

MINIMALLY INVASIVE ESOPHAGOGASTRIC SURGERY

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OBJECTIVES

- To provide a comprehensive overview of esophagogastric surgical elements and the opportunity to practice under expert supervision
- To deepen the insight of disease and treatment-specific aspects of esophagogastric surgery
- To achieve a full mastery of components of both laparoscopic and robotic systems
- To highlight any individual technical flaws during the hands-on training and discuss the operative implications with the faculty
- To establish professional relationships between the faculty members and course participants

COURSE ENDORSEMENT AND ACCREDITATION



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Monday, May 04 – 2026

ESOPHAGOGASTRIC BENIGN SURGERY

07 : 45 am Registration and welcoming of the participants

Chairmen: Riccardo Rosati – Antonello Forgione

08 : 10 am INTRODUCTION

- Welcome and IRCAD presentation J. Marescaux - 15'
- Opening, welcome, and course presentation R. Rosati – 15'

08 : 30 am THEORETICAL SESSION: BENIGN ESOPHAGOGASTRIC DISEASES

- Surgical anatomy of the esophagogastric junction B. Hirt - 30'

09 : 00 am LIVE SURGERY – Technical aspects and video-based discussion

- Hiatal hernia repair and fundoplication :
 - Laparoscopic technique U. Elmore
 - Robotic technique M. Piccoli

10 : 30 am Coffee break

11 : 00 am THEORETICAL SESSION : ESOPHAGEAL FUNCTIONAL DISORDERS

- Manometry and functional assessment A. Barchi - 20'
- Surgical treatment of esophageal achalasia F. Puccetti - 20'
- Endoscopic treatment of esophageal achalasia A. Repici - 20'
- What to do for recurrent dysphagia in achalasia F. Puccetti - 20'
- Surgical treatment of esophageal diverticula L.A. Barbieri - 20'
- Intraoperative guidance and third-space endoscopy L.A. Barberi - 20'

01 : 00 pm Lunch at the institute

01 : 45 pm PRE-LAB SESSION - Procedures' descriptions in the auditorium A. Forgione

02 : 00 pm HANDS-ON SESSION – all faculty and local trainers

Laparoscopic training on live tissue

- Heller myotomy
- Fundoplication (Nissen / Toupet)
- Gastric mobilization
- D2 lymphadenectomy
- Gastrectomy
- Gastroenteric anastomosis

06 : 30 pm End of session

08 : 00 pm EXPERTS & PARTICIPANTS DINNER

Brasserie Les Haras – 23, rue des Glacières 67000 STRASBOURG

Tuesday, May 05 - 2026

ESOPHAGOGASTRIC CANCER SURGERY

08 : 00 am Sum-up and comments of the Day 1 activities

Chairmen: Stefan P. Mönig – Monica Gualtierotti

08 : 15 am THEORETICAL SESSION : GASTRIC CANCER SURGERY

- Treatment of gastric cancer :
 - The Western approach M. Van Berge Henegouwen - 20'
 - The Eastern approach W.J Hyung - 20'
- Esophagogastric anatomy for surgeons B. Hirt - 30'
- Distal and total gastrectomy :
 - Laparoscopic approach (video + Q&A) S. De Pascale - 20'
 - Robotic approach (video + Q&A) W.J Hyung - 20'
- Multimodal treatment of oligometastatic esophagogastric cancer S. Mönig - 20'
- Surgical management of peritoneal carcinomatosis I. Gockel - 20'

10 : 45 am Coffee break

11 : 15 am THEORETICAL SESSION : ESOPHAGEAL CANCER SURGERY

- Ivor Lewis esophagectomy :
 - Robotic approach P. Grimmering - 20'
 - Laparo-thoracoscopic approach R. Rosati - 20'
- Lymphadenectomy for esophageal cancer S. Gisbertz - 20'
- Treatment of T4 esophageal cancer L. Ferri - 20'
- Different types of anastomosis techniques L. Ferri - 20'

01 : 00 pm Lunch at the institute

01 : 45 pm PRE-LAB SESSION - Procedures' descriptions in the auditorium A. Forgione

02 : 00 pm HANDS-ON SESSION – all faculty and local trainers

Laparoscopic training on live tissue

- D2 lymphadenectomy
- Creation of gastric tube
- Transthoracic esophagectomy and lymphadenectomy
- Intrathoracic anastomosis (handsewn / stapled)

06 : 30 pm End of session – Evening free

Wednesday, May 06 - 2026

COMPLICATION MANAGEMENT IN ESOPHAGOGASTRIC SURGERY

08 : 00 am Sum-up and comments of the Day 2 activities

Chairmen: Riccardo Rosati – I. Gockel

08 : 15 am THEORETICAL SESSION

- Classification and prevention of surgical complication R. Rosati - 20'
- Complications after esophagectomy :
 - Anastomotic leakage: Endoscopic strategies F. Mandarino - 20'
 - Anastomotic leakage : Surgical treatments M. Gualtierotti - 20'
 - Management of tracheoesophageal fistula S. Battaglia - 20'
- Complications after gastrectomy :
 - Anastomotic leakage G. Carbone - 20'
 - Duodenal stump leakage F. Puccetti - 20'

10 : 30 am Coffee break

11 : 00 am TIPS AND TRICKS

- Preoperative protocols in esophagogastric surgery :
 - Prehabilitation S. Turi - 20'
 - Enhanced Recovery After Surgery S. De Pascale - 20'
- Alternative replacements for esophagectomy I. Gockel - 20'

12 : 30 pm Lunch at the institute





End of the course - Delivery of certificates of attendance



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