Screened (n = 247)

Excluded (n = 38)
- Not meeting selection criteria (n = 4)
- Not meeting inclusion/exclusion criteria (n = 25)
- Adverse event (n = 1)
- Withdrew consent (n = 1)
- Forgot to randomise (n = 4)
- Surgery not performed (only adhesiolysis) (n = 1)
- Not meeting selection and inclusion criteria (n = 1)
- Not meeting selection and inclusion criteria and adverse event (n = 1)

Randomised (N = 209)

HA/CMC powder (n = 105)
- Completed (n = 104)
- Discontinued (n = 1)
  - Adverse event - death (n = 1)

  Analysed
  - Safety (n = 105)
  - ITT (n = 105)

No adhesion barrier (n = 104)
- Completed (n = 103)
- Discontinued (n = 1)
  - Adverse event - death (n = 1)

  Analysed
  - Safety (n = 104)
  - ITT (n = 104)