A 78-year-old man, previously submitted to left lower lobectomy for non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC) in 2006, was recently involved in a car accident, resulting in multiple left rib fractures and subsequent herniation of lung and abdominal viscera through the chest wall (Fig. 1a). Parietal reconstruction was performed using a titanium rib bridge\(^1\) (Figs. 1b and 2).

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\(^1\) STRATOS titanium rib bridge (Strasbourg Thoracic Osteosyntheses System; MedXpert, Heitersheim, Germany).