

## Laparoscopic Inguinal Hernia Repair Early Results from a Tertiary Center

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### Aim

We present the initial experience of transabdominal preperitoneal (TAPP) repair for inguinal hernias on a tertiary care center in Portugal.

### Material and Methods

- Type of study: single center, retrospective, observational
- Time frame: May 1st of 2023 - December 31st of 2024
- Inclusion criteria: elective TAPP inguinal hernia repair

### Results

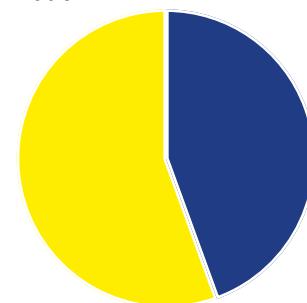
#### Patient Details

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|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Number of patients      | 27                              |
| Mean age                | 65,93                           |
| Surgical Indication     | Bilateral - 20<br>Recurrent - 7 |
| Most common comorbidity | Arterial hypertension           |

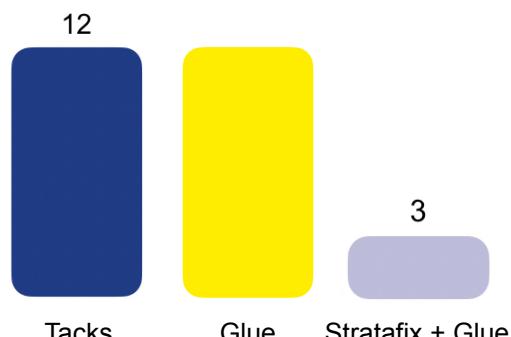
#### Surgical Details

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| Mesh type           | PVDF      |
| Mean operating time |           |
| Unilateral          | 73 min    |
| Bilateral           | 103 min   |
| Mean hospital stay  | 1,17 days |

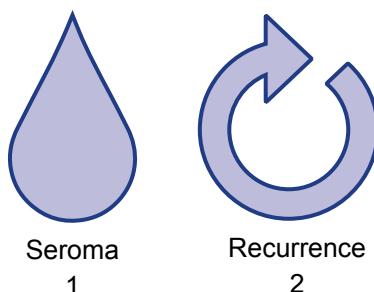
Mesh Fixation



Peritoneum Closure



Complications



### Conclusion

TAPP inguinal hernia repair is minimally invasive approach that can be offered in a Portuguese tertiary care center with good results. We acknowledge that it requires more patients and surgeries to have more sustained results.

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