



ICLO, Verona  
7th & 8th October 2024

Esagon Cadaver Course  
on Ovarian Cancer Surgery  
and More

*Techniques & Pitfalls*

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# Rationale

## About the course

The program is designed to provide information through both formal lectures and full immersion in the surgical cadaver lab. The tutors will show the surgical procedures necessary to achieve complete cytoreduction in advanced ovarian cancer. During the course, the anatomical structures in all abdominal quadrants representing the surgical fields for ovarian cancer cytoreduction will also be analysed in depth. Participants will be shown what they need to know and what could be difficult and not safe when performing debulking surgery. Additionally, this course will be an opportunity to discuss other surgical procedures too. Three trainees at each surgical table and one tutor will ensure maximum teaching efficiency.

Strengths of the course: good faculty, few participants, quality teaching, easy interaction with the faculty, friendship.

## Target audience

Surgeons who want to start or enhance their skillset for various aspects of ovarian cancer surgery, improve their knowledge of surgical anatomy, and review other surgical procedures.

## Learning objectives

After completing the learning activity, participants should be able to:

- mentally and practically adopt the surgical anatomy necessary to perform upper abdomen, pelvic visceral and retroperitoneal surgery;
- strategically build a surgical approach that considers patient characteristics, oncological benefits, complications, and impact on quality of life;
- acquire all the surgical steps necessary to achieve optimal cytoreduction surgery in AOC.

## FACULTY

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# Scientific Programme

## Monday, 7th October 2024

9.15	<i>Registration and welcome</i>	13.00	Lunch
9.30	Overview on the evolution of cytoreduction surgery in AOC: surgical shift for the gynaecologist  How to plan and build cytoreductive surgery  Discussion about the techniques to obtain optimal cytoreductive results: tips, tricks, step-by-step videos and complications <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pelvic resection</li><li>• Intestinal resection</li><li>• Stripping of diaphragm, splenectomy, and P-A lymphadenectomy</li><li>• More</li></ul> How to work on the cadaver, what to look for, correlation with other surgeries	14.00	Surgical skill cadaver lab <b>PELVIC ZONE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Surgical anatomy</li><li>• Radical oophorectomy</li><li>• Pelvic node dissections</li><li>• Overlook on radical pelvic procedures (radical hysterectomy vs exenteration)</li><li>• The pelvic wall</li></ul>
		16.30	Debriefing
		17.30	Adjourn
		19.30	<b>Dinner with participants &amp; tutors</b>

## Tuesday, 8th October 2024

9.00	Surgical skill cadaver lab RIGHT UPPER ABDOMINAL QUADRANT <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Surgical anatomy</li><li>• Liver mobilization</li><li>• Stripping of diaphragm</li><li>• The epato-duodenal ligament</li><li>• Removal of pericardic nodes</li></ul>	14.00	Surgical skill cadaver lab LEFT UPPER ABDOMINAL QUADRANT AND CENTRAL ZONE <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Surgical anatomy</li><li>• Splenectomy and resection of tail of pancreas</li><li>• Omentectomy</li><li>• Aortic nodes dissections</li><li>• Principles of intestinal resections</li></ul>
12.00	Debriefing	16.30	Debriefing
13.00	Lunch	17.00	End of course



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Course venue

ICLO Teaching and Research Center  
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## Registrations

Regular registration fee:

Euro 2.350,00 + 22% VAT

ESAGON participants registration fee:

Euro 1.250,00 + 22% VAT

The registration fee does not include  
travel and accommodation expenses.

