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Knokke, 3rd-5th May 2001
Evidence Based Surgery

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Welcome Address

On behalf of the Board of the Royal Belgian Society for Surgery, we have the pleasure to invite you to the Second Belgian Surgical Week, which is to be held in the Knokke Casino from Thursday May 3rd until Saturday May 5th 2001.

The Scientific Committee of our Society has accepted the difficult task of maintaining the high scientific standard of the previous Belgian Surgical Week. National as well as international prominent experts have been invited to share their expertise during the different sessions.

The success of the previous Annual Congress proved it was a good idea to create an environment where surgeons with different fields of interest can meet.

It is therefore an honour for the Royal Belgian Society for Surgery to organise this congress, together with the much appreciated contribution of other Belgian Surgical Societies and with the support of our Scientific Committee.

We are convinced that your active participation in this event - the first of this decade, century and millennium - will contribute to its success.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Knokke in May 2001 and remain,

With respectful regards,

Luc Proot
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11.00 Room A
How I do it

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Belgian Society for Surgical Oncology
Postgraduate Course: Tumour Biology

Room B
Royal Belgian Society for Surgery
Evidence Based Surgery

15.30 Coffee Break

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Belgian Society for Surgical Oncology
Belgian Section for Colorectal Surgery
Postgraduate Course on Clinical Oncology

Room B
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Belgian Group for Endoscopic Surgery
Evidence Based Ventral Hernia Repair

Friday, May 4th

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Belgian Chapter of the American College of Surgeons
Highlights of the Chicago 2000 ACS Clinical Congress

08.30 Room B
Belgian Section for Endocrine Surgery
Incidentaloma, Hyperparathyroidism,
New Technologies in Endocrine Surgery,
Thyroid Cancer
General Assembly

09.30 Room A
Belgian Section for Colorectal Surgery
Rectocoele

10.30 Coffee Break

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Everyday Practical Problems:
Evidence Based Approach

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Belgian Section for Colorectal Surgery
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12.30 Lunch

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Belgian Group for Endoscopic Surgery
Actual Strategies in Diagnostic and Therapeutic Management of Common Bile Duct Stones

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17.30  Happy Hour organised by TYCO Healthcare

20.00  Dinner and Boogie-Woogie Night

Saturday, May 5th

08.00  Room B
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Management of Esophageal Achalasia
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Traumatic and Surgical Blood Loss: Prevention and Substitution

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Health Care in the 21st Century
Minister F. Vandenbroucke

13.00  Room A
General Assembly Royal Belgian Society for Surgery

How I do it?

Thursday, May 3th

09.30-12.30  Room A

Moderators:  Th. Defechereux (Liège)
            W. Vaneerdeweg (Antwerpen)

How to treat an acute cholecystitis by laparoscopy
B. Dallemagne (Liège)

How I perform a laparoscopic gastric banding
G. Hubens (Antwerpen)

How to repair a large abdominal incisional hernia
J. Lerut (Bruxelles)

How to perform a multiorgan harvesting
J.P. Squifflet (Bruxelles)

How I do an haemorrhoidectomy
A. D’Hoore (Leuven)

How to perform a total pneumectomy
P. Rocmans (Bruxelles)

How I solve the problem of vascular access in an infant
I. Kerremans (Gent)

How to perform a gastrostomy and jejunostomy
P. Mendes da Costa (Bruxelles)

How I repair a complex malleolar fracture
I. Rodrigus (Antwerpen)

How to realize a crossectomy and saphenectomy
H. Van Damme (Liège)

How I surgically cure a rectocele
U. Creve (Antwerpen)

How to explore an open injured hand
A. Carlier (Liège)

Experiences with training in a foreign country
B. Hansson (Nijmegen)

How I mobilise laparoscopically the left colonic flexure
A. Kartheuser (Bruxelles)

How to do a gastrolysis for oesophageal replacement
D. Claeys (Gent)
Belgian Society for Surgical Oncology

**Thursday, May 3rd**
13.30-18.00  Room A

**Postgraduate Course**

Moderators:  I. De Wever (Leuven)
             G. Andry (Bruxelles)

13.30 Course on Tumour Biology: DNA Mutations and Repair
      J.J. Cassiman (Leuven)

14.30 Recent Developments: Image Guided Breast Biopsy
      J.M. Nogaret (Bruxelles)
      J. Dagnelie (Bruxelles)

15.30 Coffee Break

16.00 Course on Clinical Oncology
      Results of Epidemiologic Research: an Overview
      M. Haelterman (Nat. Cancer Registry)

16.30 Incidence of Solid Tumours in Belgium
      E. Van Eycken (Nat. Cancer Registry)

17.00 Joint Session with the Belgian Section for Colorectal Surgery
      Good Clinical Practice
      Staging Cancer of the Rectum
      R. Detry (Bruxelles)
      F. Penninckx (Leuven)

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**Thursday, May 3rd**
13.30-15.30  Room B

**Evidence Based Surgery**

Moderators:  G. Hubens (Antwerpen)
             A. de Neve de Roden (Bruxelles)

13.30 The Implementation of Evidence Based Surgery in Clinical Practice
      Sir Miles Irving (Newcastle-upon-Tyne)

14.15 Evidence Based Facts in Minimal Invasive Surgery
      B. Millat (Montpellier)

14.50 Gathering Evidence Based Information from the Internet
      L. Proot (Brugge)

15.10 Discussion
Belgian Section for Abdominal Wall Surgery
Belgian Group for Endoscopic Surgery

**Thursday, May 3rd**
16.00-18.00     **Room B**

Moderator:     M. Miserez (Leuven)

16.00   **Introduction**
        M. Miserez (Leuven)

16.10   **Is the Gold Standard in Ventral Hernia Repair Evidence Based?**
        J.P. Palot (Reims)

16.40   **Laparoscopic Repair of Ventral Hernia Indications, Technical Aspects, Outcome, Quality of Life**
        D. Cuccurullo (Napoli)
        S. Morales-Conde (Sevilla)

17.20   **Panel Discussion**

18.00   **General Assembly** of the Belgian Section for Abdominal Wall Surgery

Belgian Chapter of the American College of Surgeons

**Friday, May 4th**
08.00 – 09.30 **Room A**

Moderators:     J.M. Collard (Bruxelles)
                J. De Roose (Gent)

08.00   **Introduction: what is the ACS?**
        J. De Roose (Gent)

**Highlights of the Chicago 2000 ACS Clinical Congress**

08.10   **The Sentinel Node Concept in Cancer Surgery**
        L. Vereecken (Gent)

08.30   **New Concepts in Hernia Surgery**
        L. Haeck (Waregem)

08.50   **Ultrasound and the Surgeon**
        T. Geukens (Eupen)

09.10   **Telesurgery, Telemedicine**
        G. Hubens (Antwerpen)
Belgian Section for Colorectal Surgery

Friday, May 4th
09.30-12.40  Room A

Haemorrhoids
09.30  Surgery: Stapling or Resection
       J. Van de Stadt (Bruxelles)

09.42  Discussion

Rectocoele
Moderators:  M. Duinslaeger (Brussel)
            C. Jehaes (Liège)

09.48  Imaging
       D. Vanbeckevoort (Leuven)

10.08  Transanal Approach
       L. Bruyninx (Liège)

10.20  Vaginal Approach
       J. Donnez (Bruxelles)

10.35  Perineal Approach
       F. Penninckx (Leuven)

10.47  Discussion

11.00  Coffee Break

Rectal Prolapse
Moderators:  P. Pattyn (Gent)
            D. Claeyts (Gent)

11.30  Abdominal Approach
       W. Vaneerdeweg (Antwerpen)

11.40  Perineal Approach
       A. Kartheuser (Bruxelles)

11.50  Discussion

12.00  Multidisciplinary Approach of Pelvic Floor Disorders
       P.-A. Lehur (Nantes)

General Assembly

Belgian Section for Endocrine Surgery

Friday, May 4th
08.30-10.30  Room B

08.30  Adrenal Incidentalomas:
       Where are we in the New Millennium?
       L. Michel (Mont Godinne)
       Moderators:  E. Hamoir (Liège)
                    D. Ysebaert (Antwerpen)

08.50  Surgical Treatment of Hyperparathyroidism:
       Remaining Diagnostic and Therapeutic Challenges
       Y. Chapuis (Paris)
       Moderators:  J.P. Squifflet (Bruxelles)
                    P. Kinnaert (Bruxelles)

09.10  Iatrogenic Hyperthyroidism
       M. Meurisse (Liège)
       Moderators:  Ch. Proye (Lille)
                    P. Rocmans (Bruxelles)

09.30  New Technologies in Endocrine Surgery
       Videoscopic Parathyroidectomy
       M. Mourad (Bruxelles)
       Moderators:  T. Defechereux (Liège)
                    D. Ysebaert (Antwerpen)

09.50  Ultrasonic Dissector for Thyroid Surgery
       T. Defechereux (Liège)
       Moderators:  B. Van Hee (Antwerpen)
                    L. Michel (Mont Godinne)

10.10  The Website of the Belgian Register of Thyroid Cancer
       M. Meurisse (Liège)
       M. Vandelaer (Liège)
       Moderators:  L. Proot (Brugge)
                    G. Andry (Bruxelles)

General Assembly
Belgian Section of the International College of Surgeons

Friday, May 4th
11.00-13.00 Room B

Everyday Practical Problems: Evidence Based Approach

Moderator: A. de Neve de Roden (Bruxelles)

11.00 Every patient with a head trauma admitted to a trauma department should have a plain skull X-ray
G. Vekemans (Geel)

11.15 Every patient with a cerebral contusion should be hospitalised and have a CT scan performed
E. van de Kelft, (Aalst)
A. Van Dellen (...)

11.30 Every patient with a penetrating abdominal trauma should have a surgical exploration
G. Hubens (Antwerpen)

11.45 Every postoperative patient having undergone abdominal surgery should have a nasogastric tube and feeding should not be started before passage of flatus or bowel activity.
G. Van der Schelling (Breda)

12.15 Every postoperative patient with an indwelling urinary catheter should have a „bladder training“ before removing the catheter
J.J. Wyndaele (Antwerpen)

12.30 Every patient with a traumatic or spontaneous pneumothorax should have a chest drain
P. Van Schil (Antwerpen)

12.45 Every patient undergoing surgery for a clinical diagnosis of appendicitis should have an appendectomy even in case of a false positive diagnosis at surgery
B. Navez (Gilly)

Belgian Section for Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery
Belgian Group for Endoscopic Surgery

Friday, May 4th
14.00-17.15 Room A

Actual Strategies in Diagnostic and Therapeutic Management of Common Bile Duct Stones (CBDS)

Moderators: J.M. Limbosch (Bruxelles)
B. Navez (Gilly)

14.00 Natural history of CBDS and philosophy of treatment
R. Russell (London)

14.20 Is the presence of CBDS predictable on clinical and biochemical grounds?
C. Bertrand (Jolimont)

14.40 Are preoperative imaging studies useful and cost effective for detecting CBDS?
B. Van Beers (Bruxelles)

15.00 Discussion

15.10 Coffee Break

15.30 Complementary endoscopic and surgical treatment: results and timing of CBD endoscopic clearance
Endoscopic aspect: J. Devière (Bruxelles)
Surgical aspect: M. Gelin (Bruxelles)

16.00 Laparoscopic CBD exploration: operative strategies and results
B. Navez (Gilly)

16.20 Evidence Based strategies faced to CBDS
B. Millat (Montpellier)

General Assembly of the Belgian Section for Hepatobiliary and Pancreatic Surgery
Belgian Association of Surgical Trainees

**Friday, May 4th**
14.00-15.00  Room B

*Surgical Forum*

**Free Papers**

Moderators:  D. Dequanter (Bruxelles)
        T. Rose (Brussel)
        G. Hubens (Antwerpen)

Is the use of ischemic preconditioning worthwhile in liver transplantation?
F. Berrevoet, M. Menger (Homburg)

Radioguided parathyroidectomy in combination with rapid dosing of PTH: experience in a non-university hospital
Th. Brugman, A.G.M. Hoofwijk (Sittard)

Aortic Valve replacement: comparison of ministernotomy and median full sternotomy in patients subgroups according to Euroscore-risk assessment
B. Rondelet, J.L. Leclerc (Bruxelles)

Multiorgan transplantation, including the liver
I. Fourneau, J. Pirenne (Leuven)

Long term results after surgical correction for imperforate anus
K. Klockaerts, M. Miserez (Leuven)

A prospective study evaluating percutaneous injection of thrombin for occluding postcatheterisation pseudoaneurysms
B. Lambrechts, P. Van Schil (Antwerpen)

Resultats de l’irrigation colique anterograde dans le traitement de la constipation severe et/ou de l’incontinence anale de l’adulte
N. Tinton (La Louviere), P.A. Lehur (Nantes)

Surgery for lung metastases: a retrospective analysis
J.M. Hendriks, P. Van Schil (Antwerpen)

Belgian Association for Ambulatory Surgery

**Friday, May 4th**
15.30-17.00  Room B

*Round Table Conference on Evidence Based Surgery in Ambulatory Practice*

D. de Jong (Amsterdam)

P. Vercruysse (Antwerpen)

L. Van Outryve (Gent)
Belgian Section for Upper GI Surgery

Saturday, May 5th
08.00-10.30  Room B

08.00  General Assembly

Management of Esophageal Achalasia

Moderators:
  J.J. Houben (Bruxelles)
  J.M. Collard (Bruxelles)

08.30  Pathophysiology and Pneumatic Dilatations
       R. Fiasse (Bruxelles)

08.55  Videos
       Heller Myotomy + Dor Fundoplication
       T. Lerut (Leuven)
       Heller Myotomy + Dor Fundoplication
       J.M. Collard (Bruxelles)
       Heller Myotomy + Total Fundoplication
       A. Del Genio (Napoli)

09.40  Results of Heller Myotomy
       J. Zaninotto (Padova)

10.05  Motor Disorders after Antireflux and Bariatric Surgery
       J. Tack (Leuven)

Belgian Group for Endoscopic Surgery

Saturday, May 5th
9.00-11.00  Room A

The Impact of Virtual Reality on Laparoscopic Techniques

Moderators:  P. Pattyn (Gent)
             J. Bruyns (Bruxelles)

09.00  The Operating Theatre of the Future
       G. Hall

09.30  The Virtual Patient
       J. Marescaux (Strasbourg)

10.00  The Virtual Surgeon
       G.B. Cadière (Bruxelles)

10.30  Laparoscopic Instrumentation in the New Millennium
       Coutts

11.00  Coffee Break

11.30  Health Care in the 21st Century
       Minister F. Vandenbroucke

13.00  General Assembly of the Royal Belgian Society for Surgery
Belgian Trauma Society

Saturday, May 5th
11.00-13.00  Room B

Traumatic and Surgical Blood Loss, Prevention and Substitution

Moderators:  F. Vermassen (Gent)
             H. Janzing (Leuven)

11.00  Posttraumatic Haemorrhagic Shock:
       Surgical Damage Control
       J. De Waele - F. Vermassen (Gent)

11.20  Pharmacological Strategies to Decrease
       Excessive Blood Loss in Cardiac Surgery
       M. Levi (Amsterdam)

11.50  Use of Autotransfusion and Cell Saving in
       Acute and Planned Surgery
       S. Schulte (Köln)

12.20  Blood Substitutes
       L. Veeckman (Leuven)

12.40  Discussion

General Information

Date  Thursday May 3rd until Saturday May 5th, 2001

Venue: Casino Knokke
       Zeedijk Albertstrand 509, 8300 Knokke-Heist
       Phone during the congress: 050 63 05 00

Car Park: There are sufficient car park facilities available in the direct neighbourhood of the Casino.
           Participants will receive a parking voucher together with their confirmation of registration.

Language: The official language of the Congress is English. Simultaneous translation is NOT provided.

Accreditation: An application for accreditation points has been submitted (also for ethics).

Liability: In registering for the Congress, participants agree that neither the Congress Committee nor the Organisers assume any liability whatsoever. Participants and sponsors should therefore organise their own health and personal insurances.

Dinner and Boogie-Woogie Night: will be organised on Friday, May 4th, 20.00 hours, at the Casino. Separate registration is necessary in order to participate in this evening.

Registration and Hotel Reservation
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- Participants cancelling their registration before March 31st will receive a full refund less 500 BEF administration costs. There will be no refunds for cancellations received after this date.
- Name substitutions are accepted at any time at an extra charge of 500 BEF.
- Cancellations must be confirmed in writing to Medicongress.
- All refunds will be made after the congress.

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A number of hotel rooms have been reserved at attractive group rates at the following hotels.
All hotels are located nearby the Casino

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- Room reservations are confirmed by means of a Hotel Reservation Voucher, sent together with the hotel brochure.
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