



Preliminary Programme

ESSO Hands on Course on Thyroid Cancer Surgery

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Program

Thursday, 4th December 2025

08.00 - 08.10	Welcome and Introduction <i>M. Raffaelli</i>
08:10 – 08:30	Cytological and histological classifications of thyroid nodules and thyroid tumors <i>E.D. Rossi</i>
08:40 – 09:00	Evaluation and management of thyroid nodules: integrating imaging, cytology and molecular markers <i>A. Pontecorvi</i>

09:10 – 09:30	Management of low-risk thyroid cancer: selection for active surveillance vs minimally invasive treatment Vs surgery <i>E. Papini</i>
09:40 – 10:00	Is there a role for prophylactic neck dissection in thyroid carcinoma of follicular cells origin? <i>C. De Crea</i>
10:10 – 10:30	Definition and surgical management of locally advanced thyroid carcinoma <i>J. Gomez-Ramirez</i>
10:40 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 11:20	Thyroid Cancer: Long-term follow-up and treatment after initial therapy – Which tests? How often? How long? <i>S.M. Corsello</i>
11:30 – 11:50	Management of persistent or recurrent thyroid cancer <i>M. Vriens</i>
12:00 – 12:20	Management of medullary thyroid cancer <i>K. Lorenz</i>
12:30 – 12:50	Prevention and management of complications in thyroid cancer surgery <i>N. Santrac</i>
13:00 – 15:00	Lunch time Live fascial neck dissection <i>M. Raffaelli</i> with a live applied embryology and anatomy recall <i>F. Forte</i>
15:00 – 15:20	Advances and new technologies in thyroid cancer surgery: cIONM, Fluorescence, VR <i>I. Koutelidakis</i>
15:30 – 15:50	Minimally invasive and remote access for thyroid cancer surgery <i>G. Materazzi</i>
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 – 16:50	The genetic landscape of thyroid cancer and its clinical implicationqq <i>C. Durante</i>
17:00 – 17:20	Systemic therapy for metastatic thyroid cancer <i>L. Locati</i>
17.30	Discussion and take-home messages <i>M. Raffaelli</i>



Friday, 5th December 2025

08:00 – 08:20	Lateral neck anatomy <i>C. Sette</i>
08:20 – 08:40	Ethico-legal aspect of cadaveric dissection <i>A. Oliva</i>
09:00 – 10:50	Round 1. Cadaveric dissection Round 2. VR and training models
10:50 – 11:10	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:10 – 13:00	Round 1. VR and training models Round 2. Cadaveric dissection
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch time – video-session
14:00 – 16:00	Interactive clinical cases presentation
16.00	Course evaluation and adjourn