



Single Incision Laparoscopic Surgery



Single Port Surgery - Patient information

What is Single Port surgery?

Surgery using a new device that will enable us to perform your operation through one small incision (1-2cm) rather than 4 or 5 cuts as used in traditional laparoscopic surgery. This results in near scarless surgery.

How does it work?

The specially designed port has three entry points to allow the use of a camera and laparoscopic instruments through one port site.

Why is it good?

A single incision and scar

May reduce post-operative pain

Possibly less chance of having a wound infection (as only 1 small wound)

Possibly less chance of developing an incisional hernia (as only 1 small wound)

May result in a faster recovery after surgery

Who is it for?

Patients undergoing surgical procedures that are proven safe and feasible with a laparoscopic (keyhole) method of surgery.

Any Problems/risks?

There are no known additional risks to using one large port for surgery instead of a number of smaller ones. Should any difficulties arise during surgery, however, it is easily remedied with the insertion of more port sites and a return to a traditional laparoscopic approach to your operation. Your surgery will not be compromised.

Post-operative Advice

As after any laparoscopic surgical procedure, keep your wound site dry for 10 days and take care not to lift anything heavy for 4-6 weeks to allow full wound healing.