



ERASS
INSTRUCTIONAL COURSE
20 - 21 November 2009

THE RHEUMATOID UPPER LIMB

Hotel Plaza Lucchesi - Firenze (Italia)

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20 NOVEMBER, 2009 - FRIDAY

8.00 Registration

8.30 WELCOME and INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

9.00 OPENING LECTURE

What a surgeon should know about the rheumatoid disease and the patterns of joint destruction. (M. Matucci - G. Fiori)

9.30 - 13.15 THE ELBOW Chairmen: M. Corradi, I. Trail

1. Anatomy and evolutive patterns of the deformities (M. Ceruso)
2. Synovectomy (I. Trail)
3. Arthroplasties, prosthetic replacement and algorithm of treatment (M. Ceruso)
4. Rehabilitation (G. Guidi)
5. Pearls and pitfalls: how I do it. (I. Trail, M. Corradi)

Coffee break in between

13.15 Lunch

14.30 - 18.30 THE WRIST Chairman: F.W. Hagen, A. Lluch

1. Relevant anatomy and evolutive patterns of the deformities (S. Pfanner)
2. Radiological patterns of evolution, classification and algorithm of treatment (N. Borisch)
3. Soft tissue procedures: synovectomy and tendon repair (M. Corradi)
4. Arthroplasty, partial and total wrist arthrodesis (S. Pfanner)
5. Rehabilitation (G. Guidi)
6. Pearls and pitfalls: how I do it. (N. Borisch, A. Ferreres)

Coffee break in between

18.30 LECTURE

The arthrotic hand (I. Golubev)

19.00 Conclusions

19.15 LECTURE

The power of hands. The hands of power. Florence and the Medici (D. Lippi)



21 NOVEMBER, 2009 - SATURDAY**9.00 - 13.00****THE FINGERS**

Chairmen: A. Ferreres, S. Pfanner

1. Anatomy and evolutive patterns of deformities (A. Lluch)
2. Rehabilitation (G. Guidi)
3. Surgical treatment: correction of finger deformities (M. Ceruso)
4. MP Arthroplasty: silicone vs two components replacement (F.W. Hagena)
5. Post-operative rehabilitation (G. Guidi)
6. **Pearls and pitfalls: how I do it.** (A. Lluch, F.W. Hagena)

Coffee break in between

13.00

Lunch

14.00 - 16.15**THE THUMB**

Chairman: A. Borisch, M. Ceruso

1. The rheumatoid thumb: pertinent anatomy, the evolutive pattern of deformities (M. Corradi)
2. Surgical treatment (A. Lluch)
3. Rehabilitation (G. Guidi)
4. **Pearls and pitfalls: how I do it.** (A. Borisch, I. Trail)

Coffee break in between

16.45

Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis (S. Pfanner)

17.15

Other Connective Tissue Diseases (M. Ceruso)

17.45

LECTURE

Dr. A. Swanson and his contribution to Rheumatoid hand treatment (M.I. Rossello)

18.15

ROUND TABLE AND DISCUSSION:

How the rheumatologist and surgeon should liaise

18.45

Conclusion Remarks

19.00

Certificates of attendance and ECM



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COURSE INFORMATION

The maximum number of participants is 60 including hand-upper limb surgeons / rheumatologists / physical and occupational therapists.

Official Language

English is the Course official language.

Dates

The Course will be held from Friday November 20th to Saturday November 21st, 2009.

Course Venue

The Course is held in Florence, Italy, at the Hotel Plaza Lucchesi.

The Hotel is located on the right bank of the Arno river, with a marvellous view and southern exposure, right in the heart of the ancient city, across from Piazzale Michelangelo and San Miniato al Monte, a few steps away from the church of Santa Croce.



Website

The Congress has its own website on the Internet. Please refer to www.erasscourseflorence.org for up-to-date information.

Congress Badges

A name badge will be provided on-site with the Course documentation. Wearing this badge is required in order to enter the session rooms.

BANQUET DINNER

Friday, November 20th - 8.30 pm

The social dinner will take place at Palazzo Budini Gattai, a wonderful Renaissance building, still a private house, with a beautiful garden inside - one of Florence's "hidden gems" - located in one of the most beautiful piazzas in the heart of Florence, Piazza SS. Annunziata, just a few steps from the Duomo.

Hotel Reservation

The Organizing Secretariat offers reservations in a range of hotels in the central area of Florence near the course venue for those who wish to take advantage of this service.

In this case please contact:

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GENERAL INFORMATION

How to reach Florence

By Plane

Amerigo Vespucci Airport

a few kilometers north-west of the city centre. The Volainbus line connects Amerigo Vespucci Airport to the city centre with buses every 30 minutes.
www.aeroporto.firenze.it

Galileo Galilei Airport

near Pisa, is about an hour by train or car from Florence.

Direct trains to Florence run every 60 minutes. There is also a bus service - "Terravision" - which takes approximately one hour to reach Florence, arriving at the railway station.
www.pisa-airport.it

By Train

Florence is on the Rome-Milan line, with Eurostar trains (intercity trains) running every 60 minutes. Please remember that on these trains a supplement is required and tickets must be bought in advance.
www.ferroviedellostato.it

By Car

Florence is connected by the A1 Motorway to Bologna and Milan (northbound) and Rome and Naples (southbound). The Autostrada del Mare (A11 Motorway) connects Florence with Prato, Lucca, Pisa and the coast and a smaller trunk road links Florence to Siena. Exits for Florence from the motorway are well signposted and there are Tourist Information offices on the A1 motorway exits both north and south of the city. From the north on the A1, exit at Firenze Nord and then simply follow the signs for Centro. If arriving from Rome, exit Firenze Sud.
Traffic is restricted in the city centre.

Passports and Visas

Visitors from EU countries must hold a valid national ID card to enter Italy. Visitors from other countries must have a valid passport. For some countries, a visa is required.
Italy is a signatory to the 1995 Schengen Agreement.

For more information, please contact the nearest Italian Embassy, Consulate or Travel agent in advance. Information about visas is available on the website:
www.esteri.it/visti/index_eng.asp

Getting around Florence

In the historic centre of Florence traffic is limited to taxis, buses and residents, which makes walking quite easy and pleasant.

Taxis in Florence are white with a "Taxi" sign on the roof. There are several taxi ranks in the city, including at the back of the Duomo of Florence, in Piazza della Repubblica and at Santa Maria Novella train station. You can ask your hotel concierge to call a taxi for you or use the following phone number: +39 055 4390. Florence also has several bus lines - buses are bright orange.

Bus stops are marked with orange signs displaying the route of the bus line. You can get around the historic centre of Florence on bus lines A and B. These are small orange electric buses which can go through the narrow streets of Florence.

Bus tickets have to be bought before you get on the bus and stamped with the stamping machine on the bus. Tickets can be bought from newstands and bars displaying the ATAF sign (the sign of the bus company in Florence). After the bus ticket is stamped on the bus, it is usually valid for one hour, depending on the type of the bus ticket.

Currency / Banks / Exchange

Italian currency is Euro (€). Currency exchange is provided by banks and exchange agencies. Banks are open Monday to Friday from 08.00 / 08.30 am to 01.00 / 01.30 pm.

They are also open in the afternoon, usually from 02.30 / 03.00 pm to 04.00 / 04.30 pm.

ATMs are located all around the city. They can also be used for cash advances on major credit cards such as MasterCard or VISA.

Credit cards

Major credit cards are accepted in most hotels, stores and restaurants.

Electrical current

The electrical current in Italy is 220 volts 50 Hz.

Climate

In late autumn, the average temperature ranges between 8 and 14°C (7 - 55°F).



Registration information

Category	Early registration before/ on September 30, 2009 VAT included	Late registration after September 30, 2009 VAT included
Members ERASS /FESSH Including: congress bag, 2 lunches, 4 coffee breaks, social dinner, ECM/EACCME credits	€ 680 (570+VAT 20%)	€ 810 (675+VAT 20%)
Surgeons/Rheumatologists Including: congress bag, 2 lunches, 4 coffee breaks, social dinner, ECM/EACCME credits	€ 720 (600+VAT 20%)	€ 870 (725+VAT 20%)
Physical/Occupational Therapists Including: congress bag, 2 lunches, 4 coffee breaks, social dinner, ECM/EACCME credits	€ 540 (450+VAT 20%)	€ 660 (550+VAT 20%)

* After 31 October for every cancellation a fee of € 120 VAT Included will be charged.

Payment

Payment of registration fee must be made in Euro BY CREDIT CARD (full details on the registration form).

Cancellations and refunds

Cancellations must be made in writing to the Organizing Secretariat Carlson Wagonlit Travel.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR THE MEETING

By fax or by e-mail

Fill in the registration form and send it, duly signed, to the Organizing Secretariat Carlson Wagonlit Travel:
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PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION INSTITUTION/COMPANY.....

BUSINESS ADDRESS

HOME ADDRESS

E-MAIL @ TELEPHONE

Place of birth Date of birth

Codice Fiscale Social security number

The fee for participating in the above Course includes: 2 full days of Courses, congress kit, 2 lunches, 4 coffee breaks, congress dinner, ECM/EACCME credits.

Registration fees (please choose one) - vat included:

Until 30 September

- Members ERASS/FESSH € 680,00
- Surgeons/Rheumatologists € 720,00
- Physical/Occupational Therapists € 540,00

After 30 September

- Members ERASS/FESSH € 810,00
- Surgeons/Rheumatologists € 870,00
- Physical/Occupational Therapists € 660,00

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