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Rectal cancer is a common malignant disease where surgical removal of the tumor is the main treatment. Despite improved results during the last decades, rectal cancer treatment is still associated with high morbidity and mortality. This thesis presents four studies designated to improve the understanding of anastomotic leakage, anorectal function and defunctioning stomas, in patients operated on with low anterior resection of the rectum due to cancer.

Aspects of anastomotic leakage, anorectal function and defunctioning stoma in Low Anterior Resection of the rectum for cancer

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