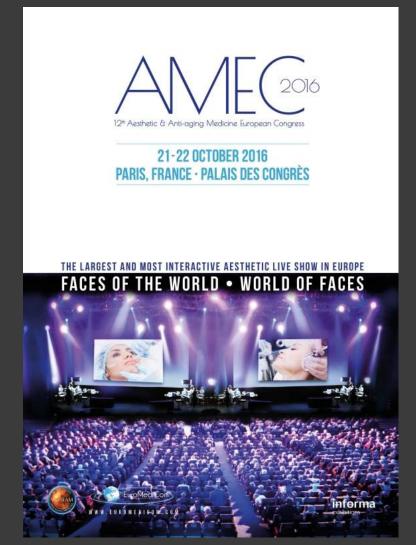
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#### REFINEMENTS IN LABIOPLASTY

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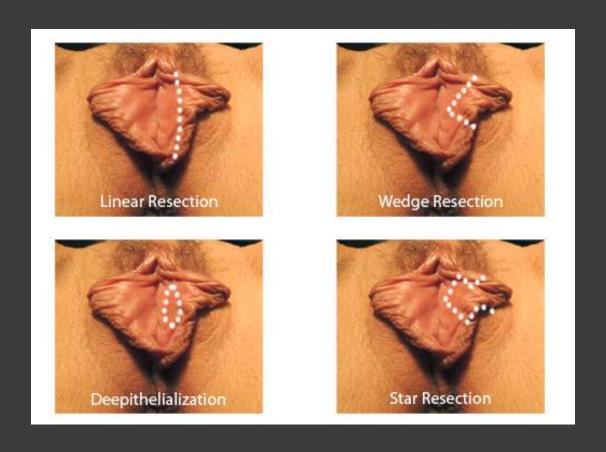
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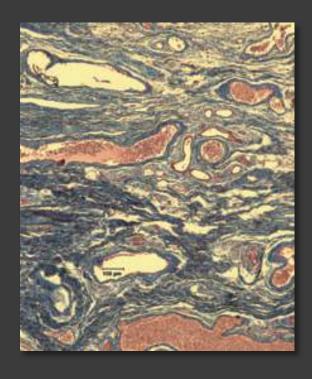
### Common techniques for Labioplasty -Minora

Linear resection is commonly used. A concern and question: Does linear resection affect the sensation of the labia?

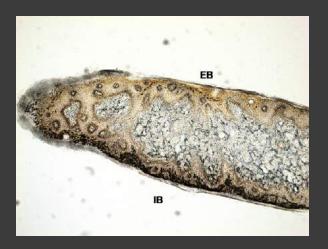




Labia minora are important to sexual function – specialized vascular elements engorged with excitation; abundant, dense nerve endings at inner border (IB) of labia. Factors to be considering in performing labioplasty.



Labia minora with dilated vascular space surrounded by blue-stained fibro-elastic tissue, not closely packed (Yang 2005).



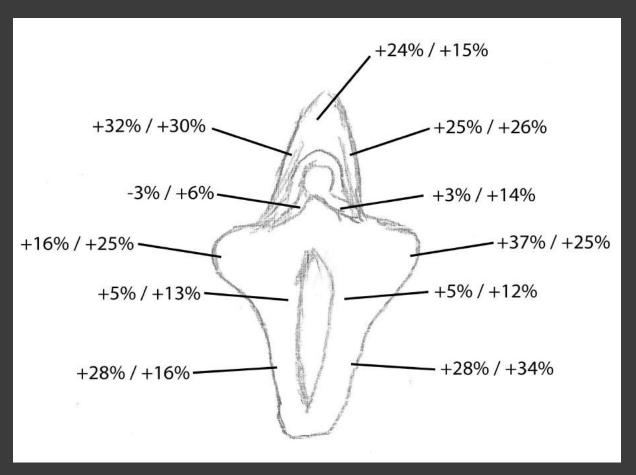
Internal border (IB) of labia minora is densely innervated as compare to external border (Schober 2010).



## Study assessing sensation change at labia minora after labioplasty using linear resection technique.

20 patients had sensations tested – touch/pressure – before and 6 weeks after labioplasty. The % change ( + increase or – decrease of touch/pressure sensations after labioplasty) at 11 sites over the clitoral hood and labia minora as illustrated below.

Conclusion: There was no decrease in sensation after labioplasty.





# Refinements in techniques for Labioplasty that would help in preserving sensation of the labia.

- First principle labia minora are important for sexual function, labioplasty should improve both aesthetics and function
- Labia minora have specializes vascular tissue important to sexual function that needs to be preserved
- The inner border of the labia minora has more dense innervation than the outer border, so minimize resection of the inner border
- Avoid energy devices that can damage sensory nerves e.g. no electric cautery for cutting or excessive coagulation

## Refinements in techniques for Labioplasty that would help in preserving sensation of the labia.

- Sharp and precise dissection and approximation of labia tissue, avoid tissue trauma and over tensioning that might affect the specialized vascular elements of the labia minora and nerve endings
- Use fine and rapid dissolving sutures
- Labioplasty can be done using just local anesthesia, resulting in less anesthetic risks, shorter recovery, and more cost effectiveness

