ESSO Hands on Course On Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy and Gastrectomy

In partnership with University Medical Center Utrecht

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Programme

Thursday 11 March – Minimally Invasive Gastrectomy (MIG)

Morning Program: Presentations on gastric cancer treatment

08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 09:10	Opening & Introduction of the live RAMIE surgery case *R. van Hillegersberg*
09:10 – 09:30	Introduction to the Surgical Anatomy of the Stomach
09:30 – 09:45	Laparoscopic versus Open Gastrectomy
09:45 – 10:00	Lymphadenectomy in MIG

10:00 – 10:15	Anastomotic techniques in MIG
10:15 – 10:30	General discussion+ Live RAMIE surgery
10:30 – 10:45	*Coffee Break*
10:45 – 11:00	MIG and RAMIE: step by step *L. Fourie*
11:00 – 11:15	Robot-assisted Minimally Invasive Gastrectomy (RAMIG): Tips, Tricks, & Pitfalls
11:15 – 11:20	Introduction to hands on practical training session
11:20 – 11:40	General discussion + Live RAMIE surgery
11:40 – 12:15	*Lunch*
12:15 – 12:30	Transfer to the Department of Anatomy

Afternoon Program: Hands-on practical training

12:30 – 14:30	Minimally Invasive Gastrectomy: dissection
14:30 – 15:00	*Coffee break*
15:00 – 17:00	Minimally Invasive Gastrectomy: reconstruction

Friday 6 March 2025 – Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy (MIE)

Morning Program: Presentations on esophageal cancer treatment

08:30 – 08:35	Opening *J. Ruurda*
08:35 – 08:55	Introduction to the Surgical Anatomy of the Esophagus
08:55 – 09:10	Lymphadenectomy during MIE: the more the better?

09:10 – 09:25	The current status of MIE and RAMIE
09:25 – 09:40	How to set up a MIE program
09:40 – 10:00	General discussion + live MIEG surgery
10:00 – 10:20	*Coffee Break*
10:20 – 10:35	Enhanced Recovery after Esophagectomy
10:35 – 10:50	Anastomotic techniques for (robot-assisted) MIE
10:50 – 11:05	Robot-assisted Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy (RAMIE): step by step, tips, tricks and pitfalls
11:05 – 11:20	Introduction to hands on practical training session
11:20 – 11:45	General discussion + Live RAMIE surgery
11:45 – 12:15	*Lunch*
12:15 – 12:30	Transfer to the Department of Anatomy

Afternoon Program: Hands-on practical training

12:30 – 14:30	Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy: 1st hands-on session
14:30 – 15:00	*Coffee break*
15:00 – 17:00	Minimally Invasive Esophagectomy: 2nd hands on session