



ESSO Advanced Course on Pancreatic Cancer Surgery

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Program

Thursday, 22 October

Part I	Perioperative assessment
8:30-8:45	Introduction
8:45-09:05	Warm-up cases: BR and LAPC <i>S. Mieog, S. Partelli, G. Marchegiani, all</i>
09:05-09:25	Radiologic (imaging) evaluation of resectability – before and after neoadjuvant therapy <i>N. Kartalis</i>
09:25-09:45	Neoadjuvant and adjuvant therapy for BR/LAPC <i>T. Seufferlein</i>
09:45-10:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
10:15-10:30	Surgical principles for resection of BR/LAPC <i>E. Rangelova</i>

10:30-10:50	Pathological assessment of treatment response and margins after neoadjuvant treatment – what the surgeon needs to know <i>V. Adsay</i>
10:50-11:05	Treatment of local recurrence. Options for local control if unresectable. <i>F. Nickel</i>
11:05-12:00	MDT case session: BR/LAPC: <i>A. Sauvanet, T. Hackert, E. Rangelova</i>
<i>12:00 – 13:00</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
Part II	Technical training session
13:00-13:10	Surgical simulation and model training <i>F. Nickel</i>
13:10-13:30	Venous resections (types, principles, anticoagulation). Segmental resection (step-by step) <i>E. Rangelova</i>
13:30-13:40	Venous patch (step-by step) <i>A. Sauvanet</i>
<i>13:40-15:15</i>	3D model training: Vein reconstruction Workshop
<i>15:15-15:30</i>	<i>Coffee Break</i>
15:30-15:50	Arterial resections (outcome, types, tips for grafts) <i>T. Hackert</i>
15:50-17:30	3D model training: Vein reconstruction Workshop (free choice: try a different pancreatic anastomotic technique and vascular reconstruction)

Friday, 23 October

Part III	Complications: the difficult decisions
08:30-09:00	Warm-up case session: complications <i>F. Nickel, G. Marchegiani, E. Rangelova, all</i>
09:00-09:20	How to deal with the very high-risk pancreatic anastomosis <i>S. Partelli</i>
09:20-09:50	Case based: Treatment of B/C POPF/PPH



S. Mieog, A. Sauvanet

- 09:50-10:15 **Vascular complications after BR/LAPC surgery. Salvage options**
T. Hackert, all
- 10:15-10:45* *Coffee break*
- 10:45-11:10** **Case session: Other disasters after pancreatic surgery**
A.Sauvanet, all
- 11:10-11:35** **Treatment of long-term consequences of pancreatic surgery**
E. Rangelova
- 11:35-11:50** **Non-surgical skills:**
Registries, guidelines: Whom and why to follow?
How to become academic surgeon?
G. Marchegiani
- 11:50-12:00 Discussion
- 12:00-13:00* *Lunch*
- Part IV** **Decision-making in IPMN and PNETs**
- 13:00-14:00** **IPMN**
- 13:00-13:15 **Which guideline, whom to un-follow and whom and when to operate**
E. Marchegianni
- 13:15-13:55 **Case session of IPMN: how to operate?**
- 14:00-15:00** **PNETs**
- 14:00-14:15 **The complex PNET cases: multimodality management**
S. Partelli, A. Sauvanet
- 14:15-14:55 **Case session of PNET: when and how to operate and when not?**
- 14:55-15:00 **Final reflections**
All faculty
- 15:00* *Adjourn*