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***“INFLUENCE OF THE INFLAMMATORY
PROCESS OF THE PERITONEUM ON THE
INTEGRATION OF THE MESH DURING
LAPAROSCOPIC VENTRAL HERNIA REPAIR”***

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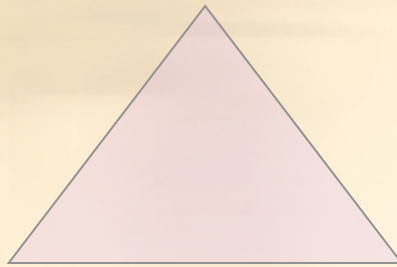
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Sutures

Tackers

PAIN



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PAIN



Acute postop. pain

3 RCT- study (Ib), 1 prosp.study (IIb)

Authors	Study	Pat. total (groups)	Typ of fixation suture non resorb. (sn) suture resorb. (sr) tacks (t)	Assessment week	Pain Sut. Tack significant (s) non significant (ns)	p-value	Level of evidence
Wassenaar et al. 2010	RCT	172 (56/60/56)	sr+t vs t vs sn+t	2/6/18	ns ns	>0.05	Ib
Bansal et al. 2011	RCT	68 (32/36)	sn vs t	1/12	↑s/s	<0.05	Ib
Beldi et al. 2011	RCT	40 (20/320)	sn vs t	6/24	↑/ns	0.020	Ib
Nguyen et al. 2008	prosp. comp.	50 (29/21)	sn vs t	1/4/8	ns/ns/ns	>0.05	IIb

*In the short term follow up there is **no significant difference of acute postop pain** concerning the different type of mesh fixation by sutures, tacks or combination of both.*

PAIN



Chronic postop. pain:

Type of fixation	Number of studies	Total number of patients	Chronic pain % median (IQR)	Follow up month median (IQR)
Sutures + tacks	10	2211	2,75 (1,72-13,22) #"	31,5 (27,75-38,25)
Sutures only	2	1121	3,75 (3,12-4,37) #"	39 (33,5-44,5)
Tacks only	11	2473	6,35 (2,17-13,22) #"	40 (30,5-49,5)

#Kruskal-Wallis Test: $p = 0,845$ (ns)

“ANOVA: $p = 0,747$ (ns)

The incidence of postop. chronic pain is without significant difference concerning the type of fixation technique used.



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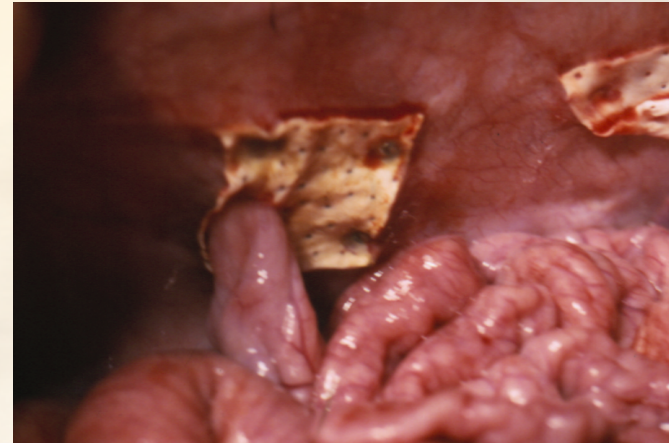
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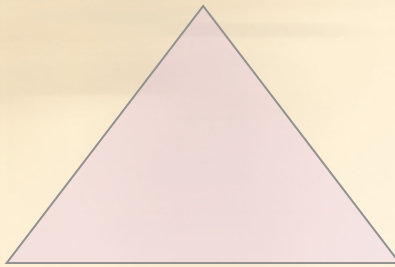
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Type of fixation	Number of studies	Total number of patients	Recurrence-rate in % median (IQR)	Follow up month median (IQR)
Sutures + tacks	10	2211	3,65 (2,45-5,75)#”	31,5 (27,75-38,25)
Sutures only	2	1121	1,05 (0,82-1,27)#”	39 (33,5-44,5)
Tacks only	11	2473	4,5 (2,4-6,17)#”	40 (30,5-49,5)

Kruskal-Wallis Test: $p = 0,17$ (ns)

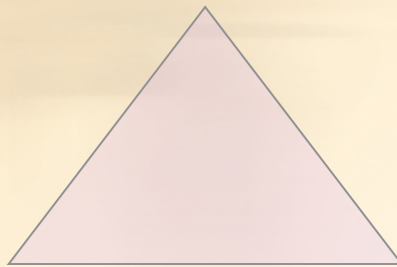
“ ANOVA : $p = 0,535$ (ns)

*The different fixation techniques - combination of suture with tack, tacks only and suture only fixation respectively are **without significant difference** concerning the recurrence rate.*



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Olmi et al. Surg Endosc. 2007 (4), Olmi et al. JSLS 2010 (4)

Experimental articles: Rieder et al. J Am Coll Surg. 2011 (5), Clarke et al. Surg Endosc. 2011 (5) Fortelny et al J Surg Res. 2010 (5), Melman et al. Surg Innov. 2010 (5) Schug-Pass et al. Surg Endosc. (5), 2009 Eriksen et al. Hernia. 2008 (5)

The incidence of acute postop. pain correlates significantly with the number of tacks used for mesh fixation.

*1 comp.study (III)
Schoenmaeckers et al. Surg Endosc 2011*

The absorbability of the suture material used for mesh fixation is not related to the incidence of postop. pain.

*1 RCT study
Wassenaar et al. Surg Endosc 2010 (Ib)*

The use of additional glue fixation increases the efficacy of fixation and implicates the reduction of penetrating devices as well as the risk of postoperative pain.

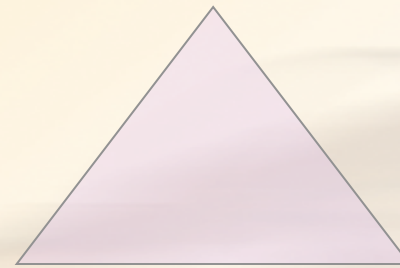


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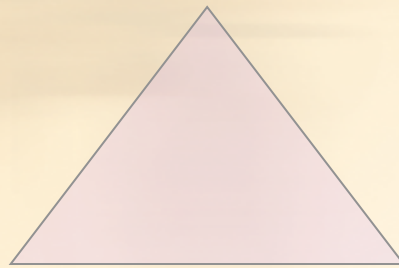
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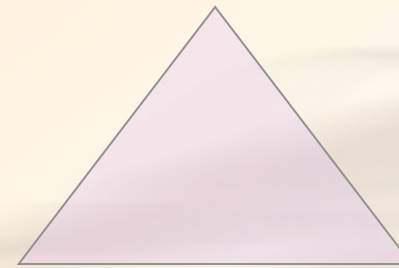


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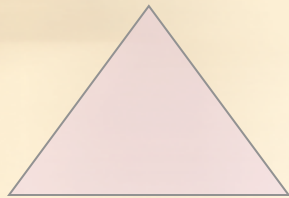
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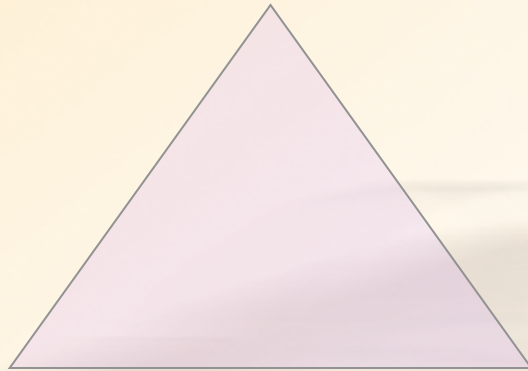
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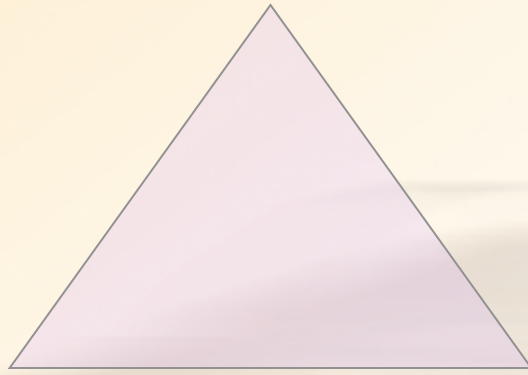
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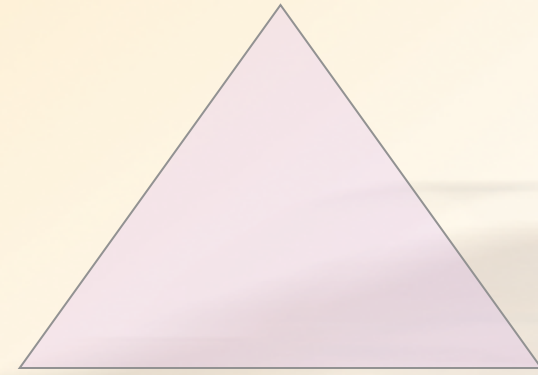
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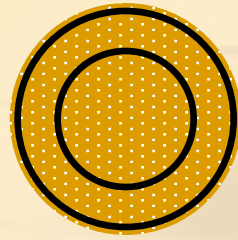
MESH – ABDOMINAL WALL



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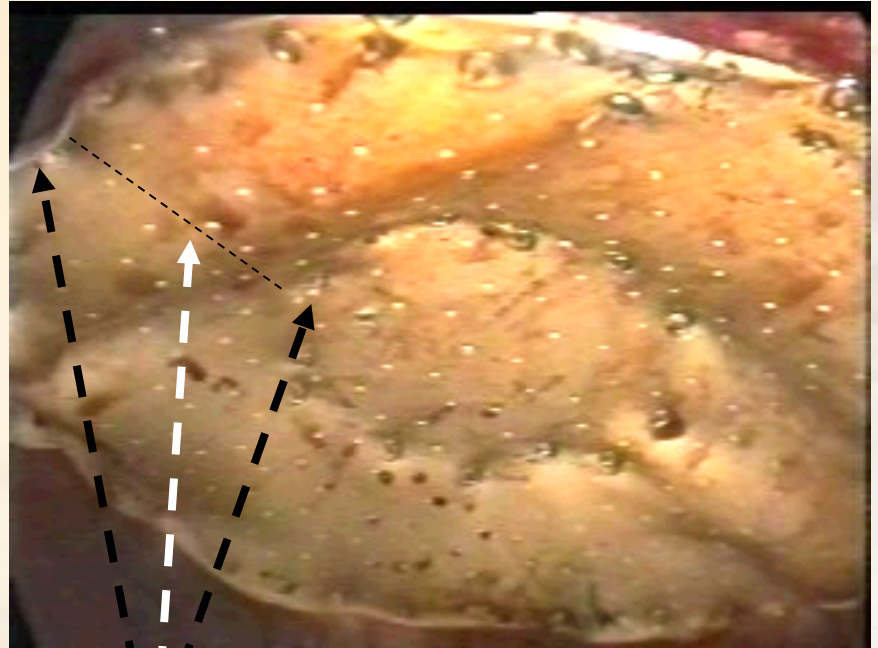
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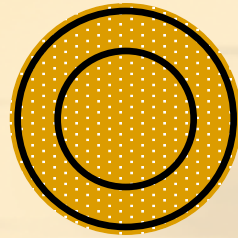
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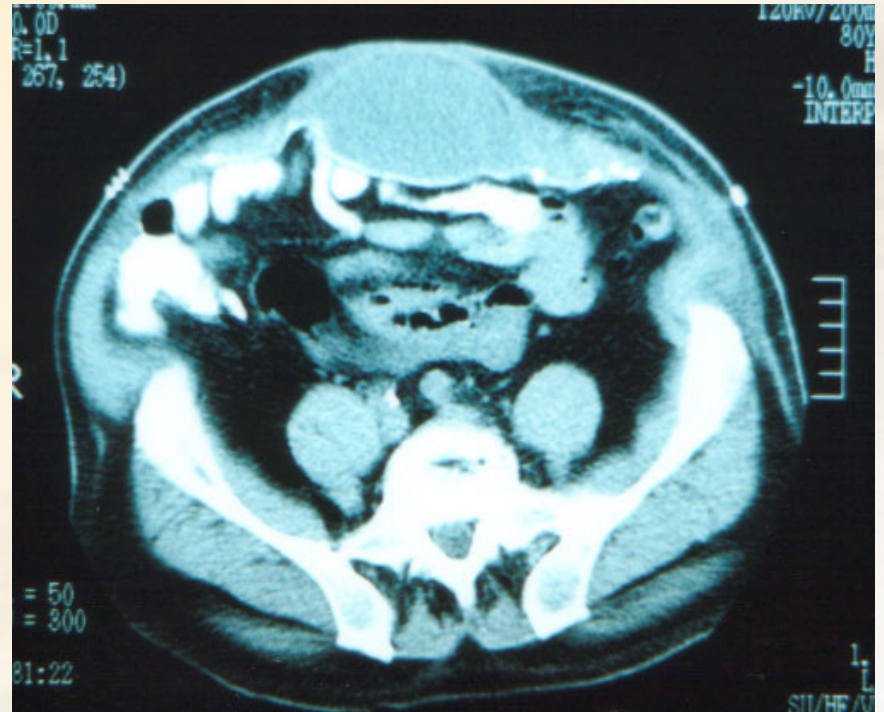
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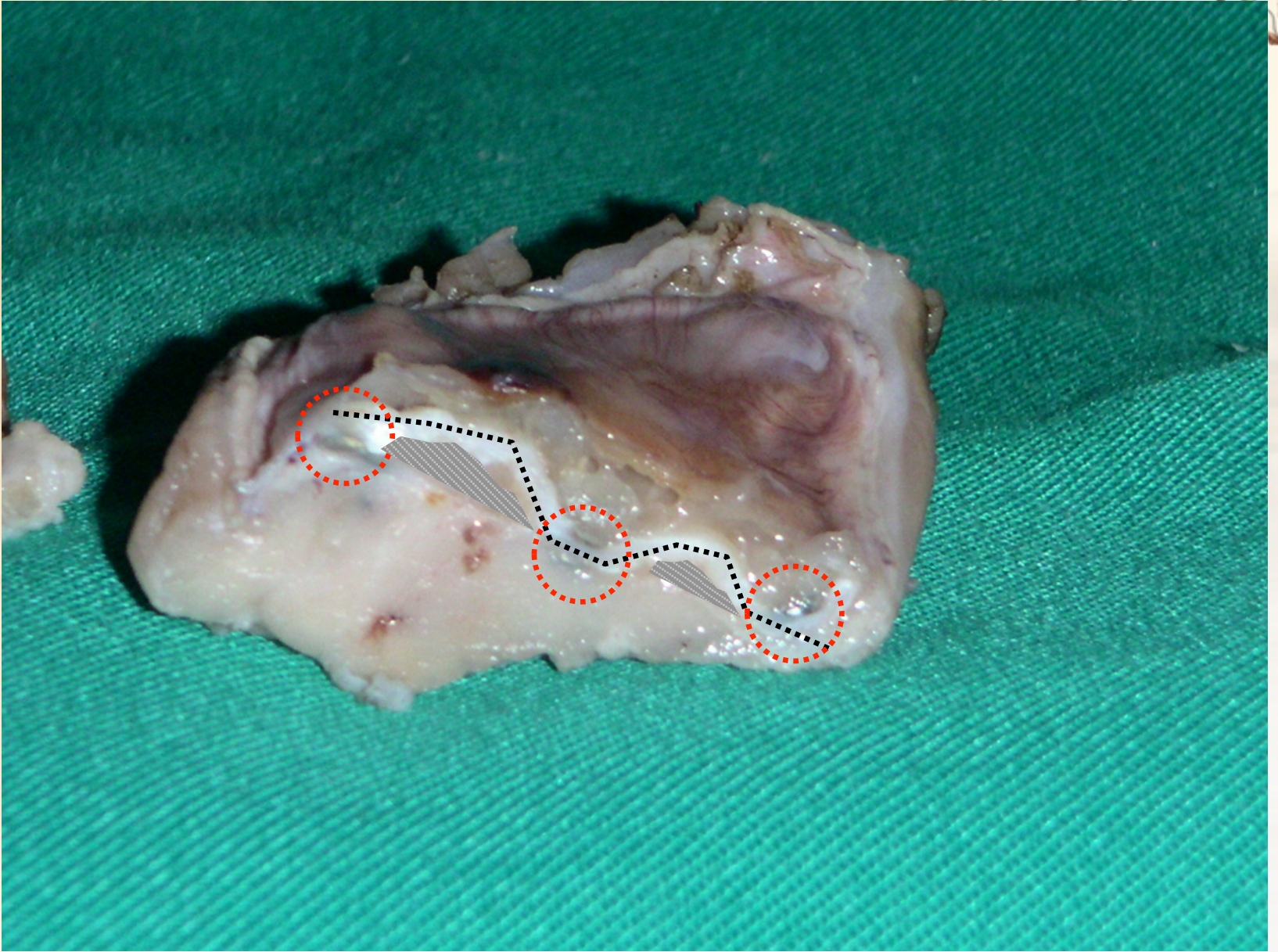


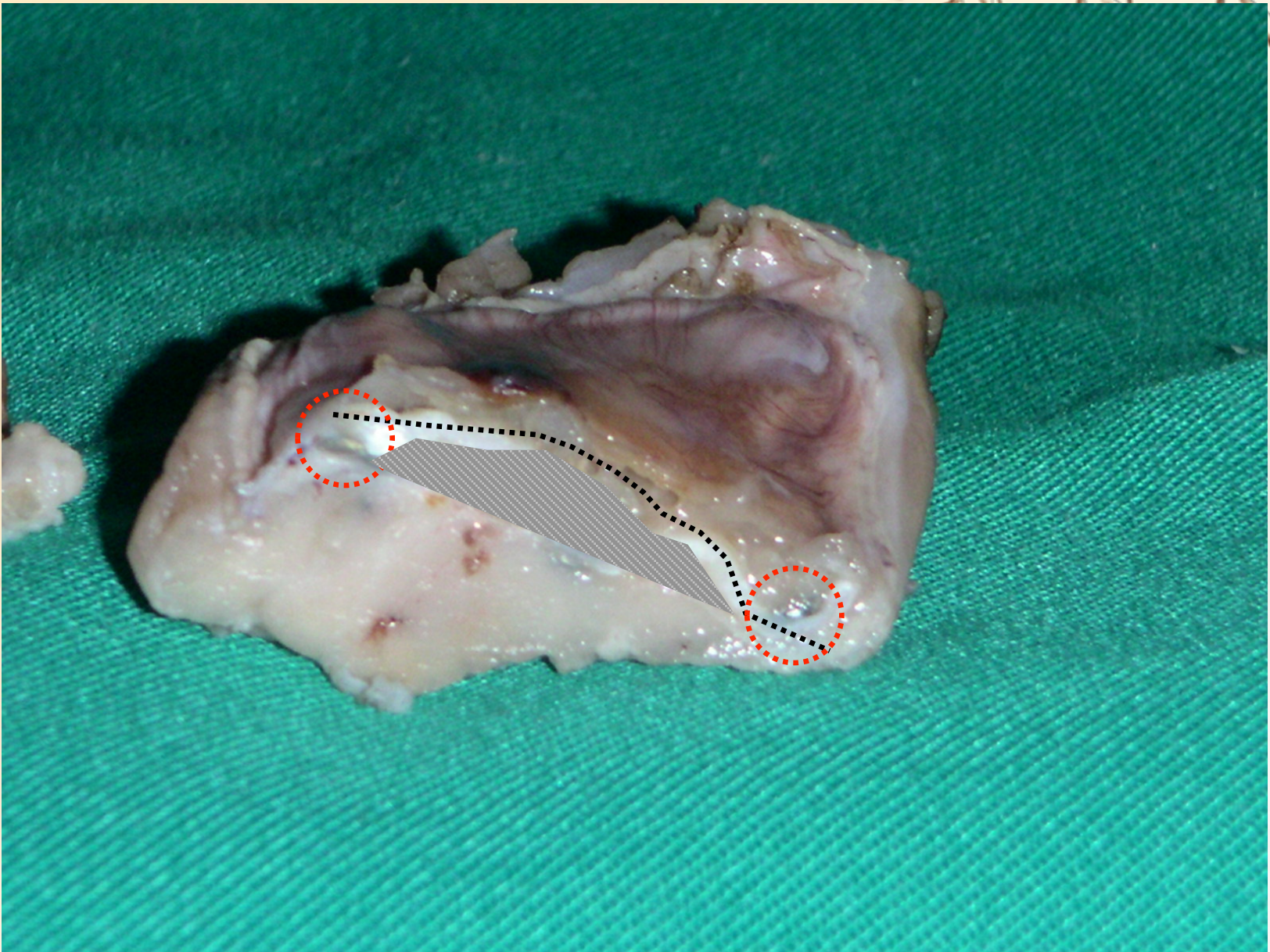


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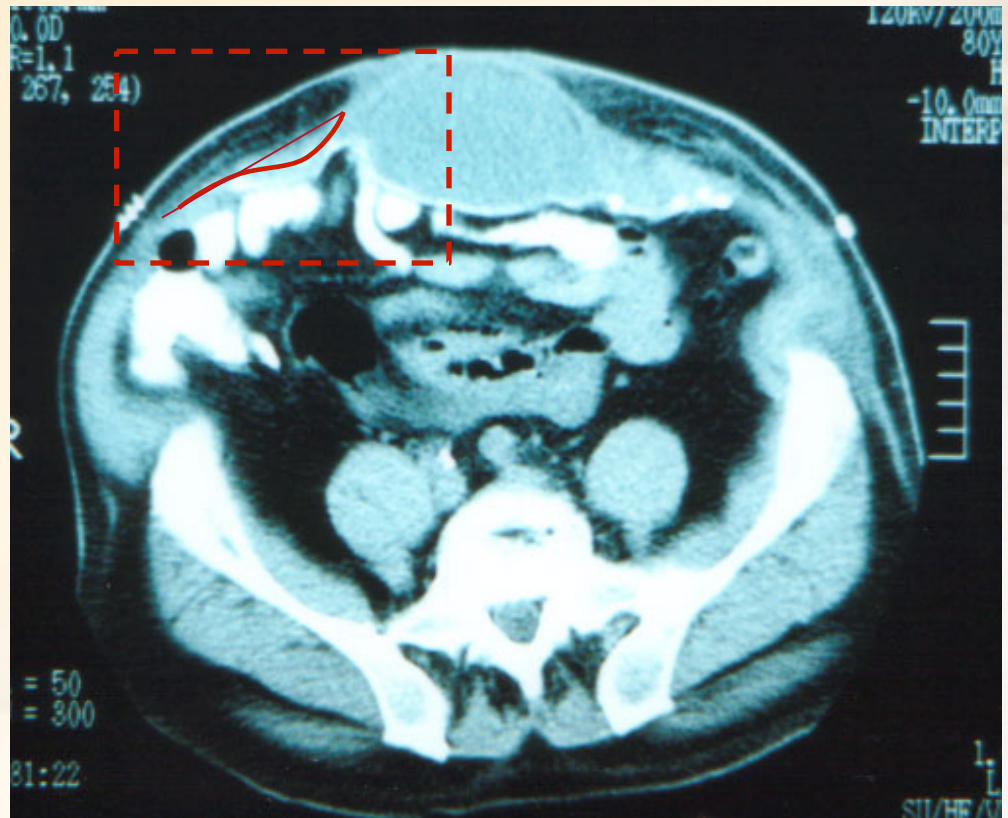


DOUBLE CROWN

PERITONEUM

INTERFACE

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OBJETIVES

*The main **GOAL** of our STUDY was to **DEMONSTRATE** that the inflammatory process of the peritoneum could have some influence in the **integration** of the mesh*

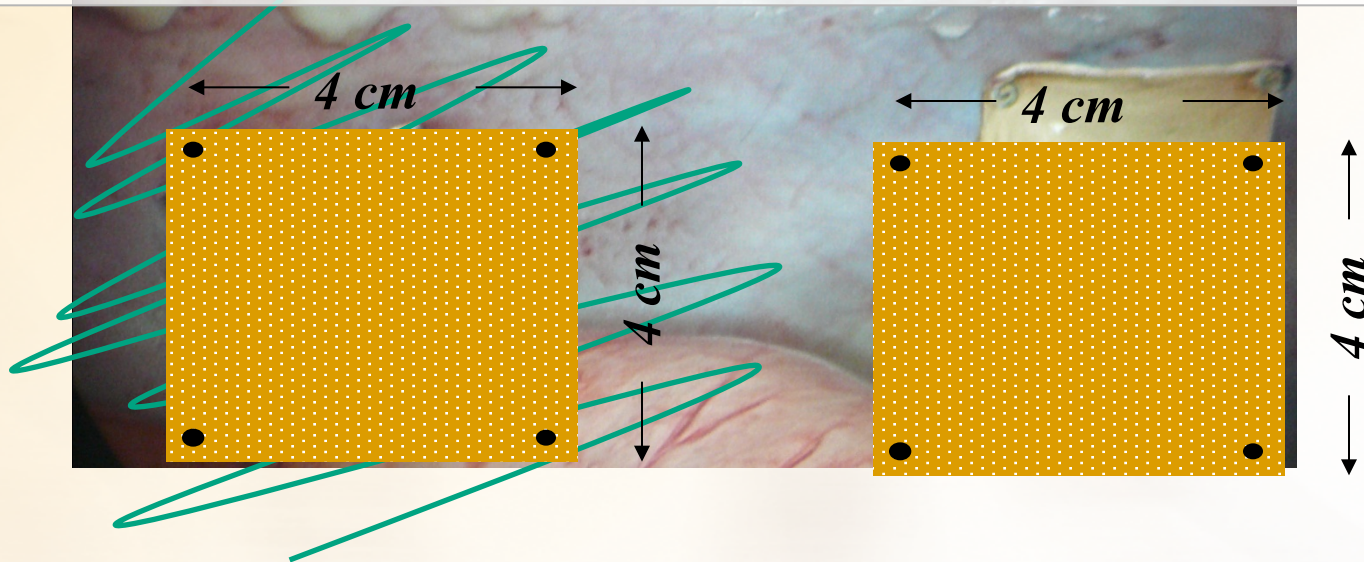


***Experimental study
12 pig***

***Two 4x4 meshes were placed intraperitoneally
fixed with one tack in each corner.***

***One mesh as control group and the other once the inflammatory process of
the peritoneum has been performed***

We analyzed epidemiological data (sex, BMI...) and local complications where the mesh were placed



MATERIAL AND METHODS

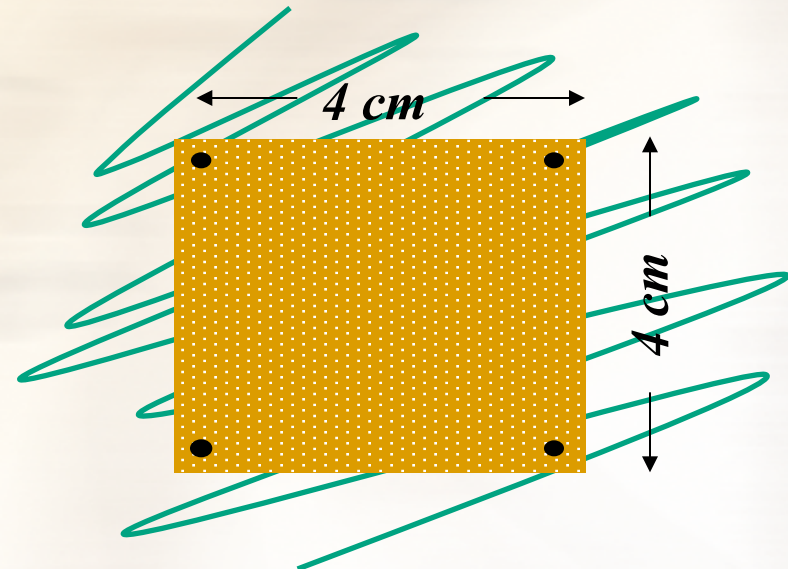
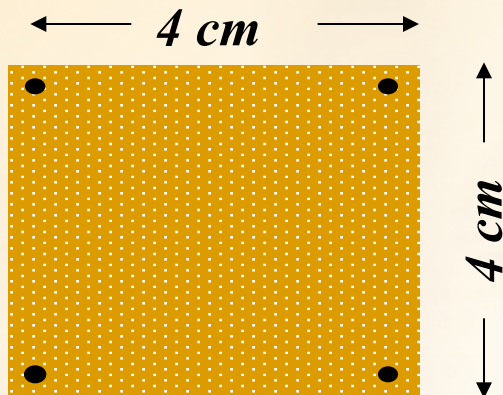


Experimental study 12 pig

All animals were sacrificed 5 weeks later

Macroscopic findings: cellulitis, infection, seroma, adhesions

Histological study: fibroblast, new vessels



RESULTS



No animal died previous being sacrificed at week 5 ◦
differences between the two groups ◦

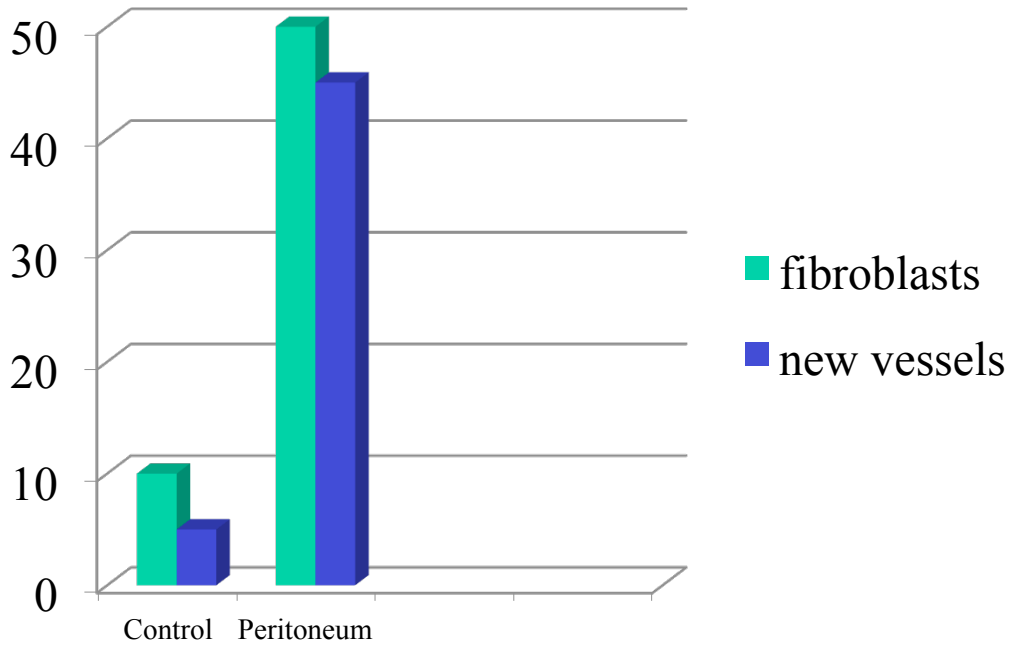
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HISTOLOGICAL STUDY

More fibroblast and new vessels in the mesh
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No difference in rest of histological parameters

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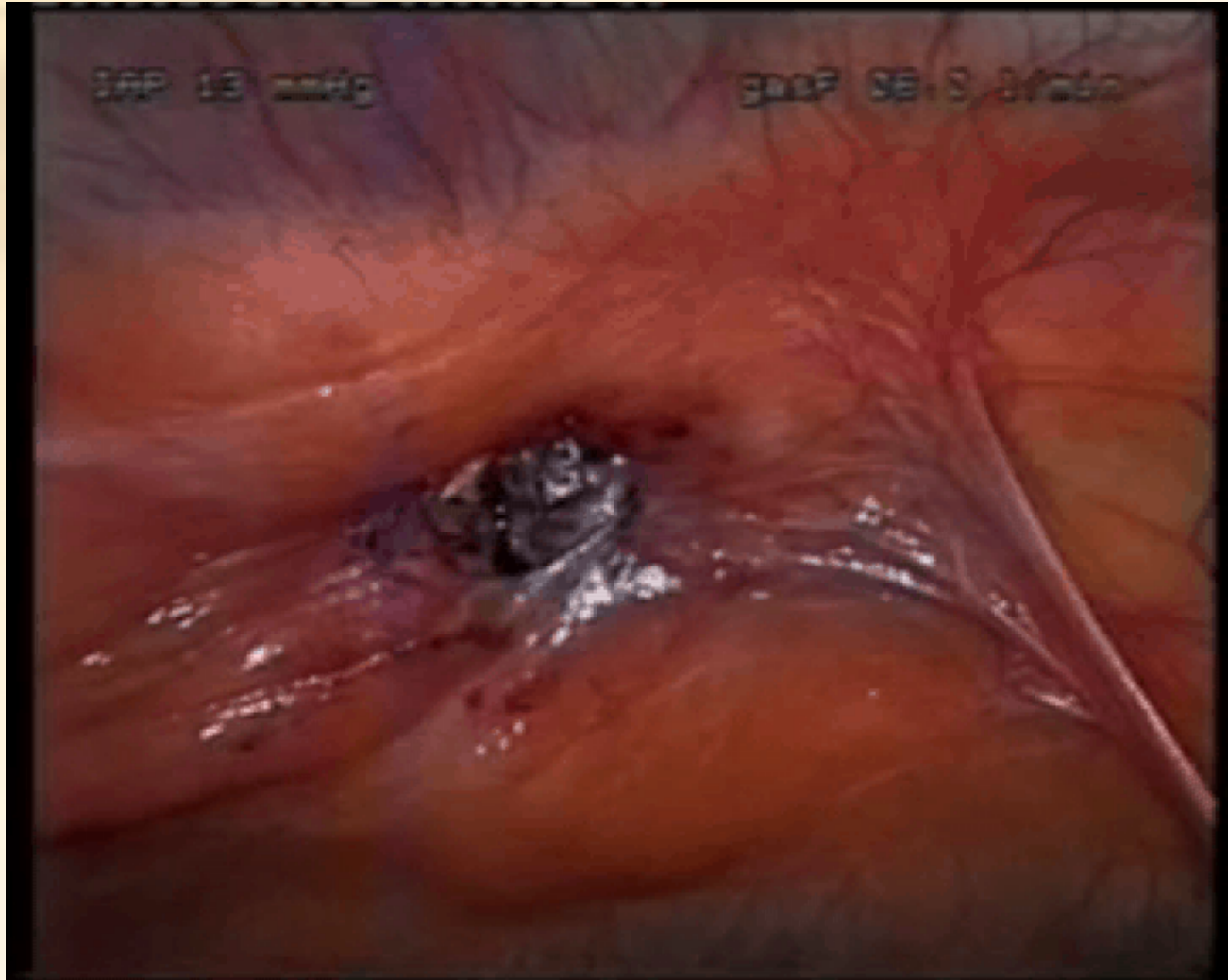
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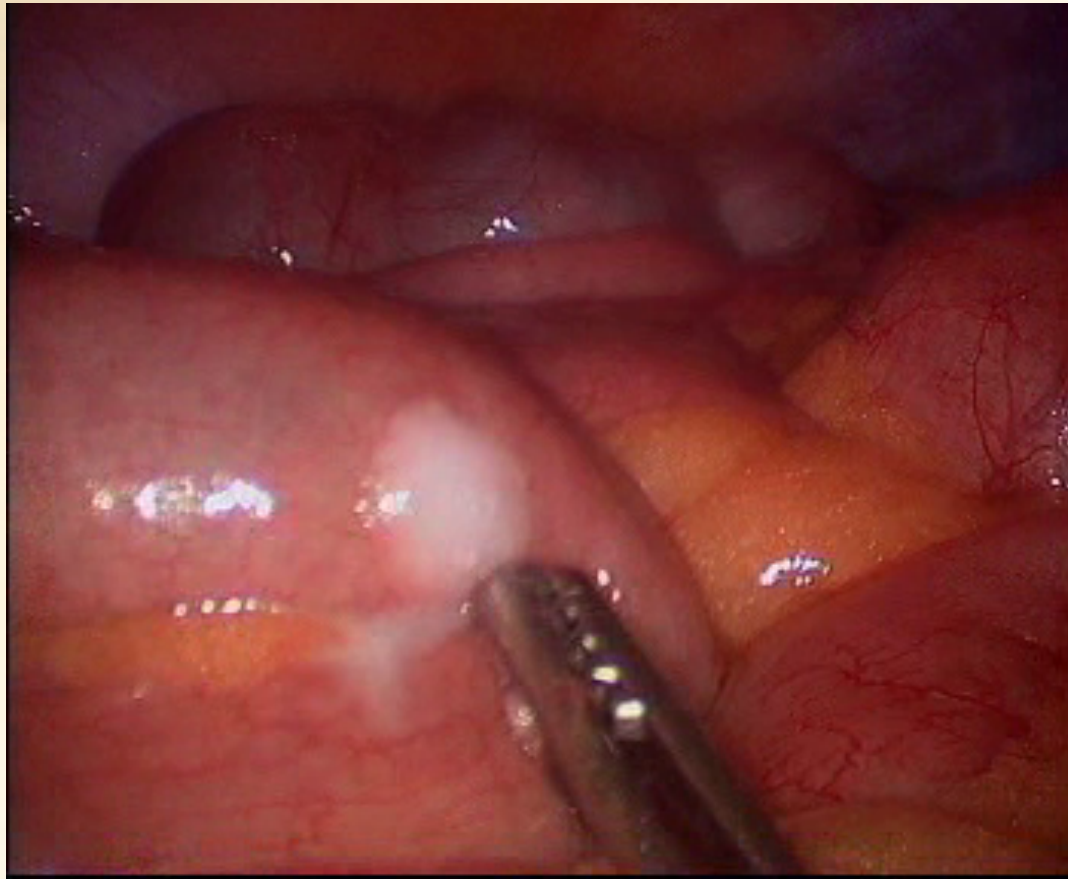
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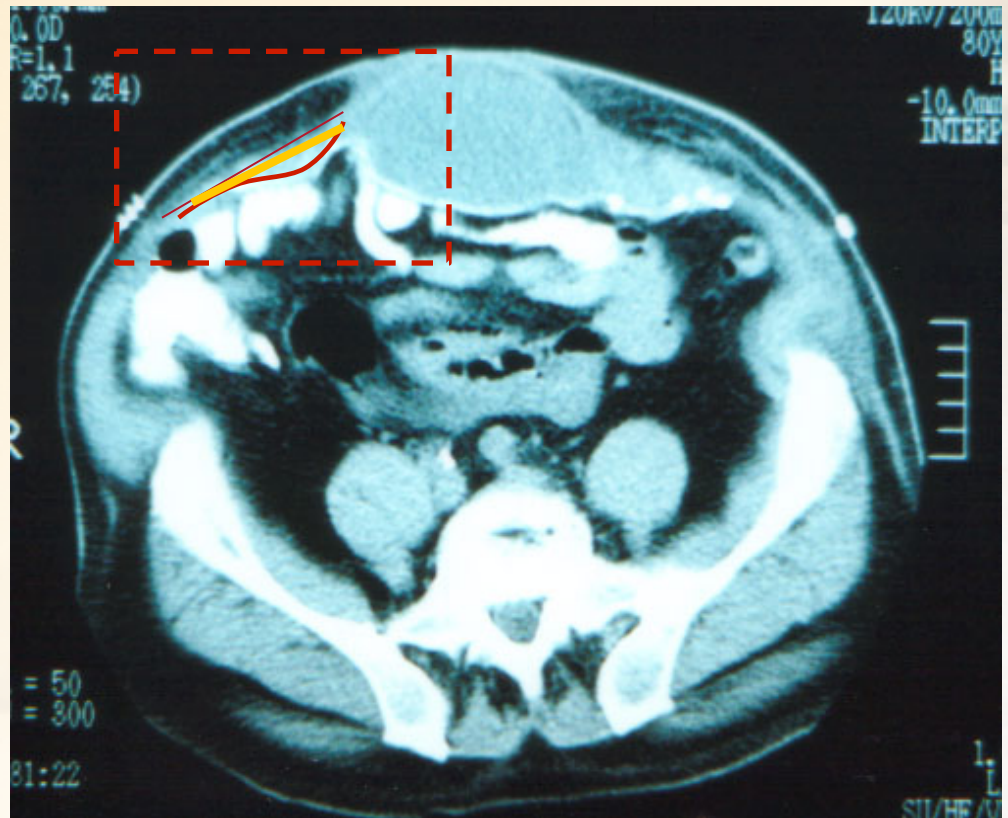
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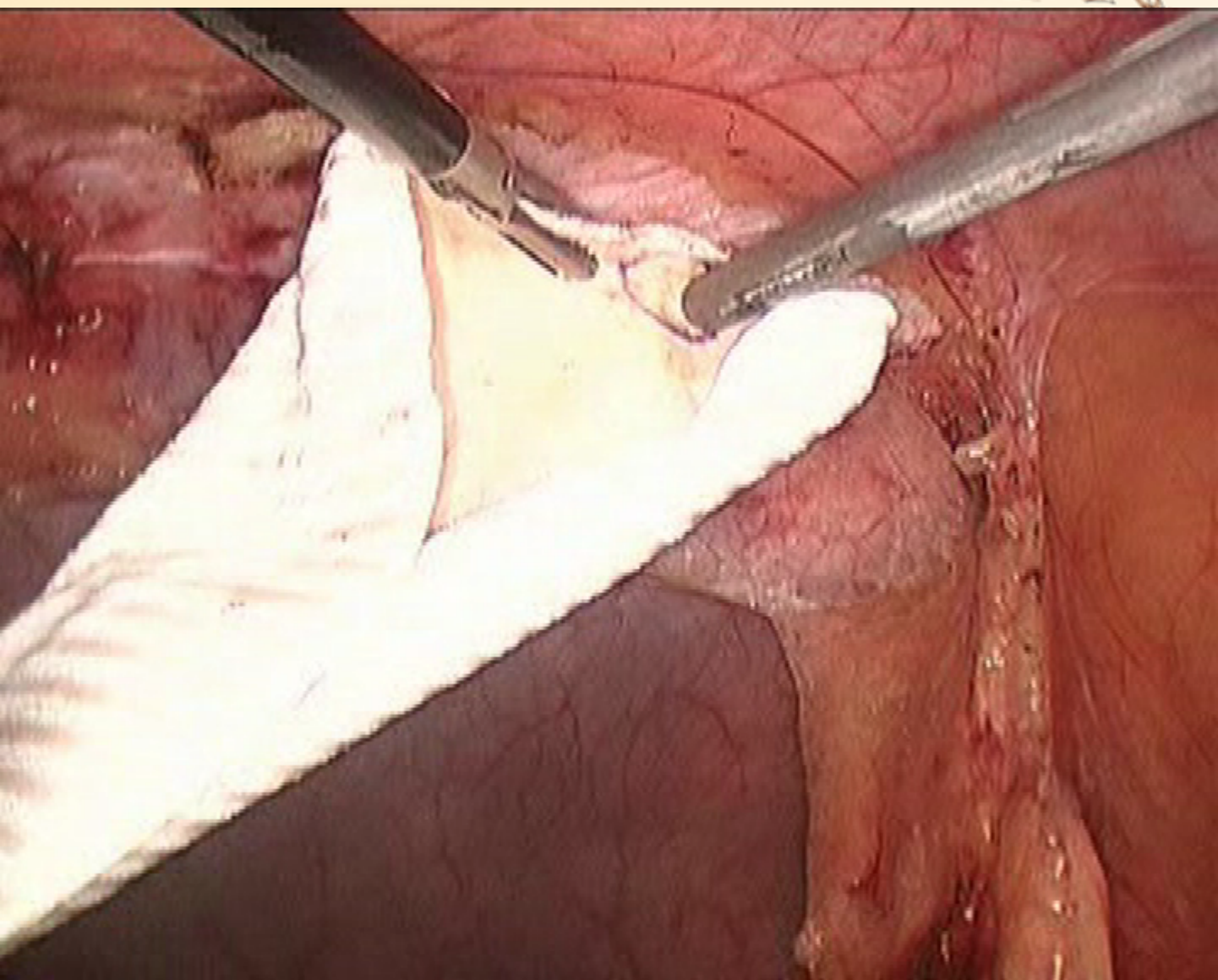
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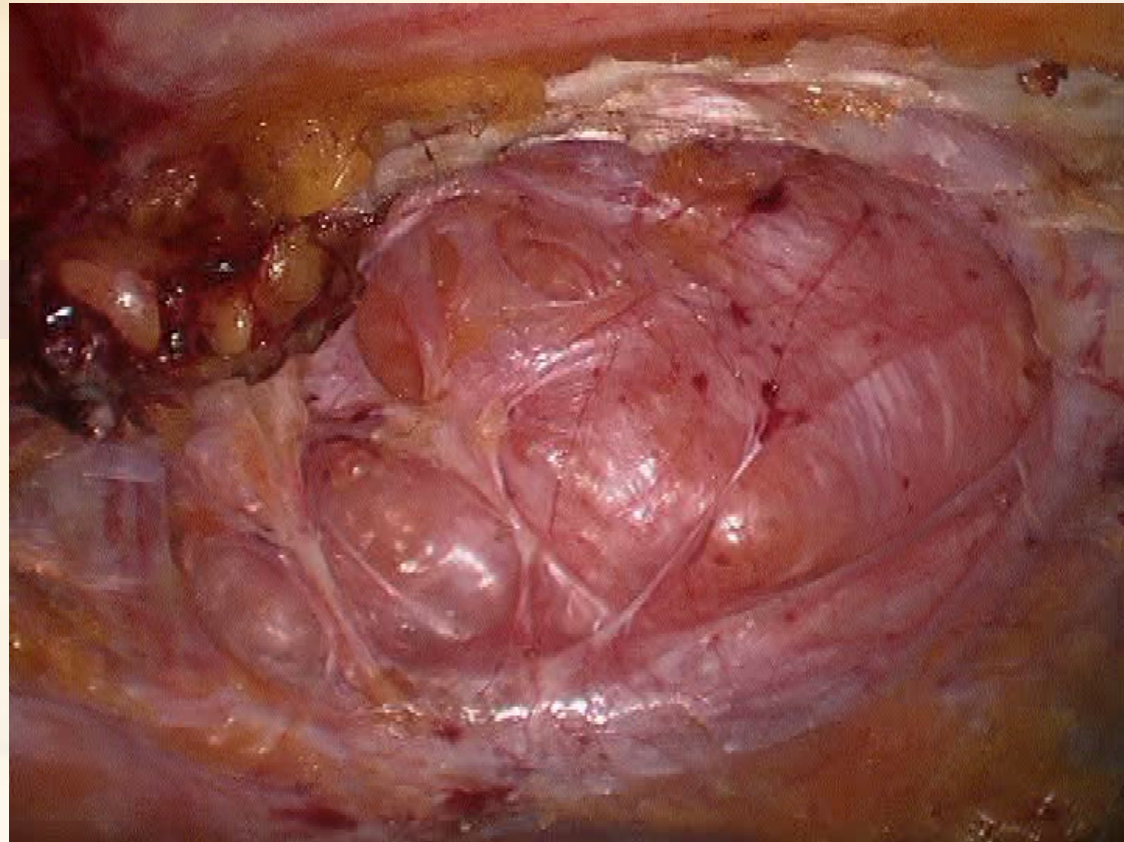
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CONCLUSIONS

There is an important difference in the integration of the mesh when an inflammatory process of the peritoneum is created. In those cases in which no adhesions are detected an abrasion of the peritoneum should be performed.

The Double Crown technique, the use of fibrin glue, the inflammatory process of the peritoneum and closing the defect could increase the biological fixation of the mesh, what could be another factor that may influence the reduction of mechanical fixation