

A transfrontal approach enables the surgeon to see both sides of the pituitary fossa easily but is a longer approach and usually requires a large incision.

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The first pituitary operation was likely performed by Sir [Victor Horsley](#) in [1889](#) via a [transfrontal approach](#) though he did not publish his results <sup>1)</sup>.

<sup>1)</sup>

Pollock JR, Akinwunmi J, Scaravilli F, Powell MP. Transcranial surgery for pituitary tumors performed by Sir Victor Horsley. *Neurosurgery*. 2003 Apr;52(4):914-925

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