

Preliminary programme

ESSO-EYSAC HANDS-ON COURSE ON SURGICAL TECHNIQUE – ABDOMINAL SURGERY

Leiden (NL), 22nd to 24th September 2025

In partnership with Leiden University Medical Center

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Program

22nd September 2025

13.00 – 13.15 Welcome and introduction
A. Baranski, D. D’Ugo, P. Gobee, M. de Ruiter

Surgical access to the thorax and abdomen through median laparotomy and thoracotomy (sternotomy)

13.15-13.25 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobée

13.25-13.35 Theory: Surgical technique
A. Baranski

Surgical access to the abdominal wall repair

13.35 – 13.45 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobee

13.45 – 14.15 Theory: Surgical technique

Kocher and retro-peritoneal right-sided medial visceral rotation, Cattel-Braasch manoeuvre

14.15 - 14.35 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobée

14.35-15.00 Theory: Surgical technique
A.Baranski

15.00 -17.00 Hands-on session

17.00 – 17.40 The conditions that need to be met in our career to become a good surgeon
J. Lerut

23rd September 2025

Mobilisation of the right and the left liver lobe, access to the IVC behind the liver, liver veins, vascular exclusion technique, access to the hepatoduodenal ligament

09.00 - 09.10 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobée

09.10 - 09.20 Theory: Surgical technique
H. Vilca-Meléndez, A. Baranski

Surgical access to the oesophagus

09.20 – 09.30 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobée

09.30 – 09.40 Theory: Surgical technique
H. Hartgrink

Surgical access to the stomach

09.40 – 09.50 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobee

09.50 – 10.00 Theory : Surgical technique
D. D' Ugo

10.00 – 11.15 Hands-on session

11.15 – 11.30 *Coffee break*

Left-sided medial visceral rotation with and without mobilization of the left kidney-access to the abdominal aorta, coeliac trunk and superior mesenteric artery-Mattox manoeuvre

11.30-11.40 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobee

11.40-11.50 Theory: Surgical technique
J. Hamming

11.50-12.30 Hands-on session

12.30 – 13.30 *Lunch*

Surgical access to the pancreas body, tail and the spleen

13.30-13.40 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobée

13.40 - 13.50 Theory: Surgical technique
S. Mieog

Surgical access to the colon and rectum

13.50 -14.10 Theory: Anatomy
P. Gobee / Ruiter

14.10-14.30 Theory: Surgical Technique
K. Polom

14.30-16.30 Hands-on session

Surgical access to the abdominal aorta and other arterial vessels – above and below the renal arteries

16.30-16.45 Theory: Anatomy
M. de Ruiter

16.45 -17.00 Theory: Surgical technique
J. Hamming

17.00 -18.30 Hands-on session

24th September 2025

08.25 – 09.25 Practical repetitions on cadavers with Masters
Tutors: A. Baranski, D. D’Ugo, A. Biondi, T. Hackert, H. Vilca-Meléndez, J.Hamming , S. Mieog, D. Lam

State of the art of oncological surgical techniques

09.25 – 09.55 Oesophagus surgery. Pearl, tricks and tricks
A. Biondi

09.55 – 10.00 Discussion

10.00 - 10.30 Stomach and oesophagus surgery. Pearl tips and tricks
D. D’Ugo

10.30-10.35 Discussion

10.35-11.05 Liver surgery. Pearls, tips and tricks
H. Vilca-Meléndez, H. D. Lam

11.05-11.10 Discussion

11.10 -11.40 Pancreas surgery. Pearl tips and tricks
T. Hackert

11.40 -11.45 Discussion

11.45 -12.00 ***Coffee break***

12.00 -12.30 Colon and rectum surgery. Pearl tips and tricks
K. Polom

12.30 -12.35 Discussion

12.35 -13.05 Radiological access to the abdomen and abdominal organs
Abdominal interventional radiologist
M. Burgmans

13.05 – 13.10 Discussion

13.10-14.00 ***Lunch***

14.00 – 14:15 Closure