



The Malmö abdominal flap technique for large ventral hernias

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Purpose

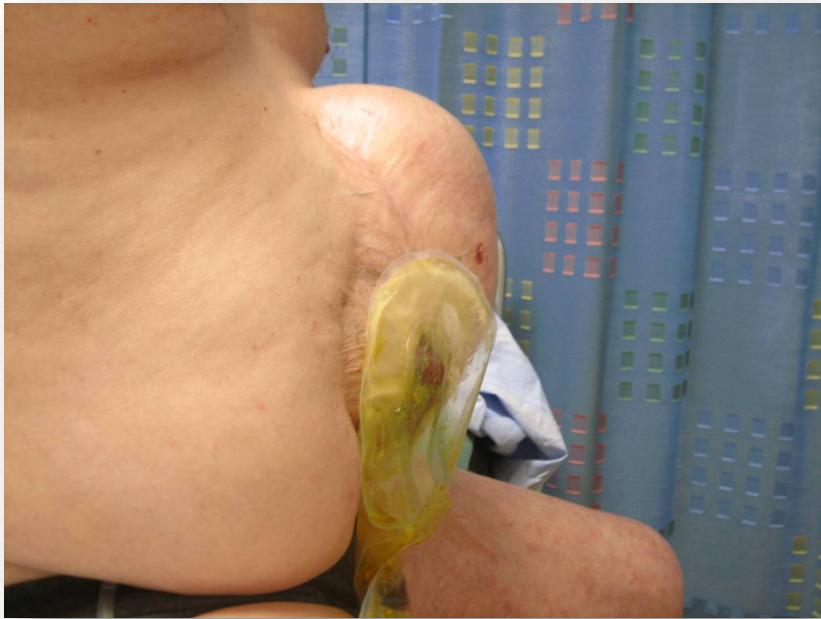
- Minimize trauma
- Minimize risk for complications





Ventral Hernia Surgery







What to avoid?

- Avoid intrabdominal mesh
- No mesh subcutaneousley
- Minimize tissue dissection / trauma
- Be sure to cover the mesh with fascia
- Re-positioning of the rectal muscles
- Use homologous tissue as fare as possible
- Put the mesh in the “safest place”



Component separation

- Large subcutaneous dissection - trauma unless performed endoscopically
- Segmental nerves at risk by dissection (TAR)
- Creating a new web area
- Not sure it will be enough to cover the mesh
- Difficult to teach for endoscopic use
- Time consuming



Our indications

All midline incisional hernias
including contaminated patients



“Malmö-flap”

Modified Peritoneal Flap hernioplasty





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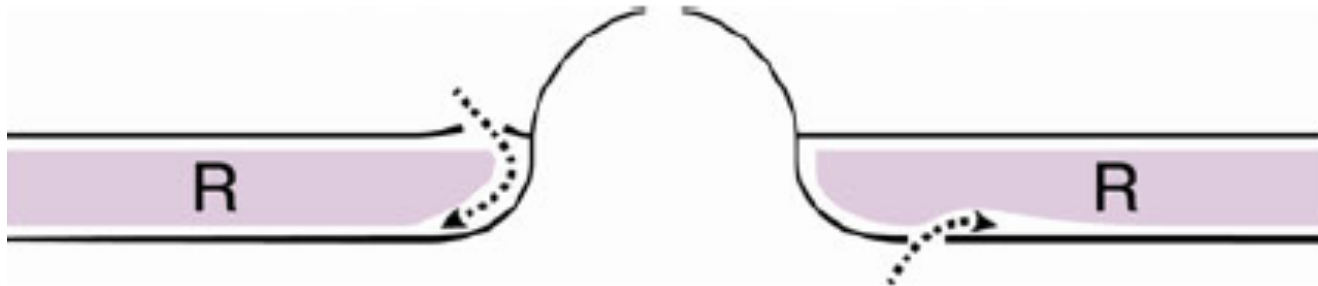
ORIGINAL ARTICLE

The peritoneal flap hernioplasty for repair of large ventral and incisional hernias

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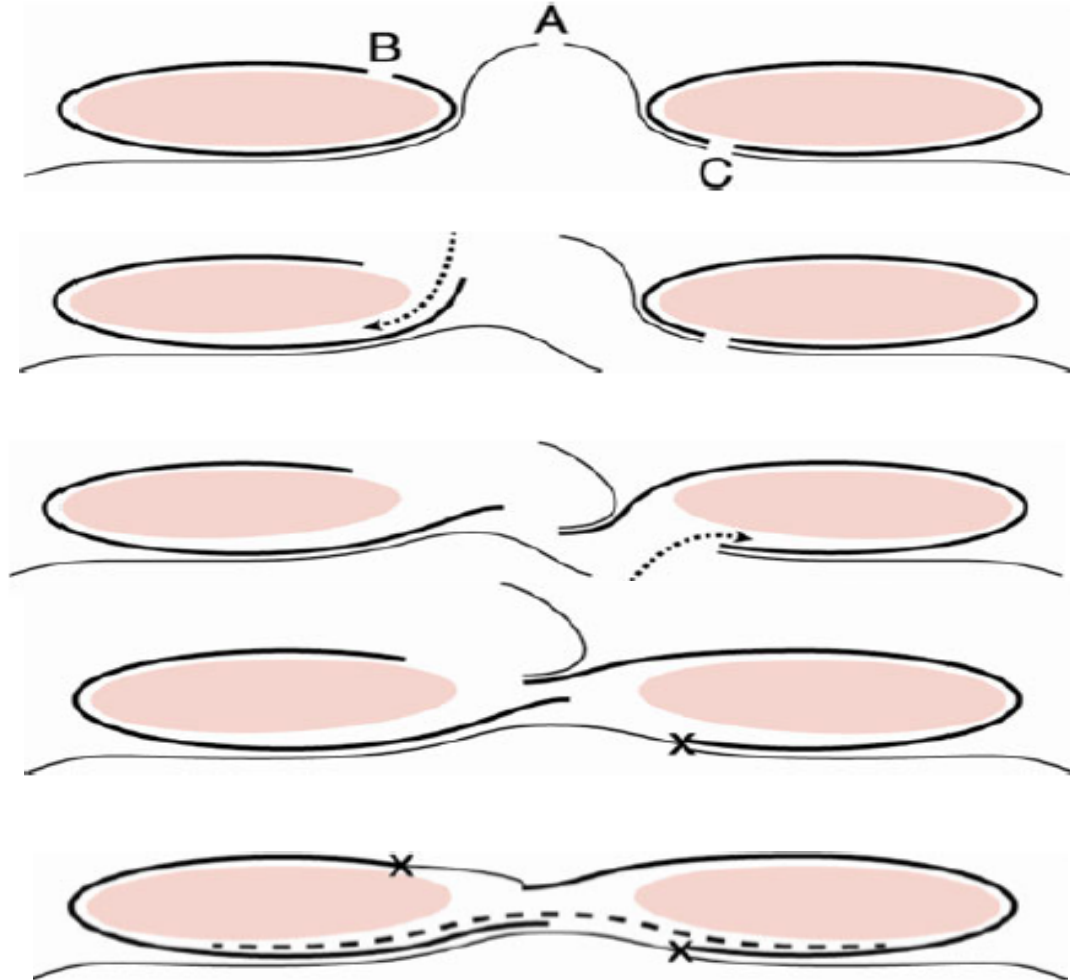


Peritoneal Flap hernioplasty



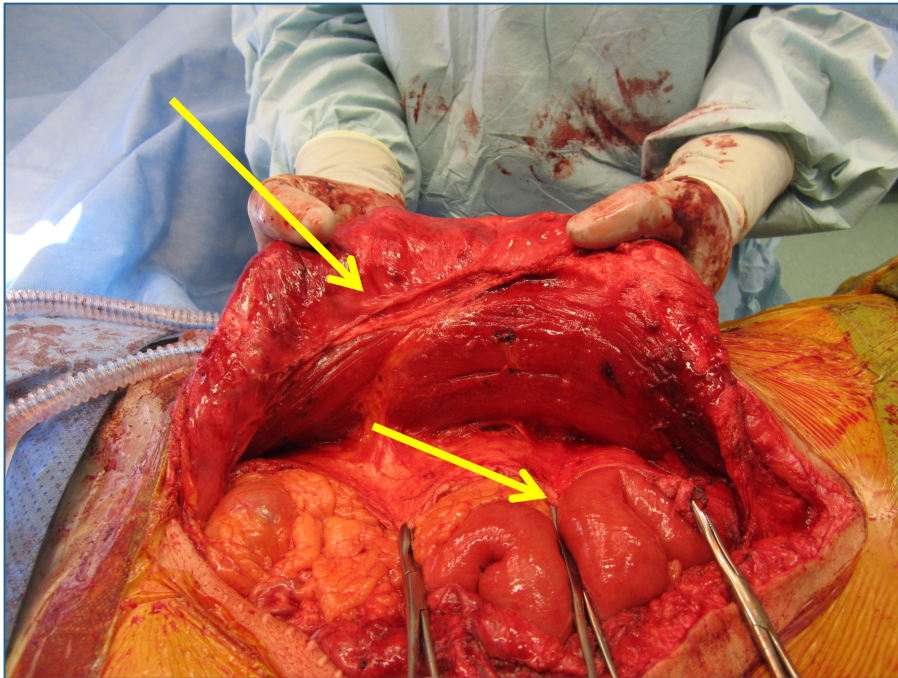


Peritoneal Flap hernioplasty

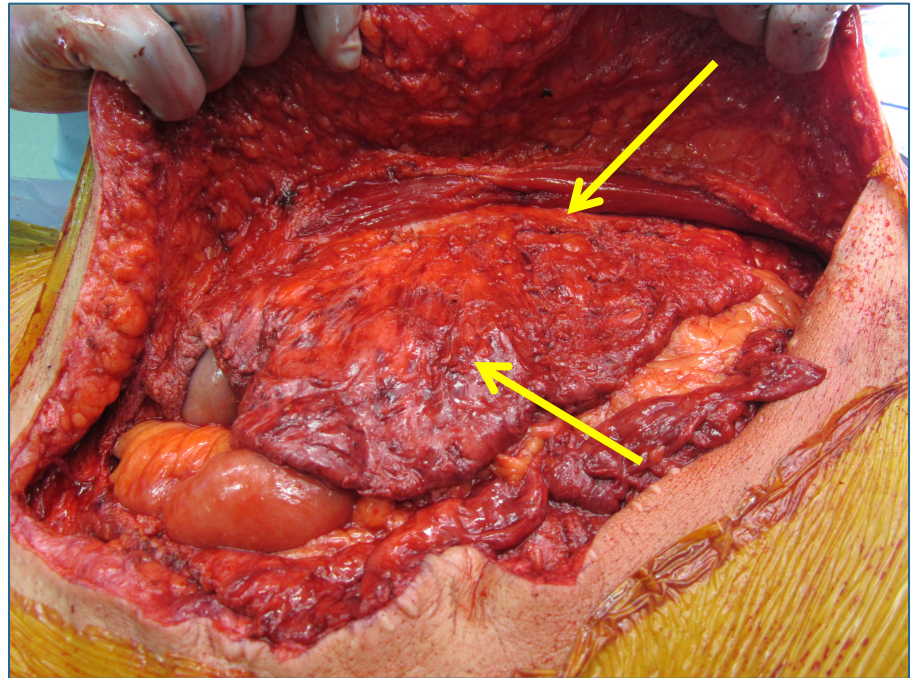


Malmö flap technique

Incision of the posterior rectal fascia on the right side

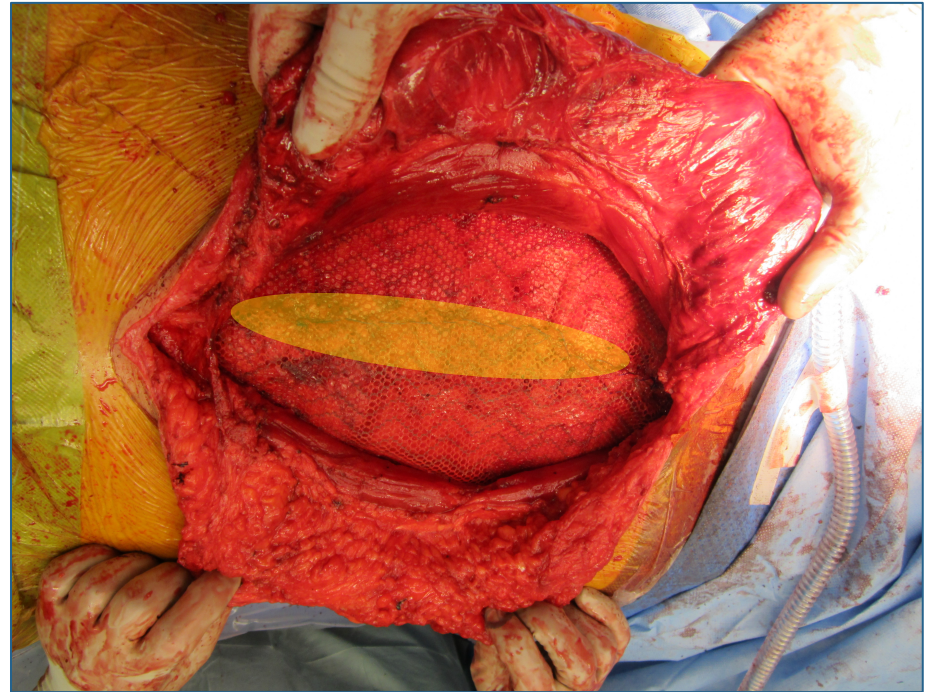
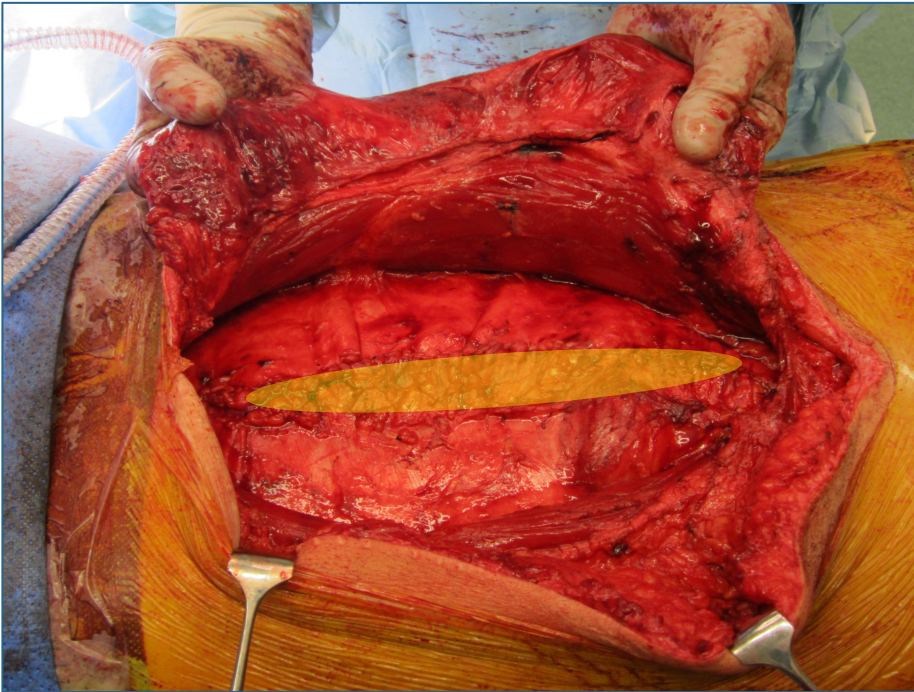


Incision of the anterior rectal fascia on the left side

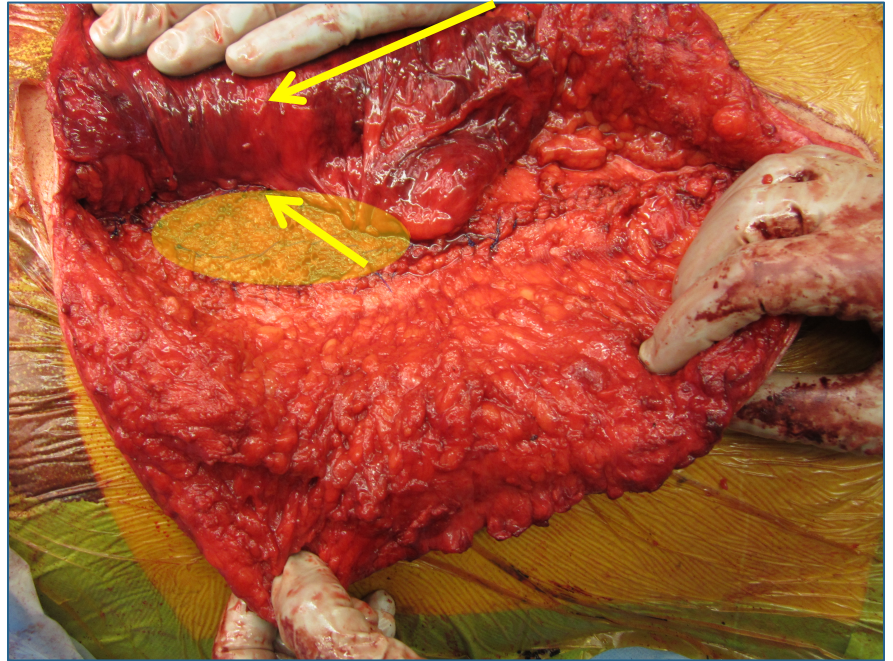
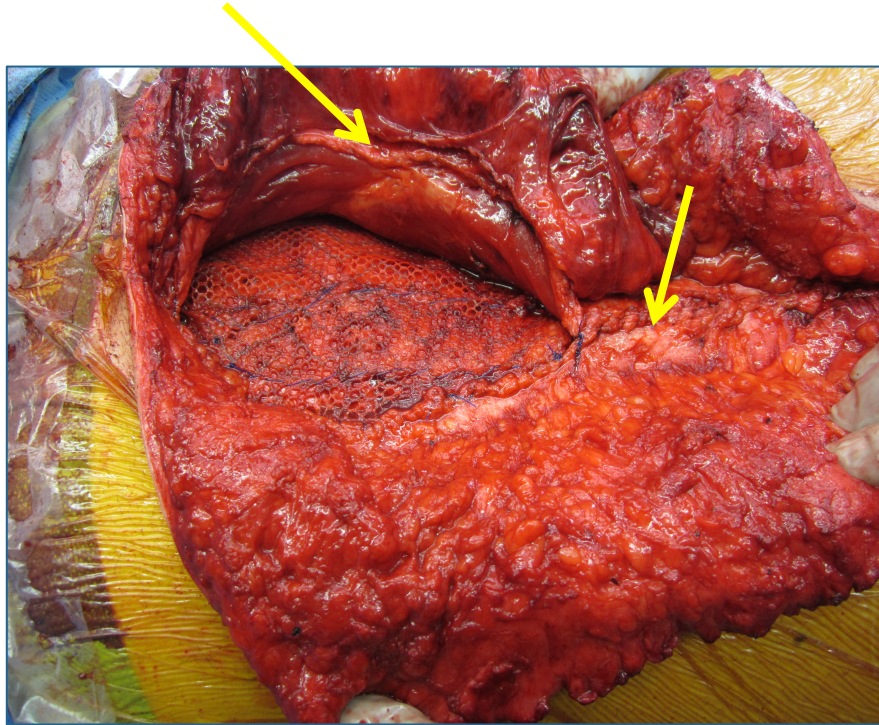


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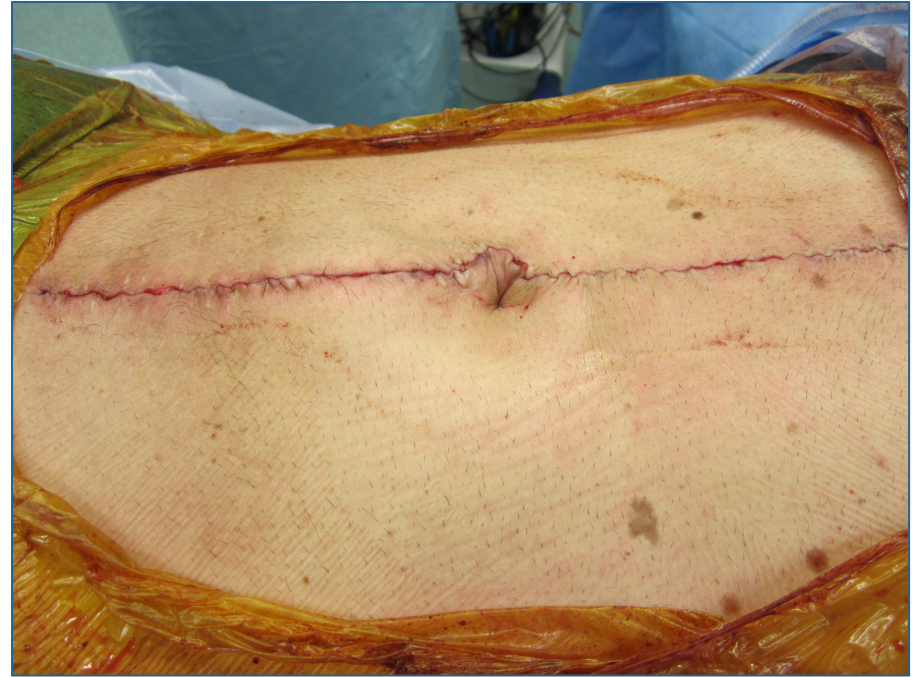
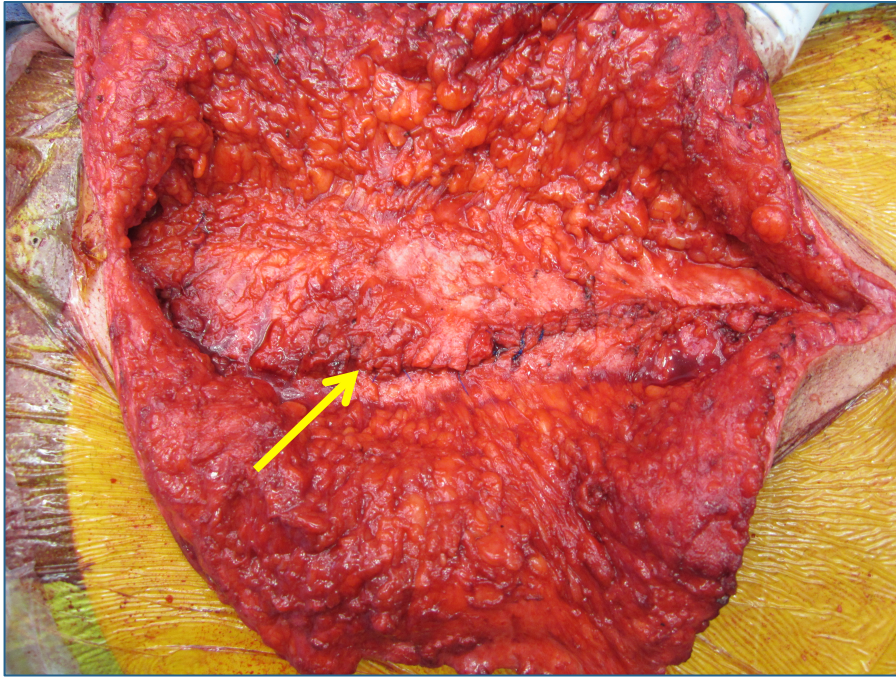
Posterior wall closure



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Our standard mesh

PVDF polyvinylidenfluorid

DynaMesh®-CICAT

- Monofil
- Large pore size
- Reinforcement stability





PVDF

- Minimum tissue response
- Improved biostability
- Lowered bending stiffness



Privena - Vaccum bandage





Preliminary results

Patrik Petersson research student

- 2011 - 2014
- 131 patients:
 - 60 Malmö flap
 - 71 Stoppa - uncovered mesh
- Median age 61 years
- Previous infection 42 %
- VHWG classification 50% Grade II-IV
- Hernia width 8.5cm (IQR 7.0)



Preliminary results

	Malmö flap	Controls	
	<i>N</i> =60	<i>N</i> = 71	
• Operation time	216 min	213 min	<i>NS</i>
• SSO	15 %	27 %	<i>NS</i>
• Mesh inf	1.7 %	11.3 %	<i>p</i> = 0.040
• Prolonged wound healing	13.6 %	32.4 %	<i>p</i> = 0.012
• Follow up median	2 years	3 years	
• Recurrence (clin exam)	0 %	4.8 %	<i>NS</i>



Conclusions

Malmö flap technique

- standardized technique
- can be used in all midline defects sizes
- minimizes tissue trauma
- the mesh is covered by the patients own “biologic” tissue
- a synthetic mesh can safely be used in contaminated situations
- easy to learn
- saves costs for expensive wound care and visits to healthcare