

**Preliminary Program**  
**Emergency Surgery Course (ESC)**



**March 11-12, 2024**

**DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY GRAZ**

Endorsement requested

European Society for Trauma and Emergency  
Surgery (ESTES)

European Association for Endoscopic Surgery (EAES)

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## PARTICIPANTS WILL

- Improve clinical skills
- Establish priorities in diagnosis and treatment
- Recognize the evidence that supports decisions and interventions
- See real-life case presentations as examples
- Familiarize themselves with important diagnostic tests and therapeutic maneuvers
- Learn new interventions that may improve outcome

The course aim is to provide surgical residents and consultants with the information and skills needed for successful handling of nontraumatic visceral and gastrointestinal emergencies from arrival in the emergency room through transfer for definitive treatment to the operating room, intensive care unit or ward, with detailed attention to the decision-making process as well as to relevant surgical skills and techniques.

The following goals will be pursued:

- 1- Confront surgeons with different controversial scenarios
- 2- Provide concrete answers and guidelines for questions emerging from these situations
- 3- Develop skills to manage complicated issues

An application has been made to the EACCME for CME accreditation of this event.

**Symposium director:** Selman Uranues, MD, Philipp Stiegler, MD

**Organizing Committee:** Selman Uranues, MD, Philipp Stiegler, MD

**Course language:** English

**Course location:** Department of Surgery, Auenbruggerplatz 29, 8036 Graz  
Theory: Lecture hall center, Auenbruggerplatz 50<sup>1</sup>, 8036 Graz  
Labs: Surgical Research and Medical Simulation & Training Center Styria,  
Auenbruggerplatz 19/8, 8036 Graz

**Registration fee:** € 1.050.-, *for members of EAES and ESTES* € 1.000.-  
€ 950,- for group registration

**Registration:** by e-mail to [office@vcfw.at](mailto:office@vcfw.at)

Registrations will be accepted after receipt of payment on a first-come-first-served basis.

**Information:** [www.vcfw.at](http://www.vcfw.at)

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Monday, March 11, 2024

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07:45 – 13:00

Theoretical Aspects: Part I

07:15-07:45 **Registration**

07:45 **Welcome & Introduction**

*S. Uranues  
P. Stiegler*

*Moderation: P. Stiegler*

08:00 **Diagnostic steps and laparoscopy in acute abdomen** *S. Uranues*

08:20 **Essentials in acute appendicitis** *D. Mariani*

08:40 **Case presentation** *M. Zago*

09:00 **Lower abdominal pain –  
gynecological emergencies in surgical practice** *G. Tomasch*

09:20 **Perforated diverticulitis** *A. Fingerhut*

09:40 **Peritonitis – open abdomen** *H. Kurihara*

10:00 **Acute pancreatitis** *A. Biloslavo*

10:20 **Case presentation** *M. Zago*

10:45-11:00 Coffee break

*Moderation: A. Fingerhut*

11:00 **Hemoperitoneum** *H. Kurihara*

11:20 **Severe ulcerative colitis/toxic megacolon** *P. Stiegler*

11:40 **Peptic ulcer perforation** *B. Diaconescu*  
Laparoscopic vs. open – suture/excision/resection?

12:00 **Acute cholecystitis - When and how to operate?** *A. Fingerhut*

12:20 **Common bile duct injury -**  
Why does it happen – how to prevent? *S. Uranues*

12:40 **Case presentation** *M. Zago*

13:00-14:00 Lunch

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**14:15-18:00 Hands-on Session: Part II**

## **Groups I, II, III** **Wet lab hands-on training – Surgical Research**

### **I - Upper GI endoscopy**

Gastroscopy, control of variceal and peptic ulcer bleeding

*H. Bacher, P. Delcev, M. Thalhammer*

### **II - Laparoscopy on live tissue**

Small bowel exploration, hemostasis, suturing of perforation,

*A. Biloslavo, D. Mariani*

### **III- Laparoscopic suturing**

*A. Fingerhut, G. Tomasch, S. Uranues*

**Vet. anesthetic assistance:** *V. Bubalo, A. Saric, I. Wiederstein-Grasser*

## **Groups IV, V, VI** **Medical Simulation & Training Center Styria**

*Tutors: M. Zago, J. Igrac, H. Kurihara, B. Diaconescu*

### **ULTRASOUND IN ABDOMINAL EMERGENCIES**

**Technique of US exam, pathological findings, tips and tricks**

14:15 **Case Scenario – Interactive live demonstration of US in acute abdomen as a decision-making tool**

**E-FAST (video)**

14:45 - 15:45 **Hands-on training**

15:45 - 16:45 **Lectures & Interactive cases**

- Gallbladder
- Appendicitis
- Intestinal anatomy and small bowel obstruction
- Aorta

16:45 - 17:45 **Hands-on training**

**19:00 Dinner**

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## **07:45 – 12:30 Theoretical Aspects: Part II**

*Moderation: S. Uranues*

07:45	<b>Esophageal perforation</b>	<i>J. Lindenmann</i>
08:05	<b>Upper GI bleeding</b>	<i>P. Stiegler</i>
08:25	<b>Lower GI bleeding</b>	<i>A. Biloslavo</i>
08:45	<b>Case presentation</b>	<i>M. Zago</i>
09:05	<b>Acute necrotizing soft tissue infection</b>	<i>H. Kurihara</i>
09:25	<b>Diagnosis &amp; treatment of leaking anastomosis</b>	<i>A. Fingerhut</i>
09:45	<b>Case presentation</b>	<i>M. Zago</i>

## **10:10-10:30 Coffee break**

*Moderation: P. Stiegler*

10:30	<b>Small bowel obstruction</b>	<i>D. Mariani</i>
10:50	<b>Case presentation</b>	<i>M. Zago</i>
11:30	<b>Acute mesenteric syndrome</b>	<i>A. Biloslavo</i>
11:45	<b>Case presentation</b>	<i>A. Biloslavo</i>
12:10	<b>Abdominal compartment syndrome</b>	<i>H. Kurihara</i>
12:25	<b>Closing remarks</b>	<i>P. Stiegler</i>

## **12:30-13:15 Lunch**

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**17:30 Final remarks, awarding of certificates**

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