

Special Issue

Etiology, Diagnosis and Surgical Treatment of Inguinal Hernia in Children

Message from the Guest Editors

Inguinal hernia (IH) is one of the most common conditions in infants and children that require surgery. This Special Issue reviews the current embryology of open and closed processus vaginalis, anesthetic management of children undergoing repair of inguinal hernia, the differences between an inguinal approach and minimally invasive surgery (MIS), the different types of MIS, contralateral patency of the peritoneal processus vaginalis, hernias in premature infants and direct, femoral, and other rare hernias and recurrent inguinal hernia repair. The main topic of this Issue will be the advent of minimal access techniques that have changed conventional management for the treatment of inguinal hernia in particular. The evolution of laparoscopic techniques with different technical refinements and rationale will also be in focus. Also, we encourage papers debating the best open or minimally invasive technique. In conclusion, we are to present current evidence in the literature about which technique (laparoscopy or inguinal approach) is preferable to repair an inguinal hernia in children.

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