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Dr. Silvio Alen Canton was awarded his Medical Degree in 1993 and Specialised Diploma in General Surgery in 1998, both by the University of Padova Italy. He was awarded his Specialised Diploma in Thoracic Surgery with honors by the University of Trieste in 2007.

He was consultant at the Thoracic Surgery Unit of Venice Hospital between 2001 and 2003 and at the General Surgery Unit of Cittadella Hospital, Padova province, between 2004 and 2008.

Dr. Canton's interests include thoracic and pancreatic diseases until 2009 when, in his Lab at Padova University, he invented a laparoscopic technique which he called "Slim-Mesh" ("SM") to treat ventral hernias (VH) and diastasis recti abdominis (DRA) without transabdominal fixation sutures. The "SM" technique is also used to repair large, giant and massive hernias and VH/DRA cases in the obese/superobese populations. Furthermore, it is used to repair multiple widely-spaced hernias (MWSH), a term he coined in 2022, including in the obese/superobese populations.

He has served as a consultant at the above Department of Surgery and been the head of the "SM" Lab and project since 2009. This project involves increasing his series of prospective "SM" cases to disseminate educational activities on the "SM" technique via scientific publications, congress presentations and eHealth videos.

Dr. Canton became a full member of the Italian Society of Surgery (SIC) in 2015, the European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES) in 2017, and the Society of Laparoscopic & Robotic Surgeons (SLS) in 2020.