

Hernia Mesh Litigation

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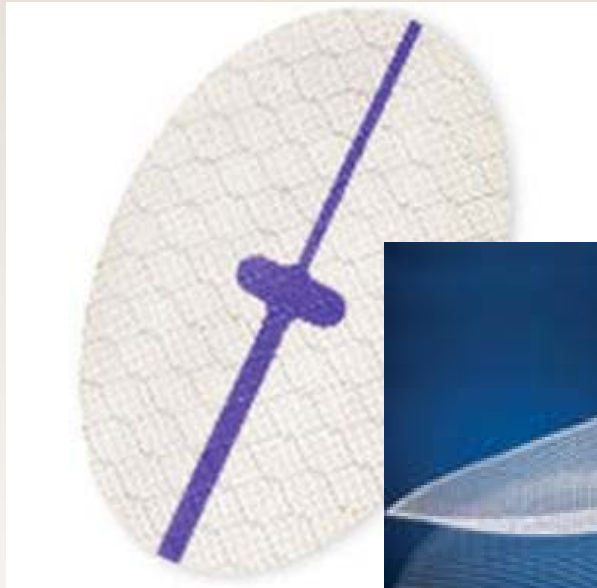
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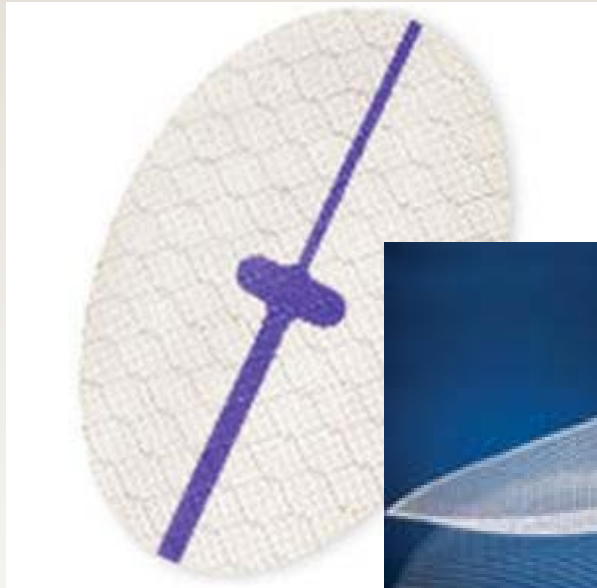
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Hernia Mesh Basics



- Flexible mesh used in hernia repair surgery
- Mesh is implanted in over 100,000 hernia repair surgeries each year.

Hernia Mesh Basics



Types of Hernias

- Inguinal
- Ventral or incisional
- Femoral
- Umbilical

Types of mesh

- Synthetic
- Biologic
- Composite

Synthetic Hernia Mesh

Materials

- Synthetic materials such as polypropylene
- Coated/Uncoated

501(k) clearance

Synthetic Hernia Mesh

Manufacturers

- Ethicon
- Atrium
- Bard/Davol
- Covidien/Medtronic
- Others...

Defects/Complications

- Failure to incorporate
- Coating layer delaminating/separating from plastic/polypropylene layer
- Mesh migration
- Mesh shrinking/folding/balling/unraveling

Injuries

- Infection
- Adhesion
- Fistula
- Migration
- Bowel/organ obstruction
- Revision surgery
- Severe pain

Product Identification

- Product stickers should be included in medical records:

MFG	CAT # / MODEL / DESCRIPTION	SIZE	QTY	LOT # / SERIAL	METHOD OF STERILIZATION
<i>Ethicon</i>	<i>Mesh</i> PROLENE [®] Mesh SGE 8" X 6" (15cm X 16cm) PRODUCT CODE PMP LOT NO: 808062 PEL WERE ETHICON INC.	<i>6x6"</i>	<i>1</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer <input type="checkbox"/> In House Sterilization Load # _____
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- References in operative report can be inaccurate.

Products/Litigation Status

Atrium

Atrium C-Qur MDL –
MDL No. 2753

Products include:

- C-Qur™ product line
 - Fish oil/Omega 3 fatty acid coating
 - Edge, Vpatch, C-Qur, Tacshield, others
- Transfer Order – Dec. 28, 2016
 - District of New Hampshire – Hon. Landya B. McCafferty

Products/Litigation Status

Ethicon

Products include:

- Physiomesh™
(recalled 2016)
- Proceed™
- Prolene™

Ethicon Physiomesh

MDL – MDL No. 2782

- Motion to Transfer filed March 9, 2017
- May 2017 hearing.
- Movants requested **M.D. Florida** (Byron, Whittemore or Buckelew) or **S.D. Illinois** (Herndon)

Products/Litigation Status

Bard/Davol

Products include:

- ST mesh
- Perfix Plug™
- 3D Max™

No coordination at this time.

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Covidien/Medtronic

Products include:

- Parietex™
- Parietene™
- ProGrip™

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