



Critical view of the myopectineal orifice - our experience

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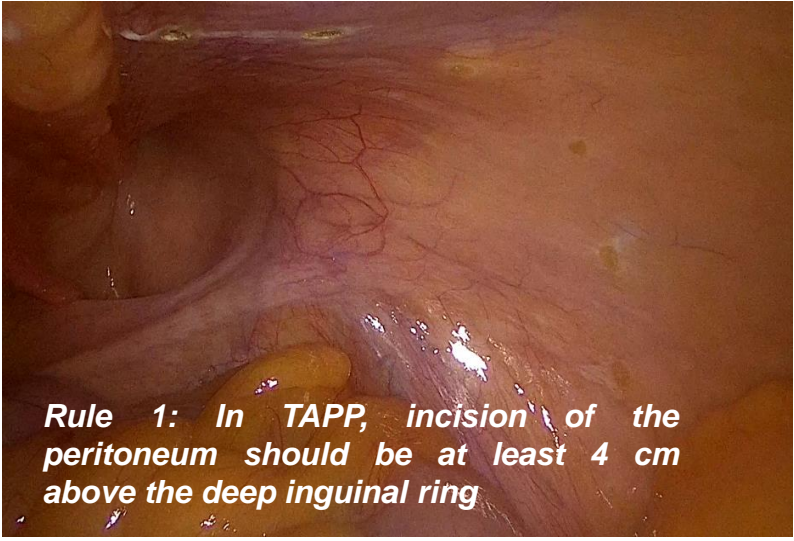
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International guidelines for groin hernia management (EHS)

- **Statement:** When the surgeon has sufficient experience in the technique, laparo-endoscopic techniques do not take longer than Lichtenstein operations (level of evidence – Strong)
- **Statement:** When the surgeon has sufficient experience, no significant differences are observed in the perioperative complications needing reoperation between the laparo-endoscopic and Lichtenstein techniques (level of evidence – Strong)
- **Statement:** Laparo-endoscopic techniques have less chronic pain and faster recovery than the Lichtenstein repair (level of evidence – Strong)
- **Statement:** The direct operative costs for laparo-endoscopic inguinal hernia repair are higher. The difference decreases when the total community costs are considered and the surgeon has sufficient experience (level of evidence – Strong)
- **Statement:** The learning curve for laparo-endoscopic techniques (especially TEP) is longer than for Lichtenstein. There are rare but severe complications mainly described early in the learning curve. It is imperative that laparo-endoscopic techniques be learned in a properly supervised manner in order to minimize complications (level of evidence – Strong)
- **Recommendation:** **For patients (all sexes) with primary unilateral inguinal hernia, a laparo-endoscopic technique is recommended because of a lower postoperative pain incidence and a reduction in chronic pain incidence, provided that a surgeon with specific expertise and sufficient resources is available. However, there are patient and hernia characteristics that warrant Lichtenstein as first choice** (level of evidence - **Strong**; level of recommendation - **Strong**)

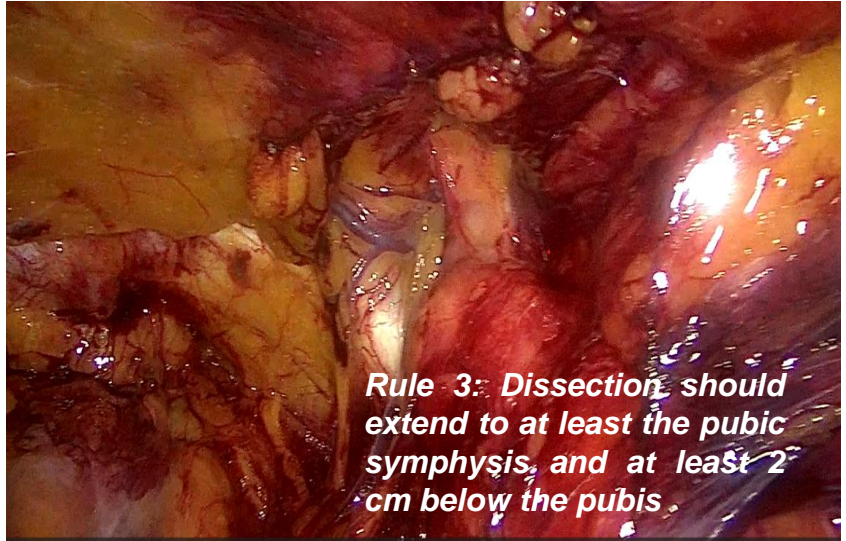
Ten golden rules for a safe MIS inguinal hernia repair – our experience



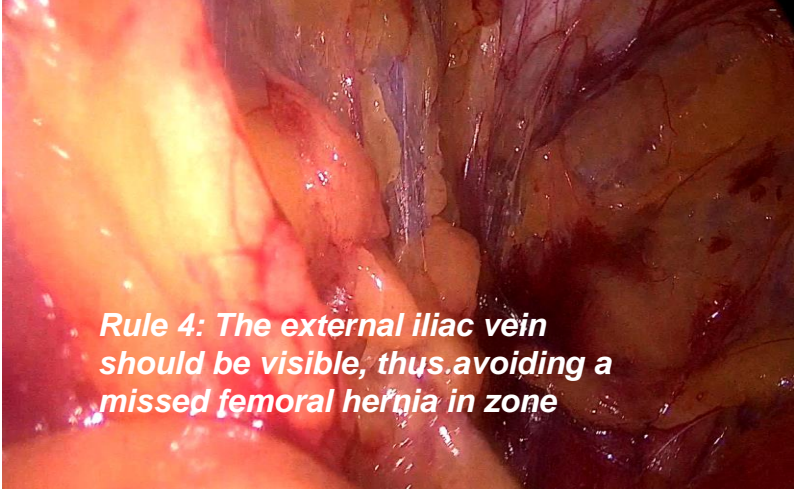
Rule 1: In TAPP, incision of the peritoneum should be at least 4 cm above the deep inguinal ring



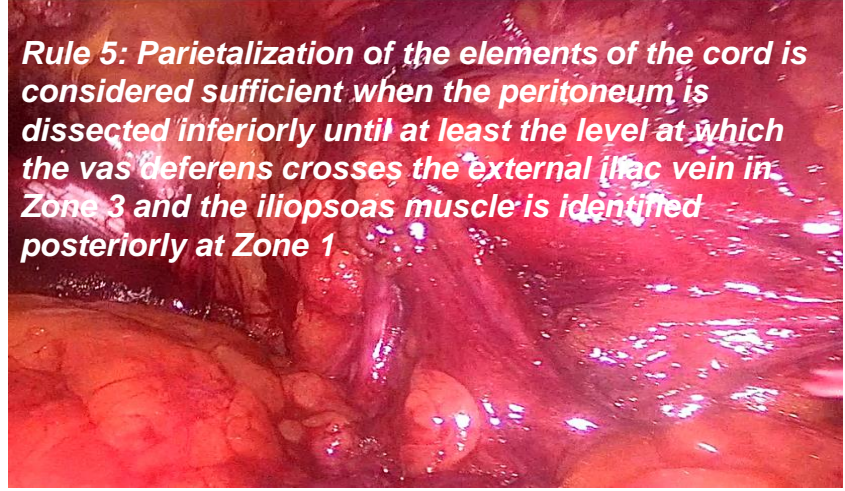
Rule 2: Dissection should follow the peritoneal plane



Rule 3: Dissection should extend to at least the pubic symphysis, and at least 2 cm below the pubis.



Rule 4: The external iliac vein should be visible, thus avoiding a missed femoral hernia in zone

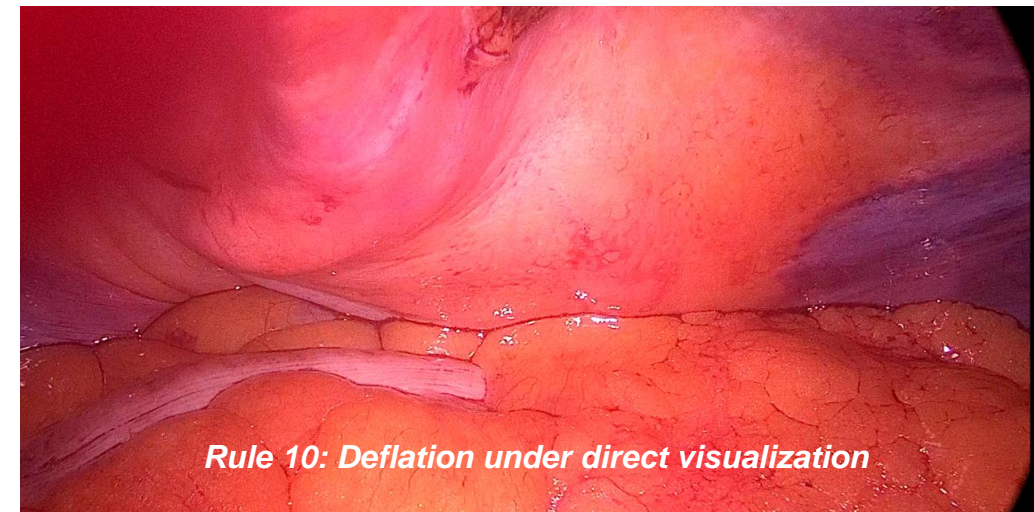
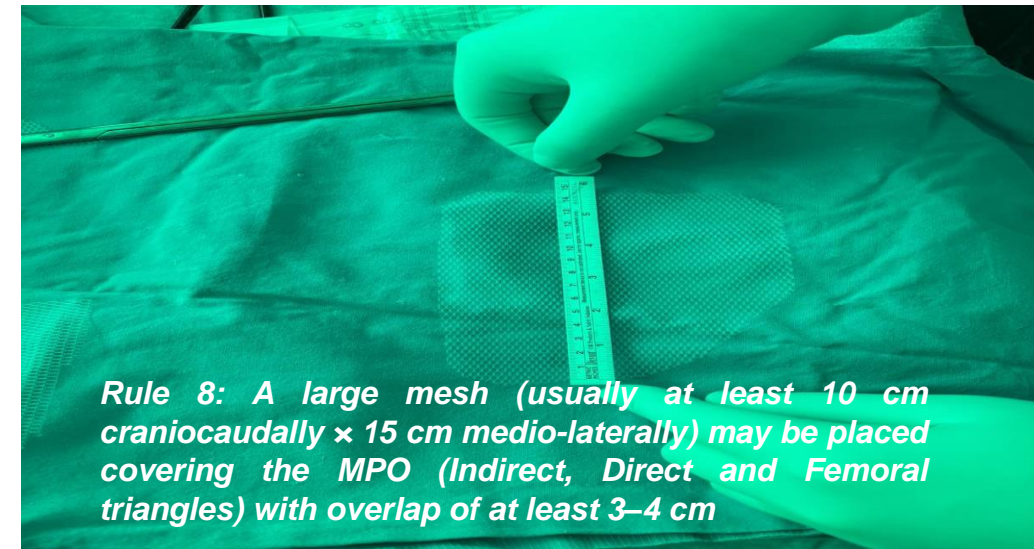
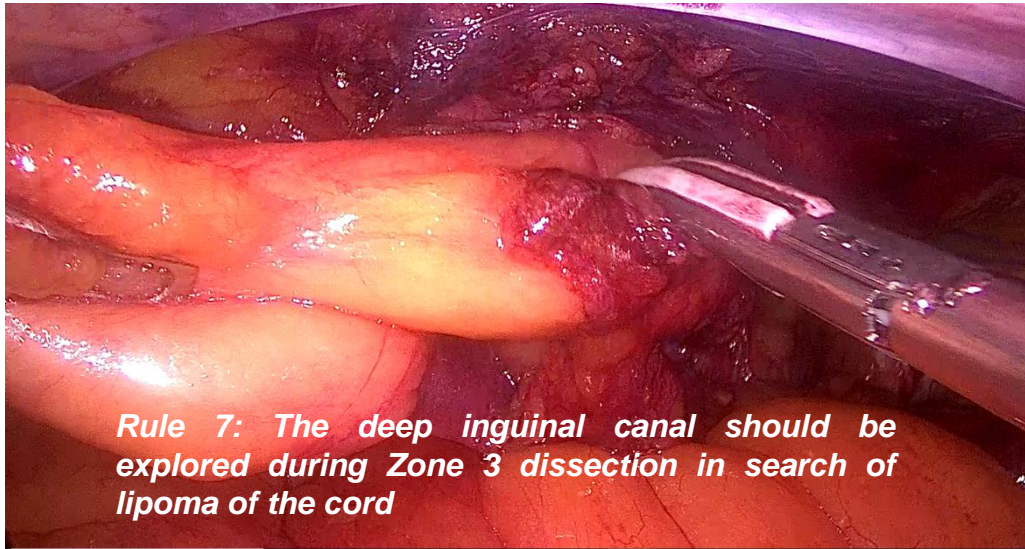


Rule 5: Parietalization of the elements of the cord is considered sufficient when the peritoneum is dissected inferiorly until at least the level at which the vas deferens crosses the external iliac vein in Zone 3 and the iliopsoas muscle is identified posteriorly at Zone 1

Rule 6: In large or inguino-scrotal hernias, it is recommended to transect and abandon the distal hernia sac within the scrotum:

(At our hospital, we do not use a laparoscopic approach for inguino-scrotal hernias)

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Materials, methods, results and conclusion - Our experience

- We retrospectively analyzed a single surgeon's experience in Clinical hospital Shtip, with elective inguinal hernia repair from 2016 to 2024 using medical documentation.
- Out of 309 elective inguinal hernia repairs performed by a single surgeon in the same number of patients over the nine-year period, 222 (72.08%) were open according to Lichtenstein, and 86 (27.92%) were laparoscopic performed by Transabdominal preperitoneal approach (TAPP). The laparoscopic approach was used for relatively younger patients with an average age of 48.76 vs 57.18 years, and mostly for bilateral inguinal hernia in 72 (83.72%) patients.
- There was 1 case of recurrence in TAPP group and none in Lichtenstein group.
- **After completing the long-term learning curve, careful follow-up of modern recommendations is of basic importance for a safe laparoscopic inguinal hernia repair.**

