

Intermediate - Advanced Surgery on Pigs

Specialists only | 5-7 November 2026 | Rome, Italy

Description

This course is proposed to people who are not familiar with basic surgical techniques, and do not already perform skin surgery or just have the basic notions. The participants will get introduced to the theory of basic surgical techniques and then perform the presented techniques on pig heads or pig legs under the guidance and supervision of the speakers. The aim of the course is to make the participants familiar with the use of surgical instruments, cutaneous anaesthesia, basic skin closures.

Furthermore, a brief introduction to some more sophisticated techniques such as principles of skin flaps and grafts will be taught, to make participants feel comfortable to apply some of these techniques in clinical practice.

Learning Objectives

Following this course, the attendee should be able to:

- ✓ Recognize the importance of moving beyond basic surgical techniques toward refined and tailored facial reconstructions.
- ✓ Acquire the knowledge and skills to plan and perform local flaps adapted to different cosmetic units of the face.
- ✓ Understand the principles of aesthetic and functional considerations in reconstructive surgery.
- ✓ Apply practical skills through hands-on training with flap techniques on pig heads.

Faculty

Chairs: Elena Rossi

Speakers: Myrto Trakatelli, Roland Kauffman, Bertrand Richert, Jon Cappel

Programme

Thursday, 5 November 2026

13:30-14:00	Welcome and Introduction Elena Rossi
14:00-14:30	Current guidelines Jon Cappel
14:30-15:00	Grafts Bertrand Richert
15:00-15:30	Variations of the elliptical excision, crescentic, S-Plasty, M-plasty, V to Y excisions Elena Rossi
15:30-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-16:30	Flaps, general principles Elena Rossi
16:30-17:00	Complications and common mistakes in dermatologic surgery All
17:00-17:30	Nail Surgery Bertrand Richert
17:30-18:00	Anatomy for Dermatologic Surgery Elena Rossi
18:00-18:30	Secondary Wound Healing: don't undervalue it! Myrto Trakatelli

Friday, 6 November 2026

09:00-09:25	Useful stiches and tricks Roland Kaufmann
09:25-09:50	A to T advancement flap (forehead) Bertrand Richert
09:50-10:15	Burow's wedge advancement flap (nose) Roland Kaufmann
10:15-10:40	Bilateral advancement flap (temples) Elena Rossi
10:40-11:05	Coffee Break
11:05-11:20	O to Z (scalp) Myrto Trakatelli
11:20-11:45	Dorsal nasal rotation flap Elena Rossi
11:45-12:10	Intralabial rotation flap (upper lip) Myrto Trakatelli
12:10-12:35	Rotation flap (cheek) Jon Cappel
12:35-13:35	Lunch Break
13:35-14:00	Island flap (retroauricular staged flap) Roland Kaufmann
14:00-14:25	Staircase flap (lip) Elena Rossi
14:25-14:50	Rhomboid flap (nose) Bertrand Richert
14:50-15:15	Bilobe transposition flap (nose) Elena Rossi
15:15-15:40	Paramedian forehead flap Jon Cappel
15:40-16:00	Coffee Break
16:00-16:20	Z-Plasty Bertrand Richert
16:20-17:00	Q&A All

20:00-23:00 Networking event with faculty members and participants

Saturday, 7 November 2026

09:00-09:30	Scalp Myrto Trakatelli
09:30-10:00	Forehead-temples Elena Rossi
10:00-10:30	Cheek Roland Kaufmann
10:30-11:00	Ears Bertrand Richert
11:00-11:30	Coffee Break
11:30-12:00	Nose Jon Cappel

The programme might be subject to changes.

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