



Agenda | February 20th-21st 2019

EMEA In-Hospital Training: Innovative techniques in colorectal cancer surgery

Johanniter-Krankenhaus
Bonn, Germany

Welcome

Several innovative techniques have recently been introduced to improve outcomes with respect to complications, life quality and survival after colorectal cancer surgery.

Complete mesocolic excision (CME) in right colon cancer is a demanding procedure, which may offer excellent oncologic results. Laparoscopic CME can be performed if the surgeon is appropriately trained, with adequate experience. The workshop will focus on key laparoscopic steps.

Total mesorectal excision (TME) is the key method for increasing patients' long-term survival in rectal cancer. Bowel restoration can be achieved, even when the cancer is located in the lower rectum. The transanal approach (TaTME or TAMIS-TME) in combination with laparoscopy helps to preserve the internal sphincter, and allows for better pathological specimen retrieval, with a positive impact on long term results.

Along with improvement of oncologic outcomes and overall survival, progress has also been made with regards to improved post-operative functional results. However, urogenital dysfunction remains a frequent complication both in male and female patients. The lack of advancement with this problem may be related to the complex anatomical relationship between autonomic nerves in the region and pelvic planes, which has led to a lack of operative standards.

The systematic identification of autonomic nerves during surgery is a prerequisite for their functional preservation. Intraoperative measurements of bladder and internal sphincter function has also resulted in improved outcomes. Furthermore, autonomic nerves are important anatomical landmarks that help to identify oncologic specimens. The goal of this interactive workshop is to demonstrate and discuss how to identify and spare the nerves during laparoscopic TME.

Faculty

Prof. Andreas Türler
Bonn, Germany

Day 1 Working dinner with lectures

February 20th

17:00 Arrival at the hospital

All

17:10 Introduction and presentation:
Innovative techniques in colorectal cancer surgery.

Prof Türler

19:00 Working dinner

All

21:00 Close of the day, transfer to the hotel

Day 2 Live surgery in the OR

February 21st

07:45 Transfer to the hospital

All

08:00 Laparoscopic colorectal surgery in the OR with focus on TME
neuromonitoring, interactive case discussions

Prof. Türler
and team

12:00 Working lunch

All

12:30 Continued laparoscopic colorectal surgery in the OR

Prof. Türler
and team

15:30 Questions and answers, evaluation, close

All

16:00 Departure

Logistics

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