Hiatal Hernia Repair during Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery

Koroner Baypas Cerrahisi ile Beraber Hiatus Hernisi Onarımı

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Hiatal hernia is defined as the displacement of a portion of the stomach through the diaphragmatic esophageal hiatus to the thorax, resulting in various symptoms. A 61-yearold male patient was admitted with chest pain and occasional progressive shortness of breath. Following a chest CT scan and coronary angiography, a decision for surgery was made (Figure 1). After a median sternotomy, a hiatal hernia was seen (Figure 2 and 3). The sternotomy incision was extended by the general surgeon, and the defect was repaired with a 15 x 15 cm dual mesh. After hernia repair, coronary bypass surgery (LIMA-LAD, Ao-D1, Ao-RCA bypasses) was performed with cardiopulmonary bypass. The patient was discharged on the fifth postoperative day without any problems. It is important to consider hiatal hernia among extra-cardiac factors in patients presenting with chest pain.



Figure 1. A preoperative thorax CT image.



Figure 2. A perioperative view of the mediastinum.



Figure 3. A perioperative view of the intra-abdominal organs from the mediastinum.



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