Tissucol application in dermolipectomy and incisional hernia repair.

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Abstract:

Biological adhesives have a lot of applications in surgical procedures. Here we present a

prospective study with the aim of analyzing results of the application of Tissucol between the muscle

layers and subcutaneous tissue after incisional hernia repair with polypropylene mesh and

associated dermolipectomy. We assess clinical and technical parameters, local morbidity, and

hospital stay. Fifty-six patients were divided into two groups. Patients with whom we used fibrin glue

were older, with more obesity (P < 0.005) with associated diseases, and their incisional hernias

were larger and more complicated to repair. Patients in the Tissucol group developed less local

morbidity (hematomas or abscesses; P < 0.01), had a shorter mean hospital stay (P < 0.01), and

required less wound care. The use of Tissucol improves the results of surgical repair of large

abdominal incisional hernias repaired by mesh placement and dermolipectomy, and it decreases

global morbidity and hospital stay are reduced.