
Patient Name:	Simon Tucker	Date of Birth:	24/08/1961
MRN:	1608846	Procedure date:	17/05/2018

Procedure:	Open right inguinal hernia mesh repair.
Pre-op diagnosis:	Strangulated right inguinal hernia containing small bowel loops
Surgeon:	Dr Mark Crozier
Assistant:	Dr Benjamin Johnstone (Surgical registrar)

Operation details:

Oblique inguinal incision made above and parallel to the inguinal ligament. The subcutaneous fat is opened and external oblique aponeurosis, external inguinal ring and the lower border of the inguinal ligament are visualised. Femoral canal inspected and there was no concomitant femoral hernia.

The external oblique aponeurosis is then opened and freed from the underlying hernial contents. Ilioinguinal and genitofemoral nerves were identified and preserved.

Bowel loop in the hernial sac was healthy and reduced in to abdominal cavity. A hernia sac was ligated and resected. A 7.5 × 15 cm polypropylene mesh was used for a Lichtenstein hernioplasty. Mesh was secured with nylon.

Haemostasis was achieved in the inguinal canal, and external oblique aponeurosis was closed preserving ilioinguinal nerve.

Subcutaneous tissue is approximated with interrupted sutures. The skin is approximated with subcuticular continuous stitch with 3-0 absorbable sutures.

Dr Mark Crozier
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