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sphinc·ter·ot·o·my (sfingk "tər-ot´ə-me) ) (mp3/99226.mp3) [sphincter + -tomy]

incision of a sphincter.

internal sphincterotomy, incision of the internal anal sphincter (def.jsp?id=110004365) in treatment of an anal fissure.

precut sphincterotomy, in cannulation and sphincterotomy for procedures in the common bile duct, initial cutting of the papilla of Vater when the opening is particularly blocked or stenosed.

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