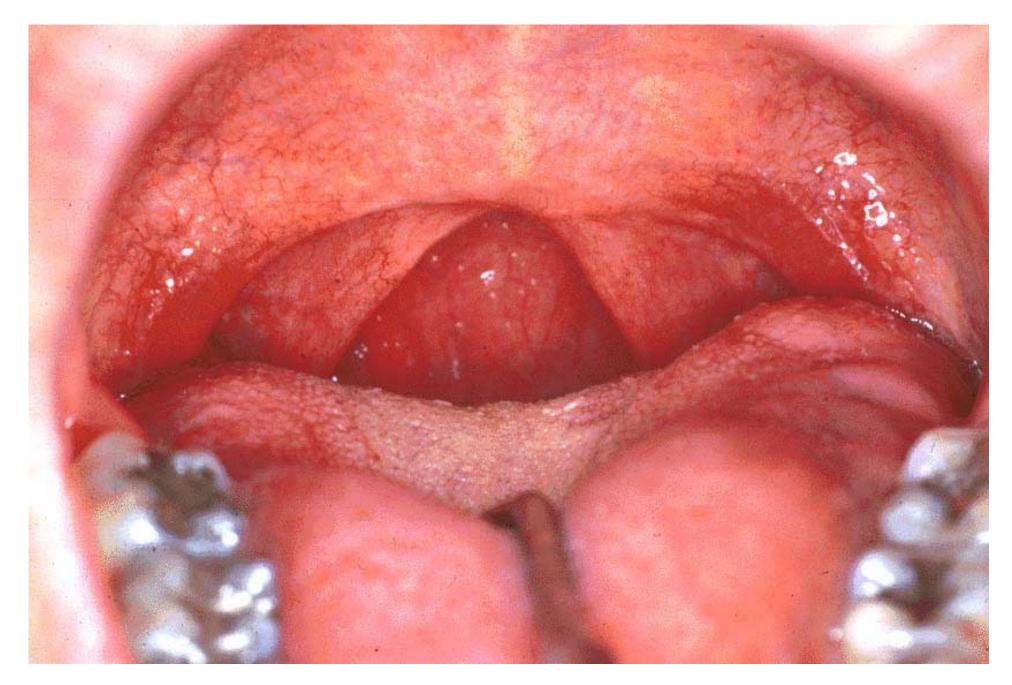
Surgical Treatment Options for OSA

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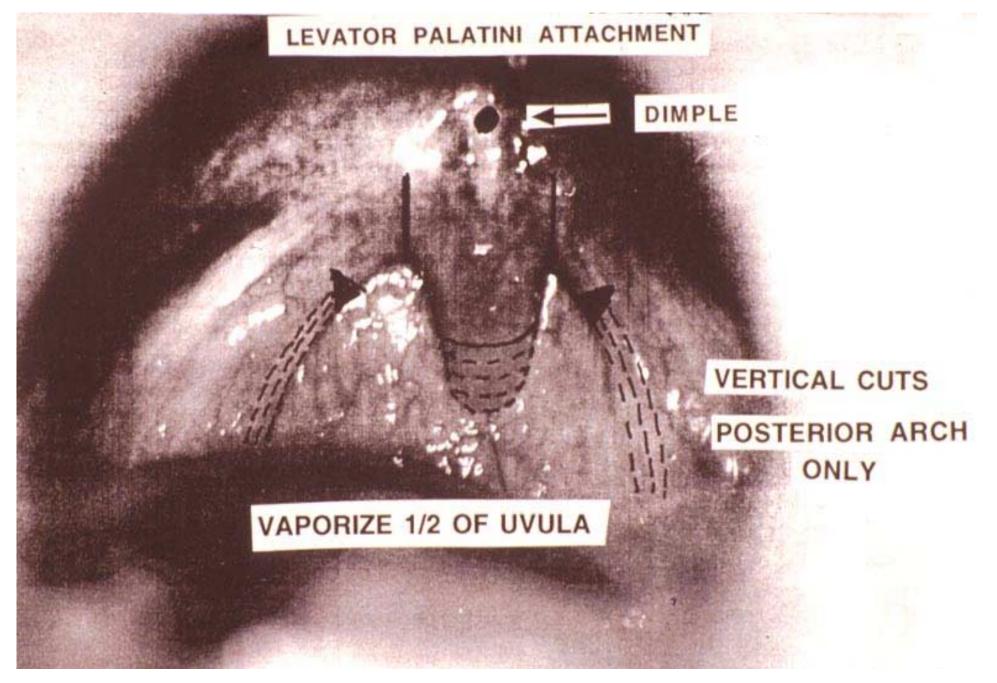
Tracheotomy



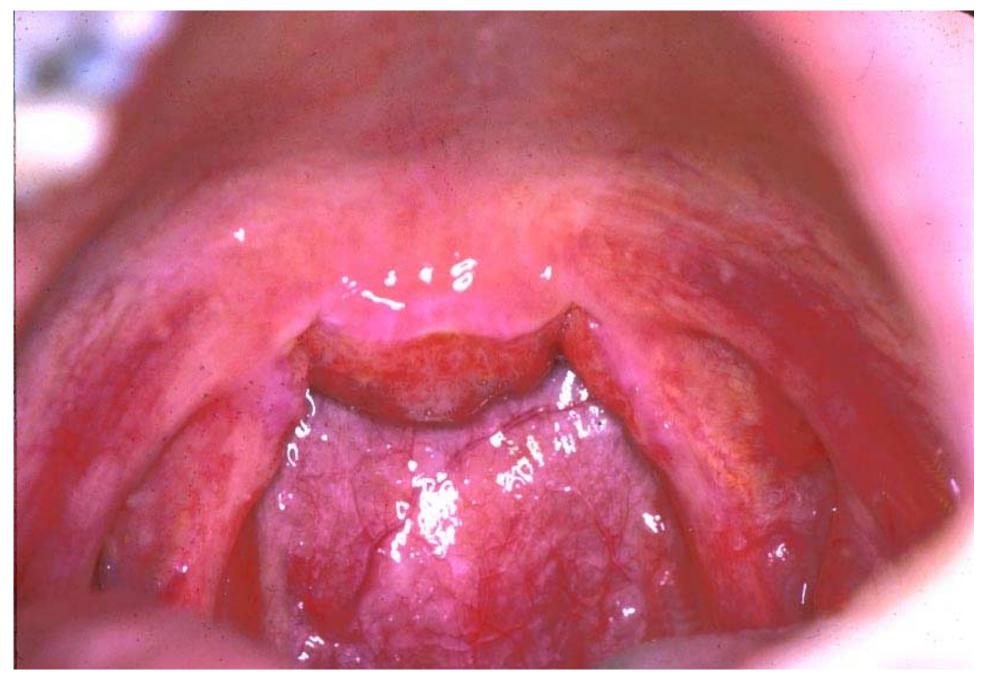
Uvulectomy - Uvula removed



Somnoplasty on soft palate



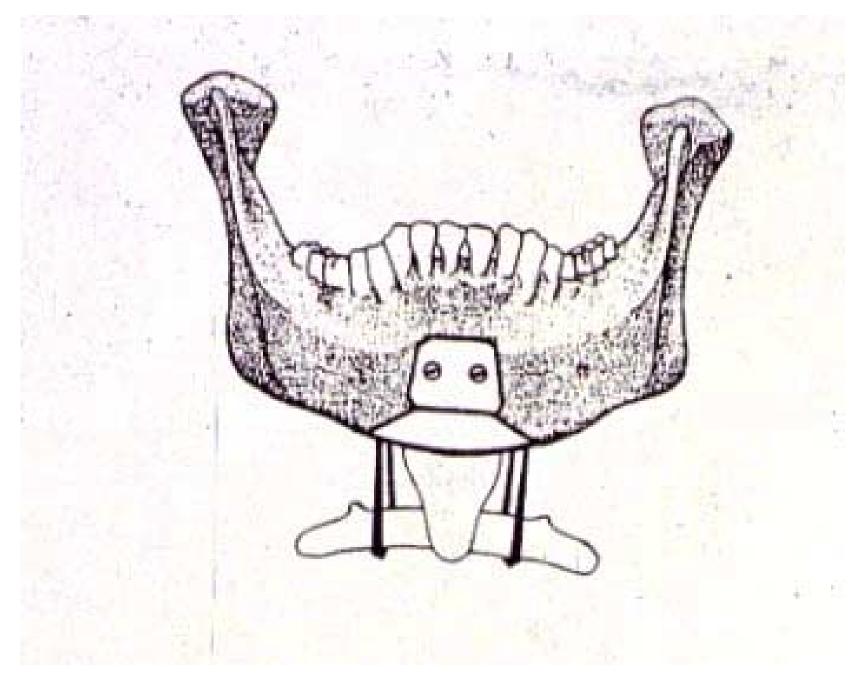
Laser assisted uvuloplasty - LAUP



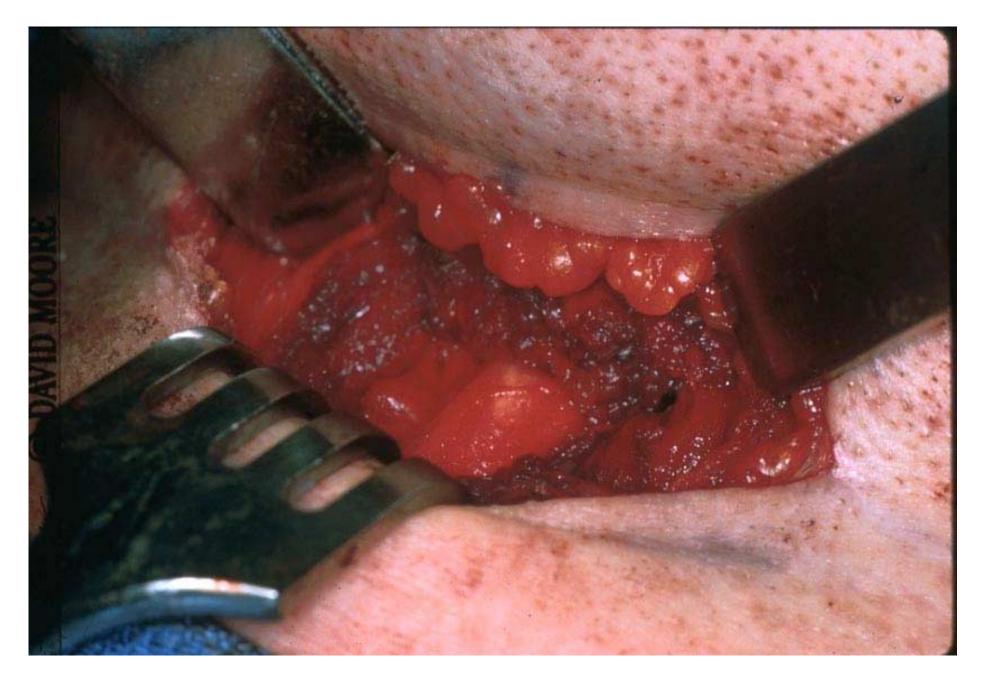
Post LAUP surgery



Tonsils and some of uvula removed

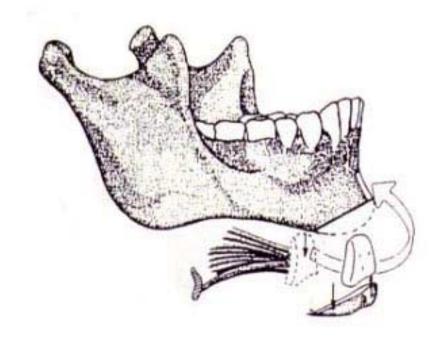


Hyoid suspension



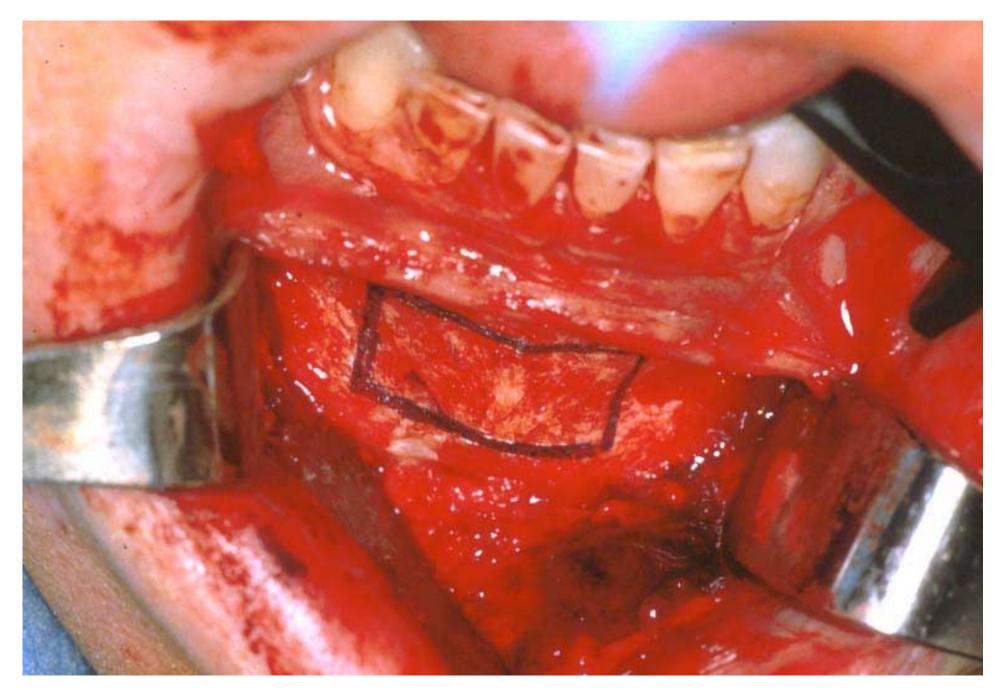
C9 Incision made in neck to advance hyoid bone

Genioglossal advancement

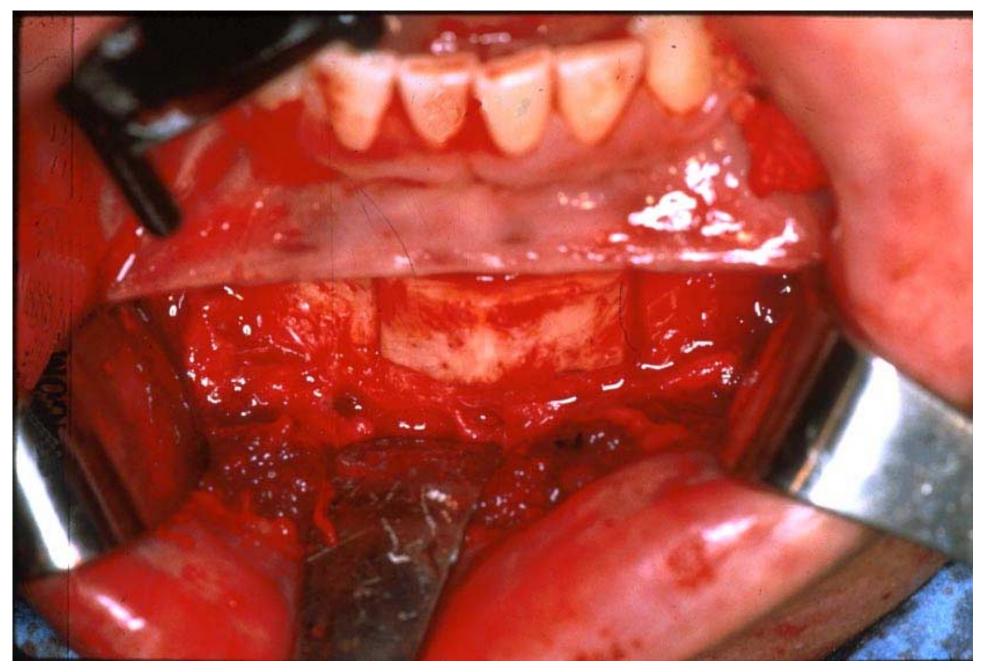


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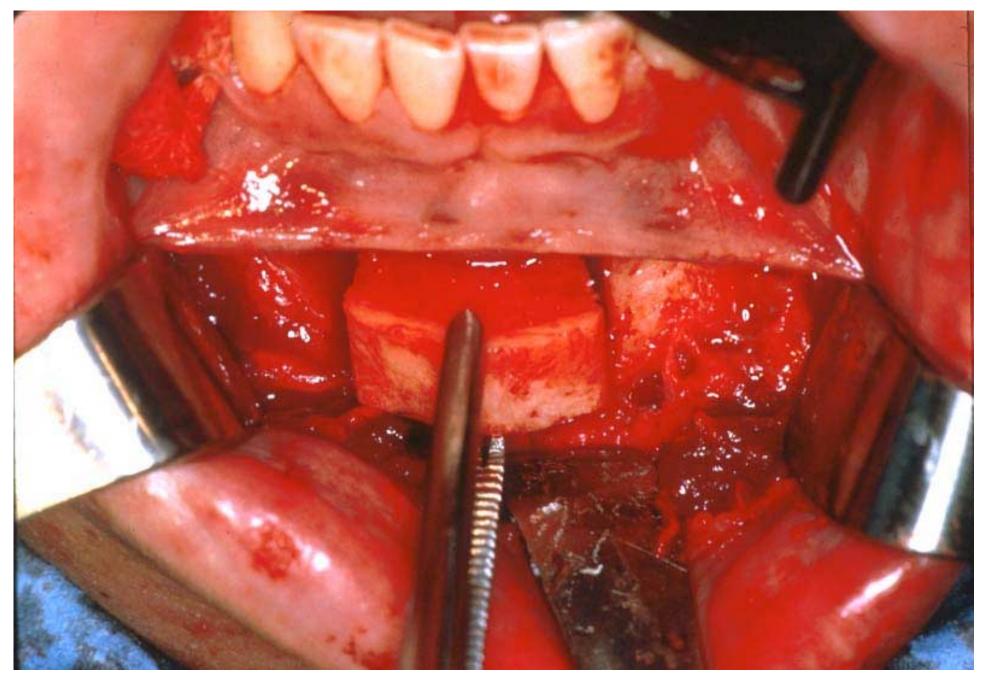
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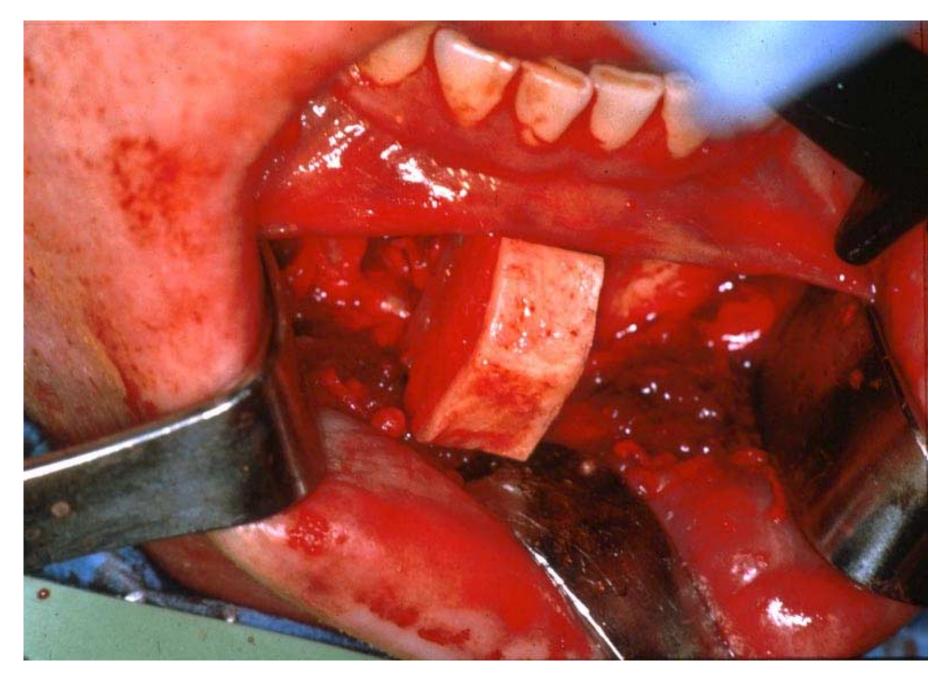
C11 Bone marked where cut will be made



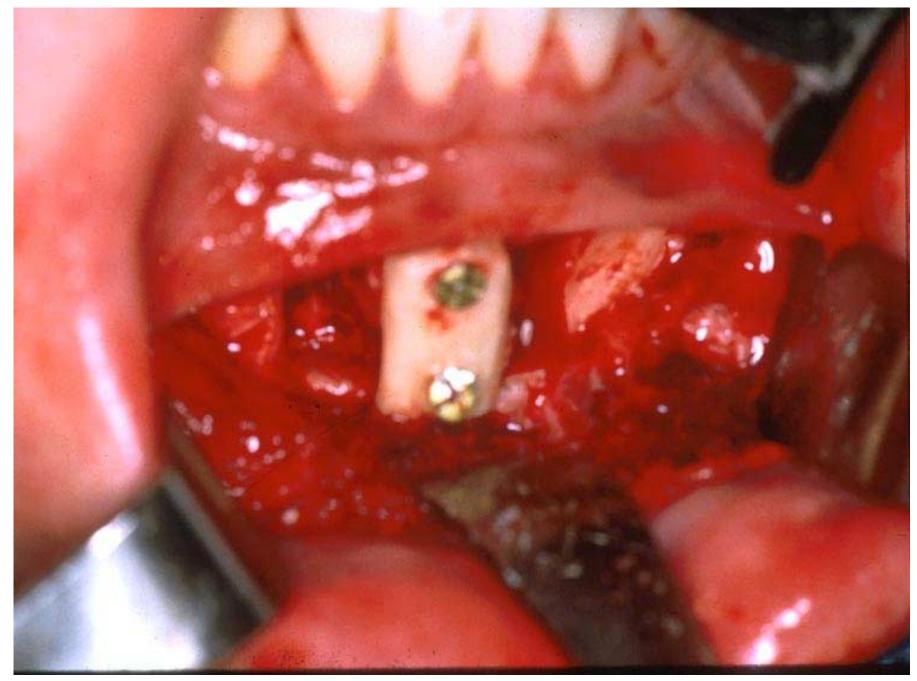
Cut has been made in the bone



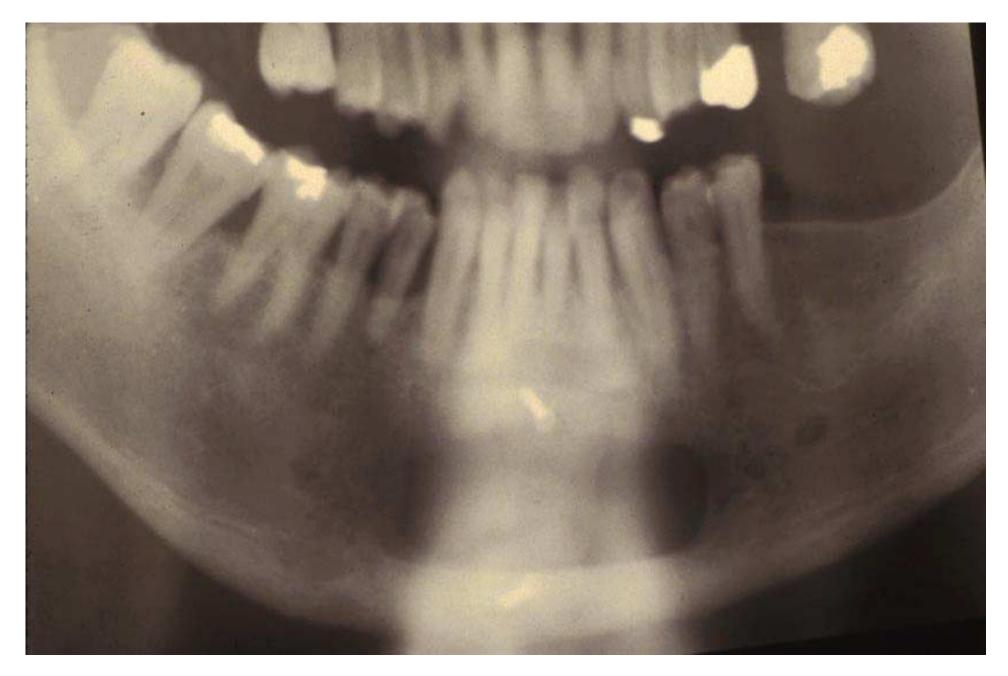
Section of bone advanced



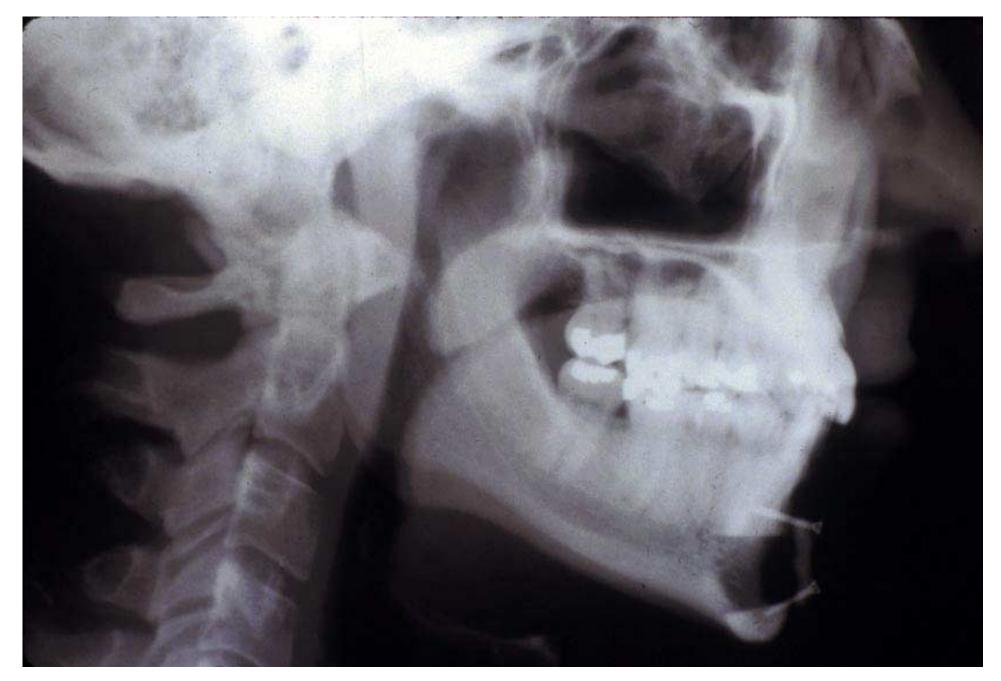
Section of bone rotated 90 degrees



C15 Bulk of bone reduced and screwed to place

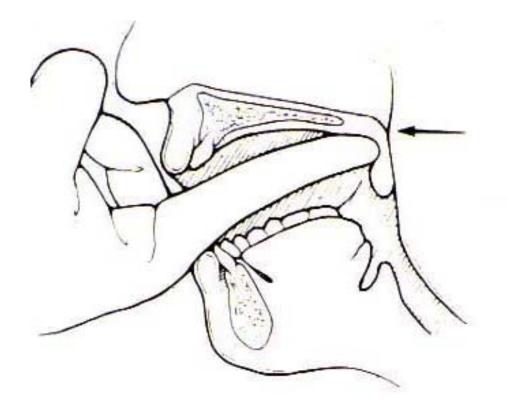


C16 Radiograph demonstrates surgery area and screws



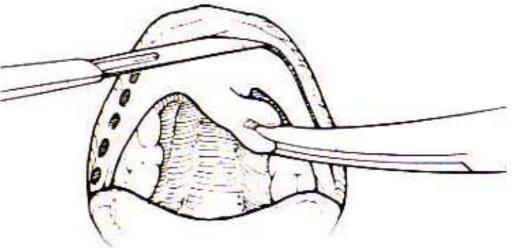
C17 Ceph showing improved PAS and screws

Uvulopalatopharyngeoplasty (UPPP)

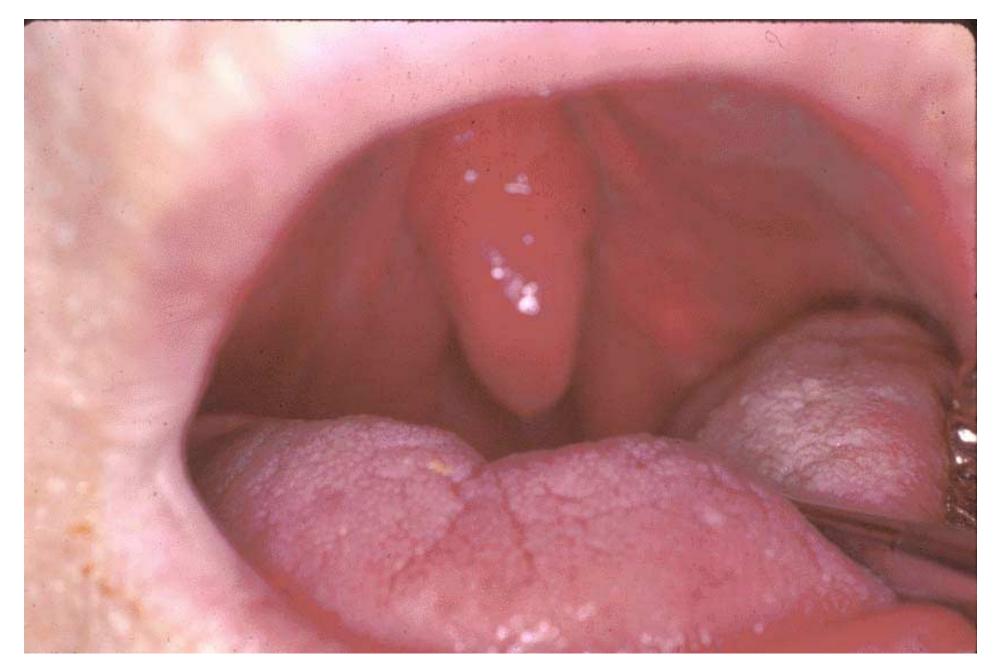


Preparing for UPPP

Determining amount of tissue to remove

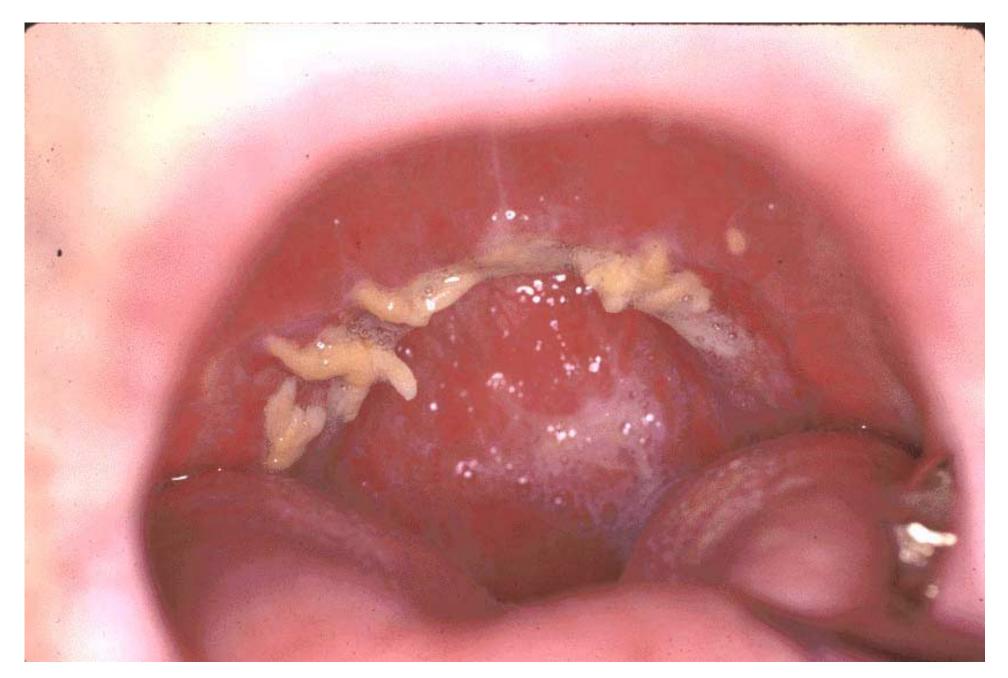


Removing uvula and part of soft palate



Patient with compromised oropharynx

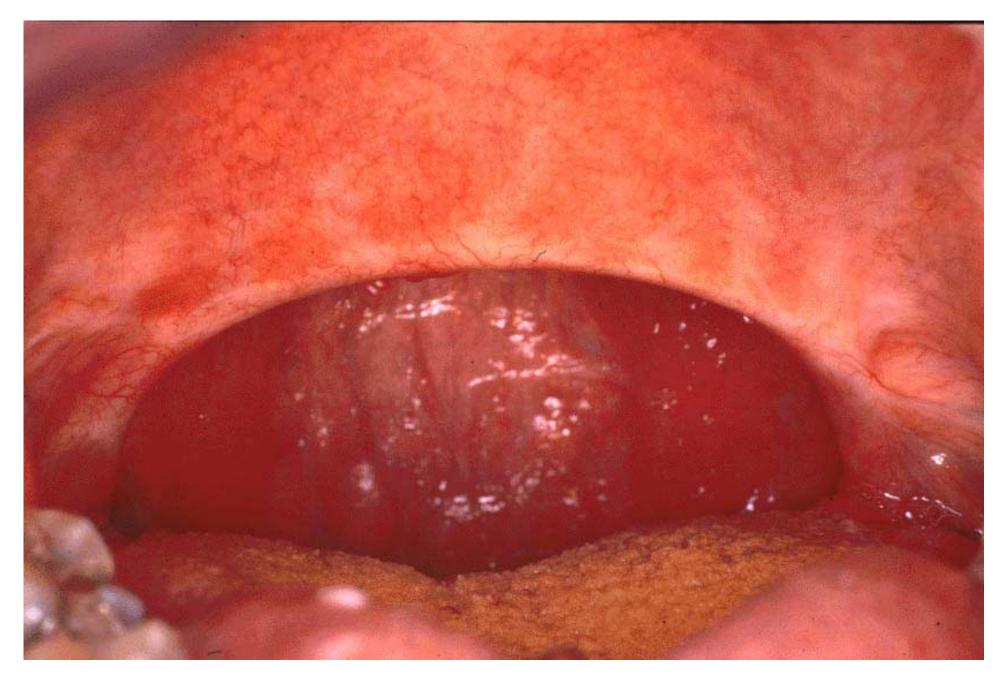




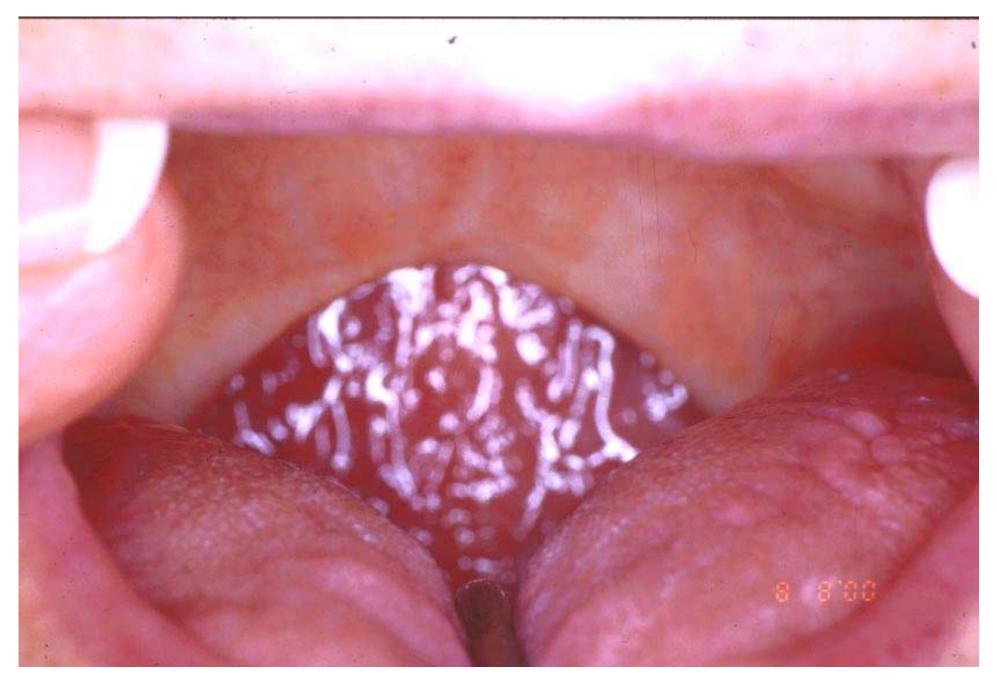
C21 Patient with sutures still present following surgery



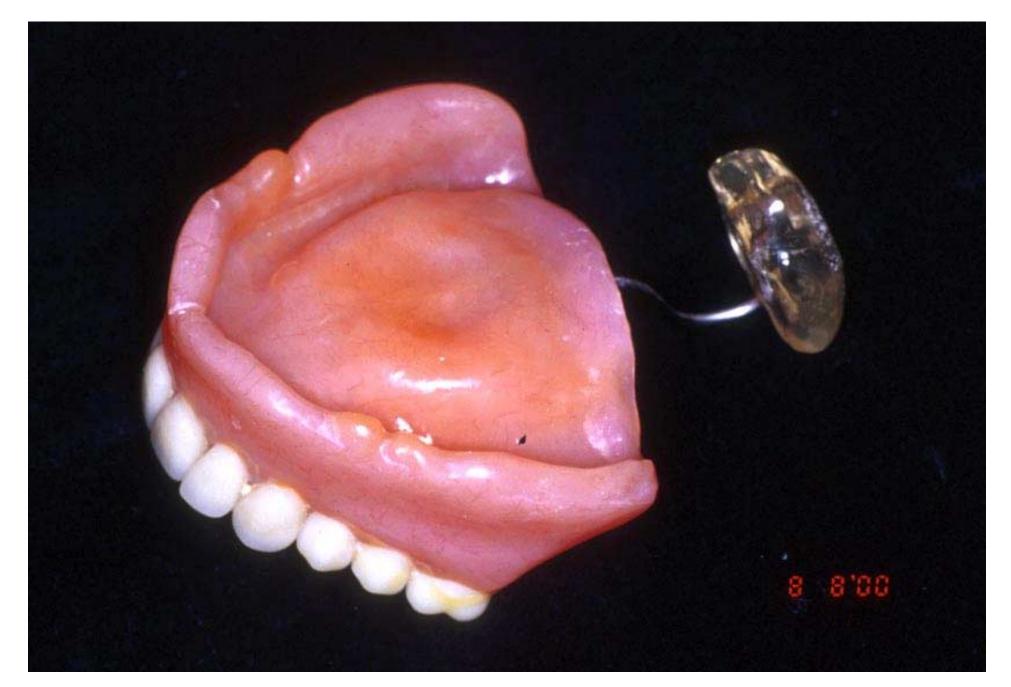
Same patient after 3 months



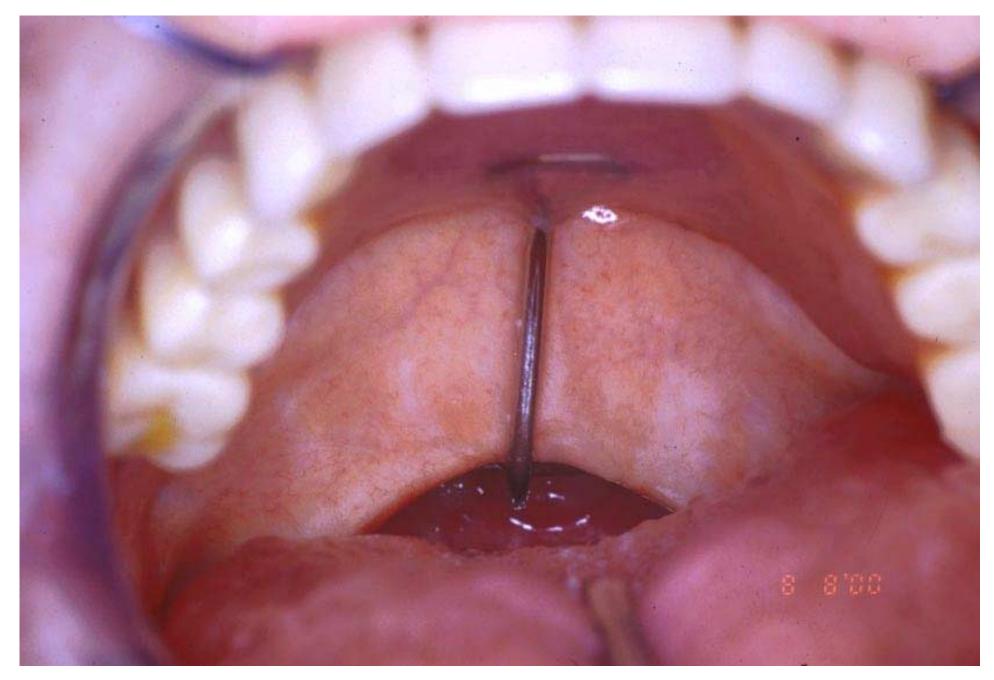
UPPP result on different patient



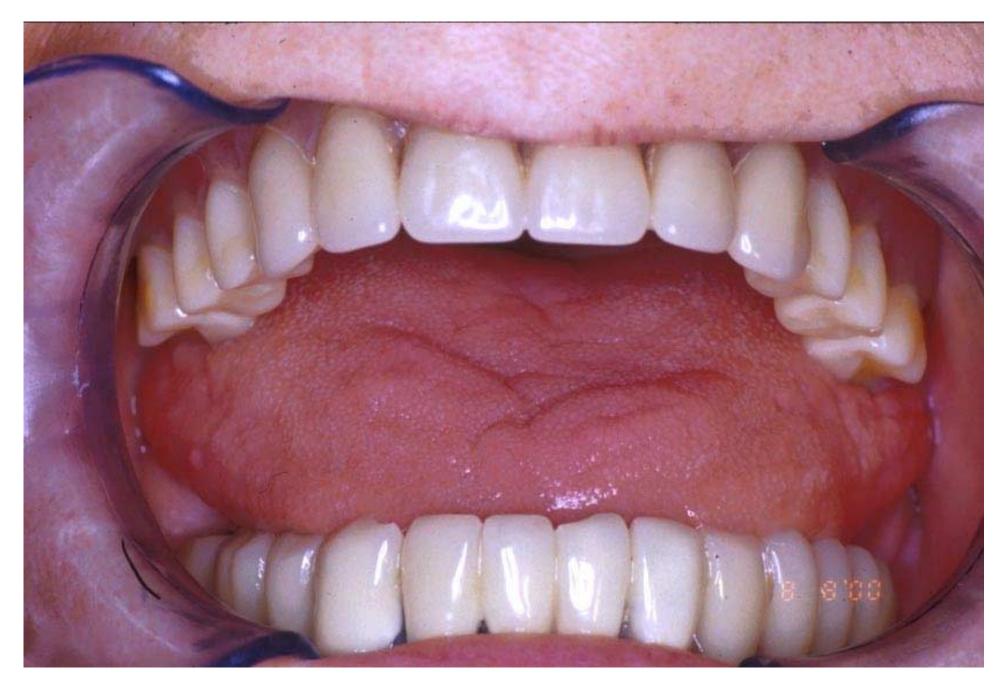
C24 Too much tissue removed during this UPPP



Obturator attached to upper denture



Obturator and denture in mouth



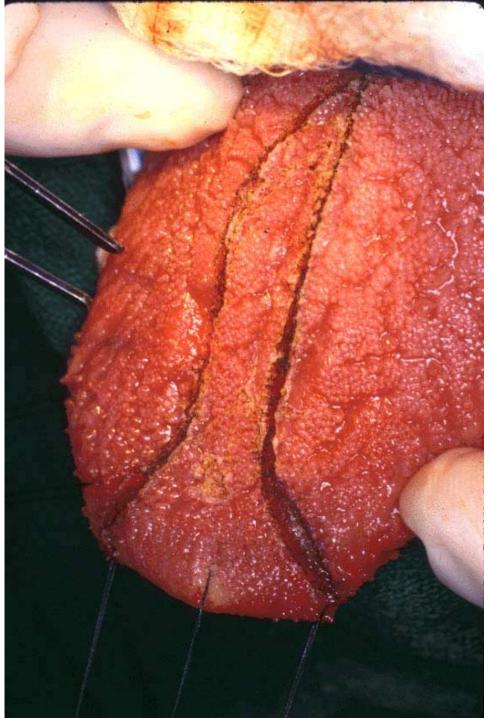
C27 Large tongue was contributing factor to OSA

Glossectomy

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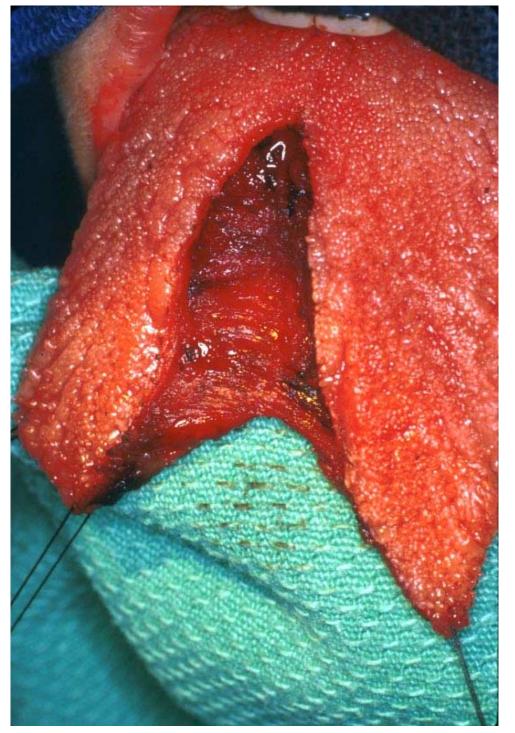
Preparing for tongue reduction surgery



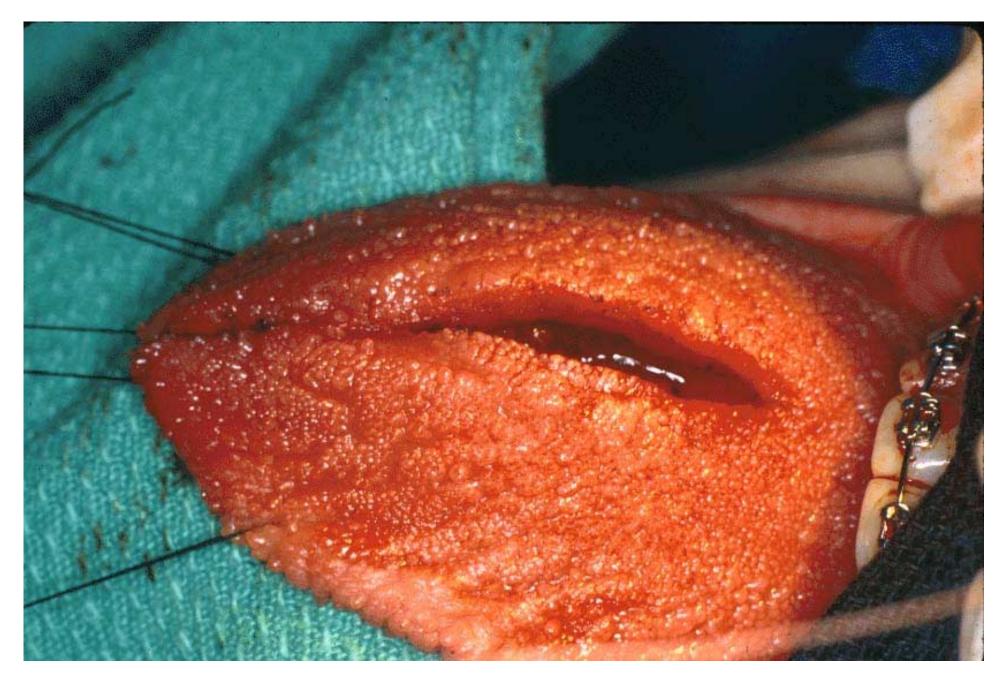
Laser being used to outline area of tongue to be removed



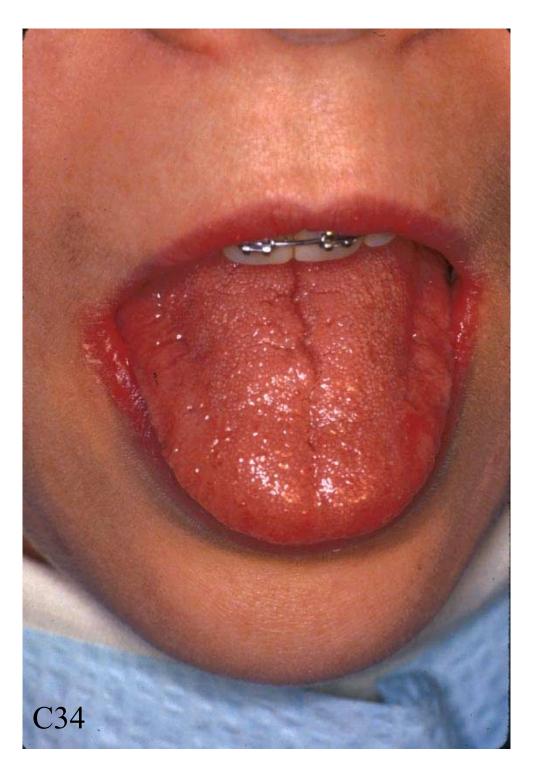
Front middle section of tongue being removed



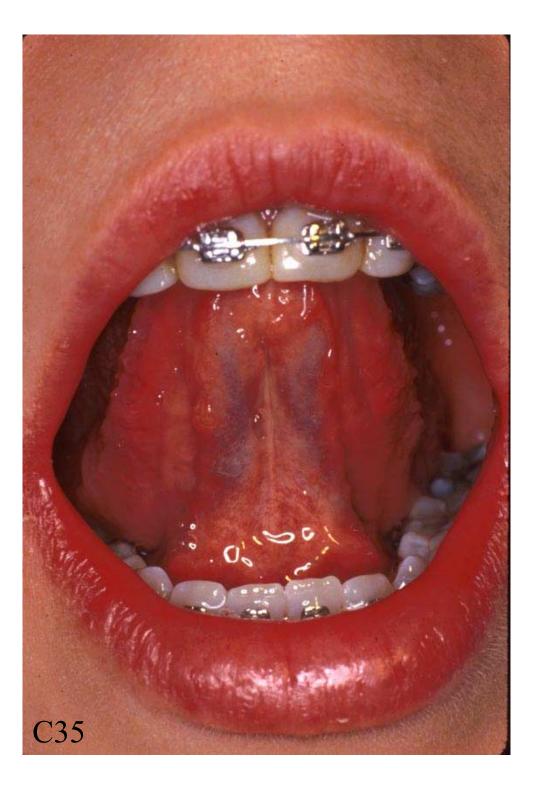
Mid section of tongue removed



Tongue being sutured

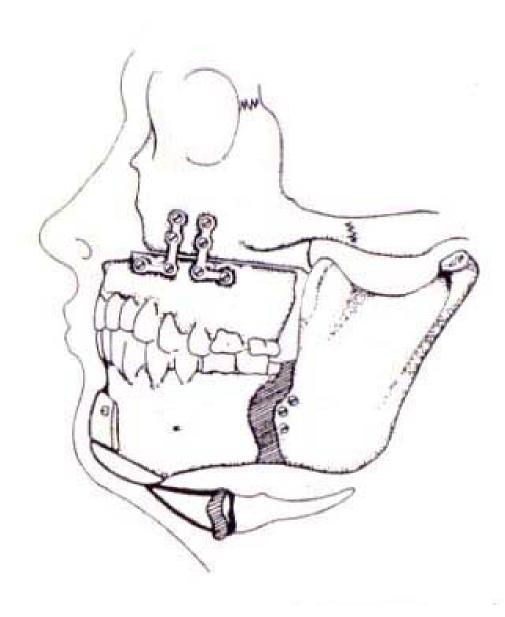


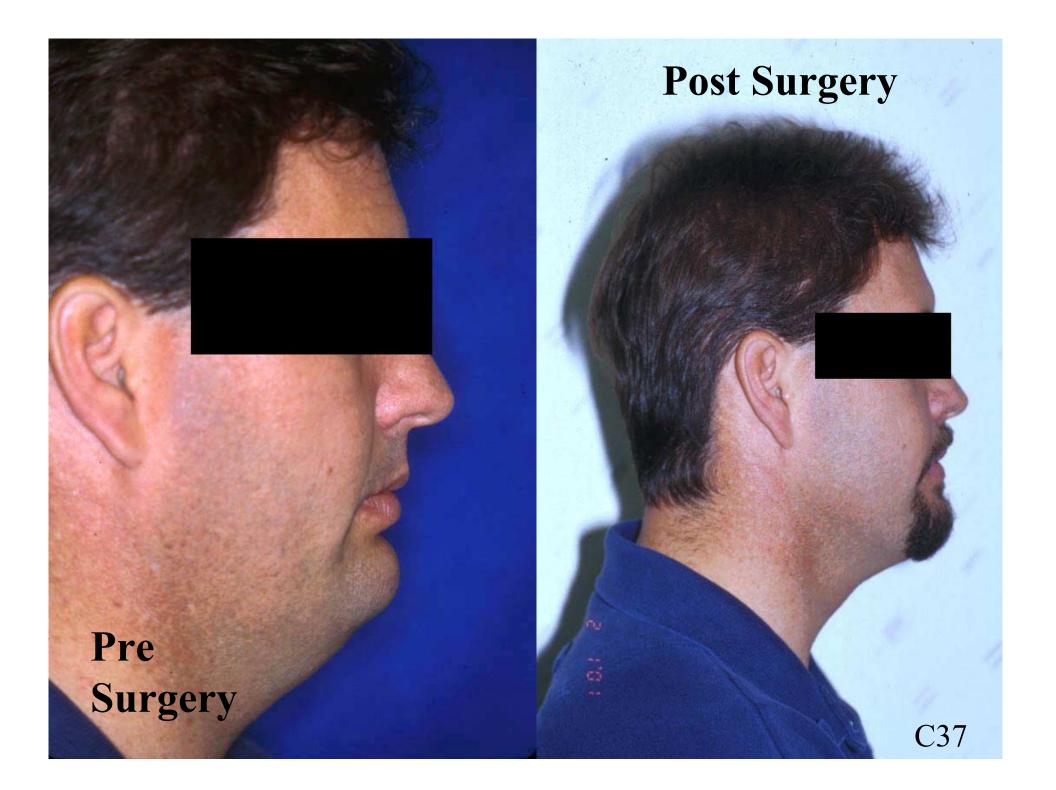
Post operative healing



Post surgery healing

Maxillary and Mandibular Osteotomy





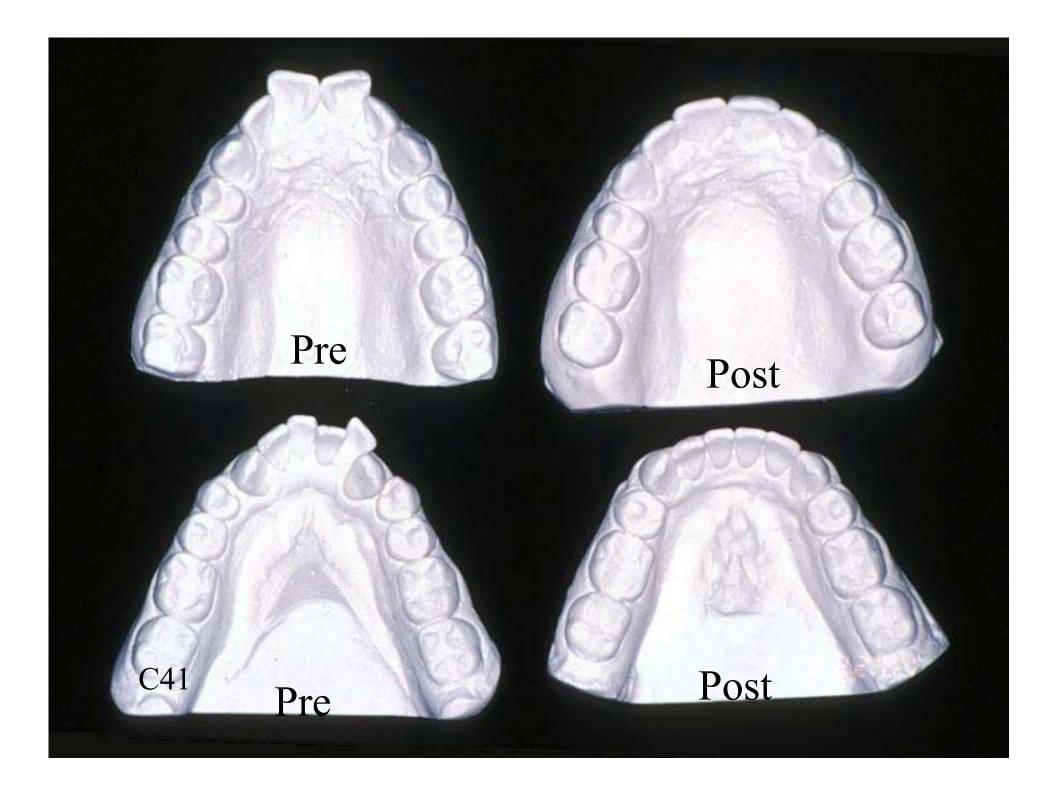




Pre ortho / surgery malocclusion



Patient during orthodontics







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