

RAWS2023 precourse

Hands-on training on porcine model at ORSI Academy

Wednesday May 31st | 08:30-16:00



Course leaders & proctors



Dr. Filip Muysoms

Abdominal Wall Surgeon at AZ Maria Middelares. Ghent Belgium



Dr. Maaike Vierstraete

Surgical resident PhD applicant robotic hernia surgery at AZ Maria Middelares. Ghent Belgium



Dr. David Chen

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Dr. Conrad Ballecer

Clinical Assistant Professor of surgery. Creighton University School of Medicine. Phoenix USA



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Pre-course requirements:

Extensive experience with the daVinci robotic platform in hernia repair is required for the roboTAR course.

Beginner experience with the Hugo RAS robotic platform is required for the groin and ventral course.

08:30 - 09:30 | Introduction to the course

• Anatomy of minimal invasive groin hernia repair Dr David Chen

Porcine robotic groin hernia repair model
Dr Maaike Vierstraete

• Anatomy of robotic TAR Dr Conrad Ballecer

• Porcine roboTAR model Dr Filip Muysoms

09:30 - 09:45 | Coffee break & change in to OR scrubs

09:45 - 12:30 | Start hands-on training

• daVinci cluster Dr Conrad Ballecer & Dr Maaike Vierstraete

3 stations (X of Xi) 2 participants / station

robotic TAR

• Hugo RAS cluster Dr David Chen & Dr Filip Muysoms

3 stations 2 participants / station

robotic groin hernia repair

12:30 - 13:30 | Lunch at Orsi restaurant

13:30 - 16:00 | Continue hands-on training

• daVinci cluster Dr Conrad Ballecer & Dr Maaike Vierstraete

3 stations (X of Xi) 2 participants / station

robotic TAR (continued)

• Hugo RAS cluster Dr David Chen & Dr Filip Muysoms

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robotic ventral hernia repair by TARUP

16:00 | End of the course