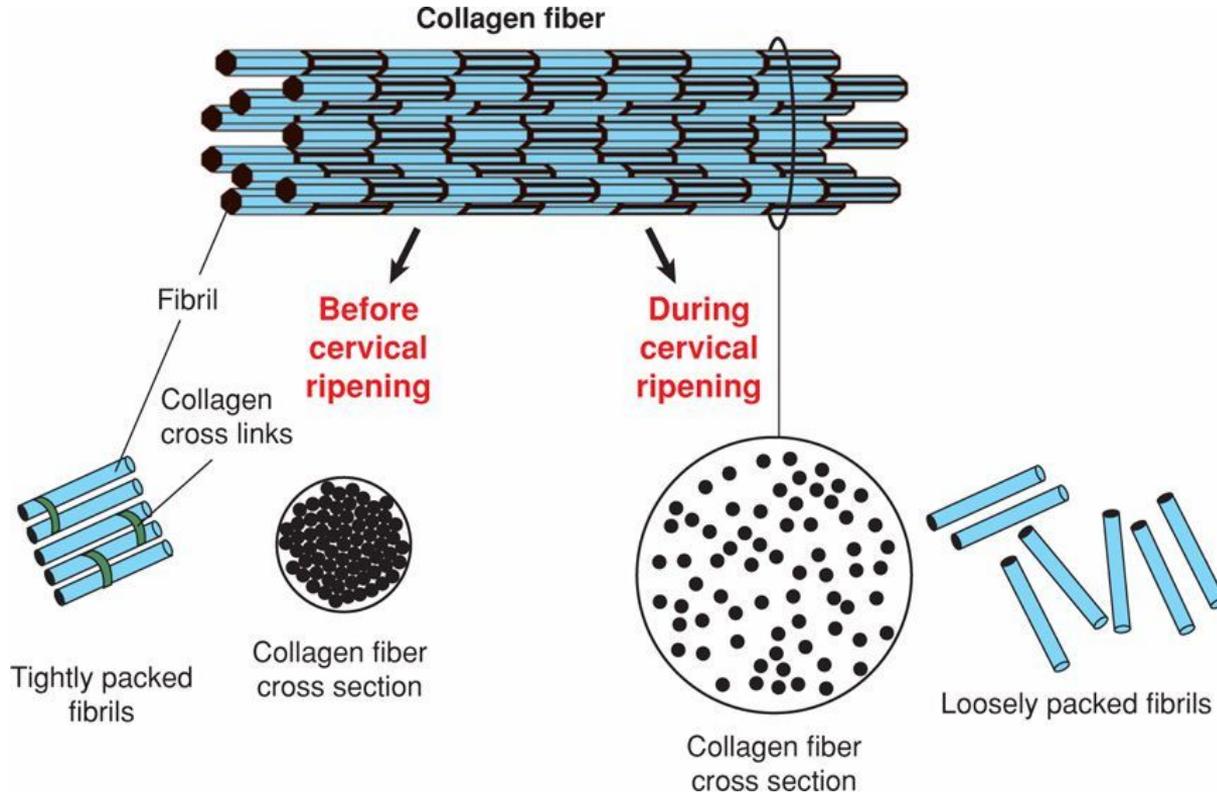
can affect collagen  
structure and its  
mechanical strength

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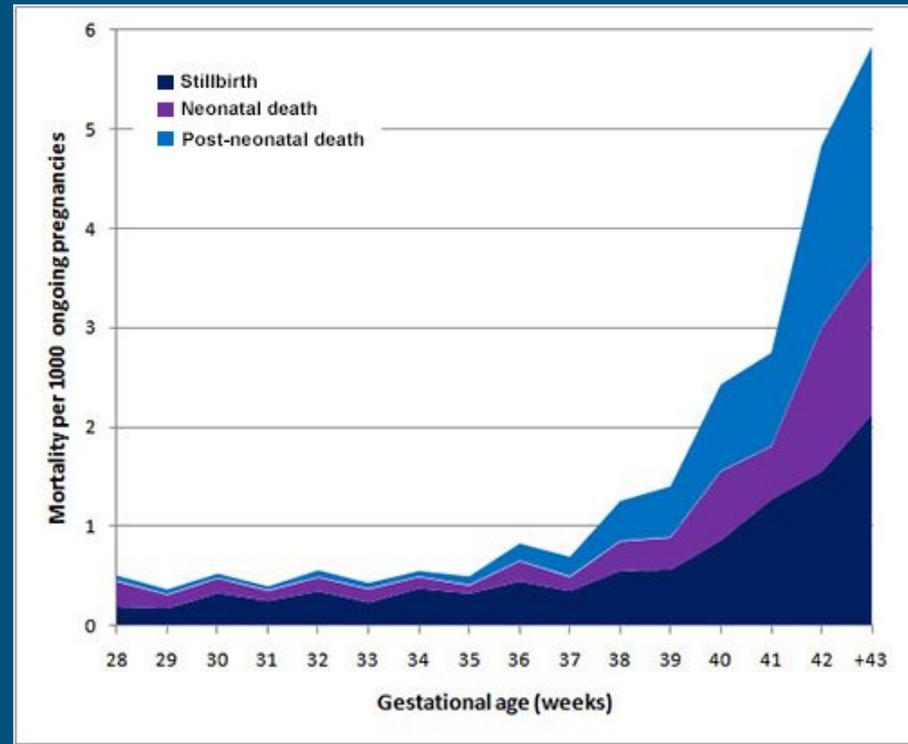
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# Prolonged Pregnancy

- **Definition** (vs Post Date pregnancy)
- **Epidemiology**
- **Why?**
- **Risks and benefits**



Advise ultrasound scan to determine gestational age using:

- CRL measurement from 10 wks 0 to 13 +6
- HC if CDL length is above 84 mm.



Reduce the rates of IOL for post-term pregnancy

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# Twin pregnancy

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Risks \ Benefits

Chorionicity??

Eligible for vaginal delivery

GA: 36 - 37 weeks



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- Caesarian section rates not increased
- Neonatal outcomes (Apgar score at 5 minutes, neonatal intensive care unit admission, sepsis and total hospital stay) not increased
- Reduced incidence of fetal heart abnormalities.

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At term, IOL is associated with improved maternal outcome and should be advised for women with mild hypertensive disease.

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# Maternal request

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Why?

Evidence

Conclusion:

**NOt recommended**

**In exceptional cases: not before 40 weeks**

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# History of precipitous labour

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**In theory:** may avoid birth outside hospital

**In practice:** Little evidence

# Indications for induction of labour

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**Related to stillbirth**

Individual basis:

Recurrent or once?

Liquor volume, fetal growth and CTG ?

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Definition

Why?

Need reliable diagnosis

Diabetic?

Previous shoulder dystocia?

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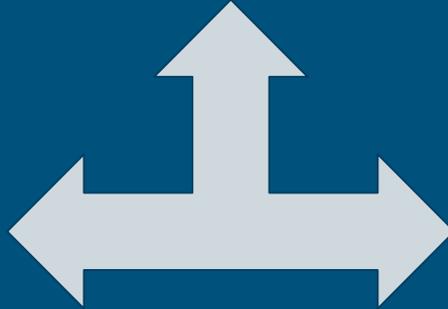
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**→ Offer IOL at 39-40 weeks**

**Wait for  
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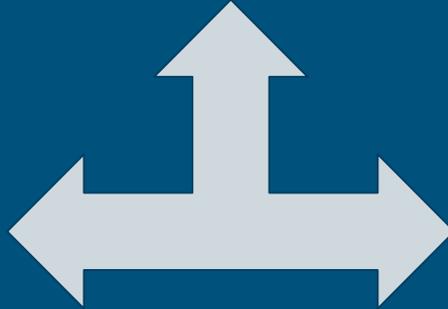
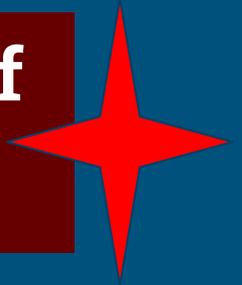
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# Key points

IOL is recommended:

- > beyond 41 weeks of gestation
- > before the estimated date of delivery in pregnancies complicated by diabetes
- > in prelabour rupture of membranes at term
- > severe pre-eclampsia beyond 34 weeks of gestation
- > hypertension or mild pre-eclampsia beyond 37 weeks of gestation
- > if maternal age  $\geq 40$  years of age.

IOL should be considered:

- > In women with reduced fetal movements at term.

The pros and cons of IOL should be discussed:

- > In women with suspected fetal macrosomia.

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## Absolute?

- ❑ placenta praevia/vasa praevia
- ❑ transverse lie
- ❑ prolapsed umbilical cord
- ❑ active genital herpes (first episode in third trimester – not recurrent herpes)
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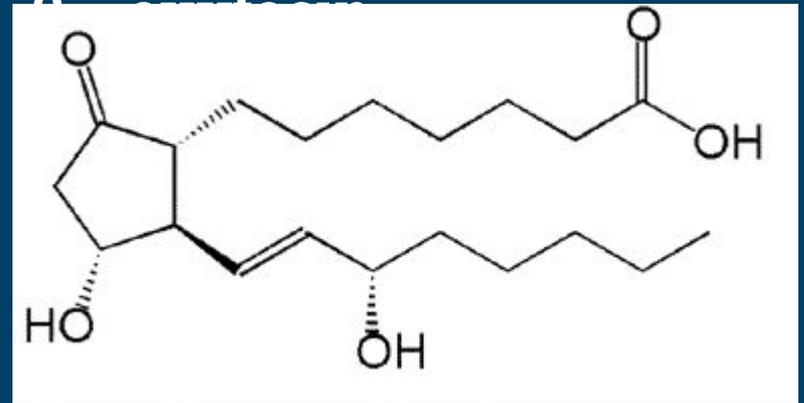
Induction of labour is contraindicated where vaginal delivery is contraindicated.

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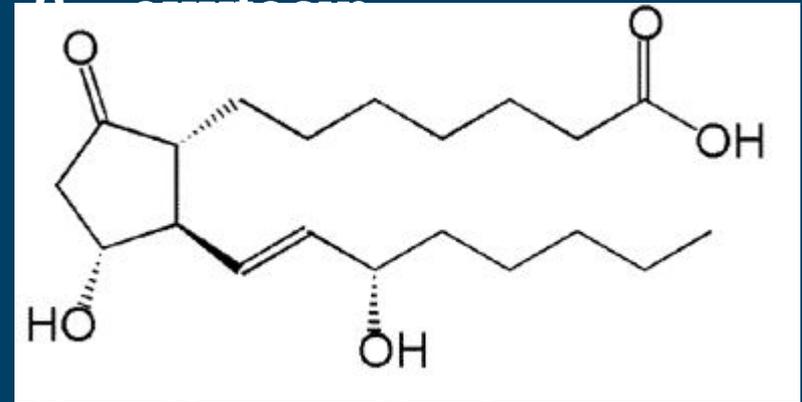
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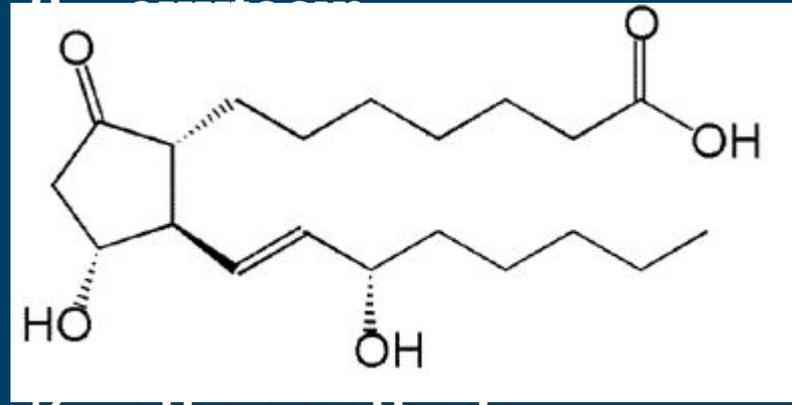
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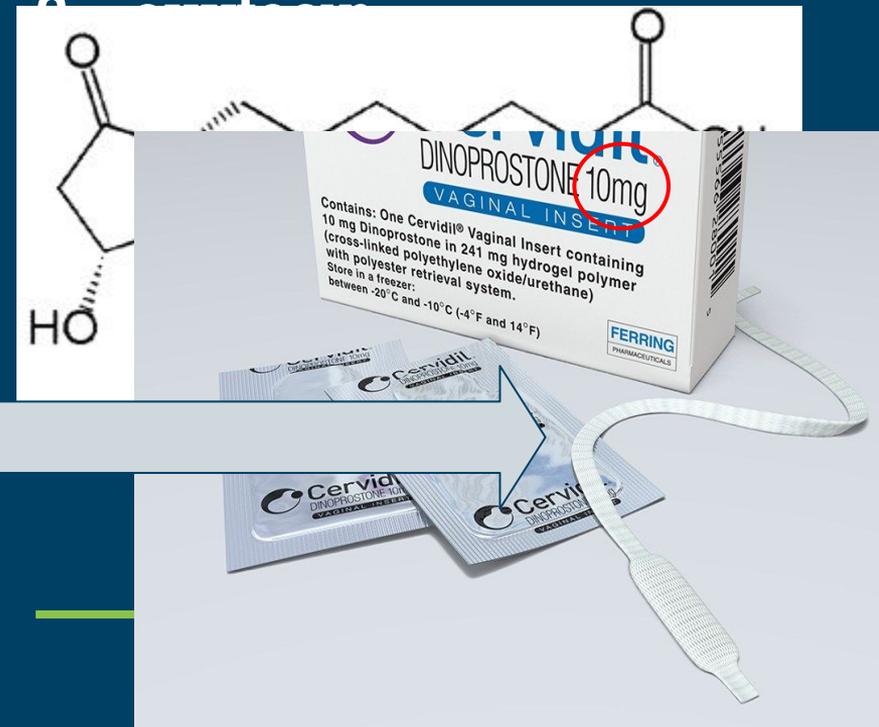
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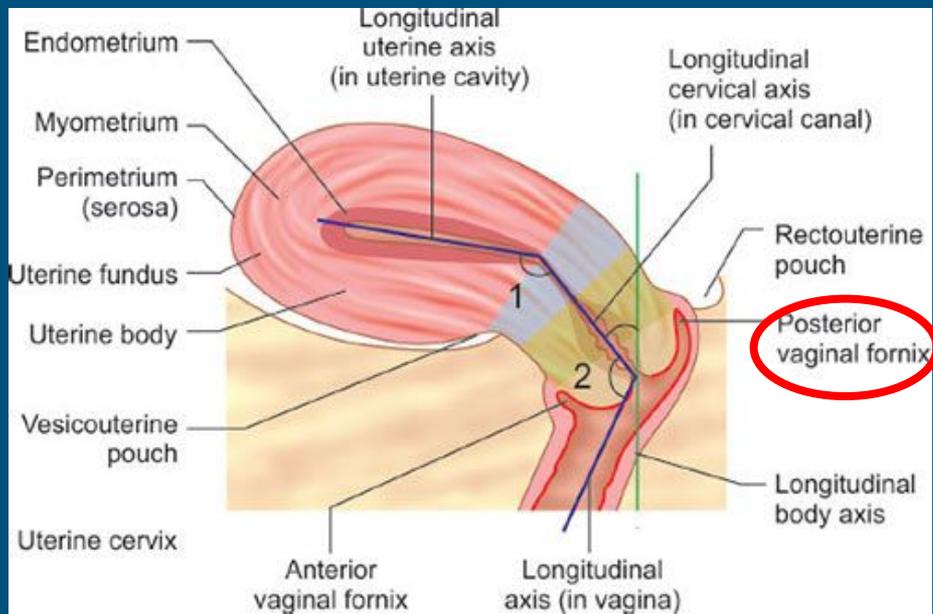
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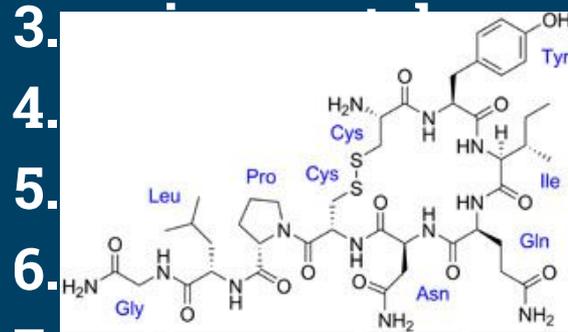




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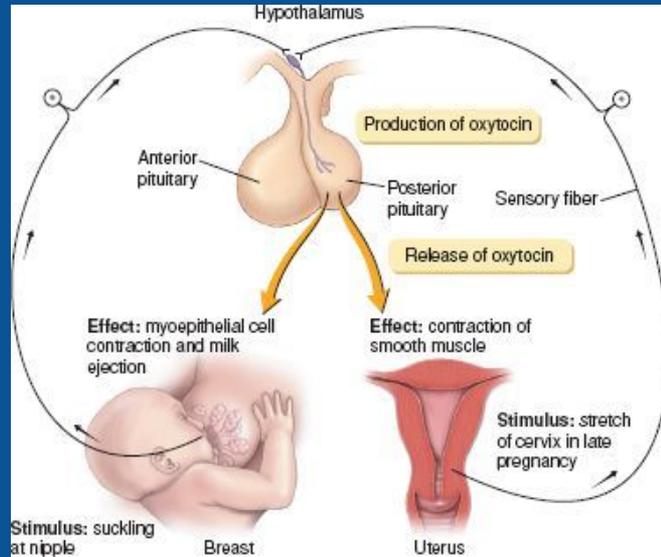
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## Practical aspects of using oxytocin:

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- **Cause fluid retention, after stopping → polyuria**

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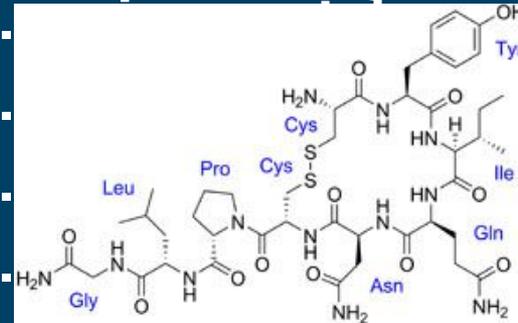
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## Difference B/w Oxytocin and Prostaglandins

Character	Prostaglandins	Oxytocin
Contraction	Contraction throughout pregnancy	Only at term
Cervix	Softens the cervix	Does not soften the cervix
Duration of action	Longer	Shorter

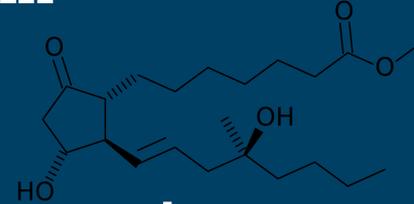
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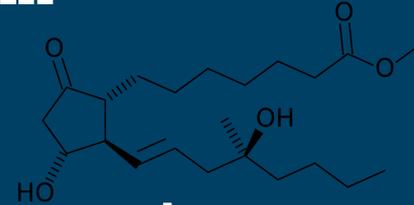


- ❑ synthetic prostaglandin E1 analogue
- ❑ cheap and stable at room temperature
- ❑ given orally, vaginally or sublingually.

## Dosage

- Oral: **maximum** 50 micrograms
- Vaginal: **maximum** 25 micrograms 4-hourly
- Vaginal slow release pessary: 200 micrograms over 24 hours.

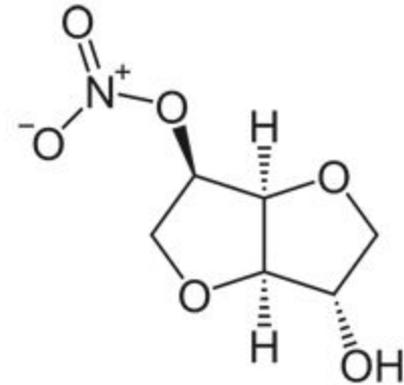
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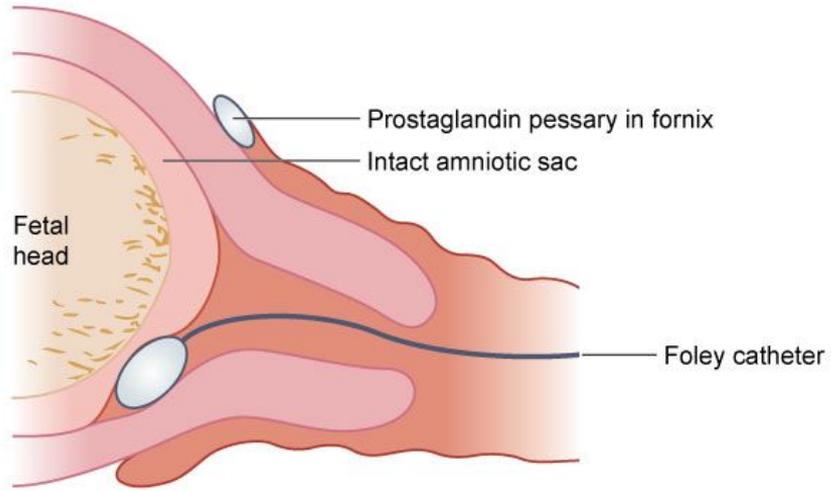
## Bottom line

IMN can be used for cervical ripening during the induction process. IMN is no more effective than PGE<sub>2</sub> in inducing a change in the modified Bishop score. Use of IMN in the outpatient setting does not shorten the admission to delivery interval.

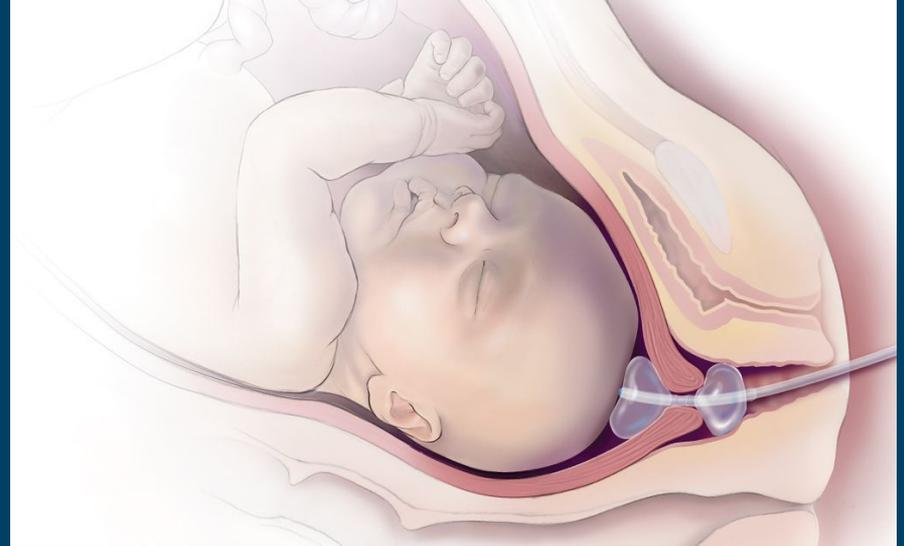
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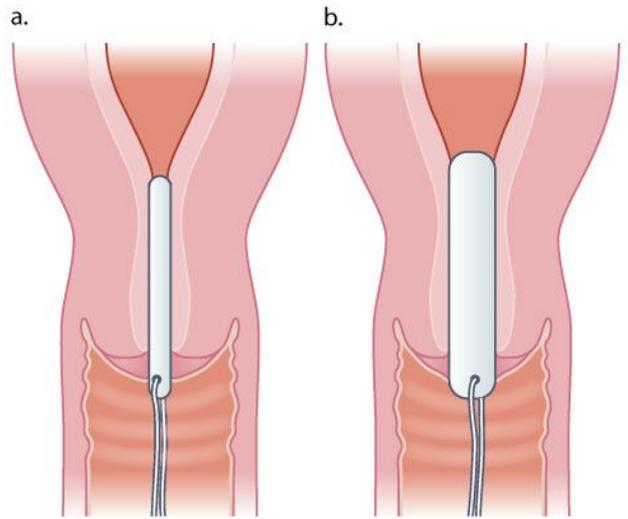
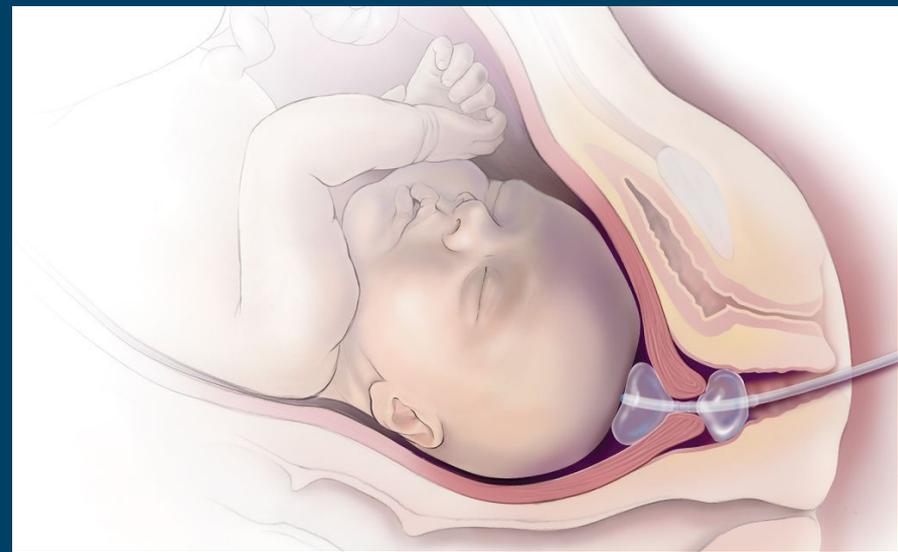
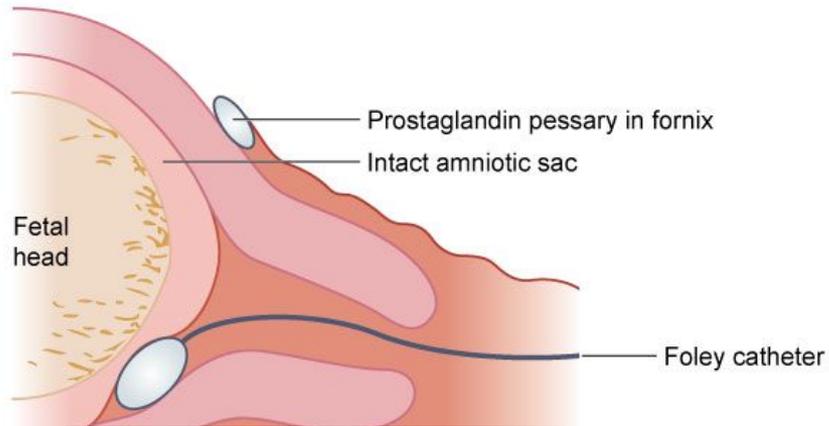
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## Advantages

- Simplicity of preservation
- Lower cost
- Reduction of side-effects from medical treatments.

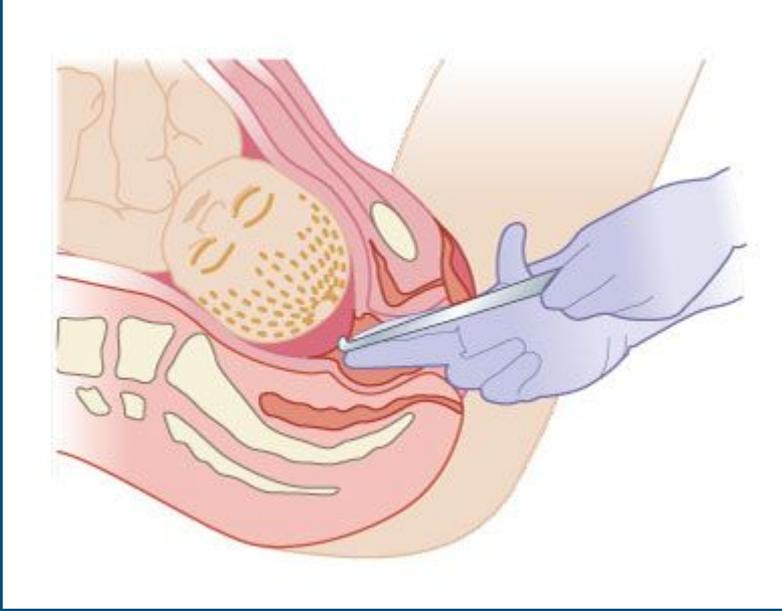
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- Difficulty in inserting through an unfavourable cervix for the operator, and discomfort for the woman
- Risk of infection
- Low-lying placenta is a contraindication.

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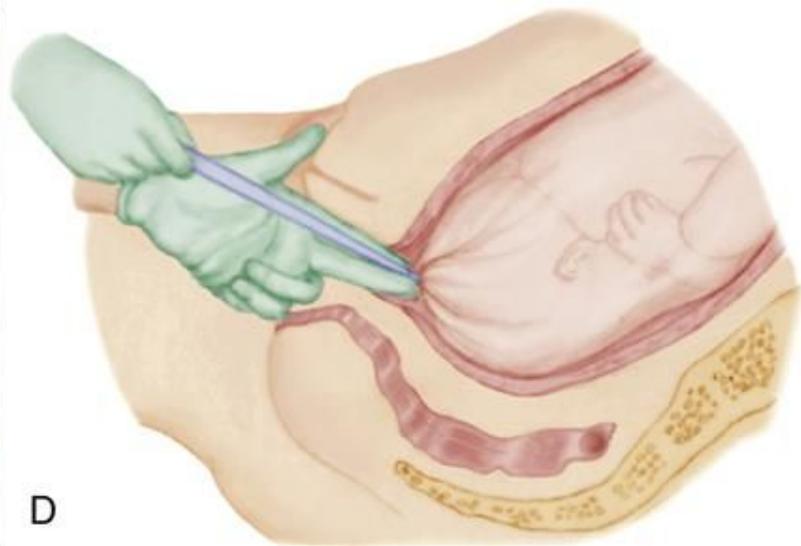
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- The membranes should be physically accessible.
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- Other indications

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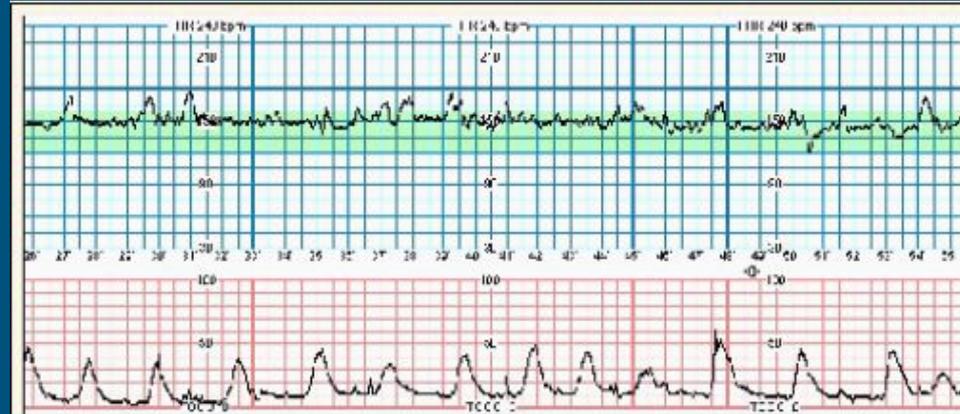
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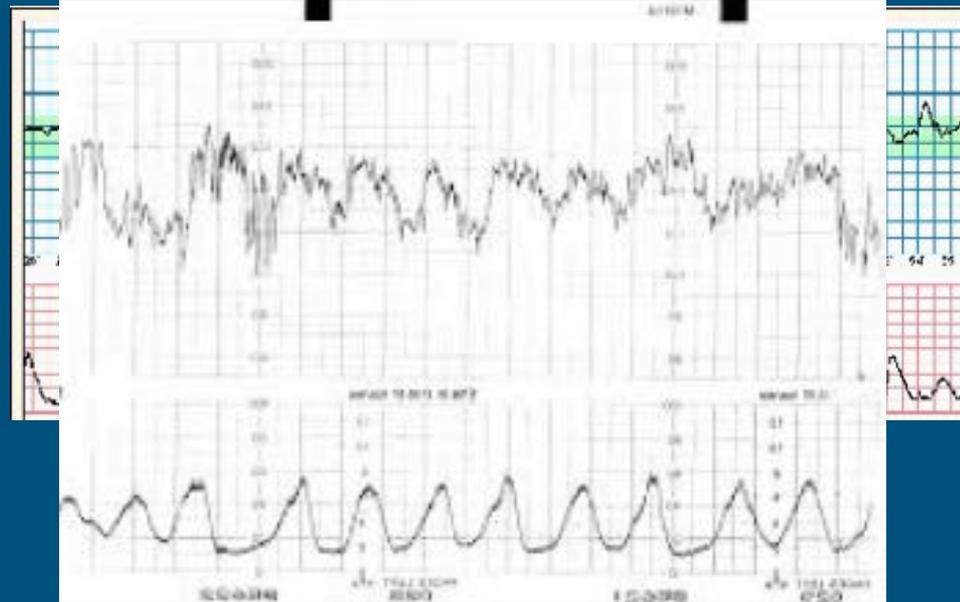
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The options in this scenario include:

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- b. waiting for labour to start spontaneously
- c. scheduling delivery by caesarean section
- d. considering the use of alternative cervical ripening strategies such as an intracervical Foley catheter.

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## Symptoms and signs

- Abdominal pain and tenderness
- Shock
- Vaginal bleeding
- Undetectable fetal heart beat
- Palpable fetal body parts
- Cessation of contractions
- Signs of intraperitoneal bleeding
- **The most common sign is the sudden appearance of fetal distress during labor**

## 5. Adverse effects of drugs used for induction

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## Oxytocin

- *water intoxication and hyponatraemia*
- nausea and vomiting
- arrhythmias
- anaphylactoid reactions and rashes
- placental abruption
- amniotic fluid embolism (with overdose)

## Prostaglandin

- *nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea*
- pulmonary or amniotic fluid embolism
- abruption
- fetal distress
- *maternal hypertension*
- *bronchospasm*
- fever
- backache
- cardiac arrest
- stillbirth or neonatal death
- vaginal discomfort.

# Methods of management and complications of prolonged pregnancy



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## When to induce?

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**Methods of management and complications of prolonged pregnancy**

**Between 41+0 and 42+0**

**When to induce?**



# Methods of management and complications of prolonged pregnancy

What if the woman declines induction of labour?

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**Methods of management and complications of prolonged pregnancy**

**What if the women declines induction of labour?**

- **Proper counselling**
  - **Documentation**
    - At least twice-weekly cardiotocography and ultrasound estimation of maximum amniotic pool depth
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**Methods of management and complications of prolonged pregnancy**

**Why offer induction of labour ?**



## **Methods of management and complications of prolonged pregnancy**

## **Why offer induction of labour ?**

- **The stillbirth rate increases from 1 in 1000 at 37 weeks of gestation to 3 in 1000 at 42 weeks of gestation to 6 per 1000 at 43 weeks of gestation.**
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# “stripping/ sweeping” the amniotic membranes



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## Definition

## Purpose

## Risks / Benefits:

- **No increased risk of caesarean section**
- **Membrane sweep reduces the duration of pregnancy**
- **Membrane sweep reduces the frequency of pregnancy continuing beyond 41 and 42 weeks of gestation**
- **No increase in the risk of maternal or neonatal infection**
- **Discomfort during vaginal examination and other adverse effects (bleeding, irregular contractions)**

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## **Fetal well being:**

- \*CTG**
- \*USS**



# Issues in counselling around induction of labour

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- A. The reasons for induction**
- B. The method to be used**
- C. Any alternatives**
- D. Any potential risks and consequences of accepting or declining induction of labour.**



# Induction of labour and prolonged pregnancy

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## Post lecture test - Induction of labour and prolonged pregnancy

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