

The median sacral artery is a small branch, which arises from the posterior aspect of the distal abdominal aorta, just above its bifurcation. It descends in the midline in front of the fourth and fifth lumbar vertebrae, sacrum and coccyx, to end at the body of the coccyx. It commonly gives off a small lumbar artery (*arteria lumbalis ima*) with small branches to the rectum.