Open and Laparoscopic Surgical Techniques Including Virtual Reality Training

A comprehensive training course in surgical techniques
• Open skills
• Laparoscopic skills
• Lectures
• Virtual reality training

Course Modules:
• Basic Course (beginners)
• Intermediate Course (experienced surgeons in training)
• Advanced Course (train to become expert)

Advanced Course
For experienced surgeons
• Module I: Colorectal surgery
• Module II: Hernia surgery

Combination of modules possible
Limited number of participants

Information & Registration
www.davoscourse.ch
Objectives of the Course
Acquire knowledge, develop and improve practical skills in safe standard surgical techniques, both in conventional and laparoscopic surgery, as demonstrated by and practiced with international faculty.

Course Program
Basic and Intermediate Course  Saturday, February 27, 2016, 14:00 h until Friday, March 4, 2016, 12:00 h
Basic and Intermediate Course (requests of preferred course by participants will be considered but cannot be guaranteed).

Advanced Course
Colorectal Module: Saturday, February 27 until Tuesday, March 1, 2016
Hernia Module: Wednesday, March 2 until Friday, March 4, 2016
Colorectal & Hernia Module: Saturday, February 27 until Friday, March 4, 2016

Language  Lectures, panel discussions and practical exercises held in English only.

Course Structure
The Basic and Intermediate Courses are divided into 3 ½ days open surgery on suture- and anastomosis techniques in the gastro intestinal tract, followed by 2 ½ days on laparoscopic surgery and techniques. Lectures related to the practical exercises are scheduled daily in the morning and afternoon.

Advanced Course
Specialized surgical techniques in colorectal or/and hernia surgery will be instructed by well experienced specialists. Each course module will last for 3 days and can be booked jointly or separately.
The number of participants is limited to 24 only!

Assessment  Participants will be continually assessed in all exercises by the instructors. Instructors will be assessed by the participants. The final assessment at the end of the course is mandatory to obtain certificate of participation.

Content of Lectures and Practical Exercises
– Basic surgical techniques
– Laparotomy and abdominal wall closure
– Electrosurgery
– Suture materials
– Suture techniques in gastro-intestinal surgery including stapling techniques
– Suture techniques in the hepato-biliary tract and pancreas
– Virtual Reality Training
– Reconstruction after gastric and rectal resection
– Basics in laparoscopic surgery
– Laparoscopic exercises using pelvitrainers: suture techniques, cholecystectomy, appendectomy, antireflux procedures
– Clinical scenarios
– Interactive sessions
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stapling techniques

intestinal surgery including wall closure

Hernia Module: Wednesday, March 2 until Friday, March 4, 2016

Content of Lectures and Practical Exercises

- Suture techniques in gastro intestinal tract, followed by 2 1/2 days on laparoscopic surgery and techniques.
- Basics in laparoscopic procedures, cholecystectomy, pelvic tailers: suture techniques, and Reconstruction after gastric and rectal resection
- Interactive sessions
- Clinical scenarios
- Suture materials

Assessment  Participants will be continually assessed in all exercises by the instructors. The final assessment at the end of the course is mandatory to obtain certificate of participation.

Objectives of the Course

Acquire knowledge, develop and improve practical skills in safe techniques, cholecystectomy, pelvic tailers: suture techniques, and Reconstruction after gastric and rectal resection.

Intermediate Course   Basic and Intermediate Course (requests of preferred course by

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Manual Registration Please complete the paper form (can be downloaded from homepage) and mail it to the Secretariat. Registrations will be confirmed on a «first come first serve basis» according to the receipt of course fee payment. Failure of payment will result in loss of priority.

Registration Form We are careful to ensure that you personally benefit from being placed in the appropriate course. However, we cannot do this unless you fill in the form correctly. The course organization reserves the right to allow participants to the appropriate course according to their indication of experiences in laparoscopic surgery. A change of the course on site will not be possible.

Waiting list Upon reaching the maximum number of 260 registrations for the Basic or Intermediate Course, late registrations will be put on the waiting list. When cancellations occur, those on the waiting list will receive priority in sequence. Paid Course fees for registrations on the waiting list will be fully reimbursed if registration cannot be accepted.

No waiting list for the new Advanced Course will be available.
Place & Venue
Congress Center Davos Platz, Switzerland

Course fee
Basic- and Intermediate Skills Course
Before November 30, 2015: CHF 1650.– after CHF 1850.–
Advanced Skills Course
Colorectal module only CHF 1500.–
Hernia module only CHF 800.–
Colorectal and Hernia combined CHF 2200.–

Cancellation
Before November 30, 2015 by registered mail to the Secretariat in Lupsingen, Switzerland only. Cancellation fee CHF 100.–. After November 30, 2015 no refund, pending on replacement.

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