Supplementary Material - Survey

Q1. From which country are you?

Q2. In what year of your surgical residency are you?
  - 1
  - 2
  - 3
  - 4
  - 5
  - 6

Q3. Which type of educational methods have you experienced to train for the open inguinal hernia repair? (multiple options are possible)
  - Journal club
  - Lectures
  - Computer simulation model
  - Bench simulation model made from fabric, 3D printing or other synthetic material (skills lab simulation models)
  - Cadaveric model
  - Animal model
  - In the operating room
  - A specific hernia course
  - A specific congress
  - Video-demonstration of the operation
  - E-learning
  - Books
Q4. How important do you find the following educational methods to train for the open inguinal hernia repair? (5-point Likert scale; 1 = not important, 3 = neutral, 5 = very important)

- Journal club
- Lectures
- Computer simulation model
- Bench simulation model made from fabric, 3D printing or other synthetic material (skills lab simulation models)
- Cadaveric model
- Animal model
- In the operating room
- A specific hernia course
- A specific congress
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- E-learning
- Books

Q5. Do you perform the endoscopic inguinal hernia repair?

- Yes, unsupervised
- Yes, supervised
- No

Q6. Which type of educational methods have you experienced to train for the endoscopic inguinal hernia repair? (multiple options are possible)

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- Lectures
- Computer simulation model
- Bench simulation model made from fabric, 3D printing or other synthetic material (skills lab simulation models)
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- Animal model
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Q7. How important do you find the following educational methods to train for the endoscopic inguinal hernia repair? (5 point Likert scale; 1 = not important, 3 = neutral, 5 = very important)
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- Lectures
- Computer simulation model
- Bench simulation model made from fabric, 3D printing or other synthetic material (skills lab simulation models)
- Cadaveric model
- Animal model
- In the operating room
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- A specific congress
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- E-learning
- Books
Q8. How many surgeries do you think you need to perform to be proficient to perform the open inguinal hernia repair unsupervised?

- 0 – 10
- 10 – 20
- 20 – 30
- 30 – 40
- 40 – 50
- > 50

Q9. How many surgeries do you think you need to perform to be proficient to perform the endoscopic inguinal hernia repair unsupervised?

- 0 – 25
- 25 – 50
- 50 – 75
- 75 – 100
- 100 – 125
- 125 – 150
- > 150