THORACIC SURGERY
ADVANCED COURSES

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THORACIC SURGERY - VATS & RATS

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IRCAD is one of the leading surgical education providers in the world, an ambassador of French excellence in minimally invasive surgery. The Institute offers unique training facilities, and welcomes over 8,800 surgeons from all surgical specialties every year. The remarkable involvement and self-commitment of more than 800 international experts, who are recognized as international opinion leaders, is key to the Institute’s success.

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FULL IMMERSION IN THORACIC SURGERY

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**VIDEO-ASSISTED THORACIC SURGERY**  
**VATS & RATS**  
This curriculum is designed to meet the requirements of experienced thoracoscopic surgeons who are considering starting a VATS program. Fellows and residents as well as thoracic surgeons with limited experience in advanced thoracoscopic procedures will also benefit from sharing their experience with experts and colleagues.

The course will focus on technological aspects, approaches, use and location of access incisions, all major pulmonary resections including segmentectomies and advanced procedures, tips and tricks, and analysis and management of complications.

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**ROBOTIC-ASSISTED THORACIC SURGERY**  
**RATS**  
For nearly 30 years, advances in minimally invasive surgery have demonstrated several benefits for patients. Robotic surgery has emerged as the most advanced minimally invasive platform, with notable improvements in thoracoscopic surgery.

The objectives of this course are: to describe the latest practices in the standardization of robotic thoracic procedures, to provide a blueprint to build robotic surgical teams, and to emphasize non-technical skills that are important to develop a robotic thoracic program.

COURSE CANCELLATION POLICY

Should you wish to cancel or postpone your registration, please notify us by email at: cancellation@ircad.fr. Please note that no refund or postponement will be considered for any cancellation received less than 6 weeks before the course starts, even if Visa application has been denied.
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### March 16-18

VIDEO-ASSISTED THORACIC SURGERY - VATS & RATS

**COURSE DIRECTORS**

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- P.E. Falcoz (FR)
- A. Seguin (FR)

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ROBOTIC-ASSISTED THORACIC SURGERY - RATS

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7:45 am — REGISTRATION AND WELCOMING OF PARTICIPANTS

8:05 am — OPTIONS B AND C

THEORETICAL SESSION
Current and forthcoming technologies for advanced thoracoscopic procedures
• Electromagnetic bronchial navigation for surgeons
• Current instrumentation and imaging systems
• Forthcoming instrumentation and imaging systems
• Preoperative modeling: applications for major pulmonary resections

Current and forthcoming technologies for robotically assisted procedures
Different approaches: pros and cons
• Single port thoracoscopic approach
• Multiport anterior thoracoscopic approach
• Multiport thoracoscopic posterior approach
• Subxiphoid thoracoscopic approach
• Alternative and unusual approaches
• Robotically assisted approach

Postoperative management at the time of minimally invasive techniques
• Chest tube management
• RAAC for VATS and RATS
• Pain management: open vs. VATS vs. RATS

1:00 pm — LUNCH AT THE INSTITUTE

2:00 pm — OPTIONS B AND C

VIDEO SESSION
Tips and tricks
• Exposure
• Vascular control
• Fissure and parenchymal division

3:00 pm — OPTIONS B AND C

PRACTICAL SESSION - TRAINING ON LIVE TISSUE (MINI-PIGS)
VATS procedures
• Fissure completion
• Incision and opening of the mediastinal pleura overlying the left lung hilum
• Dissection of the common pulmonary vein and cranial lobar vein
• Dissection of the cranial lobar vein with linear autostaplers or vessel-sealing devices
• Dissection and division of the cranial lobar bronchus with linear autostaplers
• Dissection of the pulmonary arteries one by one and dividing them with linear autostaplers or vessel-sealing devices
• Left caudal lobectomy

6:30 pm — END OF SESSION
EVENING FREE
7:45 am — EVALUATION OF THE PREVIOUS DAY

8:00 am — OPTIONS B AND C
LECTURE
Introduction to sublobar resections

8:30 am — OPTIONS B AND C
VIDEO SESSION
VATS and RATS lobectomies
Main technical steps and tricks with different standpoints
• Lower / right upper / left upper / middle lobectomies
• Two “easy” segmentectomies: lingulectomy, S6
• Complex segmentectomies
• Lymph node dissection

12:00 pm — LUNCH AT THE INSTITUTE

1:00 pm — OPTIONS B AND C
VIDEO SESSION
VATS and RATS lobectomies
Main technical steps and tricks with different standpoints
• Thoracoscopic left approach
• Thoracoscopic bilateral approach
• Thoracoscopic subxiphoid approach
• Robotic approach

2:00 pm — PRACTICAL SESSION
OPTION B
TRAINING ON LIVE TISSUE (MINI-PIGS)
VATS procedures
• Fissure completion
• Incision and opening of the mediastinal pleura overlying the left lung hilum
• Dissection of the common pulmonary vein and cranial lobar vein
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• Left caudal lobectomy

OPTION C
TRAINING ON LIVE TISSUE (MINI-PIGS) AND SIMULATORS
RATS procedures
Development of technical skills in RATS: from basic skills and procedural skills using virtual simulation to live models with LUL and lymphadenectomy in pig models

5:30 pm — END OF SESSION

8:00 pm — DINNER IN HONOR OF THE PARTICIPANTS
8:15 am — EVALUATION OF THE PREVIOUS DAY

8:30 am — OPTIONS B AND C

THEORETICAL SESSION
Advanced techniques and technologies
• Training on animal model
• Training on cadaver model
• Simulation for the VATS surgeon
• Preventing and simulating complications (conference)

Troubleshooting complications in VATS and RATS surgery:
description, management and prevention
• Lessons learned from a European survey
• My complications: How many? What happened?
  How did I manage? Which lessons did I learn?

12:00 pm — LUNCH AT THE INSTITUTE
END OF COURSE
DELIVERY OF THE CERTIFICATES OF ATTENDANCE
COURSE OBJECTIVES

• To cover a broad spectrum of surgical procedures in VATS and RATS procedures
• To provide indications for surgical treatment and discuss operative complications
• To allow a real-time discussion between experts and course participants
• To provide hands-on sessions to improve skills in VATS / RATS surgery through hands-on practice on live tissue (mini-pigs) or simulators under expert tutorial
• To describe postoperative clinical results and practical applications of evidence-based clinical medicine

EDUCATIONAL METHODS

• Interactive theoretical and video sessions between Faculty and course participants
• Pre-recorded operative demonstrations
• Training on live tissue (mini-pigs) or simulators under expert tutorial

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REGISTRATION FORM

VIDEO-ASSISTED THORACIC SURGERY - VATS & RATS
ENGLISH-SPEAKING COURSE

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March 16 - 18

Course registration without hotel accommodation
☐ OPTION B (no ROBOT training) - Limited to 20 participants ................................................................................................................................................. 1,980 €
☐ OPTION C (with ROBOT training) - Limited to 14 participants ........................................................................................................................................ 1,980 €

Course registration with hotel accommodation / IRCAD package (Les Haras Hotel****)
• 3 nights, in a single room, breakfasts, and city tax included (check-in March 15, check-out March 18)
☐ OPTION B (no ROBOT training) - Limited to 20 participants ......................................................................................................................................... 2,517 €
☐ OPTION C (with ROBOT training) - Limited to 14 participants ........................................................................................................................................ 2,517 €
☐ Additional night: March 18 ....................................................................................................................................................................................................... 179 €

PAYMENT
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REGISTRATION FEES INCLUDE
• Theoretical sessions
• Pre-recorded operative demonstrations
• Hands-on training on live tissue (mini-pigs) and/or simulators (depending on the option)
• Coffee breaks and lunches
• One dinner

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September 14-15

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7:45 am — REGISTRATION AND WELCOMING OF PARTICIPANTS

8:00 am — DIDACTIC LECTURE

History and development of robotic surgery

Robotic anatomic lung resection
  • Review of literature
  • Standard robotic lobectomy (5 lobectomies)
  • Segmentectomy and complex image-guided segmental resection
  • Advanced and complex procedures: sleeve resections, Pancoast tumors

Robotic resection of anterior mediastinal tumors
  • Review of literature
  • Thymectomy for myasthenia gravis
  • Thymectomy for early-stage thymoma
  • Thymectomy for advanced stage thymoma

12:30 pm — LUNCH AT THE INSTITUTE

1:30 pm — PRACTICAL SESSION

TRAINING ON LIVE TISSUE (MINI-PIGS) AND SIMULATORS
  • Development of technical skills in RATS: from basic skills and procedural skills using virtual simulation to live models with LUL and lymphadenectomy in pig models

6:00 pm — END OF SESSION

8:00 pm — DINNER IN HONOR OF THE PARTICIPANTS
7:45 am — EVALUATION OF THE PREVIOUS DAY

8:00 am — DIDACTIC LECTURES
Robotic resection of middle and posterior mediastinal tumors
Robotic esophagectomy: different approaches
Robotic training
  • Technical skills
  • Educational and evaluation models
Safety and performance measurement
  • Non-technical skills in robotic surgery
  • Data collection and quality improvement initiatives
  • Surgical CRM (crisis resource management) in robotic surgery
Research and innovation in robotic thoracic surgery
  • Medico-economic evaluation
  • New instruments and future innovations
  • New and emerging robotic platforms

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ENGLISH-SPEAKING COURSE / LIMITED TO 14 PARTICIPANTS

Dr./Prof. Family name
First name
Professional address
Zip code
City
Country
Phone
Email

September 14-15

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☐ Course registration with hotel accommodation / IRCAD package (Les Haras Hotel****) ........... 2,338 €

2 nights, in a single room, breakfasts, and city tax included
(check-in September 13, check-out September 15)

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Cancellations received earlier than 10 days before the beginning of the course are eligible for full hotel refund. After that deadline, a one-night deposit will be deducted from your refund.

BOOKING POLICY
The deadline for hotel booking is 10 days before the course. Unfortunately IRCAD cannot guarantee room availability past that deadline. Bookings are made on a first-come, first-served basis. In case of non-availability, we shall do our best to reaccommodate you in a nearby hotel of equal standard.

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The thoracic course is endorsed by the European Society of Thoracic Surgeons (ESTS).
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