

# Rhoton Transsphenoidal Speculum

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The V. Mueller Rhoton Transsphenoidal Speculum was developed in conjunction with Albert Rhoton, MD, of the University of Florida and designed especially for the endonasal approach to pituitary tumor removal.

## Features

- Black coating reduces glare from light source
- Screw can be used on either side to allow left- or right-handed approach
- Serrated tips help prevent slipping
- Increased opening from proximal to distal tips allows optimal visualization without damaging the nasal passageway
- Two sizes meet various anatomical requirements

Traditionally, there have been two approaches to surgical removal of pituitary tumors:

**Sublabial and transeptal.** Both approaches, while effective, required an incision to either the upper lip or the septum. Over time, more and more surgeons have been using the less traumatic endonasal approach.

## Benefits of the endonasal approach

- No incision under or on nasal septum—speculum is advanced through the nostril
- Procedure time may be shortened
- Injury to upper mouth and teeth is reduced
- Less trauma to the face may result in faster recovery time
- Stitches or gauze packing is not required
- Postoperative discomfort is decreased
- Hospitalization time may be reduced

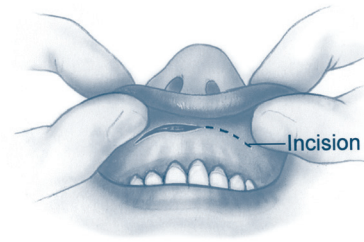
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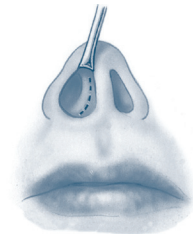
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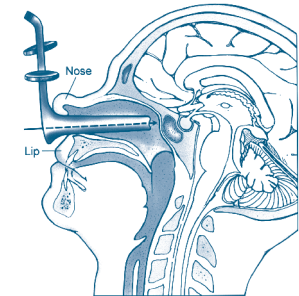
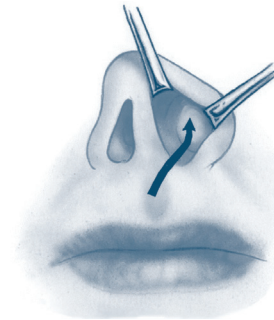
### Sublabial approach



### Transeptal approach



### Endonasal approach



### Ordering information

Cat. no.	Description
NL3785-500	Small Transsphenoidal Speculum (3½")
NL3785-501	Large Transsphenoidal Speculum (4")

The small (3½") size is recommended by Dr. Albert L. Rhoton, Jr. for most procedures.

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