

Small incision levator tucking

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Introduction

- Common surgical approaches for ptosis;
 - Levator resection/tucking
 - Aponeurotic reinsertion
 - Mullerectomy
 - Frontalis flap/suspension



Rationale for the small incision

- Good surgical field
- Fast recovery
- Less scarring



Rationale for tucking

- Less anatomical disruption
- Good eyelid contour
- Lessen possibility of lagophthalmos
- Better in revisional cases



Indications/patient selection

- Congenital or acquired ptosis
- Good to fair levator palpebrae superioris function (8mm +)





Intraoperative assesment

- **Local anaesthesia:**

Patient is asked to sit in an upright position to measure the level of the eyelid

- **General anaesthesia:**

- According to the degree of ptosis and levator function
- Palpebral fissure is measured preoperatively
- After tucking the distance between upper and lower eyelids is measured
- The weaker the levator function the more overcorrection















Complications

- **Early:**

- Swelling
- Bruising
- Undercorrection or overcorrection
- Temporary lagophthalmos

- **Late:**

- Recurrence (20-25%)
- Overcorrection (3-5%)
- Contour abnormality (2-3%)



Take home message

- Small incision LPS tucking is a precise minimally invasive procedure
- Minimal scarring and faster recovery
- Satisfactory to the patients
- Low rate of complications
- Recurrence or revisional surgery is more forgiving



THANK YOU