Aim: Primary ventral hernias and incisional hernias are frequent, but long-term results of their repair with a preformed patch are scarce. The aim was to evaluate the surgical results of the treatment of these hernias with the open intraperitoneal onlay mesh (open IPOM) technique, and to determine the needed follow-up for recurrence.

Material and methods: Observational retrospective single institution study of all consecutive patients intervened for ventral or incisional hernias.
hernia with diameter inferior to 4 cm, from January 2013 to June 2020. The surgical repair was performed according to the open IPOM technique with a preformed patch and the defect was left unclosed. Relapsed hernias, those with a defect ≥ 4 cm, and lateral wall hernias were excluded.

**Results:** A total of 146 patients were intervened: 61.6% with umbilical hernias, 8.2% with epigastric hernias, 26.7% with trocar incisional hernias, and 3.4% with other incisional hernias.

The global recurrence rate was 7.5% (11/146). Specifically, there it was 7.8% in umbilical hernias, 0% in epigastric hernias, 7.7% in trocar incisional hernias, and 20% (1/5) in other incisional hernias. The median time for recurrence was 14 months (IQR: 4.4–18.7). The median presential follow-up was 17.4 months (IQR: 6.5–27.3), and the median telematic follow-up was 36.9 months (IQR: 27.2–49.6).

**Conclusions:** The open IPOM technique with a preformed patch offers good results for the treatment of ventral and incisional hernias. A 2-year follow-up is still needed for the recurrence diagnosis.

**Note:** The preformed patch used was the Parietex™ Composite Ventral Patch (Medtronic, Minneapolis, MN, EEUU).
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| **09.50** | **Opening and welcome**  
Jochen Lange, St.Gallen, CH |
| **10.00** | **It is leaking! Approaches to salvaging an anastomosis**  
Willem Bemelman, Amsterdam, NL |
| **10.30** | **Predictive and diagnostic markers of anastomotic leak**  
Andre D’Hoore, Leuven, BE |
| **11.00** | **SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM**  
**ETHICON**  
*Panel of the Johnson & Johnson Institute of Surgery* |
| **11.45** | **Of microbes and men – the unspoken story of anastomotic leakage**  
James Kinross, London, UK |
| **12.15** | **LUNCH** |
| **12.45** | **Operative techniques to reduce anastomotic recurrence in Crohn’s disease**  
Laura Hancock, Manchester, UK |
| **14.15** | **Innovative approaches in the treatment of complex Crohn Diseases perianal fistula**  
Christianne Buskens, Amsterdam, NL |
| **14.45** | **To divert or not to divert in Crohn surgery – technical aspects and patient factors**  
Pär Myrelid, Linköping, SE |
| **15.15** | **COFFEE BREAK** |
| **15.45** | **Appendiceal neoplasia – when to opt for a minimal approach, when and how to go for a maximal treatment**  
Tom Cecil, Basingstoke, Hampshire, UK |
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**Medtronic**  
*Fueled Together* |
| **17.00** | **Outcomes of modern induction therapies and Wait and Watch strategies, Hope or Hype**  
Antonino Spinelli, Milano, IT |
| **17.30** | **EAES Presidential Lecture - Use of ICG in colorectal surgery: beyond bowel perfusion**  
Salvador Morales-Conde, Sevilla, ES |
| **18.00** | **Get-Together with your colleagues**  
Industrial Exhibition |

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Michel Adamina, Winterthur, CH |
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| **11.00** | **SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM**  
**INTUITIVE** |
| **11.45** | **Trends in colorectal oncology and clinical insights for the near future**  
Rob Glynne-Jones, London, UK |
| **12.15** | **LUNCH** |
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| **14.15** | **SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM**  
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| **15.00** | **COFFEE BREAK** |
| **15.30** | **The unsolved issue of TME: open, robotic, transanal, or laparoscopic – shining light on evidence and practice**  
Des Winter, Dublin, IE  
Jim Khan, London, UK  
Brendan Moran, Basingstoke, UK |
| **16.30** | **SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM**  
**Takeda** |
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Søren Laurberg, Aarhus, DK |

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| **9.00** | **Advanced risk stratification in colorectal cancer – choosing wisely surgery and adjuvant therapy**  
Philip Quirke, Leeds, UK |
| **10.30** | **Predictors for Postoperative Complications and Mortality**  
Ronan O’Connell, Dublin, IE |
| **10.00** | **Segmental colectomy versus extended colectomy for complex cancer**  
Quentin Denost, Bordeaux, FR |
| **11.00** | **SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM** |
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Xavier Serra-Aracil, Barcelona, ES |
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Frédéric Ris, Geneva, CH |
| **14.30** | **Poster Presentation & Best Poster Award**  
Michel Adamina, Winterthur, CH |
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**OLYMPUS** |
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| **16.15** | **Reoperative pelvic floor surgery – dealing with perineal hernia, reoperations, and complex reconstructions**  
Guillaume Meurette, Nantes, FR |
| **16.45** | **Salvage strategies for rectal neoplasia**  
Roel Hompes, Amsterdam, NL |
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Paris Tekkis, London, UK |
| **19.30** | **FESTIVE EVENING** |

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