



Swiss College
of Surgeons

MAIN PROGRAMME

SCS – SWISS COLLEGE OF SURGEONS ANNUAL MEETING 2025

GUARDIANS OF THE SCALPEL SECURING EXCELLENCE

21.-23. MAY 2025 | SWISSTECH CONVENTION CENTER (EPFL), LAUSANNE

CREDITS:

SGC*

SGG*

SGH: 24 CREDITS

SGKC*

SGT*

SGNOR*

SGPMR: 2 CREDITS

SWISS ORTHOPAEDICS: 16 CREDITS

SWISS PLASTIC SURGERY: 16 CREDITS

* credits to be requested



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KEY FACTS



1'500+

SURGEONS ATTENDING THE ANNUAL MEETING



3

CAPTIVATING DAYS - ONE COURSE DAY AND TWO CONGRESS DAYS



200+

SPEAKERS AND LEADING EXPERTS IN THE VARIOUS FIELDS OF SURGERY



25

COURSES OFFERED DURING THE COURSE DAY



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BASE ORGANISATIONS ARE TAKING PART IN THE ANNUAL MEETING



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CHANCE FOR A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE TO BOOST YOUR CAREER

INTRODUCTION

WELCOME TO THE SCS – SWISS COLLEGE OF SURGEONS ANNUAL MEETING 2025 21.-23. MAY 2025 | SWISSTECH CONVENTION CENTER LAUSANNE GUARDIANS OF THE SCALPEL: SECURING EXCELLENCE

The annual meeting of the Swiss College of Surgeons - SCS ANNUAL MEETING 2025 - will be held at the SwissTech Convention Center (EPFL) in Lausanne from 21.-23. May 2025, in collaboration with its six base organisations. The congress will once again comprise a course day (Wednesday, 21. May 2025) followed by two congress days (Thursday, 22. May 2025, and Friday, 23. May 2025).

The meeting is dedicated to the theme **Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing Excellence**, emphasising the central role of precision, innovation, and continuous education in surgery. Join us to uphold the highest standards of surgical care and collectively shape the future of our field.

We look forward to welcoming you in Lausanne from 21.-23. May 2025.

Your congress presidency,



**Prof. Dr. med.
Dieter Hahnloser**
President Congress
President SCS



**Dr. med.
Arno Stellmes**
Co-President Congress
President SGG

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME
WEDNESDAY, 21. MAY 2025

Room	Auditorium B	Room 1A	Room 1B	Room 1C	Room 4A
From 09:30	Registration				
Room					
09:30	Proctology Workshop	Arthroscopy and Laparoscopy I	TFNA workshop on saw bone and virtual reality	Clinical Research	Complication management in general / visceral and vascular surgery I
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13:00	Lunch				
13:15	Everything I have to know about hernia repair	Arthroscopy and Laparoscopy II	Minimal Invasive Thoracic Surgery Simulator Course		Complication management in general / visceral and vascular surgery II
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17:30	Welcome Reception				
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18:30	Champions League				
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20:00	SGC Event				
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Room 4BC	Room 5A	Room 5B	Room 5C	Room Foyer Patio	Room			
Registration					From 09:30			
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DavosCourse at SCS - Cholecystectomy I	eFAST ultrasound - step-by-step I	Basic and intermediate skills in peripheral endovascular interventions	Basic Robotic Surgery I		09:30			
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Break			Peripheral nerve examination (Trauma and recovery)	11:30				
DavosCourse at SCS - Anastomosis I	eFAST ultrasound - step-by-step II	IVUS in arterial diseases		11:45				
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				Lunch			13:15	
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DavosCourse at SCS - Anastomosis II	Laparoscopy in small volumes	Physician-modified endografts	Basic Robotic Surgery Course II	Basic course in osteosynthesis of the hand I	13:45			
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Break		Break		Basic course in osteosynthesis of the hand II	15:45			
DavosCourse at SCS - Cholecystectomy II						Basic Suturing Techniques : A Practical Approach	16:00	
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Room	Auditorium B	Room 1A	Room 1B	Room 1C	Room 4A
06:30 -07:15	SCS Morning Run				
08:00 -08:30	Registration & Exhibition Opening				
Room					
08:30	Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing excellence in surgical residency	SGG - Free Communication 1	Controversies in Colon Surgery	Guardian of the Scalpel: Securing excellence in the management of the adolescent with blunt abdominal trauma	PA – The extended arms of the guardians of the scalpel: pain or gain, round two !
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10:00	Coffee Break				
10:15	My worst nightmare and my coping strategies	Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing excellence in complex aortic disease treatment	SCS Guest Society 2025: Swiss Plastic Surgery	Prix NaCHwuchs – Free Communication	HPB & Transplant – Free Communication
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12:00	Lunch		Industry Innovation Session 1 - Distalmotion	Forum SGKC	Lunch
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13:30	SCS - Guardians of the Scalpel: securing excellence - When technology complements surgery			Continuing Education in Pediatric Surgery	Focus: Personnel du bloc opératoire Les robots s'installent au bloc: Opportunités et Nouveaux Défis pour les Équipes Médicales
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15:00	Break				
15:15	Ten hot topics in six minutes	Residents Cup – Free Communication	State of the Art in General Surgery - Tips and Tricks		Focus: Personnel du bloc opératoire Valoriser les équipes opératoires – Bien-être et durabilité
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18:00	Surgeons' Night @ Olympic Museum				
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SCS Morning Run			
Registration & Exhibition Opening			
Update Thorax trauma	SGT - Free Communication 1	Pancreas – Free Communication	ARS Innovations in surgery: Pigs, Robots or humans?
Coffee Break			
Geriatric Ankle Fractures	Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing Excellence in the Treatment of Stage III Non Small Cell Lung Cancer - Main Session 1	State of the Art in Trauma Surgery - Tips and Tricks	ARS - Free Communication
Lunch			
STS - Free Communication	SGT - Free Communication 2		
Break			
Guardians of the scalpel: securing excellence in the trauma bay	Meet the Expert	Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing excellence in Hernia Surgery – Progress, Specialisation and Education	Acute Care Surgery – Free Communication
	Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing Excellence in the Treatment of Stage III Non Small Cell Lung Cancer - Main session 2		
Surgeons' Night @ Olympic Museum			

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From 07:30	Registration				
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08:00	Residents training - an international comparison with the Swiss system	SGG - Free Communication 2	Global Surgery	Treatment of burned children (MHS) in Zurich and in Lausanne: similarities and differences	
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09:30	Coffee Break				
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10:00	SCS - Outpatient reimbursement: Quo Vadis? All you need to know	Guardian of the Scalpel: Securing excellence in miscellaneous vascular pathologies	SGH - Free Communication	Guardians of Pediatric Surgery	EPAs - Train the Trainers
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11:30	Lunch		Kinderurologie	ForKids	
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12:30	BJS Session - Cultivating Excellence: A Fireside Chat with Rebecca Kraus and Ellen Petry Leanse	Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing excellence in peripheral artery disease treatment	HPB – Free Communication	Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing excellence through collaboration in pediatric urology	Education – Free Communication
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14:00	Break				
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14:30	Guardians of the Scalpel: Securing Excellence in Robotic Surgery	Young Residents Forum	Colorectal II – Free Communication	Studies and Cases in Pediatric Sugery – Free Communication	Bariatric-Metabolic Surgery and the General Surgeon
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SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, 23. MAY 2025

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Registration			
Hernia – Free Communication	Video: How I do it?	AI – what is in the pipeline for practitioners in...? what's the timeline?	Colorectal I – Free Communication
Coffee Break			
The Surgeon: From Solo Performer to Team Leader, Risk Manager, and Self-Brand	FJC Session: The next guardians - journey to success	Bariatrics – Free Communication	Swiss HPBA joins the SGVC: Advances in Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic surgery
Lunch			Pediatric Neurosurgery
Bail-out procedures every acute care surgeon needs to know! – A case based session	Radioprotection in Surgery	Treatment of Pancreatitis - trends and current standards	How I do it? – Free Communication
Break			
Surgery of the immunocompromised patients	Coloproctology – Free Communication	Upper GI – Free Communication	

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Wir danken allen Ärztinnen und Ärzten, die Tag für Tag zur Wiedereingliederung von Verunfallten beitragen.



Unser Dank gilt den kompetenten Ärztinnen und Ärzten und dem engagierten Pflegepersonal, aber auch den Arbeitgebern und den Betroffenen selber. Denn ihnen allen ist es zu verdanken, dass immer mehr Menschen nach einem Unfall wieder in ihr gewohntes Leben zurückkehren können. Nähere Informationen über das Case Management der Suva unter www.suva.ch/unfall.



COURSE DAY
WEDNESDAY, 21. MAY 2025

The Swiss College of Surgeons, its base organisations, and sponsors, are pleased to offer various courses for young surgeons.

Please register for the courses as soon as possible. The number of places is limited.

The following courses are offered:

09:30 – 13:00 Arthroscopy and Laparoscopy I

Room 1A



This basic course will introduce you to laparoscopic and arthroscopic surgery training on mixed-reality simulators. While for both techniques eye-hand coordination and triangulation are the main manual skills, patient positioning and trocar positions can be trained as well.

Your skills will be tested at the beginning of the course, and you will see at the end how much you progressed over the course.

Teams of 2 work on both, the laparoscopic and the arthroscopy simulator, and thanks to the patient model and the real instrument team training will enhance the learning. Medical instructors of the specialty will guide you through the programs.



Price: CHF 100.–

09:30 – 11:00 Basic and intermediate skills in peripheral endovascular interventions

Room 5B



Endovascular treatment of peripheral arterial disease is nowadays considered as the gold-standard in many situations. Outcomes continuously improve due to advances in technologies and experience and this approach has to be proposed by any vascular surgeon. It is important that young trainees in vascular surgery have access to simulators to develop competencies and skills in basic and intermediate endovascular treatment under the supervision of experts in the field.

Price: CHF 100.–

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Register now!

09:30 – 13:00 Basic Robotic Surgery I

Room 5C Flurim Hamitaga, Bellinzona



We provide a basic course of robotic surgery for surgeons who are new to robotic surgery. We will teach you basic skills on robotic simulators adapting to the level of the trainee. The participants will exercises to gain familiarity with the movments of instruments, camera control, needle handling, knot tying and anastomosis.

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Price: CHF 100.–

09:30 – 13:00 Clinical Research

Room 1C Pascal Probst, Frauenfeld



Clinical research is part of the work of a surgical trainee and conducting a proper literature search is useful for everyone practicing evidence-based surgery. The key elements of clinical research and conduct of a systematic literature search are included in this SCS course.

Price: CHF 70.–

09:30 – 13:00 Complication management in general / visceral and vascular surgery I

Room 4A Realistic Surgical Training on Perfused Organs and Learning Hemostasis and Sealing Management Options Depending on the Patient Profile

In this workshop, you will practice dissection, suturing, and anastomosis techniques on perfused animal organs, and learn to understand when and how to correctly use specific hemostatic agents or sealants to improve patient outcomes. For every patient, there is an appropriate product for each challenging situation: the validated bleeding scale ViBE, as well as a deeper understanding of the mechanism of action and components of available intraoperative biomaterials, can support your daily surgical routine through standardised communication.

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Price: CHF 100.–

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09:30 – 11:00 DavosCourse at SCS - Cholecystectomy I

Room 4BC Christian A. Nebiker, Aarau; Daniel Frey, Wetzikon



This course covers the principles of electrocautery for hemostasis on liver tissue and for using the cautery device to perform a cholecystectomy.

The handling and dangers of electrocautery as well as tips and tricks for cholecystectomy are highlighted.

After a theoretical part on cautery, all participants will perform a cholecystectomy under supervision of experienced instructors on a pig liver. In small groups of two participants, this course aims for optimal exposition to train cholecystectomy.

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09:30 – 11:00 eFAST ultrasound - step-by-step I

Room 5A Maria Studer, Bern; Franziska Ziegenhain, Zurich; Heinrich Steitz, Aarau; Valentin Neuhaus, Zurich



Ultrasound is important in the evaluation of severely injured patients. In this workshop participants will learn how to perform the eFAST (Focused Assessment with Sonography in Trauma) under supervision of experienced tutors. Participants without ultrasound knowledge are also welcome.

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COURSE DAY WEDNESDAY, 21. MAY 2025

09:30 – 13:00

Proctology Workshop

Auditorium B



Frédéric Ris, Geneva; Ida Fueglistaler, Basel; Emilie Liot, Geneva;
Guillaume Meurette, Geneva

Part 1: Managment of AIN and HPV infections
Part 2: Fecal incontinence

Discussion of daily business hernia surgery including techniques, tips and tricks, complications, and emergency surgery. Experts will discuss cases with you and you are invited to ask questions.

09:30–10:00

HPV infections and dysplasia

Emilie Liot, Geneva; Céline Duvoisin, Morges; Antonino Sgroi, Yverdon

10:00–10:30

Conservative Management

Emilie Liot, Geneva; Céline Duvoisin, Morges; Antonino Sgroi, Yverdon

10:30–11:00

Surgery for AINs

Emilie Liot, Geneva; Céline Duvoisin, Morges; Antonino Sgroi, Yverdon

11:00–11:30

Prevention and follow-up

Emilie Liot, Geneva; Céline Duvoisin, Morges; Antonino Sgroi, Yverdon

11:30–12:00

Fecal Incontinence and Conservative Management

Joan Robert-Yap, Geneva

12:00–12:30

Sacral nerve modulation

Lukas Marti, St. Gallen

12:30–13:00

Surgical management

Ida Fueglistaler, Basel

Price: CHF 70.–

COURSE DAY
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09:30 – 13:00 TFNA workshop on saw bone and virtual reality

Room 1B Saw Bone Workshop & Virtual Reality with the TFNA Proximal Femur Nailing System. Participants will implant a TFNA with the original instruments on a saw bone model. The same surgery will then be performed in a virtual reality environment.

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Price: CHF 100.–

11:30 – 13:15 DavosCourse at SCS - Anastomosis I

Room 4BC Christian A. Nebiker, Aarau; Daniel Frey, Wetzikon



This course covers the principles of anastomotic techniques and is an extension of the Davos GI course. Participants will train different anastomotic techniques, such as linear and circular stapler anastomoses, including small bowel anastomosis and colorectal anastomosis.

After a theoretical part with video presentations, the practical part includes exercises of anastomosis on porcine and synthetic intestines under supervision of experienced instructors, allowing a realistic experience for anastomotic techniques. In small groups of two participants, this course aims for optimal exposition.

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11:30 – 13:00 IVUS in arterial diseases

Room 5B



The use and benefits of IVUS have been widely reported and demonstrated in venous diseases. However, its use in arterial disease is rarer. Nevertheless, it offers many advantages not only in aortic treatment but especially in the treatment of PAD. By better characterising the nature of the plaque, sizing the true diameter of the vessel and assessing the immediate result, it can highly improve the outcomes of endovascular PAD interventions.

Price: CHF 100.–

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11:30 – 13:00 Peripheral nerve examination (Trauma and recovery)

**Room Foyer
Patio**



Laurent Wehrli, Lausanne; Mauro Maniglio, Zurich; Saskia Kamphuis, Basel; Emmanuelle Richard, Lausanne

Immerse yourself with us in the fascinating world of nerves. How do you examine a patient with nerve lesion of the upper or lower extremity? Learn how to identify the location and type of lesion through clinical examination in order to optimally treat your patients with such pathologies. This course will add another level to your bone and soft tissue trauma knowledge. You will practice your new skills with simulated patients.

Price: CHF 100.–

13:45 – 15:30 DavosCourse at SCS - Anastomosis II

Room 4BC



Stephan Bischofberger, St.Gallen; Christian Hamel, Lörrach DE

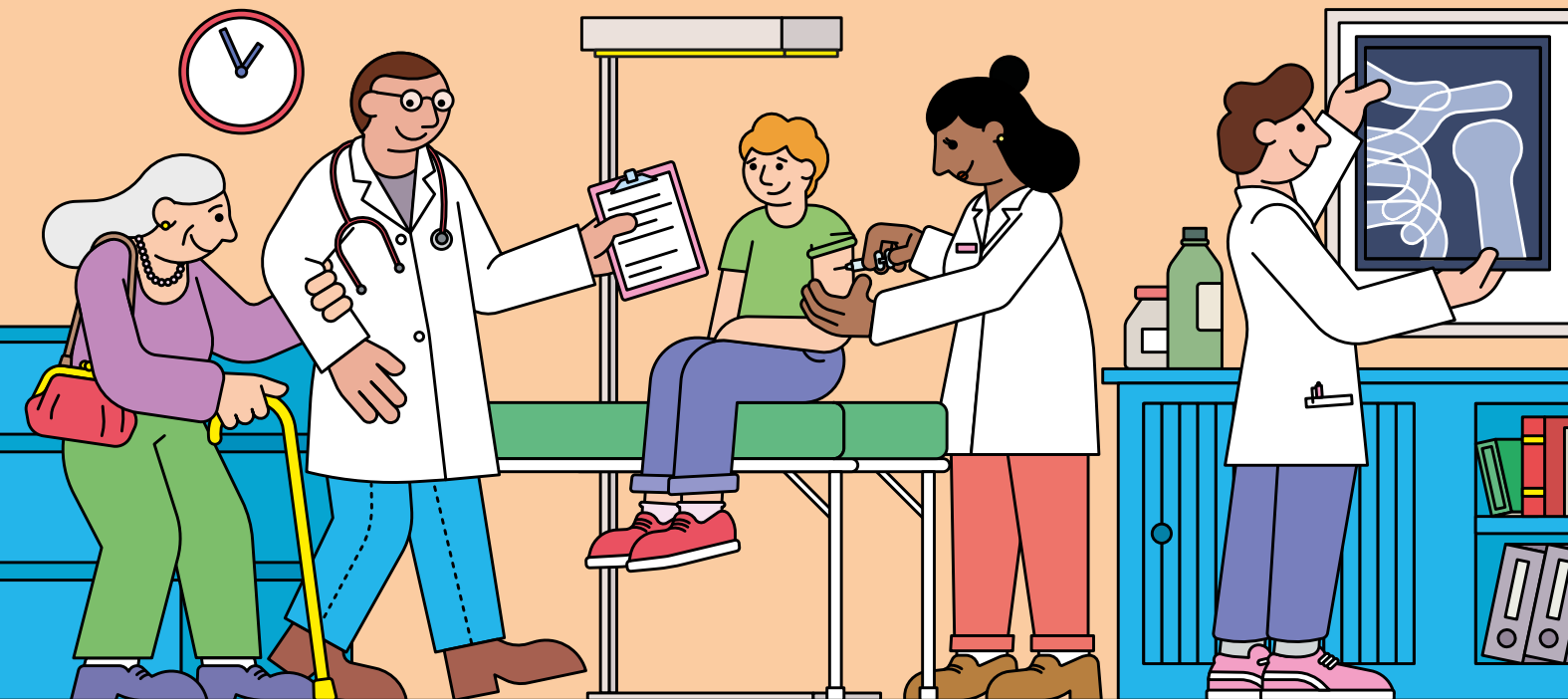
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14:00 – 15:30 Basic course in osteosynthesis of the hand I

Room 1C



The course 'Basic osteosynthesis of the hand' teaches about specific fracture patterns seen in hand surgery and about the principles of osteosynthesis in these small bones. We also discuss the clinical decision-making as to when to use what type of osteosynthesis. Moreover, the majority of the course will be dedicated to practicing doing your own osteosynthesis of sawbone hands, using different types of screws and plates.

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14:00 – 17:30 Basic Robotic Surgery Course II

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14:00 – 17:30 Everything I have to know about hernia repair

Auditorium B



Philipp Kirchhoff, Basel; Andrea Donadini, Lugano

Discussion of daily business hernia surgery including techniques, tips and tricks, complications, and emergency surgery. Experts will discuss cases with you and you are invited to ask questions.

14:00 – 15:00

Three interesting cases to discuss

1. Diastasis Recti

2. CPIPS

3. Small inguinal Hernia

Johannes Toti, Bellinzona; Ramon Pini, Bellinzona; Philipp Kirchhoff, Basel; Andrea Donadini, Lugano

15:00 – 15:20

Video - The perfect Lichtenstein

Johanna Willburger, Schlieren

15:20 – 15:40

Which techniques are mandatory to know for which hernia?

Johannes Baur, Basel

15:40 – 16:00

Coffee Break

16:00 – 16:40

Hernia Battle (Romandie, Ticino, Deutschschweiz) - 2 complex cases

Assim Abu Tair, Bülach; Perparim Limani, Zurich

16:40 – 17:00

Present your own case to the experts

17:00 – 17:30

Major mistakes you have to avoid in the hernia world

Dietmar Eucker, Liestal

Price: CHF 70.–

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COURSE DAY
WEDNESDAY, 21. MAY 2025

14:00 – 17:30 Laparoscopy in small volumes

Room 5A



Enrico Broennimann, Lausanne; Sabine Vasseur, Lausanne;
Olivier Sanchez, Lausanne

This course aims to offer participants the opportunity to practice laparoscopic knotting and suturing in a small (paediatric) working volume. Participants will have the opportunity to work on specific models using specially designed 3 mm instruments.

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Price: CHF 100.–

14:00 – 17:30 Minimal Invasive Thoracic Surgery Simulator Course

Room 1B



Thoracic surgery as significantly changed over the past 10 years with a majority of cases being performed with a minimal invasive approach. This represents a major challenge for trainees that must learn these approaches in a safe environment. Here we have gathered the most up-to-date simulators to perform the various steps of lobectomy and segmentectomy and propose a full afternoon of training for these procedures.

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Price: CHF 100.–

14:00 – 15:30 Physician-modified endografts

Room 5B



Among the various endovascular options for the treatment of complex aortic disease at the thoracic and abdominal levels, physician-modified endografts have emerged as a suitable alternative to custom-made and off-the-shelf FEVAR and BEVAR. This technology confers many advantages, especially in emergency. However, it requires specific skills in terms of planning and sizing and also to create the PMEG.

Price: CHF 100.–

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COURSE DAY
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16:00 – 17:30 Basic course in osteosynthesis of the hand II

Room 1C



The course 'Basic osteosynthesis of the hand' teaches about specific fracture patterns seen in hand surgery and about the principles of osteosynthesis in these small bones. We also discuss the clinical decision-making as to when to use what type of osteosynthesis. Moreover, the majority of the course will be dedicated to practicing doing your own osteosynthesis of sawbone hands, using different types of screws and plates.

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Price: CHF 100.–

16:00 – 17:30 Basic Suturing Techniques : A Practical Approach

Room 5B



In this practical course on wound management, students will be introduced to the essential fundamentals of asepsis, with an emphasis on infection prevention. They will learn to master basic suturing techniques, including the simple stitch, to effectively close wounds and promote optimal healing. Additionally, students will be trained in the safe and effective administration of local anesthesia to the skin, ensuring adequate pain relief for patients while minimising complications. This course will provide students with the practical skills necessary to effectively manage wounds in various medical settings, while ensuring patient safety and wellbeing.

Price: free of charge

16:00 – 17:30 DavosCourse at SCS - Cholecystectomy II

Room 4BC



Stephan Bischofberger, St.Gallen; Christian Hamel, Lörrach DE

This course covers the principles of electrocautery for hemostasis on liver tissue and for using the cautery device to perform a cholecystectomy.

The handling and dangers of electrocautery as well as tips and tricks for cholecystectomy are highlighted.

After a theoretical part on cautery, all participants will perform a cholecystectomy under supervision of experienced instructors on a pig liver. In small groups of two participants, this course aims for optimal exposition to train cholecystectomy.

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Price: CHF 150.–

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13:30 – 15:00

Focus: Personnel du bloc opératoire
Les robots s’installent au bloc: Opportunités et Nouveaux Défis pour les Équipes Médicales

Room 4A

SGC

Hugo Teixeira, Lausanne; Lukas Widmer, Fribourg

The Swiss Society for Surgery (SGC) is proud to offer a workshop-like session specially tailored to the personnel working in the operating theatre. This 2x90 minutes session is open (for free) to all congress participants. For the OR staff the registration for this congress day and these two sessions is offered by the SGC. The language of the session is French.

13:30 – 13:50

Comment le robot modifie notre quotidien et comment former les futures instrumentistes

Patricia Ferreira, Lausanne

13:50 – 14:10

Pourquoi j’opère avec le robot et comment nous formons nos futurs chirurgiens

Minoa Jung, Geneva

14:10 – 14:30

Défis liés à l’utilisation du robot pour la préparation du patient et le rôle de l’anesthésiste pendant l’intervention

Arnaud Rey, Lausanne

14:30 – 15:00

Discussion

15:30 – 17:00

Focus: Personnel du bloc opératoire
Valoriser les équipes opératoires – Bien-être et durabilité

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15:30 – 15:45

Pratique chirurgicale et durabilité: le concept de chirurgie verte et ses innovations

Laure-Méline Piotet, Morges

15:50 – 16:05

Fumées chirurgicales: enjeux et risques en salle d’opération

Laurence Paris, Fribourg

16:10 – 16:25

Projet d’harmonisation des techniques chirurgicales visant à promouvoir la collaboration interprofessionnelle

Emmanuel Daniel, Geneva

16:30 – 16:45

Bien-être en salle d’opération: Stress, Anxiété et Impacts des Nuits

Alexis Litchinko, Fribourg

12:30 – 12:50/
13:50 – 14:10

Short Stitch Technique – Is it worth the extra effort?

Booth 108

B. Braun
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Sharing expertise with experts and hands-on training

Expert exchange in a relaxed atmosphere at the B. Braun Medical booth.

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SHARING EXPERTISE


12:30 – 12:50 German session

13:50 – 14:10 French session

10:00 – 11:30

EPAs - Train the Trainers

Room 4A



Steffen Geuss, Lucerne; Stefan Eisholdt, Männedorf; Henning Fischer, Lucerne

This is the third session of a three part workshop. You must take part in all three sessions on 7. May, 14. May (both online) and 23. May 2025 for accreditation.

We propose a workshop tailored for surgeons committed to enhance their teaching skills, with a focus on Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs). As post-graduate medical training transitions towards a competency-based model, the SCS has introduced a Core Surgical Curriculum that is structured around a range of essential surgical competencies defined as EPAs. Implementing this new concept in daily work challenges surgical educators to advance their teaching methods and assessment strategies. In this 3-part workshop participants will explore the principles of competency-based education, focusing on EPAs, and gain practical tools for assessing competence, teaching procedural skills, and delivering effective feedback. Two 60-minute video sessions and one 90-minute face-to-face session.

Price: CHF 200.–

12:30 – 14:00

Radioprotection in Surgery

Room 4A

Reto Treier, Bern; Yvonne Käser, Bern

Practical application today is so diverse that one should not generalise when giving instructions. Of course, there are clearly defined basic rules, especially for organisation. However, the practical working techniques of the various medical disciplines should always be taken into account. Radiation protection can and must be partly subject-, application- or even person-related.

Price: CHF 50.–

Register now!



EPAs – Train the Trainers

Mastering Surgical Education in the era of EPAs

Effective Teaching, Feedback and Assessment



OVERVIEW

The workshop is tailored to provide specialist surgeons with the tools and strategies to enhance the training of young surgeons in the operating theatre, with an emphasis on implementing EPAs. Participants will explore the principles of competency-based education, gaining skills in assessing surgical competence, teaching procedural techniques, and delivering effective feedback. By the end of the workshop, surgical educators will be equipped with practical strategies to integrate EPAs into their teaching, elevating the quality and impact of surgical education.

To participate in the hands-on part at the SCS Annual Meeting 2025 (Session 3), attendance of the Sessions 1 and 2 is mandatory.

- Session 1: 7. May 2025, 18.00 – 19.00 (online)
- Session 2: 14. May 2025, 18.00 – 19.00 (online)
- Session 3: 23. May 2025, 10.00 – 11.30 (at the congress)

OBJECTIVES

- Introduce and integrate EPAs into surgical training.
- Develop effective teaching methods for procedural skills within the operating theatre.
- Learn and apply techniques for assessing competence based on EPAs.
- Enhance skills for providing constructive feedback.
- Create a framework for implementing these strategies in participants' institutions.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Trainer (specialist surgeons) involved in training and mentoring young surgeons and providing feedback with EPAs.

CME-CREDITS

The following credits will be issued after a successful completion of the EPAs – Train the Trainers Workshop:

- SGT: 3 CME-Credits
- SGC: 3 CME-Credits
- SGKC: 3 CME-Credits
- SGG: 4 CME-Credits
- SGH: 4 CME-Credits

REGISTRATION

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PRICING

The three part course will be offered at a 50% discount for CHF 200.– instead of CHF 400.– as this is the first time the course is organised.

This course is limited to 25 participants, first come - first served.

HIGHLIGHTS



CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

3 Teams – 3 Cases – 1 Winner.

Who will win the coveted Champions League trophy in 2025?



GUARDIANS OF THE SCALPEL

For the first time, there will be sessions in accordance with the congress theme. Do not miss out!



SCS INTERACTIVE LOUNGE

Exchange ideas with your colleagues or meet experts in an informal setting in the SCS Interactive Lounge.



SCIENTIFIC AND SOCIAL PROGRAMME WEDNESDAY, 21. MAY 2025

WELCOME RECEPTION & SGC-EVENT

The SCS - SWISS COLLEGE OF SURGEONS ANNUAL MEETING 2025 will be officially opened with the Welcome Reception on Wednesday, 21. May 2025, at 17:30.

Following the Welcome Reception, we are pleased to kick off the congress with the thrilling Champions League.

Then, the SGC invites you to meet friends, senior physicians, mentors, etc. for networking and conversation in a casual and cozy environment. Drinks and food will be generously offered by the SCS and the SGC.

LOCATION

SwissTech Convention Center (EPFL)

TIME OF DAY

17:30–18:30: Welcome Reception

18:30–20:00: Champions League

20:00–22:00: SGC-Event

COSTS

Participation in the Welcome Reception and the SGC event is included in the congress fee.

The Champions League takes place on Wednesday at 18:30 in the Auditorium and will be the opening session of this year's Annual Meeting.

The Champions League is followed by the SGC-Event. All participants are highly encouraged to arrive in Lausanne on Wednesday and participate in one of the many highlights of the congress.

REGISTRATION

To attend the Welcome Reception, please register through the congress registration.

[Register now!](#)

PARTICIPANTS AT THE CONGRESS

The SCS Annual Meeting is intended for the following groups of professionals:

- Swiss Surgeons
- Operating Room Staff
- Physician Assistants

For the first time, the SCS is happy to announce that a guest faculty will be present at the SCS ANNUAL MEETING 2025. The SCS welcomes all members of Swiss Plastic Surgery (SPS).

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PARTICIPATING BASE ORGANISATIONS



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www.thoraxchirurgie.ch



SGH

www.swisshandsurgery.ch



SGKC

www.sgkc-sscp.ch



SGVC

www.viszeralchirurgie.ch

SCS RUN

On Thursday, 22. May 2025, we will meet at 06:30 at the main entrance of the SwissTech Convention Center for the SCS RUN. We will start the day together with a light run. All levels of runners are welcome.

TRAINER
Lorenz Ineichen
Kaja Widmer

DISTANCE
Approximately 6.0 km

SURFACE
Road

PLACE, DATE AND TIME
SwissTech Convention Center
Quartier Nord EPFL
Route Louis-Favre 2
1024 Ecublens

Thursday, 22. May 2025, 06:30

COSTS
Participation in the run is free of charge.

REGISTRATION
To participate in the SCS Run, please register through the congress registration.

Register now!

SAVE THE DATE

SCS – SWISS COLLEGE OF SURGEONS
ANNUAL MEETING 2026

10.-12. JUNE 2026 | KKL LUZERN

SCS – SURGEONS' NIGHT @
OLYMPIC MUSEUM

22. MAY 2025 | LAUSANNE

We are delighted to invite you to the SCS Surgeons' Night 2025 in Lausanne, an evening of celebration, inspiration, and networking. The event takes place at the stunning Olympic Museum, where we'll immerse ourselves in the rich history of both the ancient and modern Olympic Games.

18:00: Exclusive access to the Olympic Museum – explore captivating exhibits and the spirit of Olympism.

19:00: Welcome Drink & Awards Ceremony – honoring this year's outstanding achievements.

20:00: Dinner & Party – enjoy a mix of seated and standing dining with breathtaking Lake Geneva views. End the night dancing to great beats from our DJ.

We look forward to sharing this special evening with you. It promises to be a memorable night.

Be There or Be Square!

Location
Olympic Museum
Quai d'Ouchy 1
1006 Lausanne
Switzerland

Date
Thursday, 22. May 2025

Time
20:00 to approx 02:00

Cost
CHF 130 per person

Registration
To attend the Surgeons' Night, please register through the congress registration.

GENERAL INFORMATION

DATE

21.-23. May 2025

VENUE

SwissTech Convention Center
Quartier Nord EPFL
Route Louis-Favre 2
1024 Ecublens

CONGRESS FEES

	from 8. April 2025	from 28. April 2025 / on site
Members	CHF 280.00	CHF 380.00
Non-members	CHF 460.00	CHF 540.00
Assistants	CHF 140.00	CHF 180.00
Junior Members and Medical students	CHF 40.00	CHF 40.00

PRESENTING LANGUAGE

English (There will be no simultaneous translation.)

LANGUAGES OF THE PRESENTATION SLIDES

The slides must be written in English.

HOTEL BOOKINGS

Book your hotel room online. We recommend that you reserve your hotel room in advance.

» Hotel reservation

HOW TO ARRIVE

Please refer to the information available on the STCC website.

» SwissTech Convention Center

SCIENTIFIC BOARD

Committee of the base organisations



CERTIFICATION AND CREDITS

The application for credits for the SCS Annual Meeting will be submitted in the spring of 2025. As soon as we have more information, we will publish it immediately.

CANCELLATION

For cancellations up to and including 8. April 2025, a cancellation fee of CHF 50.00 will be charged. In case of cancellations after 17. April 2025, as well as absences without prior cancellation, the congress fee will not be refunded and remains owed.

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