THE PLACE OF GUIDELINES IN DAILY SURGERY

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Welcome Address

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

The change of formula, initiated in 2007, by starting the congress on Wednesday midday seems to have satisfied everybody as the participation was significant. This year, the challenge lies elsewhere as the Surgical Week will take place during the long 1st May week-end. This has already happened and was most appreciated by all; the opportunity being a nice long stay at our Belgian coast.

The theme of the Surgical Week 2008 will be “The place of guidelines in daily surgery”

The scientific programme will start on Wednesday afternoon with the “How WE do it” session. So as to make this session more attractive, a change has been organized: each section has been asked to present one technique or approach with a counterpart (pros and cons). This should lead to more active presentations and discussions. Each section and society has been eager to provide presentations linked to the place of guidelines in their respective practice.

At the opening ceremony, we shall have the honour to welcome as guest-speaker Dr. Ramaekers, responsible for the KCE. He will give us his opinion and feelings of how guidelines can or should be applied in our daily surgery.

The Surgical Night will take place at the Ostend Queen (Casino), which is within walking distance of the Thermae Palace.

We must not forget though that on Saturday morning, there will be an ethical session, which will certainly be worthwhile, together with the BACTS ethical meeting.

We look forward to this event and hope that as many surgeons as possible will attend what is considered as “THE” surgical event of the year. It is undoubtfully the best way to meet and sometimes discover each other. Sharing and comparing is always a matter of respect ...

So let us all meet in Ostend on 30th April 2008!

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**SURGICAL NIGHT**

- **GA: General Assembly**
  - **GA BSRS**
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  - **GA BSAWS**
Wednesday, 30th April 2008

How we do it

Albert Hall

2.00  Pancreatico-jejunostomy or -gastrostomy?
  F. Berrevoet (Gent), M. Janssens (Antwerpen)

2.30  En bloc dissection in esophageal cancer
  Ph. Nafteux (Leuven), C. Bertrand (Haine-St-Paul)

3.00  Abdomino-perineal resection: prone position versus supine position
  A. D’Hoore (Leuven), C. Jehaes (Liège)

3.30  Coffee break

4.00  Altemeier procedure for rectal prolapse in the elderly: modified technique versus classic approach
  D. Claeys (Gent ), C. Remue (Louvain-en-Woluwe)

4.30  VATS lobectomy
  P. De Leyn (Leuven), Y. Sokolow (Bruxelles)

5.00  Critical Limb Ischemia: Endovascular versus surgical treatment pros and cons
  R. Verhelst (Louvain-en-Woluwe), K. Deloose (Dendermonde)
Wednesday, 30th April 2008

Belgian Association of Paediatric Surgery

Guidelines for treatment of thoracic empyema in childhood
Moderator: P. Erpicum (Namur)

4.00 Empyema in children: the KULeuven experience
P. Nafteux, W. Coosemans, P. De Leyn, D. Van Raemdonck, G. Decker, H. Decaluwé,
C. De Boeck, M. Proesmans, A. Lerut (Leuven)

4.10 Video-assisted thoracic surgery (VATS) for parapneumonic thoracic empyema in
infants
E. Van Der Veken, H. Huybrechts, E. Wijtenburg, L. Van Obbergh, J. Papadopoulos
(Haine-St-Paul)

4.20 Early thoracoscopy for management of child empyema
E. Pappalardo, A. Laugani, M. Demarche, P. Erpicum (Liège)

4.30 Concluding remarks
P. Erpicum (Namur)

Free Paper Session
Moderators: A. De Backer (Brussel)
D. Vervloessem (Antwerpen)

4.50 J-pouch ileo-anal anastomosis in total colonic aganglionosis
K. Van Renterghem, P. Pattyn (Gent)

5.00 A rare complication of hemolytic-uremic syndrome
M. Dirix, B. Geurde, L. Collard, M. Ghysen, A. Mulder, J. Khamis, T. Khuc (Montegnée)

5.10 How useful are thoracoscopy and laparoscopy for intestinal duplications?
P. Erpicum, M. Demarche, E. Van Der Veken (Liège, Namur, Charleroi, Haine-St-Paul)

5.20 Transurethral puncture of ureteroceles: five year outcome
R. Priso, R. Sfeir, E. Aubry, A. Ouzzane, P. Colin, R. Novo, P. Deruelle, R. Besson (Lille,
France)

5.30 Scrotal masses in children: assessment and strategy
S. Luyckx, K. Khelif, C. Matriche, F. Collier (Bruxelles)

5.40 Urolithiasis in children, 3 cases of surgical emergency
R. Priso, E. Aubry, S. Bourgojn, V. Wittmeyer, K. Moosa, P. Nevoux, C. Butruille,
E. Robert, C. Klein, E. Desoutter, C. Chafiotte, R. Novo, A. Lahoche, R. Besson (Lille,
France)
**Free Paper Session**

**Moderator:** T. Gys (Geel)

- **9.00** The outcome of surgery for rectovaginal fistulas in Crohn's disease in the era of anti-TNFalpha therapy  

- **9.10** Anastomotic leakage after anterior resection for rectal carcinoma: The role of a defunctioning stoma  
  E. Van Dessel, P. Willemsen, F. Van Elst, M. Vanderveken (Antwerpen)

- **9.20** The effect of preoperative radiotherapy on anorectal function in rectal surgery  
  E. Van Dessel, P. Willemsen, F. Van Elst, M. Vanderveken (Antwerpen)

- **9.30** Radiofrequency ablation and placation - an alternative to conventional treatment for advanced grades of hemorrhoidal disease  
  G. Pravin, K. Sureskha (Nagpur, India)

- **9.40** Laparoscopic sigmoid colectomy for diverticulitis. Report on experience on 104 patients with a five years minimal follow-up and assessment of quality of life  

- **9.50** Small bowel obstruction after laparoscopically assisted and open IPAA for ulcerative colitis  
  D. Hompes, A. D’Hoore, M. Ferrante, S. Fieuws, F. Penninckx (Leuven)

- **10.00** Guidelines in oncologic surgery: did the introduction of the MOC* influence the treatment of colorectal cancer?  
  G. Peeters, T. Lafullarde, T. Gys (Geel)

- **10.10** Different modalities for perineal reconstruction after infralevatoric pelvic exenteration  
  C. Terry, L. Vandermeeren, J. Vranckx, A. D’Hoore (Leuven)

- **10.20** A comparison of different haemorrhoidectomy procedures  
  T. Ozer, I. Uzar, T. Yigit, I. Arslan, T. Tufan (Ankara, Turkey)

- **10.30** Coffee Break
Free Paper Session

11.00 Management of acute cholecystitis: guidelines for the surgeon
B. Van Geluwe, P. Pattyn, P. Vuylsteke, B. Smet (Roeselare)

11.10 Donation after cardiac death (DCD) liver transplantation. A source of viable grafts?
B. Seydel, O. Detry, A. Deroover, J. Monard, M.F. Hans, M.H. Delbouille, J. Delwaide,
P. Damas, F. Damas, J.P. Squiffllet, M. Meurisse, P. Honoré (Liège)

11.20 Morbidity of laparoscopic assisted and open primary ileocolic resections in Crohn's disease. A retrospective single centre experience
T. Hendrickx, T. Oyen, F. Penninckx, A. D’Hoore (Leuven)

11.30 Laparoscopic-assisted ileocolectomy in patients with Crohn's disease. A study of 50 patients
N. Vangeenberghe, K. De Vogelaers, G. Delvaux (Brussel)

11.40 Gene expression differentiates liver metastases from isolated peritoneal metastases in colorectal cancer
W. Ceelen, N. Van Damme, P. Van Hummelen, M. Peeters, B. de Hemptinne, P. Pattyn (Gent)

11.20 The effect of radiotherapy on perineal wound healing after abdominoperineal resection
E. Van Dessel, P. Willemsen, F. Van Elst, M. Vanderveken (Antwerpen)
### Thursday, 1st May 2008

#### Short Communication Session  
**Albert Hall**

1.00  
**Influence of ketoprofen on drainage volume after radical breast cancer surgery: a prospective randomised clinical trial** [ISRCTN06628870]  
*S. Hidar, M. Bibi, A. Memi, H. Khairi* (Sousse, Tunisia)

1.06  
**Is the primary endovascular approach an effective method in the daily treatment for symptomatic subclavian artery disease? Short and mid-term results from a two-institutional retrospective cohort anal**  
*V. Alexandrescu, C. Vasquez, C. Ngongang, O. Dockx* (Marche-en-Famenne)

1.12  
**Ropivacain-impregnated hernial prosthesis: a simple but efficient procedure**  
*C. Firket, J. Rossat*, A. Tabech, O. Detriche** (Bruxelles, *Lausanne, Suisse, **Ottignies)

1.18  
**Biliary strictures after liver transplantation: risk factors and prevention by donor epoprostenol treatment**  

1.24  
**Pancreatogastrostomy reconstruction after pancreatoduodenectomy**  
*E. Guérin, J.C. Lefebvre, D. Pitot, J. Dryski, M. Takieddine, P. Vaneukem* (Charleroi)

1.30  
**Laparoscopic-assisted ileocolectomy in patients with Crohn's disease, a study of 50 patients**  
*N. Vangeenberghe, K. De Vogelaere, G. Delvaux* (Brussel)

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**Internal herniation after laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass: incidence and guidelines for diagnosis and treatment**  
*M. D'Hondt, D. Devriendt, F. Van Rooy, F. Van Steenkiste* (Kortrijk)

1.42  
**Systematic use of frozen section in thyroid surgery: in which case is it useful?**  
*Y. Sokolow, M.L. Chirade, M. Ruiz Patino, N. D’Haene, I. Salmon, M. Cappello* (Bruxelles)

1.48  
**Long-term results of lung metastasectomy**  
*J. Van Thielen, A. Wittock, B. Balduyck, P. Lauwers, P. Van Schil, J. Hendriks* (Antwerpen)

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Belgian Section of Colorectal Surgery

Guidelines in diverticular disease
Moderators: F. Penninckx (Leuven)
C. Coïmbra (Liège)

2.00 Diverticular disease: etiopathogeny and new modalities of medical treatment
D. Baert (Gent)

2.20 Non surgical treatment: when, how and by whom
B. Monami (Liège)

2.40 Hartmann: still alive?
W. Vaneerdeweg (Antwerpen)

3.00 Minneapolis guidelines in diverticulitis
S. Goldberg (Minneapolis, USA)

3.30 Coffee break

Impact of pathology on guidelines
Moderators: F. Vansteenkiste (Kortrijk)
C. Bertrand (Haine-St-Paul)

4.00 Impact of pathology in rectal cancer guidelines
Ch. Sempoux (Louvain-en-Woluwe)

4.20 Is there any place for local excision in rectal cancer?
A. D’Hoore (Leuven)

4.40 The influence of pathology on the extensiveness of colorectal resections
R. Chamlou (Bruxelles)

5.00 Are they any guidelines in the treatment of colorectal cancer and synchronous metastasis?
I. Dero (Gent)
Free Paper Session

9.00 Complications after laparoscopic bypass
L. Kohnen, A. De Roover, A. Al-Azzeh, S. Maweja, C. Coimbra, O. Detry, J. Joris, A. Kaba, J.P. Squifflet, P. Honoré, M. Meurisse (Liège)

9.10 Guidelines for gallbladder management during laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass
B. Van Geluwe, P. Pattyn, P. Vuylsteke, B. Smet (Roeselare)

9.20 Is routine upper gastrointestinal endoscopy mandatory in the preoperative work up of gastric bypass procedure?
M. Lannoo, F. Penninkx, A. D’Hoore (Leuven)

9.30 Impact of the preoperative oesogastroscopy on the surgical technique in 258 laparoscopic gastric bypass
L. Kohnen, A. De Roover, A. Al-Azzeh, O. Detry, S. Maweja, C. Coimbra, J. Joris, A. Kabar, J.P. Squifflet, P. Honoré, M. Meurisse (Liège)

9.40 Transoral incisionless fundoplication: results after 2 years
G. Dapri, A. Rajan, J. Himpens, N. Van Santé, G. B. Cadière (Bruxelles)

9.50 Luminal versus nodal response to chemoradiation in esophageal cancer: implications for organ preservation
W. Ceelen, J. Van Huysse, D. Van de Putte, T. Boterberg, M. Peeters, J.M. Gillardin, O. Varin, P. Pattyn (Gent)

10.00 Treatment of locally advanced (CT3-4N1MO) cancer of the esophagus and gastro-esophageal junction in younger (< 55 years) patients

10.10 Outcome after esophagectomy for cancer of the esophagus or gastro-esophageal junction (GEJ) in patients aged over 75 years

10.20 Semimechanical anastomosis versus handsewn anastomosis after esophagectomy with gastric tubulisation and cervical anastomosis

10.30 Coffee Break
Free Paper Session  

**Moderator:** T. Gys (Geel)

11.00 Spinal cord stimulation (SCS) for critical limb ischemia (CLI). The Belgian experience  
*R. Suy, H. Van Damme, P. Van den Brande, P. De Vleeschauwer, J. Demelenne, J.P. Haxhe (Wilsele)*

11.10 Guidelines in surgery of small ventral hernias. Initial experience in polypropylene-EPTFE mesh repair  
*N. Toussaint, J. Van Dyck, K. Lauwers, T. Lafullarde, T. Gys (Geel)*

11.20 Ultrapro hernia system: preliminary results  
*T. Tollens, S. Speybrouck, C. Aelvoet, J.P. Vanrykel (Bonheiden)*

11.30 Infected mesh after incisional hernia repair: consensus on VAC-therapy?  
*T. Martens, F. Berrevoet, B. de Hemtinne (Gent)*

11.40 Should large pore meshes be included in guidelines for incisional hernia repair: a prospective clinical trial  
*L. Desender, F. Berrevoet, X. Rogiers, R. Troisi, B. de Hemtinne (Gent)*

11.50 Socio-economical advantages and less pain using a minimally invasive transinguinal preperitoneal patch technique for inguinal hernia. A randomised controlled trial  
*F. Berrevoet, L. Desender, R. Troisi, X. Rogiers, B. de Hemtinne (Gent)*
Section of Obesity Surgery - Belgium

Ethic Session

Can we medically justify the law on obesity?
Moderators: P. Pattyn (Gent)
B. Navez (Gilly)

2.00 Do we need new guidelines for reimbursement of obesity surgery?

2.18 Why patients with a metabolic disease should be operated
A. Scheen (Liège)

2.36 Obesity not a problem below 16 and above 60
G. Vander Velpen (Hasselt)

2.54 Conflicts in decision making regarding redo surgery
B. Dillemans (Brugge)

3.12 Outcome of the bariatric mutuality study on obesity surgery

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Free Video Session

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4.00  Laparoscopic conversion of adjustable gastric banding into sleeve gastrectomy
I. Bouillon, D. Lipski*, G. Dapri, G.B. Cadière*, J. Himpens (Dendermonde, *Bruxelles)

4.10  Laparoscopic duodenojejunostomy for superior mesenteric artery syndrome
P. Pletinckx, F. Muysoms, D. De Mey, D. Claey (Gent)

4.20  Retroperitoneoscopy for ureteropelvic junction - crossing vessel
R.H. Priso, E. Aubry, V. Wittmeyer, A. Ouzzane, K. Moosa, R. Besson (Lille, France)

4.30  Bochdalek hernia - laparoscopic repair of an adult case
J. Nardella, E. Van Vyve, J.P. Staudt, R. Droissart (Bruxelles)

4.40  Totally endoscopic parathyroid surgery
S. Van Slycke, F. Sebag, J.F. Henry (Marseille, France)

4.50  Internal hernia after laparoscopic Roux en Y gastric bypass
B. Gypen, R. Bestman, S. De Clercq, L. Hendrickx, J. Valk (Antwerpen)

5.00  A wandering spleen torsion treated by laparoscopy during pregnancy
J.R. Nzamushe, G. Millet, E. Fernandez, I. Plénier (Lille, France)

5.10  Colonic ischemia caused by a 'steal' phenomenon and treated by laparoscopic release of the truncus coeliacus
E. Van Dessel, T. Feryn, J. De Letter (Brugge)

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Free Paper Session  
Moderator: C. Bertrand

11.00 Guidelines on the use of PTFE grafts for haemodialysis access. Preliminary results of the new Vascutek Rapidaxtm graft  

11.10 Effects of low molecular weight heparin nadroparin on tumour associated angiogenesis  
I. Debergh, N. Van Damme, M. Peeters, P. Pattyn, W. Ceelen (Gent)

11.20 Safety and efficiency of hyperthermic intraperitoneal chemoperfusion with high dose oxaliplatin in patients with peritoneal carcinomatosis  
W. Ceelen, F. De Somer, D. Van De Putte, J.M. Gillardin, M. Peeters, P. Pattyn (Gent)

11.30 Building towards a pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic rationale for intraoperative chemotherapy  

11.40 Laparoscopic Hipec in the palliation of malignant ascites  

11.50 Do multidisciplinary meetings enhance the proportion of patients treated following guidelines in gastro-intestinal oncology? Results of a prospective study  
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Belgian Association of Ambulatory Surgery
Guidelines in Daily Ambulatory Surgery
Moderator: L. Van Outruyve (Gent)

2.00 Flow chart or clinical pathway for ambulatory surgery cases
L. Van Outruyve (Gent)

2.25 Guidelines in ambulatory surgery in the Netherlands: anaesthetists’ point of view
J. Eshuis (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)

2.50 Guidelines in ambulatory surgery in the UK: surgeons’ point of view
P. Baskerville (London, U.K.)

3.15 Interactive discussion with moderator and speakers

3.30 Coffee break
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Belgian Section of Upper G-I Surgery

National Guidelines for Cancers of the Esophagus and Stomach

Moderators: L. Proot (Brugge)
J. Weerts (Liège)

4.00 National guidelines for cancer of the esophagus
A. Lerut (Leuven)

4.25 Discussion

4.40 National guidelines for cancer of the stomach
J.-M. Collard (Bruxelles)

5.05 Discussion

5.20 Gastric cancer: East meets West
Y. Kodera (Nagoya, Japan)

5.30 General Assembly RBSS

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Belgian Group of Endoscopic Surgery

Surgical treatment of GERD: update 2008
Moderators: D. Burnon (Bruxelles)
B. Dillemans (Gent)

9.30 Indications for surgery: have PPI's beaten surgery?
D. De Looze (Gent)

9.45 Surgical approaches: is there more than a lap. Nissen?
J. Weerts (Liège)

10.00 Are there predictive factors of surgical outcomes after anti-reflux surgery?
P. Hauters (Tournai)

10.15 Failed antireflux procedure: what's next?
A. Lerut (Leuven)

10.30 Coffee Break

Guidelines and innovations in endoscopic surgery
Moderators: P. Hourlay (Hasselt)
Y. Van Nieuwenhove (Brussel)

11.00 Conflicts of interest
D. Ramaekers (KCE - Brussels)

11.15 Endoscopic treatment modalities in GERD
K. Fuchs (Stuttgart, Germany)

11.30 NOTES: initial clinical experience
B. Dallemagne (Strasbourg, France)

11.45 The BGES and NOTES
A. D’Hoore (Leuven)

12.30 Satellite Symposium K.C.I.
Negative Pressure Wound Therapy
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Belgian Section for Hepato-Bilio-Pancreatic Surgery  

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**Surgery in cirrhotic patient**

*Moderators: D. Ysebaert (Antwerpen), R. Aerts (Leuven)*

- **2.00** Peri-operative care of the cirrhotic patient  
  *J. Wendon (London, U.K.)*

- **2.30** Abdominal wall surgery  
  *F. Berrevoet (Gent)*

- **2.50** Biliairy surgery  
  *V. Donckier (Bruxelles)*

- **3.10** Gastrointestinal surgery in cirrhotic patients  
  *P. Honoré, O. Detry (Liège)*

- **3.30** Coffee break

**Multidisciplinary approach to obtain R0-resection in pancreatic cancer**

*Moderators: B. Topal (Leuven) J.F. Gigot (Louvain-en-Woluwe)*

- **4.00** Definition and evaluation of margins: guidelines for handling of the specimen by the pathologist  
  *I. Esposito (München, Germany)*

- **4.30** How imagery can predict R0 resection?  
  *B. Opdebeeck (Antwerpen)*

- **4.50** Role of the surgeon in performing R0-resection  
  *C. Bertrand (Haine-St-Paul)*

- **5.10** Could neoadjuvant treatment improve outcome after resection?  
  *K. Haustermans (Leuven)*

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Belgian Society of Surgical Oncology  
Boudewijn Room

**Micrometastases: diagnosis, clinical significance and treatment**

*Moderators: R. Detry (Louvain-en-Woluwe)
K. Vanderspeeten (Genk)*

8.30 Micrometastases in lymph nodes  
*O. Nieweg (Amsterdam, The Netherlands)*

9.15 Micrometastases in the peritoneum  
*W. Ceelen (Gent)*

10.30 **Coffee break**

**Impact of guidelines in surgical oncology**

*Moderators: W. Ceelen (Gent)
H. Legendre (Mont-Godinne)*

11.00 Pre-operative anticoagulants: to stop or not?  
*P. Willemsen (Antwerpen)*

11.18 Interval between systemic therapy and surgery  
*T. Delannoit (Haine-St-Paul)*

11.36 Peri-operative nutrition  
*F. Fivez (Antwerpen)*

11.54 Handling of the resection specimen  
*K. Vanderspeeten (Genk)*

12.12 Postoperative anticoagulation  
*Ph. Hainaut (Bruxelles)*

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**Joung fellows vascular forum**

2.00 Programme not yet communicated

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**International College of Surgeons - Belgian Section**

**Leopold III Room**

**Belgian Association for Surgical Trainees.**

*Moderators: O. Yazar (UZ Leuven)*

*P. Broos (UZ Leuven)*

9.00  Fetal surgery – The European perspective of a clinical reality

*J. Deprest (Leuven)*

9.25  Semi-mechanical anastomosis after oesophageal resection

*L. Dedrye (Leuven)*

9.50  Chronic pain after inguinal hernia repair

*M. Loos (Veldhoven, The Netherlands)*

10.10 Laparoscopic surgery in new borns and young children

*Ph. Houmeyers (Gent)*

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## Belgian Section of Breast Surgery

**Leopold III Room**

**Oncoplastic breast surgery - A guide to good practice or what a breast surgeon has to know about oncoplastic surgery.**  
*Moderators: B. Carly (Bruxelles)  
  S. Maweja (Liège)*

11.00  The role of the surgeon in the selection of breast reconstruction techniques  
*L. Proot (Brugge)*  

11.10  Contra-indications for breast conservative surgery  
*V. Vergucht, I. Den Hoed (Gent)*  

11.20  Breast reconstruction after conservative surgery. Indications, contra-indications and technique  
*M. Hamdi (Gent)*  

11.35  Skin-sparing mastectomy and oncoplastic surgery of the breast. Tricks and pitfalls  
*P. Cusumano (Paris, France)*  

11.50  Breast reconstruction following mastectomy. Patients' expectations  
*A. Van Herck (President Naboram, Antwerpen)*

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Belgian Section of Abdominal Wall Surgery

2.00 The Ghent classification of incisional hernias
   F. Muysoms (Gent)

2.30 Development of European guidelines on inguinal hernia surgery
   M. Miserez (Leuven)

3.00 The Ghana inguinal hernia project - a travel report
   C. Sommeling (Waregem)

3.30 Coffee Break

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Belgian Section of Endocrine Surgery  

The place of guidelines in thyroid surgery.  
*Moderators: C. Daumerie (Louvain-en-Woluwe)  
P. Lothaire (Charleroi )*

4.00 Thyroid cancer: American guidelines and European consensus  
*H. Dralle (Halle, Germany)*

4.30 Lymph node dissection: when to do it?  
*B. Carnaille (Lille, France)*
Ethical Guidelines in Surgery: Training and Responsibility

Albert Hall

Ethic session

9.00  Adjust our training guidelines?
      J.A. Gruwez (Leuven)

9.30  Discussion

9.45  Responsibility in the operating theatre: the guidelines are still controversial
      L. Michel (Mont Godinne)

10.15 Discussion

10.30 Coffee break
Belgian Association of Cardiothoracic Surgery

Albert Hall

Ethic Session

*Moderators: A. Poncelet (Louvain-en-Woluwe)*
*P. Sergeant (Leuven)*

11.00 Guidelines for correct data registration
*B. Stockman (Antwerpen)*

11.30 Can five years of data registration guide us to better outcomes in cardiac surgery?
Report from the Database Committee
*E. Deworm (Antwerpen)*

12.00 Guidelines for quality improvement in cardiac surgery. Report from the College of Cardiac Surgery and plans for the future
*J.-M. De Smet (Bruxelles), Ph. Kolh (Liège)*

12.30 Guidelines to obtain a certificate of specific competence in cardiac surgery
*I. Rodrigus (Antwerpen)*

At the end of the session, the first certificates of specific competence in Cardiac Surgery will be distributed. All the attendees are invited to a closing reception.
Saturday, 3rd May 2008

Belgian Trauma Society  
Moderator: P. Broos (Leuven)

9.00  Experience with 8000 victims of suicide bombing attacks: guidelines in the care of 'limited' mass casualty incidents.  
M. Stein (Petach-Tikva, Israel)

9.15  Early care for the polytraumatised: guidelines and do we need a surgeon to implement them?  
A. Sermon (Leuven)

9.30  Guidelines in the prevention of fat-embolism syndrome in the polytraumatised patient; place of the RIA system  
M. Dubois (Leuven)

9.45  Does damage control external fixation of femoral fractures jeopardize healing and cause infection?  
W. Metsemaekers (Leuven)

10.00  Abdominal compartment syndrome: guidelines for diagnosis, treatment and staged abdominal wall closure  
M. D'Hondt (Overpelt)

10.15  Necrotizing fasciitis: guidelines for diagnosis, treatment and reconstruction  
W. Peeters (Leuven)

10.30  Coffee break
General Information

Date: Wednesday 30th April until Saturday 3rd May, 2008

Venue: Thermae Palace Hotel, Ostend
Koningin Astridlaan 7, 8400 Ostend
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■ Name substitutions are accepted at any time at an extra charge of €15.
■ Cancellations must be confirmed in writing to Medicongress.
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The prices quoted are per day and include services and taxes.

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