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Proctoscopy , performed with the patient in the same position, allows a detailed inspection of the distal rectum and anal canal ( Figure 80.4 ). Minor procedures can also be carried out through this instrument, e.g. treatment of haemorrhoids by injection or banding (see Haemorrhoids ) and biopsy . Asking the patient to bear down on slow withdrawal of the procto scope may reveal a descending intussusception.

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