



ERASS INSTRUCTIONAL COURSE 20 - 21 November 2009

THE RHEUMATOID UPPER LIMB

Hotel Plaza Lucchesi - Firenze (Italia)

20 NOVEMBER, 2009 - FRIDAY

- 8.00** Registration
- 8.30** **WELCOME and INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**
- 9.00** **OPENING LECTURE**
What a surgeon should know about rheumatoid disease and the patterns of joint destruction.
- 9.30 - 13.15** **THE ELBOW**
Anatomy and evolutive patterns of the deformities
Synovectomy
Arthroplasties, prosthetic replacement and algorithm of treatment
Rehabilitation
Pearls and pitfalls: how I do it.
- 14.30- 18.30** **THE WRIST**
Relevant anatomy and evolutive patterns of the deformities
Radiological patterns of evolution, classification and algorithm of treatment
Soft tissue procedures: synovectomy and tendon repair
Arthroplasty, partial and total wrist arthrodesis
Rehabilitation.
Pearls and pitfalls: how I do it.
- 18.30** **LECTURE**
"The arthrotic hand"
- 19.15** **LECTURE**
The power of hands. The hands of power. Florence and the Medici

21 NOVEMBER, 2009 - SATURDAY

- 9.00 - 13.00** **THE FINGERS**
Anatomy and evolutive patterns of deformities.
Rehabilitation.
Surgical treatment: correction of finger deformities.
MP Arthroplasty: silicone vs two component replacements
Post-operative rehabilitation.
Pearls and pitfalls: how I do it.
- 14.00 - 16.15** **THE THUMB**
The rheumatoid thumb: pertinent anatomy, the evolutive pattern of deformities.
Surgical treatment.
Rehabilitation.
Pearls and pitfalls: how I do it.
- 16.45** Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis
- 17.15** Other Connective Tissue Diseases
- 17.45** **LECTURE**
Dr. A. Swanson and his contribution to Rheumatoid hand treatment
- 18.15** Round Table and discussion: How the rheumatologist and surgeon should liaise
- 19.00** Certificates of attendance and ECM



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General Information

M. Ceruso and A. Lluch, as Chairmen of the course, are pleased to announce the 2009 ERASS (European Rheumatism and Arthritis Surgical Society) Instructional Course: "The Rheumatoid Upper Limb". The aim of the Course is to provide an exhaustive diagnostic case history of arthritic and rheumatic upper limb pathologies and to present the most innovative surgical and therapeutic solutions. The number of participants is estimated to be 60 coming from all over Europe. The expected participants range from hand-upper limb surgeons/rheumatologists/physical therapists and occupational therapists. The official language is English.

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