

"Laparoscopic inguinal hernioplasty (TAPP) without mesh fixation: A comprehensive analysis"

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AIM:

This study aims to assess the outcomes of laparoscopic inguinal hernioplasty (TAPP) without mesh fixation in 235 patients, analyzing its safety, efficacy, and postoperative outcomes.

MATERIAL & METHODS:

Between July-2021 and December-2024, a total of 235 inguinal hernia repairs were performed laparoscopically without mesh fixation, with 158 bilateral cases. Follow-up assessments were conducted at 1, 3, and 12months post-surgery.

RESULTS:



		N (%)
TOTAL		235
Male / Female		209/26
AGE		61 yo (IQR: 42.5-68)
BMI		$27.3 \pm 3.3 \text{ kg/m}^2$
LOS		1 day (IQR: 1-2 days)
OPERATIVE TIME		45 min (IQR: 30-75min)
HERNIA CLASSIFICATION		
	M1	84 (35.7%)
	M2	42 (17.9%)
	M3	23 (9.8%)
	L1	34 (14.5%)
	L2	31 (13.2%)
	L3	21 (8.9%)



	N (%)	MORBIDITY	
FIXATION		Overall complications	9 (3.8%)
No	235 (100%)	Seroma	7 (2.9%)
MESH Polypropylene	24 (10.2%)	Chronic postoperative pain	1 (0.4%)
Dynamesh-EndoLap 3D	58 (24.7%)	Major complications (Clavien-Dindo ≥ III)	0%
3D-Max-Bard	139 (59.1%)	Intraoperative complications	0%
4D-Prim	14 (6%)	SSI	0%
MESH SIZE Width	10±0.9cm	Recurrence	1 (0.4%)
Large	14.4±1.02cm	Conversion to open approach	0%

CONCLUSION:

- Our results suggest that laparoscopic inguinal hernioplasty (TAPP) without mesh fixation is a safe and effective technique, even for larger hernias (M3 and L3).
- Our findings indicate it can be successfully performed with minimal complications and quick recovery.
- This technique offers significant advantages in reducing postoperative pain and promoting faster recovery, making it a viable option for inguinal hernia repair, even in complex cases.
- > Further studies with larger cohorts are warranted to confirm long-term outcomes.