Experience Excellence in Education

The AAGL Global Congress is the pre-eminent meeting for physicians interested in providing optimal patient care through minimally invasive gynecology. Designed to meet the needs of practicing surgeons, residents and fellows, operating room personnel and other allied healthcare professionals, the Congress covers traditional topics as well as presentations of “cutting edge” material. With opportunities to discuss and share discoveries, you will experience excellence in formal, informal and collegial education.
Dear Fellow Members of the AAGL Community and Friends,

Get ready for the AAGL in Las Vegas!

The 37th AAGL annual meeting is just around the corner and it is happening in the landmark Paris Las Vegas hotel from October 28 to November 1, 2008. This year’s World Congress of Minimally Invasive Gynecology is promising to be the largest ever with the greatest number of submitted abstracts and the largest number of international experts in this field assembled in one place. Paris Las Vegas hotel is a perfect venue for our annual meeting with ample conference rooms and vast halls, all under one roof, capable of hosting a couple thousand AAGL members and industry friends.

The groundbreaking General Session, entitled: “Film and Medicine: Entertainment and Technology from Yesterday to the Future”, will trace the development and future of film and its partnership with medicine. You will be able to see some of the first medical films ever made and they will leave you with a lasting impression. It is a true privilege to be reminded how far we have come in the surgical treatment of our patients.

It is my pleasure to announce that Dr. Brian Cohen will serve as this conference’s Honorary Program Chair. Dr. Cohen will share with us the wealth of his endoscopy and life experience. Plan to attend the Honorary Luncheon to recognize his accomplishments and contributions to our field of practice.

The scientific program is packed with activities. The AAGL will offer two full days of post-graduate courses, with intensive hands-on training. There will be two hands-on laparoscopic suturing courses and a hands-on hysteroscopy course, all on pelvic trainers. Responding to requests of many AAGL members, for the first time we will offer a post-graduate course in cosmetic gynecology. There will be three additional hands-on cadaver courses - in anatomic dissection, gyn-oncology and uro-gynecology.

The scientific program will further offer eleven video sessions, eight surgical tutorials and three debates on (1) robotic surgery; (2) hysterectomy v. ablation for treatment of bleeding; and (3) intramural fibroids and infertility. Please note that, for the first time, AAGL will offer two live tele-surgery sessions – one on Friday, October 31, and one on Saturday, November 1. Throughout the meeting AAGL members will present high quality scientific studies, videos and posters, which were meticulously selected from hundreds of abstracts that we have received for the program.

This year’s scientific program will once again feature popular surgical tutorials, allowing attendees to interact with premier endoscopic surgeons in a classroom setting. Debates and panels will critically examine controversies and innovations regarding robotic surgery, myomas, uterine artery embolization, the role of pelvic mesh for pelvic floor reconstruction, infertility, endometriosis, to name just a few topics of interest. A special clinical researchers’ forum has also been organized for your convenience.

As always, the 37th AAGL annual meeting will offer a variety of scientific activities and we look forward to a fruitful exchange of knowledge and ideas for the ultimate benefit of our patients worldwide.

Finally, consider Halloween in Las Vegas as yet another perk of this year’s meeting. Bring your costumes – we are going to have a great time!

I look forward to seeing you in Las Vegas soon!

Resad “Paya” Pasic, M.D., Ph.D.
Scientific Program Chair
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We encourage you to make your reservations early as our block of rooms could sell out prior to the October 5th deadline.

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In their quest to provide educational offerings that would meet our member’s needs, the Scientific Program Committee analyzed conference evaluations from the last three annual meetings. That data assisted them in developing 16 postgraduate courses on a myriad of topics that will be taught by renowned educators from around the world. The topics include: Principles of Electrosurgery, Hysterectomy, Managing the Frozen Pelvis, Hysteroscopy, Urinary Stress Incontinence, Approaches to Myomas, Pearls of Laparoscopy, Oncology, Endometriosis, Pelvic Floor Reconstruction, Adnexal Masses and Robotic Surgery. In addition, to the didactic course, we added cadavers labs to some of the courses to provide for a greater learning experience and to demonstrate surgical techniques. See pages 18-27 for in-depth descriptions and course objectives.

The Congress will also include Plenary, Open Communications, Video, and Poster Sessions. The papers and videos presented in these sessions were accepted only after they were reviewed through a rigorous grading process. At the completion of this Congress, the participant should be able to: 1) determine the use of new surgical procedures and the value to one’s practice; 2) identify and manage complications; 3) recognize the additional educational requirements necessary for performing various procedures; and 4) determine whether the techniques discussed will add to better patient care and safety.

This activity meets the needs of gynecologists in practice and in training (gynecologic residents and fellows), as well as allied healthcare professionals in the field of gynecology.

The AAGL is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The AAGL designates this educational activity for the number of AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ listed below. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists will recognize this educational activity. In order to apply for cognates, please fax a copy of your certificate to ACOG at (202) 484-1586.

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Other clinicians may earn continuing education credit for this course. Please check with your state licensing board to determine if this activity meets its continuing education requirements.

Pre-Congress Practice Development Courses – October 28 – Up to 7.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™
State-of-the-Art Postgraduate Courses – October 29 – Up to 8.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™
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Our industry partners will hold breakfasts during the Congress that will be open to all attendees at no additional cost. A listing of the topics to be presented will be in the Final Program. Currently, the following companies have confirmed their participation:

**Industry Sponsored Breakfasts**

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30**
6:00 AM – 7:45 AM  
Boston Scientific  
Ethicon Women’s Health & Urology  
Gyrus ACMI  
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Novare Surgical Systems

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31**
6:00 AM – 7:45 AM  
CooperSurgical  
LSI Solutions

There will be no charge to attend these symposia, but you must complete the registration form on page 77-79.

**Industry Sponsored Symposia**

**Thursday, October 30**
5:15 PM – 7:15 PM  
Biosphere Medical, Inc.  
Boston Scientific  
Covidien  
Ethicon Endo-Surgery & Ethicon Women’s Health & Urology

**Surgical Tutorials**

The tutorials will run concurrently with the scientific program and have been developed to provide an opportunity to personally interact with recognized endoscopic surgeons who have been paired for their mutual expertise. Using video and computer projections to stimulate group discussion, surgical techniques and pearls will be actively shared in a classroom setting. Registration will be strictly limited.

**Thursday, October 30**
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM  
ST 1 – Laparoscopic Myomectomy  
Charles H. Koh & Charles E. Miller

11:35 AM – 12:35 PM  
ST 2 – Prolapse—Laparoscopic Approach  
C.Y. Liu & Arnaud Wattiez

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM  
ST 3 – 3D Robotic Surgery  
Arnold P. Advincula & Javier F. Magrina

**Friday, October 31**
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM  
ST 4 – Laparoscopic Hysterectomy  
Thomas L. Lyons & Flavia Zullo

11:35 AM – 12:35 PM  
ST 5 – Pelvic Sidewall and Cul-de-Sac Dissection  
Grace M. Janik & Ceana H. Nezhat

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM  
ST 6 – Hysteroscopic Surgery  
Barry Sanders & George A. Vilos

**Saturday, November 1**
7:30 AM – 8:30 AM  
ST 7 – Laparoscopic Excision of Endometriosis  
Jörg Keckstein & Philippe R. Koninckx

8:35 AM – 9:55 AM  
ST 8 – Core Surgical Strategies During Laparoscopic Surgery  
Andrew I. Brill & Alan M. Lam

Admission to these surgical tutorials are on a first-come, first-served basis. Each session requires a payment of $50. Proceeds from these sessions will be given to the Foundation of the AAGL in your name to assist in funding the Resident’s Circle Program. This program helps to educate the next generation of minimally invasive surgeons.
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Pre-Congress Course A – 7:45am – 11:45am
Laparoscopic Suturing Skills Using Pelvic Trainers

Charles H. Koh, Chair • Nutain Jain, Co-Chair
Faculty: Yaniris R. Avellanet, Elizabeth Ball, David M. Boruta II, Jeremy M. Carver, Aarathi Cholkeri-Singh, Dobe Giles, Manuel Mota Gonzalez, Keith B. Isaacon, Grace M. Janik, Tan Khai Ling, Stephanie N. Morris and James K. Robinson III

The progressive algorithm for laparoscopic suturing has been tested over many years nationally and internationally. Proficiency with intracorporeal knotting in less than 3 minutes has been achieved by over 80% of attendees in past courses. This includes practicing gynecologists, residents, and fellows. This result is also mirrored in international courses. Fidelity, concurrent and face validity is excellent with the technique described, as the relative hand positions and movements are immediately transferable from the trainer to the O.R. That laparoscopic suturing is essential for today’s laparoscopies would be an understatement. This course equips all attendees with improved suturing skills and insight into applications during surgery.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Understand ergonomics, theory and rationale for reproducible laparoscopic suturing; 2) apply skills learned to relevant surgical situations; 3) prevent and manage bowel, bladder, and ureteral complications by appropriate suture repair; and 4) demonstrate improvement in skills. Algorithms for standing on the right and left side of the patient will be taught, with progression from simple interrupted to continuous and cinch knots.

7:45am Introductions, Orientation, Description of Lab Process C.H Koh
Pre Test: Intracorporeal Knot Tying. Cut off time 2 minutes
8:15am Lecture: “Ergonomics, Theory, Construct Validity of the Vertical Zone Technique” C.H Koh
8:30am LAB I: Drills, Intracorporeal Suturing with ‘Smiley’ Needle Technique All Faculty
9:30am Questions & Answers All Faculty
9:45am Refreshment Break
10:00am Lecture: “Expert Knotting, Continuous Suturing, Cinch Knot. Applications in Surgery Including Managing Complications by Suturing” C.H. Koh
10:15am LAB II: Expert Knotting, Continuous, Cinch All Faculty
11:15am Post Test: Intracorporeal Knot Tying. Cut off time 2 minutes
11:30am Panel Discussion - Questions & Answers
11:45am Complete Course Evaluations – Adjourn

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Pre-Congress Course B – 7:45am – 11:45am
Didactic: Pelvic Anatomy
Sam H. Hessami, Chair

This morning didactic course has been designed for gynecologists with advanced laparoscopic skills who desire to update their knowledge of female pelvic anatomy. An experienced faculty has been assembled to present intra-operative injuries, instrumentation, energy sources, hysterectomy and will conclude with a Video Fest on hysterectomy techniques, suturing and laparoscopic complications.

Registration for this morning didactic session will not be limited. Please note that enrollment in the complementary lab session, Pelvic Anatomy Using Unembalmed Cadavers, is limited, so we encourage you to register early.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Increase their applied knowledge of female pelvic anatomy; 2) know the instrumentation and energy sources necessary for surgery; 3) increase their knowledge of intra-operative injuries and how to manage them; 4) learn various hysterectomy techniques; and 5) learn suturing techniques.

7:45am Welcome, Introductions and Overview S.H. Hessami
7:50am Review of Pelvic Anatomy R.M. Rogers
8:50am Intra-operative injuries during pelvic surgery S.H. Hessami
9:35am Laparoscopic Instrumentation and Energy Sources A.I. Brill
10:20am Laparoscopic Hysterectomy- Techniques and Pearls G.M. Janik
11:05am Video Fest: Suturing, Hysterectomy Techniques, Laparoscopic Complications All Faculty
11:50am Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
12:00pm Lunch Break
Pre-Congress Course C – 7:45am – 11:45am
Adding Value to Your Practice
Timothy B. McKinney, Chair
Faculty: Maurice K. Chung, Larry R. Glazerman and James B. Presthus

This course is designed to advance a busy practice and to show business opportunities to enhance reimbursement through increased office procedures and improvement of coding and marketing. We will show you how to enhance your practice with urodynamics, cystoscopy, biofeedback, tine lead placement for InterStim and other urogynecological procedures. We will review the concept of adding pain management to your practice with trigger point injections, nerve blocks, neurolysis, decompression of nerves, and interstitial cystitis treatments. We will discuss office opportunities for vaginal and cosmetic plastic procedures as well as Botox and fillers. We will also discuss techniques for in-office hysteroscopy, i.e., sterilization and endometrial ablation.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Define CPT, RVU, conversion factor, modifiers and use that to appropriately address and utilize insurance reimbursement; 2) understand the economics of office-based procedures; 3) understand the opportunities available for Botox, Smart Lipo, fillers and laser in your practice; and 4) understand pain management and whether is should be used in your practice.

7:45am Welcome, Introductions and Overview T.B. McKinney
7:50am How to Enhance your Office Practice – A Urogynecological View (Cystoscopies/ Urodynamics/ Slings/ Biofeedback) T.B. McKinney
8:25am Endometrial Ablation, Abnormal AUB – Treatments in Office J.B. Presthus
9:00am Office Hysteroscopy/Essure/LEEP/D&C L.R. Glazerman
9:25am Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
9:40am Refreshment Break
9:55am Pelvic Pain: Office Treatment of CPP/IC/Pain Management M.K. Chung
10:20am Botox, Fillers, Laser Aesthetics, Associated Products T.B. McKinney
10:45am Vaginal Plastics – Labioplasty, Perineoplasty J.B. Presthus
11:10am Getting Paid for What You Do: Essentials of Coding L.R. Glazerman
11:35am Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
11:45am Course Evaluation – Adjourn
Pre-Congress Course D – 1:15pm – 5:15pm
Laparoscopic Suturing Skills Using Pelvic Trainers
Charles H. Koh, Chair

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3:15pm Refreshment Break
3:45pm LAB II: Expert Knotting, Continuous, Cinch All Faculty
4:45pm Post Test: Intracorporeal Knot Tying. Cut off time 2 minutes
5:00pm Panel Discussion - Questions & Answers
5:15pm Complete Course Evaluations – Adjourn

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Pre-Congress Course E – 1:15pm – 5:15pm
Lab: Pelvic Anatomy Using Unembalmed Cadavers
Sam H. Hessami, Chair

Unembalmed female cadavers are used to create a realistic surgical setting. Participants will be provided the opportunity to review the pelvic anatomy and the principles of dissection. Techniques of laparoscopic hysterectomy will be presented. Class size limited. An additional fee will be charged for Course E to cover the cost of the cadaver lab.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Identify pertinent pelvic anatomy, including surgical layers of the pelvic side walls. Understanding of this anatomy will improve surgical efficiency and patient safety. It will further enhance recognition of complications and their subsequent management; 2) discuss indications and contraindications for gynecological laparoscopy hysterectomy, as well as their appropriateness in comparison to traditional surgeries; and 3) perform laparoscopic hysterectomy on cadaver models. When transitioning to patients, the surgeon will enhance patient safety and outcomes.

1:00pm Hands-On Cadaver Lab: Laparoscopic pelvic sidewall dissection with emphasis on techniques of laparoscopic hysterectomy and laparoscopic suturing
3:00pm Refreshment Break
5:00pm Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
5:15pm Course Evaluation – Adjourn

Welcome Reception
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
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A robust schedule of excellent courses has been assembled for your professional education. Choose among these State-of-the-Art Postgraduate Courses offered all day Wednesday, October 29, 2008. Your Global Congress Registration Fee covers the costs for these courses except for courses 8 & 10 where an additional fee will be charged to cover the cost of the cadaver lab.

PG Course 1
Electrosurgical Hemostasis and Vessel Sealing During Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery
Andrew I. Brill, Chair
Faculty: Ted Lee, Barbara S. Levy and Malcolm G. Munro
Recognizing that radiofrequency electrosurgery remains an essential component of the minimally invasive surgical armamentarium for hemostasis and a leading cause of medicolegal action, this course is designed for minimally invasive gynecologic surgeons at all levels of skill and experience. Given the rapid introduction and assimilation of a new breed of multi-functional bipolar electrosurgical instruments that provide more dependable vessel occlusion with less collateral thermal damage along with the ability to mechanically incise and variably dissect tissue, this postgraduate course was created to unravel the physics of electrosurgery and these new bipolar platforms using practical algorithms to translate principles into best practice. The faculty has been assembled for their expertise in electrosurgery and breadth of experience using these novel ligating-cutting devices. Dedicated video sessions will be used to demonstrate a full range of less invasive surgical procedures with the PK™ technology device platform, the Enseal™ Laparoscopic Vessel Fusion System, and the Ligasure™ Vessel Sealing System. Surgical techniques that serve to maximize efficacy and minimize risk with these devices will be critically presented. Using exemplary case studies, the course will culminate in a lively faculty discussion reviewing the pros and cons of contemporary electrosurgical modalities for hemostasis.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Delineate the fundamental differences between bipolar and monopolar electrosurgery; 2) incorporate a variety of electrosurgical techniques for directed hemostasis during laparoscopic surgery; 3) list the mechanisms of action and clinical applications for new generation laparoscopic bipolar ligating-cutting devices; and 4) describe the use of bipolar ligating-cutting devices to perform vaginal hysterectomy.

7:45am Welcome, Introductions and Overview  A.I. Brill
7:55am The Skill of Electrosurgery: Translating Fundamentals into Art  M.G. Munro
8:00am New Generation Bipolar Devices: What’s the Difference?  A.I. Brill
9:00am Electrosurgical Suture-less Vaginal Hysterectomy  B.S. Levy
9:30am Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
9:45am Refreshment Break
10:00am Instructional Video Vignette I: PK™ Faculty
10:20am Instructional Video Vignette II: Ligasure™ Faculty
10:40am Instructional Video Vignette III: Enseal™ Faculty
11:00am Challenges for Electrosurgical Hemostasis: Case Studies  All Faculty
11:30am Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
11:45am Course Evaluation – Adjourn

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PG Course 2
Laparoscopic Hysterectomy – Expanded Indications and Applications
Peter J. Maher, Chair
Faculty: Gerard Mage, Ornella Sizzi and Enrico Zupi
This course will evaluate the place of laparoscopic associated hysterectomy in gynecological practice today. Much has been proposed about the role of this approach to hysterectomy and whether or not it has a real role in modern practice.

Since it was first reported in 1989, enthusiasts have tried, possibly in vain, to insure its permanent place instead of the abdominal, and even, the vaginal route.

An expert panel will endeavor, with scientific and clinical evidence, to answer this long unanswered question. Most importantly the panel will engage in interactive dialogue with all participants in the belief that at the end of the course a clearer vision of the place of laparoscopic associated hysterectomy will be realized.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Evaluate the evidence to support the laparoscopic approach; 2) justify the transition from LAVH to total laparoscopic hysterectomy; 3) assess the place of hysterectomy in a variety of common place gynecological conditions; and 4) discuss the place of laparoscopic hysterectomy in gynecological malignancy.

7:45am Welcome, Introductions and Overview  P.J. Maher
7:50am What is the Evidence to Support the Use of Laparoscopy in Hysterectomy?  E. Zupi
8:15am Hysterectomy-from LAVH to Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy  P. Maher
8:40am Sub-total Hysterectomy – An Operation Re-invented for the Laparoscope?  G. Mage
9:05am Does the Presence of Fibroids Place Limitations on the Laparoscopic Approach?  O. Sizzi
9:30am Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
9:45am Refreshment Break
10:00am Complications and Limitations of the Laparoscopic Approach to Hysterectomy for Severe Endometriosis  O. Sizzi
10:30am Laparoscopic Pelvic Floor Repair – Is Hysterectomy Really Necessary?  G. Mage
11:00am Does Laparoscopic Associated Hysterectomy Have a Place in Gynecological Malignancy?  E. Zupi
11:30am Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
11:45am Course Evaluation – Adjourn

PG Course 3
Strategies to Unravel the Frozen Pelvis
Harry Reich, Chair
Faculty: Mauricio S. Abrao, Charles Chapron and Jörg Keckstein
A frozen pelvis can result from extensive endometriosis, pelvic inflammatory disease, ovarian cancer, or previous surgery. This course will review advanced laparoscopic approaches available to manage these complex pathologies while focusing on endometriosis, especially the role of bowel resection for rectosigmoid
endometriosis. Videos of the steps involved in difficult cases will be presented and discussed.

At the conclusion of the course, participants will increase their knowledge of minimally invasive surgery for extensive cul-de-sac disease from the perspective of outstanding practitioners in endometriosis surgery who were and are instrumental in developing and perfecting these techniques.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Assess the potential surgical approaches to the management of advanced endometriosis in both pelvic pain and infertility patients; 2) become familiar with available approaches to determine the preoperative extent of endometriosis to help plan surgery; 3) evaluate potential surgical approaches to women with rectovaginal endometriosis in a frozen pelvis; 4) learn about laparoscopic abscess drainage; and 5) assess whether to proceed and how far to go when encountering a seemingly impossible case.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) demonstrate familiarity with all currently approved hysteroscopic equipment, ancillary hysteroscopic devices and global ablation devices; 2) provide a good understanding on the indications and contraindications of hysteroscopic procedures; 3) provide an understanding of the medical benefits and risks as well as the financial benefits and risks of office-based diagnostic and operative hysteroscopy as well as office-based global ablation; and 4) be clear on which hysteroscopic procedures should be performed in the operating room and which should be performed in the office.

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**Learning Objectives:** At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Review a range of entry techniques and their limitations in both routine and high-risk patients; 2) consider the current options for safe and effective tissue removal; 3) assess the approaches for the treatment of surgical adhesions and to reduce the likelihood of reformation; and 4) deal with unexpected problems in surgery considering what strategies to use.

**PG Course 7**

**Pearls of Laparoscopy**

*Lelia V Adamyan, Chair*

**Faculty:** Rudy Leon De Wilde and Jean-Bernard Dubuisson

This course will critically review surgical strategies used in advanced laparoscopic surgery in the context of routine and more challenging surgical procedures. The aim of the course is to help the participant review their surgical knowledge, identify the high-risk patient and consider strategies to minimize complications and focus on practical procedures to be deployed during surgery to ensure a straightforward surgical outcome.

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Meet the Professors Roundtable Luncheon
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2008 – 12:00 NOON - 1:00 PM

Lisa M. Roberts, Chair
Radhika Ailawadi and Krisztina Bajzak, Co-Chairs

Tickets are $25 each. When you register online at www.aagl.org, the table you select will be confirmed. If you register using the registration form on pages 77-79, your table choices may not be available in which case you will be assigned to a table with openings.

1. IC, The Other Pelvic Pain
   Karen R. Abbott

2. Current Endoscopic Approaches to Management of Malformations of Uterus and Vagina
   Leila V. Adamyan

3. Robotic Applications in Benign Gynecologic Surgery
   Arnold P. Advincula

4. Uterine Fibroid Embolization Everything You Need to Know
   Linda D. Bradley

5. Laparoscopic Hysterectomy for the Large Uterus
   Andrew I. Brill

6. Office Based Minimally Invasive Procedures
   Jeremy M. Carver & Mary Johnston

7. Avoiding Complications of Endometrial Ablation – Don’t Worry, Be Happy
   Richard J. Gimpelson

8. How to Approach Difficult Hysteroscopic Procedures
   Martin Farrugia

9. Office Essure®: Setup to Reimbursement
   Amy L. Garcia

    Sam H. Hessami

11. The Role of Laparoscopy in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Endometriosis
    Fred M. Howard

12. Office Based Hysteroscopic Procedures
    Keith B. Isaacson

13. Applications of Robotics in Gynecologic Surgery
    Rosanne M.C. Kho

14. Preventing, Recognizing & Treating Ureteric Injuries
    Charles H. Koh

15. Pearls & Pitfalls for Suburethral Sling
    Neeraj Kohli

16. Treatment of the Apical Prolapse
    David J. Levine

17. Same Day Discharge After Gynecologic Surgery
    Barbara S. Levy

18. Laparoscopic Sacral Colpopexy: Tips & Tricks
    Lawrence L. Lin

19. Laparoscopic Pelvic Floor Reconstruction for POP (Pelvic Organ Prolapse)
    C.Y. Liu

20. Management of Complications from Transvaginal Mesh: Treatment Pearls
    Vincent R. Lucente

21. Laparo-Vaginal Creation of Neovagina – The Adamyan Procedure
    Thomas L. Lyons

22. Informed Consent – a Multimedia Approach
    Peter J. Maher

23. Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy: All You Want to Know: Don’t Be Afraid to Ask!
    Prashant Mageshikar

24. Office Enhancement: From Cosmetics to Coding
    Timothy B. McKinney

25. Subtotal Versus Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy
    Lisolette Mettler

26. Selecting Therapy for Abnormal Uterine Bleeding
    Malcolm G. Munro

27. Robots as Enablers in Minimal Access Surgery
    Camran R. Nezhat

28. Ovarian Cancer Found During “Benign” Laparoscopy: What to Do?
    Farr R. Nezhat

29. Mini-Laparotomy Can Successfully Replace Robotics
    Marco A. Pelosi II

30. Marketing your Gynecology Practice
    James B. Prestrud

31. Laparoscopic Para-Aortic Retroperitoneal Lymphadenectomy in Patients with Locally Advanced Cervical Cancer
    Pedro T. Ramirez

32. Unraveling the Froz,”
    Harry Reich

33. Discussion of Surgical Dissection
    Robert M. Rogers Jr.

34. Liability in Minimally Invasive Surgery
    James M. Shwayder

35. Laparoscopy for Endometrial Cancer
    Eugenio Solima

36. Minimizing Abdominal Wall Entry Complications for Operative Laparoscopy
    Mark W. Surrey

37. Assessment and Surgical Management of the Uterus in Failed IVF
    Brian M. Cohen
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PG Course 9

Hands-On Hysteroscopy, Hysteroscopic Sterilization and Endometrial Ablation

Martin Farrugia, Chair
Faculty: Hans Bröllmann, Mark H. Glasier, Paul D. Indman, Keith B. Isaacsen, Klaus J. Neis, Attilio Di Spiezio Sardo and Robert K. Zurawin

In this course, participants will have the opportunity to use the latest technology in diagnostic and operative hysteroscopy, including tubal sterilization, bipolar resection of polyps and fibroids, and endometrial destruction techniques. Stations with hysteroscopes for use in an office setting, including flexible and rigid miniature scope, will be available for use.

Short presentations during the hands-on training will provide practical tips to make your hysteroscopic procedures easier.

Two virtual reality simulators will provide the opportunity to objectively measure one’s skill in diagnostic hysteroscopy, rollerball ablation and resection of fibroids and polyps. These simulators allow levels of difficulty and complications to be introduced in the training model.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Practice outpatient hysteroscopy techniques, including tubal occlusion; 2) obtain practical hands-on experience using virtual reality hysteroscopy simulation; 3) use the range of hysteroscopic equipment currently available; and 4) be updated on endometrial ablation techniques.

1:15pm Welcome, Introductions and Course Overview

Hands-on Stations:

- Essure
- VR Simulators (Virtamed)
- Operative Hysteroscopy- Gynecare, Olympus, Storz and Wolf
- Endometrial Ablation – Thermachoice, HydroTherm Ablation, Novasure, Her Option

Five-Minute Presentations:

- Obtaining the Best Image during Hysteroscopy
  K.J. Neis
- The Resectoscope in Practice
  M.H. Glasier
- Office Hysteroscopy Techniques
  K.B. Isaacsen
- Planning Office Sterilization
  R.K. Zurawin
- Miniature Hysteroscopes – Maximizing their Potential
  A. Di Spiezio Sardo
- Fluid Management – Key Points
  P.D. Indman
- Ablation Techniques – Tailoring the Device to the Patient
  H. Bröllmann

3:15pm Fifteen Minute Refreshment Break
5:15pm Course Evaluation – Adjourn

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PG Course 10

Hands-On Cadaver Course on Sling Placement for Treatment of GUSI

John R. Miklos, Chair

This program explores the various synthetic suburethral sling procedures for a patient presenting with the complaint of stress urinary incontinence. The course lectures will emphasize and preview four different surgical approaches for the treatment of stress urinary incontinence. The hands-on cadaver laboratory will expose or perfect the participants’ use of each of the four different surgical approaches. However, all participants whether gynecologic or urogynecologic surgeons or clinical nursing staff will benefit from the presentations, panel discussions and hands-on experience.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of the course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Discuss and demonstrate four different types of synthetic slings therapies; 2) describe and demonstrate the anatomy which is pertinent to each of the minimally invasive methods including: TVT sling, TOT sling, and new, single incision mini sling; and 3) utilize each minimally invasive sling in a practical setting (i.e. cadaver surgery).

1:15pm Welcome, Introductions and Course Overview
1:20pm TVT Sling – Anatomy, Procedure
  M. Farrugia
1:25pm TOT Sling – Anatomy, Procedure
  E.R. Sokol
1:30pm TVT-O Sling – Anatomy, Procedure
  A.I. Sokol
1:35pm Mini Sling – Anatomy, Procedure
  M.F.R. Paraiso
2:15pm Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
2:30pm Cadaver Laboratory
  All Faculty
4:30pm Refreshment Break
4:45pm Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
5:15pm Course Evaluation – Adjourn

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PG Course 11

Minimally Invasive Approach in Gynecologic Oncology

Farr R. Nezhat, Chair
Faculty: Nadeem Abu-Rustum, Kate O’Hanlan and Pedro T. Ramirez

This course is designed for gynecologic oncologists and gynecologists who wish to expand their experience in radical pelvic surgery. The program will emphasize practical information with multiple video demonstrations of surgical techniques. The program will begin with the fundamental review of intra- and retro-peritoneal anatomy. As laparoscopy has become one of the most common procedures performed in the evaluation of an adnexal mass, a gynecologic oncologist perspective and surgical technique, including staging for borderline and presumed early invasive ovarian cancer, will be demonstrated. Applications and
video demonstrations in managing advanced and recurrent ovarian cancer will follow. Pelvic and para-aortic lymphadenectomy will then be discussed with video displays, as these procedures are highly relevant in managing gynecologic cancer. The application of minimally invasive surgery will also be demonstrated in fertility-sparing procedures for reproductive age patients and in cervical cancer management. Particular emphasis will be placed on the advantages and disadvantages of laparoscopic and robotic approaches to gynecologic malignancies. The pitfalls of laparoscopy in gynecologic oncology will be discussed, followed by identification and management of complications with video demonstrations.

**Learning Objectives:** At the conclusion of the course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Identify retroperitoneal landmarks to develop pelvic spaces; 2) appropriately manage the adnexal mass and ovarian cancer with laparoscopy; 3) describe techniques for pelvic and para-aortic lymphadenectomy; and 4) discuss the advantages and disadvantages of laparoscopic and robotic approaches to managing gynecologic malignancies.

1:15pm  Welcome, Introductions and Course Overview  F.R. Nezhat
1:20pm  Laparoscopic Intraperitoneal and Retroperitoneal Anatomy: Identification of Pelvic Vessels, Nerves, and Spaces; preventing complications  K. O’Hanlan
1:35pm  Laparoscopic Management of the Adnexal Mass, Borderline Ovarian Tumors, and Early Invasive Ovarian Cancer  P.T. Ramirez
1:55pm  Laparoscopy in Managing Advanced and Recurrent Ovarian Cancer  ER. Nezhat
2:15pm  Laparoscopic Pelvic Lymphadenectomy: Anatomy, Nodal Groups, and Dissection Techniques  K. O’Hanlan
2:35pm  Minimally Invasive Fertility-Sparing Surgery in the Management of Cervical Cancer  N. Abu-Rustum
2:55pm  Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
3:05pm  Refreshment Break
3:25pm  Intraperitoneal and Retroperitoneal Para-aortic Lymphadenectomy: Anatomy, Technique, and Instrumentation  P.T. Ramirez
3:45pm  Role of Robotic Assisted Laparoscopic Radical Pelvic Surgery: Pros and Cons  F.R. Nezhat
4:10pm  Pitfalls of Laparoscopy in Managing Gynecologic Malignancies  N. Abu-Rustum
4:30pm  Identification and Management of Complications During Laparoscopic Management of Gynecologic Cancers  P.T. Ramirez
4:50pm  Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
5:15pm  Complete Course Evaluation – Adjourn

**Learning Objectives:** At the conclusion of the course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Describe the evidence in endometriosis; 2) describe the semiology of the disease and explain its different aspects; 3) clarify the indications for surgery; 4) discuss the pre-operative work up; 5) emphasize the particular problem of ovarian endometriosis and clarify the indication and techniques to clear the endometriomas; 6) describe strategic routes for conducting surgery; 7) discuss the place of medical therapy; 8) discuss the problem of post operative adhesions and their relevance in infertility; and 9) discuss the outcomes of different therapies.

1:15pm  Welcome, Introductions and Course Overview  A. Wattiez
1:20pm  Introduction and Evidences in Laparoscopic Treatment of Endometriosis  A. Wattiez
1:40pm  Indication for Surgery  M.S. Abrao
2:00pm  Pre-Surgical Work up  M.S. Abrao
2:20pm  Endometriosis and Ovary  M. Busacca
2:45pm  Surgical Strategy in Deep Endometriosis  A. Wattiez
3:10pm  Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
3:25pm  Refreshment Break
3:40pm  Pre- and Post-Surgical Medical Therapy  M. Busacca
4:20pm  Post-op Adhesions, Recurrences  M.S. Abrao
4:40pm  Complete or Non Complete Treatment: Mathematical Hope or Desire of Well Being  A. Wattiez
5:00pm  Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers
5:15pm  Course Evaluation – Adjourn

**Endometriosis** is a common disease, which, even if benign, impairs the quality of life as well as the fertility of those affected. Endometriosis has different aspects, different locations and is responsible for many different symptoms, of which infertility and pelvic pain are dominant.

The assessment of the disease is largely diagnosed by clinical exam and endovaginal sonography. The place and usefulness of the MRI is still a topic of discussion. Therapeutics approaches are still under discussion. IVF techniques are mainly used for infertility, while surgery is the most effective treatment for pain. Many other aspects such as the efficacy of pre- and post-operative medical treatment as well as the need for a complete treatment are still being discussed. Excision of lesions is more widely accepted compared to coagulation techniques, with the exception of bowel localization, which is debated among different authors. This course is structured to cover all of these questionable issues.

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We as gynecologic surgeons have new and significant options in repairing vaginal support defects that were not available three to four years ago. These new techniques of vaginal dissections and use of meshes are being introduced without much data or experience, and yet more and more of us are jumping on board, despite the risks of significant complications. This course reviews what we know, what we have learned, and when to do and not to do some of these new procedures. The course includes the basics of the relevant anatomy and the science of meshes, as well as many probing questions with a few answers and ample time for discussion. We will welcome your experiences and insights also.

Learning Objectives: At the conclusion of the course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Teach the relevant anatomy of vaginal support and routes of mesh attachment; 2) compare the success rates of reparative vaginal surgeries with and without mesh; 3) analyze the material sciences of biologic meshes and synthetic meshes; 4) present the indications, use, results, and complications of two mesh kits – Prolift from Ethicon and Avaulta from Bard; and 5) discuss the post-graduate training recommended and qualifications for performing these ‘kit’ procedures.

1:15pm Welcome, Introductions and Course Overview
R.M. Rogers

1:25pm The Anatomy of Pelvic Organ Suspension/Support – Functions, Junctions, Dysfunctions and Defects
R.M. Rogers

1:55pm Reparative Vaginal Support Surgery Without Mesh – “the good, the bad and the ugly”
G.N. Cathey

2:15pm The Material and Clinical Science of Biologic Meshes
R.M. Rogers

2:30pm The Material and Clinical Science of Synthetic Meshes
V.R. Lucente

2:50pm The Surgical Anatomy of Routes of Fixation of Meshes: Trans-obturator, Transischioanal, and Trans-vaginal with No Exit
R.M. Rogers

3:10pm Refreshment Break

3:25pm Reparative Vaginal Support Surgery With Mesh – Prolift
V.R. Lucente

4:05pm Reparative Vaginal Support Surgery With Mesh – Avaulta
G.N. Cathey

4:45pm Do You Have the Requisite Training, Experience and Skills to Perform Reparative Vaginal Surgery – With or Without Mesh and the Kits? R.M. Rogers

4:55pm Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers

5:15pm Course Discussion – Adjourn

Supported in part by an unrestricted educational grant from Ethicon Women’s Health & Urology
This course will review the clinical management of patients with adnexal masses. The adequate diagnostic work-up will be thoroughly reviewed to accurately select patients suitable for a laparoscopic procedure and the organization of the surgical strategy according to the results of preoperative evaluation and the laparoscopic view. The correct technique for conservative treatment of benign adnexal masses will be discussed for patients with benign ovarian masses with special attention on how to minimize the damage to the normal ovarian tissue, preserving fertility and ovarian function. The correct indication to laparoscopic adnexitomy will be discussed according to the risks of malignancy and recurrence. Finally, the state of the art of laparoscopic staging of ovarian cancer will be discussed.

**Learning Objectives:** At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to:
1) Recognize sonographic suspicious or malignant masses; 2) manage adnexal masses according to the rules of fertility surgery and gynecologic oncology; and 3) recognize and treat benign masses while preserving fertility and ovarian function.

1:15pm Welcome, Introductions and Course Overview
E. Solima

1:30pm Simple Ovarian Cysts and Suspect Ovarian Malignancies: Diagnostic Work-up and Organization of the Surgical Procedure
J.M. Shwayder

1:50pm Ovarian Cysts Management in Menopause
W.H. Parker

2:10pm Surgical Techniques to Preserve the Ovary and Fertility
L. Muzii

2:30pm The Surgical Dilemma: Cystectomy or Adnexitomy
J.M. Shwayder

3:00pm Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers

3:15pm Refreshment Break

3:30pm Management and Guidelines for Suspect Ovarian Masses
E. Solima

4:00pm The Unexpected Malignancy
L. Muzii

4:30pm What is the Actual Place of Laparoscope Staging in Borderline Tumors and Early Ovarian Cancer?
E. Solima

5:00pm Panel Discussion – Questions & Answers

5:15pm Course Evaluation – Adjourn
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For the past twenty-five years, Dr. Charles E. Miller's practice is solely devoted to the treatment of fertile couples, including In Vitro Fertilization, and the performance of minimally invasive gynecologic surgery, in metropolitan Chicago. Dr. Miller serves as the Director of Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery at Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge, Illinois. He is currently a Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Chicago, as well as a Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago. A graduate of the Honor’s Program in Medical Education of Northwestern University, he completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, Parkland Memorial Hospital. Dr. Miller then matriculated at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania where he earned his fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility.

Dr. Miller is an internationally-renowned expert in the treatment of infertility and minimally invasive gynecologic surgery. He was recently selected by his peers as the number one infertility specialist in the Chicago area, reported by Checkbook.com, the top Internet physician referral site, according to the Wall Street Journal. Dr. Miller has performed live surgery for annual meetings of the AAGL, ASRM, ISGE and SLS. In 1996 and 2002, Dr. Miller was the co-chair of the annual meeting of the ISGE. A member of the Editorial Board of OB-GYN News, Dr. Miller edits the most widely read column in gynecology – “The Master’s Class in Gynecologic Surgery.” Dr. Miller served on the Board of Directors of the Endometriosis Association from 2006 – 2007. He currently is a member of the Clinical Advisory Board of the Endometriosis Association, as well as Resolve, The National Infertility Association. In 2005, Dr. Miller received the “Friend of Resolve” award, and in 2004 he served as the national spokesperson for Resolve’s public awareness campaign “Preserving your Fertility.” Dr. Miller serves on the Editorial Advisory Board of Reviews in Obstetrics and Gynecology and the advisory board of OBGYN.net and OB/GYN Alliance. Dr. Miller has published more than 50 scientific papers. He is co-editor of the textbook Modern Management of Abnormal Uterine Bleeding, First Edition, Informa Healthcare (March 2008).

Dr. Miller has been a very active member of the AAGL, where he is currently the organization’s President. As last year’s Vice President, Dr. Miller also served as the Scientific Program Chair of the AAGL’s 36th Global Congress of Minimally Invasive Gynecology. Dr. Miller has been on the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees since 2006 and served as a member of the Board of Trustees from 1998 – 2000. Dr. Miller was a member of the Editorial Advisory Board of The Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology (JMIG) from 2005 – 2008 and he continues to serve as an ad hoc reviewer for JMIG as well as the Journal of the ASRM, Fertility and Sterility. He is especially proud of his leadership role in launching AAGL’s Patient Awareness Initiative and currently serves as the committee’s chair.
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Boston Scientific
Ethicon Women’s Health & Urology
Gyrus ACMI
Intuitive Surgical
Novare Surgical Systems

Advisors' Breakfast
6:45 AM - 7:45 AM

GENERAL SESSION
8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

Tribute to Jordan M. Phillips, M.D.
8:00 AM - 8:20 AM

Keynote Presentation
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Film and Medicine: Entertainment and Technology from Yesterday to the Future
Resad P. Pasic, Chair
Antonio Setubal & Steven F. Palter

Introduction

Film and Medicine to the Modern Era
In “Film and Medicine to the Modern Era,” Dr. Sebutol will present the history of film and its evolution from the silent era to today. Landmark clips of turn-of-the-century surgery will document medical applications and history.

Film, Video and Medicine: From the Modern Era to Tomorrow
In “Film, Video and Medicine: From the Modern Era to Tomorrow,” Dr. Steven F. Palter will guide us through the evolution of cinema from today’s movie theater and camcorders to a technological future where user-generated content, ultra high definition, 3D, and visualization beyond the limits of the human eye transform both entertainment and medicine.

Adjourn

Refreshment Break – Exhibit Hall
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Plenary 1
Endometrial Ablation

10:30 Essure® Transcervical Sterilization Combined with the Hydro Thermablator® System for Endometrial Ablation: A Perihysterectomy Safety Study

10:41 Comparison of Clinical Outcomes Using Low-Voltage (Cut) Versus High-Voltage (Coag) Waveforms during Hysteroscopic Endometrial Ablation with the Rollerball

10:52 Clinical and Pathological Characteristics of Women Who Had Hysterectomy after Global Endometrial Ablation
Carey ET, El-Nashar SA, Hopkins MR, Creedon DJ, Ajao MO, Cliby WA, Famuyide AO

11:03 Global Endometrial Ablation Efficacy in Women with High Surgical Risk: A Cohort Study
Creedon DJ, El-Nashar SA, Hopkins MR, Ajao MO, Cliby WA, Famuyide AO

11:14 A Preliminary Study of the Safety of Her Option Office Cryoablation Therapy System in Women with Implanted Essure Contraceptive Insert
Presthus JB

11:25 Closing Remarks
11:30 Adjourn

Plenary 2
Understanding and Managing Pain

10:30 Pregnancy Following Botulinum Toxin Type A Injections to the Levator Muscles for Chronic Pelvic Pain and Pelvic Floor Spasm
Eggermont J, Jarvis S,Abbott JA, Vancaillie TG

10:41 Systematic Review of Management of Pelvic Congestion Syndrome
Tu FE, Steege JF

10:52 A Randomized, Single Blind Study of Pain Associated with Two Different Types of Drains Following Gynaecological Laparoscopy

11:03 Nerve Fibers in Uterosacral Ligaments of Women with Deep Infiltrating Endometriosis
Kelm Jr. A, Ayroza Ribeiro P, Lancellotti CLP, Donadio N, Auge APF, Aoki T

11:14 The Laparoscopic Management of Neural Pelvic Pain
Possover M

11:25 Closing Remarks
11:30 Adjourn

Plenary 3
Hysterectomy

10:30 Vaginal Hysterectomy for the Enlarged Fibroid Uterus: A Report of 85 Cases
Quinlan DJ, Quinlan DK

10:41 Comparative Cost Analysis of Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy Versus Total Abdominal Hysterectomy
Svystonyuk S, Nitsch R, Wong H, Matthews J, Liu G, Niles J

10:52 Hysterectomy in the State of California: Has There Been Change?
Solnik MJ, Jakus SM, Markovic D

11:03 Feasibility of 6 Hour Discharge Following Laparoscopic Subtotal Hysterectomy; Analysis of 492 Consecutive Cases
Erian J, Lee C, Chandakas S, Watkinson S, Hill N

11:14 Can Preceptorship Change a Surgical Practice? Post-Intervention Assessment of a Preceptorship Program for Optimizing Minimally Invasive Hysterectomy
Singh G, Shastry S, Thompson B, Robertson D, Lefebvre GG

11:25 Closing Remarks
11:30 Adjourn

Expert Panel 1
Pelvic Floor Reconstructive Surgery

10:30 Introduction
C.Y. Liu, Chair

10:35 Anatomy of Pelvic Floor Support. What's new?
R.M. Rogers

10:45 Is Uterosacral Ligaments Strong Enough for Vaginal Apical Support?
C.Y. Liu

11:00 Minimizing and Management of Mesh/Graft Erosions
R.M. Rogers

11:15 Technical Pearls in Laparoscopic Repair of Organ Prolapse
A.M. Lam

11:20 Questions and Answers
Faculty
11:30 Adjourn

Surgical Tutorial 1
Laparoscopic Myomectomy

10:30 A Novel Ring Forceps Technique for Morcellated Specimen Retrieval Following Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy
Yang IC, Lee TTM

10:34 Different Approaches to Identifying the Obturator Nerve during Laparoscopic Pelvic Lymphadenectomy
Nezhat FR, Liu CS, de Mello Datta MS

10:43 Principles and Practical Applications of Electro surgery in Laparoscopy
Kingston AJ, Lyons SD, Abbott JA, Vancaillie TG

10:52 Laparoscopically-Assisted Removal of a Large Ovarian Dermoid Cyst
DiSciullo AJ, Rosenblatt PL, Ferrandiz TR

11:00 Basic Laparoscopic Suturing Techniques
Cholkeri-Singh A, Miller CE

11:09 Laparoscopic Treatment of Dermoid Cyst

11:18 Laparoscopic Treatment of Pelvic Congestion Syndrome
Nassif J, Zacharopoulou C, Thoma V, Wartiz E

11:25 Closing Remarks
11:30 Adjourn

Video Session 1
Endoscopic Techniques

10:30 Introduction
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Plenary 4
Endoscopic Techniques

11:35 Ultrasound Estimation of Residual Pelvic Fluid Using Two Types of Drains at Laparoscopy: A RCT
Chan KK, Welsh A, Abbott JA

11:46 Stepwise Safe Laparoscopic Port Establishment with Trocarless Cannulae under Direct Visual Guidance
Vilos GA, Ternamian A, Vilos A, Abu-Rafea B, MacLeod NT, Tyrwhitt J

Lemyre M, Kazanegra R, Lathi R, Nezhat C

12:08 Adnexal Torsion in Pregnancy Is Associated with Recurrence Risk – Can We Prevent It?
Pansky M, Maymon R, Feingold M, Herman A, Halperin R, Shneider D, Pansky M

12:19 Single Port Access (SPA™) Salpingoophorectomy: 25 Cases of a Novel Minimal Access Technique
Offer RE, King SA, Atogho A, Shepherd JA, Green M, Harkins GJ, Curcillo II PG

12:30 Closing Remarks
12:35 Adjourn

Plenary 5
Adhesions

11:35 Why Laparoscopic Adhesiolysis Should Not Be a Collateral Victim of Evidence Based Medicine
Roman H, Hulsey TF, Marpeau L, Hulsey TC

11:46 Expression of Fibrinolytic- and Matrix Degradation and Remodeling-Related Genes in Injured Peritoneum that Healed with Adhesions and without Adhesions in a Mouse Model
Kris J, Sachiko M

11:57 An Evaluation of the Adhesion Reduction Efficacy of Seprafilm® Biodegradable Membrane Applied as a Slurry in Two Preclinical Models
Greenawalt KE, Colt J, Corazzini RL, Krauth MC, Holmdahl L

12:08 The Extent of Adhesion Induction through Electrocoagulation in a Rat Model
Wallwiener CW, Kraemer B, Wallwiener M, Rajab T

12:19 Role of Natural Killer Lymphocyte NKG2D Receptor Pathway in Adhesion Development
Alpay Z, Savasan S, Buck S, Zhongliang J, Ravindrannath Y, Diamond MP, Saed GM

12:30 Closing Remarks
12:35 Adjourn

Plenary 6
Hysterectomy

11:35 Laparoscopic-Assisted Vaginal Hysterectomy Versus Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy for the Non-Prolapsed Uterus
Ghomi A, Abdelkader A, Einarsson JI

11:46 Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy - Retrospective Analysis of 1448 Cases for Bladder, Ureteric and Rectal Injuries and Post Operative Bleeding
Singh SJ

11:57 Oophorectomy as a Risk Factor for Coronary Heart Disease: A Systematic Review
Jacoby VL, Grady D, Sawaya GF

12:08 Trial of an Advanced Bipolar Electrosurgical Vessel Sealer Versus Traditional Ligation Techniques in Vaginal Hysterectomy

12:19 The Effect of BMI on Operative Time for Laparoscopic Versus Open Hysterectomy
Lipkin LE, Nimaoff ML

12:30 Closing Remarks
12:35 Adjourn

Surgical Crossfire Debate 1
Minimally Invasive Hysterectomy vs. Ablation for Medically Unmanageable Menorrhagia
Ronald L, Levine, Chair
Hysterectomy: Thomas L. Lyons vs. Ablation: Richard J. Gimpelson

Surgical Tutorial 2
Prolapse – Laparoscopic Approach
C.Y. Liu, Arnaud Wattiez

Video Session 2
Fibroids

11:35 Robot Assisted Laparoscopic Excision of a Cervical Myoma
Wang KC, Kim JH, Advincula AP

11:43 Bidirectional Barbed Suture for Laparoscopic Myomectomy
Greenberg JA, Einarsson JI

11:51 Laparoscopic Closure of Myometrium of Myoma Defect Made Easy: Laprot™
Kondrup JD

11:59 New Technique for the Laparoscopic Myomectomy Using the Endo-Knife
Lee JY, Kim YJ

12:07 Laparoscopic Uterine Artery Occlusion with Myomectomy
Einarsson JI

12:14 The Digging and Peeloff Method (DP Method) by Using the Blunt-Tip Steel Pole of the Myomatous Mass through the Laparoscopic Myomectomy
Eun DS, Choi J, Shin KS, Ha JA

12:20 Robotic Myomectomy for Intramural Leiomyomata
Dwadkar GB, Falcone T

12:30 Closing Remarks
12:35 Adjourn
Honorary Address

My 32-Year Journey with the AAGL

Changes and Advances in Operative Gynecology

Salutations, Tributes and Future Commitments

Clinical Professor
The University of of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas • Dallas, Texas

Dr. Brian Cohen was born and raised in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, Africa. He attended the University of Cape Town (UCT) in South Africa where he graduated M.B. Ch.B. in 1966 with first class honors in obstetrics and gynecology. During his OB/GYN residency, he spent a year with Professor Phillip Rhodes and Mr. Ronald Taylor at St. Thomas' Hospital, University of London. He obtained his British boards (M.R.C.O.G.) and South African boards (F.C.O.G. (S.A.)) in Obstetrics and Gynecology in 1971. He returned to Cape Town as Senior Lecturer and Consultant and Head of Reproductive Surgery and Andrology. Dr. Cohen was a pioneer in microsurgery and completed a four-year research program at the UCT, which culminated in his performing the world's first human vascularized fallopian tube transplant in 1974. Operative techniques were devised from this work. Dr. Cohen was awarded a post-doctoral M.D. from the University of Cape Town together with the prestigious Bronte-Stewart Research Prize awarded for the most meritorious thesis for the degree of M.D., Ph.D. or Ch.M. in 1975.

In 1976, he was recruited by the University of Tennessee as Associate Professor and Head of Reproductive Surgery under Professor James R. Givens. In 1980, he was Chief of Reproductive Surgery at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in Cleveland where he completed a fellowship in reproductive endocrinology at Case Western Reserve University under Dr. Brian Little. He is Board certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology and its subspecialty, reproductive endocrinology, Fellow of the American College of Endocrinology, Fellow of the International College of Surgeons and is a charter member of the Society of Reproductive Surgeons.

A Clinical Professor at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, Dr. Cohen has served on numerous continuing education and ethics committees together with Institutional Review Boards. Dr. Cohen was head of Reproductive Surgery at Presbyterian Hospital of Dallas and subsequently Chief of Reproductive Endocrinology at Medical City Dallas Hospital. Dr. Cohen has published more than 20 original papers in peer review journals, 16 book chapters and two books. He is an ad hoc reviewer for Obstetrics & Gynecology and Fertility and Sterility.

In 1977, his first presentation at the AAGL was a documentary on fallopian tube transplantation. This movie was awarded the ACOG Most Outstanding Film in 1978. Dr. Cohen innovated many teaching methods in microsurgery within the AAGL and served on the faculty of every national microsurgical course offered by the organization. He was privileged to assist Dr. Victor Gomel with multiple microsurgical courses at the University of British Columbia. He subsequently ran his own national courses in Cleveland and Dallas. Dr. Cohen has taught microsurgery to more than 3,000 physicians in the U.S. and globally. In keeping with a tradition of international teaching of the AAGL, in 1981 he presented two major hands-on microsurgical training programs in Italy at the University of Palermo and the University of Bologna. He has presented over a hundred lectures on reproductive surgery, vaginal sonography, infertility and recurrent miscarriage throughout the United States, Great Britain, Israel, Southern Africa and India.
Dr. Cohen served several terms as a trustee on the Board of the AAGL and was President of the organization in 1993. He innovated teaching programs for nurses and operating room personnel and instigated the workshop for residents and fellows, which he chaired from 1993 to 2000. He led multiple courses in vaginal sonography and took surgical teaching teams to the University of Cape Town, University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg and the University of Zimbabwe in Harare from 1977 through 2006.

Dr. Cohen was a founding editor of the Journal of the AAGL now The Journal of Minimally Invasive Gynecology and founding president of the Accreditation Council of Gynecologic Endoscopy (ACGE). The ACGE was established at a time when creditability in the field of operative endoscopy was aggressively questioned. Dr. Cohen played a significant role in facilitating review and inclusion of endoscopic publications in prestigious, national gynecological journals at a time when this was not an acceptable practice.

Dr. Cohen is a clinician who has been directly involved in patient care throughout his 42 year medical career. Dr. Cohen is humbled by his life-long privilege of studying with many great teachers in various locations throughout the world. He is the proud husband of Rose for over 43 years, father of three married children and grandfather of seven. He has made multiple contributions to the AAGL and has assisted in the growth and development of many colleagues both nationally and internationally. We are happy to welcome him as honorary chair for the year 2008.
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Plenary 7
Management of Myomas

2:30 Both Post-Procedure Color Doppler Ultrasonography and Contrast-Enhanced MRI Can Predict Risk of Recurrence after Treatment of Uterine Fibroids with Vascular Occlusion Methods
   Hald K
2:41 Rate, Type and Cost of Invasive Interventions for Uterine Fibroids in Germany, France, and England
   Farrugia M, Fernandez H, Jones S, Maukopf JA, Oppelt P, Subramanian D
2:52 Robotic Assisted Laparoscopic Myomectomy Compared with Standard Laparoscopic Myomectomy – A Retrospective Matched Control Study
   Nezhat C, Lavie O, Hsu S, Barnett O, Lemyre M
3:03 Laparoscopy Versus Minilaparotomy in Women with Symptomatic Uterine Myomas: A Prospective Randomized Study
   Cicinelli E, Tinelli R, Colafiglio G
3:14 How Do Fibroids Affect Quality of Life? Results from the CHASM (Cross-Sectional Survey of HRQoL And Symptoms of Myoma) Study on 2570 Women with Known Fibroids or Symptoms Suggestive of Fibroids
   Downes E, Sikirica V, Gilabert Estellés J, Subramanian D, Maroulis C, Bolge SC
3:25 Closing Remarks
3:30 Adjourn

Plenary 8
Hysteroscopy and Endometrial Ablation

2:30 Post-Essure Hysterosalpingography Compliance in a Clinic Population
   Shavell VI, Abdallah ME, Diamond MP, Knak DC, Berman JM
2:41 An Objective Structured Assessment of Technical Skills (OSATS) in Operative Hysteroscopy
   Chahine EB, Janakiraman V, Robinson J, Alagia DP, Marfori C, Gaba N, Keller J
2:52 Hysteroscopic Diagnosis of Uterine Ateriovenous Malformation
   Indman PD, Douglas BP
3:03 Long-Term Follow-Up of Hysteroscopic Sterilization with the Essure® Micro-Insert
   Bradley LD, Price TM, Van Herendael BJ, Cayuela E
3:14 Uterine Sounding: Is There a Difference between Blind and Hysteroscopically-Directed Measurements?
   Munro MG, Guerrero JM
3:25 Closing Remarks
3:30 Adjourn

Plenary 9
Urogynecology

2:30 Standard of Care Outcomes Using Minimally Invasive Mesh Products for Treating Prolapse
   Zylstra S, Alexander JS, Ganabathi K
2:41 Study of the Alterations of 100 Meshes Excised for Complications after Stress Urinary Incontinence or Pelvic Organ Prolapses Surgery
   Clavé A, Clavé H, Hammou JC, Yah Mountasser H, Cosson M, Laugier JP, Gounon P
2:52 Impact of Closure Technique on Extrusion Outcomes in 54 Women Treated with Type I, Polypropylene Mesh for Vaginal Prolapse
   Beyer R
3:03 The Laparoscopic Implantation of Neuroprosthesis to the Pelvo-Abdominal Nerves for Treatment of Neurogenic Bladder Dysfunctions
   Posover M
3:25 Closing Remarks
3:30 Adjourn

Expert Panel 2
Vaginal Surgery – The Best Natural Orifice
Victor Gomel, Chair
Leila V. Adamyan, Barbara S. Levy

2:30 Introduction
   V. Gomel
2:40 Vaginal Hysterectomy: Current place and importance
   B.S. Levy
3:00 Surgical Treatment of Urinary Stress Incontinence and Genital Prolapse by Vaginal Approach
   L.V. Adamyan
3:20 Questions and Answers
3:30 End of Session

Surgical Tutorial 3
3D Robotic Surgery
Arnold P. Advincula, Javier F. Magrina

Video Session 3
Endometriosis

2:30 Laparoscopic Excision of Rectovaginal Nodule
   Jain N
2:38 A Case of Successful Laparoscopic Treatment of Bladder Endometriosis
2:47 A Nerve-Sparing Extensive Laparoscopic Surgery for Endometriosis
   Kanao HK
2:56 Convex Lens Resection Method Is an Effective Strategy for Laparoscopic Adenomyomectomy
   Ota Y, Andou M, Kanao H, Takagi Y, Hada T
3:05 The Pelvic Autonomous Nerves: Surgical Anatomy in Radical Laparoscopic Excision of Endometriosis
   Pereira RMA, Zanatta A, Fonseca III J, Seraphini P, de Paula FF, Preti CCL
3:14 Laparoscopic Excision of Endometriotic Bladder Nodule and Repair of Cystotomy
   Kung RC, Liu G, Lie K
3:20 Laparoscopic Resection of Rectal Endometriosis
   Roman H, Tuech JJ, Marpeau L
3:25 Closing Remarks
3:30 Adjourn
Open Communications 1

3:35 Retroperitoneal Lymphadenectomy by N.O.T.E.S Technique in Porcine Model: Feasibility and Survival Study
Nassif J, Zacharopoulou C, Perretta S, Dallemagne B, Marescaux J, Wattiez A

3:41 N.O.T.E.S and Gynecology
Zacharopoulou C, Nassif J, Wattiez A

3:47 Robotic Uterine Artery Occlusion: Alternative Techniques
Lichtinger M

3:53 Comparative Study of Female Surgery Contraception Access: Microlaparoscopy Versus Minilaparotomy
Modotte WP, Modotti III CC, Lasmar R, Dias DS, Dias R

3:59 Adenomyosis and Endometriosis Surgical Treatment
Mertler L

4:05 Management of Cervical Stump after Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy: Review of 115 Cases and Currently Available Literature
Matute A, Cano A, Cano C, Serrano AL

4:11 Robot-Assisted Laparoscopic Surgery in Gynecology: Scientific Dream or Reality?
Lavie O, Nezhat F, Unal E, Liedstrand B, Nezhat C, Nezhat C

4:17 Robot-Assisted Laparoscopic Presacral Neurectomy: Technique and Surgical Outcomes
Nezhat CH, Morozov VV

4:23 Laparoscopic Excision of an Unruptured Cornual Ectopic Pregnancy: Case Report and Literature Review
Krishnan S, Hur H-C

4:29 Laparoscopic Cornuotomy Using a Temporary Tourniquet Suture and Diluted Vasopressin Injection in Interstitial Pregnancy
Eun D-S, Choi YS, Shin K-S, Choi J

4:35 Study of 260 Ectopic Pregnancies (A Gynaecologist’s Professional Lifetime Experience)
Rahimi MA

4:41 Outpatient Laparoscopic Hysterectomy
Kahn BS, Byrd K, Furlong D, Park S, Willems J

4:47 Single Port Access (SPA) Surgery: 30 Case Applications in Gynecologic Oncology
Offer RE, Shepherd JA, Curcillo II PG

4:53 Clinical Significance of Insulation Failures in Laparoscopic and Robotic Instruments

4:59 Intestinal Fistula after Laparoscopic Segmental Resection of Rectosigmoid Deep Infiltrating Endometriosis (DIE) is Not Associated to the Distance from the Internal Anal Sphincter
Ribeiro PA, Rodrigues FC, Rossini LG, Ribeiro HA, Aoki T

5:05 Closing Remarks
5:10 Adjourn

Open Communications 2

3:35 Post Ablation Cornual Endosalpingoblastosis (PACE) McCausland AM

3:41 Review of 710 Cases of Endometrial Ablation, Spanning Seven Years Experience; with the Use of the HTA System for Hysterectomy Reduction Due to Menorrhagia
Donovan AJ

3:47 Can Endometrial Ablation Technique Effectiveness Be Properly Compared without Considering the Uteruses Treated? A Retrospective Review of 172 Cases of HTA, Novasure and ThermaChoice
Reilly GP, Savells A

Is Bipolar Radio-Frequency Endometrial Ablation More Effective Than Thermal Balloon in the Management of Menorrhagia? A Population-Based Cohort Study
El-Nashar SA, Hopkins MR, Creedon DJ, Cliby WA, Fumayide AO

Kamel MAM, Darwish EA, El Tawab SS

3:59 Retrospective Study about the Prevalence of Neoplastic Pathology in Symptomatic and Asymptomatic Endometrial Polyps in Postmenopausal Women

4:05 Treatment of Intruterine Adhesion Related Infertility
Sun J, Zhao D

4:11 Office Ultrasound-Guided Hysteroscopic Tubal Cannulation
Alanis J, Septien JM, Reyes Paredes N, Topete R

4:17 NovaSure® Endometrial Ablation Following Essure® Hysteroscopic Sterilization: Retrospective Analysis of a Case Series
Kulbersh DL

4:23 Prospective Analysis of Pain Tolerance during Radiofrequency Endometrial Ablation Using Local Anesthesia and Mild Sedation in the Premenopausal Patient
Curd II GL, Starcher R, Vassas M, Nelson K

4:29 Successful Pregnancy and Premature Delivery at 32 Weeks after Microwave Endometrial Ablation: What to Look for and How to Successfully Manage
Alexander JH

4:35 Safety, Efficacy, Effectiveness and Feasibility of Her Option Endometrial Ablation in Solo OBGYN Private Practice
Chaddha JS

4:41 Complications Associated with Essure Sterilization Procedure: Utility of the Manufacturer and User Device Experience Database
Wang SL, Jacobson MT

4:47 Hysteroscopy Directed Biopsy of First Trimester Abortions for Cytogenetic Evaluation
Abdallah ME, Awonuga AO, Puscheck EE

4:53 Symptoms and Clinical Course in Women with Incidentally Diagnosed Endometrial Polyps
Lieng M, Istre O, Qvigstad E

5:05 Closing Remarks
5:10 Adjourn

Industry Sponsored Symposia

5:15 PM - 7:15 PM – See pages 67-73 for Symposia listings
Open Communications 3
Urogynecology

3:35 False Negative Rate of Urodynamic Testing in Diagnosing Occult Incontinence in Patients with Advance Prolapse
Hessami SH, Hassan KA, Guan X, Diarbakerli F, Yang M


3:47 Validation of a Modified PISQ-12, the Short Form of the Pelvic Organ Prolapse/Urinary Incontinence Sexual Questionnaire, Which Assess Sexual Activity and Sexual Preferences

3:53 Laparoscopic Paravaginal Repair for Anterior Compartment Pelvic Organ Prolapse
Seman E, O’Shea RT, Cook J, Behnia-Willison F, Lam C, Vanspaunen R

3:59 IVS® Versus I-STOP® in Infracoccygeal Sacropexy Procedure: A Comparative Study

4:05 Different Methods of Surgical Treatment of Genital Prolapses: Prolift and Laparoscopic Sacrocolpopexy – Russian Experience
Popov A

4:11 Long-Term Results after Trans-Vaginal Cystocele Repair Using a Tension-Free Polypropylene Mesh
Letouzey V, de Tayrac R, Deffieux X, Fernandez H

4:17 Short-Term Assessment of MiniArc™ Single Incision for Treatment of Stress Urinary Incontinence
Presthus JB, VanDrie D, Weprin S, Erickson T

4:23 A Cadaveric Model for Determining Soft Tissue Fixation Strength for Pelvic Reconstructive Surgery
Jane-Michel M, Castillo PA, Davila GW

4:29 Efficacy, Functional Outcomes and Adverse Effects of Low-Weight Polypropylene Mesh for Prolapse Repair
Kohli N, Zipper R

4:35 Risk Factors for De Novo or Worsening Urinary Incontinence Following Minimally Invasive Surgery for Pelvic Floor Disorders
Stepp KJ, Dharmani AA

4:41 Comparing Outcomes of Laparoscopic and Abdominal Sacrocolpopexies
Jakus SM, Lam J, Hall C

4:47 The Laparoscopic Implantation of Neuroporthesis to the Sacral Nerve Roots for Recovery a Electrical-Induced Micturition in Paralyzed Patients
Posover M

4:53 Indication of Laparoscopic Re-Operation after Sacrocolpopexy
Gastaldi C, Baulon E, Wattiez A

4:59 Laparoscopic Sacrocolpopexy: Vaginal Attachment of the Meshes Is Not Associated with an Increased Risk of Erosion
Chapron C, Pierre G, Lafay-Piller MC, Chopin N, Borghese B, Foulot H

5:06 Closing Remarks
5:10 Adjourn

Video Session 4
Oncology

3:35 How to Laparoscopically Minimize Invasiveness in Endometrial Cancer Operation
Hoshiba T, Maekawa M, Hirabuki S, Sasaki H

3:44 Bilateral Cystadenomas, Large & Small
Ayala R, Nevarez RA, Morales ML, Anaya HR, Mota M, Bustos HH, Ibarra V

3:53 Laparoscopic Nerve Sparing Radical Hysterectomy (LNS-RH)
Puntambekar SP, Patil AM, Kulkarni MA, Puntambekar SS

4:02 Two Step Laparoscopic Vascular Injury Repair
Andou M

4:11 Laparoscopic Debulting in Stage IIIIC Ovarian Cancer - Our Experience: Video Presentation
Patil AM, Puntambekar SP, Puntambekar SS, Kashyap MA, Kulkarni MA

4:20 Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Splenectomy
Brown J, Bevers MW, Ramirez PT, Frumovitz M

4:29 Macroscopic Para-Aortic Metastasis in Locally Advanced Cervical Cancer with Negative Imaging
Ramirez PT, Soliman PT, Pareja R, Schmeler KM

4:35 Laparoscopic Total Pelvic Exenteration: Palliation for Advanced Carcinoma Cervix
Puntambekar SP, Kulkarni MA, Patil AM, Puntambekar SS

4:44 Laparoscopic Optimal Debulking Surgery for Ovarian Cancer
Choi JS

4:51 Robotic Radical Trachelectomy for Preservation of Fertility in Early Cervical Cancer: Description of Technique
Burnett AE, Stone PJB, Sellers M, Roman JJ

5:05 Closing Remarks
5:10 Adjourn

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Industry Sponsored Breakfasts

6:00 AM - 7:45 AM

CooperSurgical
LSI Solution

Women Surgeons' Breakfast

6:45 AM - 7:45 AM

This networking breakfast has been designed to provide a venue for female surgeons to gather in an informal environment. This year's breakfast will feature an exciting discussion. Join us for a lively breakfast to laugh, share and learn.

Announcement of Best Scientific Posters

8:00 AM - 8:05 AM

James B. Robinson III, Chair

Telesurgery Session

8:05 AM - 9:15 AM

Side-by-Side Sacral Colpopexy Telesurgies

Edward Stanford, Moderator
Barry Jarnagin, Eric Sokol, Co-Moderators

Join in a unique telesurgery experience, as two surgeries are performed simultaneously using different techniques to treat the same condition. Audience response monitors will be used to gain instant feedback from the audience about the advantages and disadvantages of each approach. You will be able to see instant results of how your colleagues judge the approaches used in the two surgeries. This will be an exceptional educational experience.

Robotic Sacral Colpopexy

Patrick Culligan, Surgeon
Morristown Memorial Hospital
Morristown, New Jersey

Laparoscopic Sacral Colpopexy

Ginger N. Cathey, Surgeon
Woman's Hospital of Texas
Houston, Texas

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Refreshment Break – Exhibit Hall

9:15 AM - 10:30 AM
The purpose of this session is to bring to light the need for healthcare professionals to understand the issues surrounding pelvic health and the alternatives for treatment. Patient safety will be discussed with emphasis on proper patient positioning for patients undergoing laparoscopic surgery. Included in this discussion will be appropriate documentation on the patient record including the type of devices used such as protective padding and stirrups.

One additional topic that will be discussed are successful ways to involve the O.R. team in providing a rapid turnover between surgeries and how this involves everyone from the person who schedules the surgeries, to the entire team so that time and money are not wasted and most of all patients receive optimal, safe care.

Faculty will discuss the alternatives and options for women who have pelvic health conditions. Time will be set aside at the end of the session for panel discussion including questions and answers of faculty and participants on the topics covered during the morning session.

**Learning Objectives:** At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to:
1. Differentiate alternative treatments for menorrhagia, uterine fibroids, types of hysterectomy and pelvic floor prolapse;
2. Discuss the reasons why accurate patient positioning is so important including anatomical considerations in each patient and how to prevent injuries; and
3. Discuss strategies to develop efficient turnover of surgical rooms with emphasis placed on scheduling, role of team members, impact economically, patient safety and quality of patient care.

**Special Interest Session**

**8:00 AM – 12:00 NOON**

**Pelvic Health: Alternatives and Patient Options – Know the Answers!**

*Wendy Winer, Chair*

*Faculty: Teresa Jersild, Regina Montero, Arnold A. Advincula and Asia A. Stepanian*

**8:00am** Introductions

8:15am MRI Focused Ultrasound for Uterine Fibroids

A. Stepanian

8:45am LAVH vs. LSH vs. TLH vs. VH vs. TAH

W. Winer

9:15am Hysteroscopic Treatments for Menorrhagia

R. Montero

9:45am Patient Positioning Made Easy

A. Advincula

10:15am Refreshment Break

10:30am Efficient Turnover

T. Jersild

11:00am What is Pelvic Floor Prolapse?

W. Winer

11:30am Panel Discussion with Q & A

All Faculty

12:00 Adjourn

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**Plenary 10**

**Pregnancy Issues**

10:30 Clinical Algorithm for Evaluation and Management of Interstitial (Cornual) Ectopic Pregnancies

Kroetz SP, Frishman GN

10:41 Three-Dimensional (3D) Coded Contrast Imaging: A New Ultrasound Approach To Evaluate Tubal Patency

Exacoustos C, Zupi E, Szabolcs B, Romanini ME, Falkensammer P, Gabardi C, Arduini D

10:52 Extensive Excision of Deep Infiltrative Endometriosis before In Vitro Fertilization Significantly Improves Pregnancy Rates

Bianchi PHM, Zanatta A, Hassan PA, Alegretti JR, Motta ELA, Serafini PC

11:03 Efficacy of Ovarian Drilling by Transvaginal Hydrolaparoscopy for Infertility Due to Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome

Poujade O, Kane A, Deffieux X, Gervais A, Faire E, Frydman R, Fernandez H

11:14 Modified Uterine Transplant Procedure in the Sheep Model

Ramirez ER, Ramirez HA, Ramirez Nesetti DK, Nesetti MBR, Pillari VT, Khatamee M

11:25 Closing Remarks

11:30 Adjourn

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**Plenary 11**

**Endometriosis**

10:30 Different Sonographic Approaches Are Able to Assess Accurately the Extension of Deep Pelvic Endometriosis

Exacoustos C, Zupi E, Amadio A, Szabolcs B, Concetta A, Romanini ME, Arduini D


Zagatti MF, Ribeiro PA, Rodrigues FC, Ribeiro HA, Lima SR, Aoki T

10:52 A Double-Blind RCT of Surgical Excision of Endometriosis: Secondary Outcomes

Deans R, Hawe J, Garry R, Abbott JA

11:03 Long-Term Postoperative Oral Contraceptive Therapy and Ovarian Endometrioma Recurrence. A Randomized Controlled Trial


11:14 How Transvaginal Ultrasonography Can Help in the Indication of Surgical Treatment of Rectal Endometriosis

Goncalves MO, Dias, Jr. JA, Podgacek S, Rossini L, Abrao MS

11:25 Closing Remarks

11:30 Adjourn
Plenary 12
Urogynecology II

10:52 A Prospective Multi-Center Clinical Trial Evaluating the Apogee System for the Treatment of Posterior Vaginal Wall and Apical Prolapse: A Sub-Analysis of Apical Extrusions with or without Concomitant Hysterectomy  Lukban JC, Erickson T, Virelles M, Flaherty J, Beyer R, Moore RD, Hodroff M, Freedman SJ, McCammon KA, Gambla MT
11:03 Prior Repair Moore RD, Beyer R, Jacoby K, Freedman SJ, McCammon KA, Gambla MT
11:14 Closing Remarks
11:30 Adjourn

Open Communications 4
Oncology

10:42 Laparoscopic Assisted Vaginal Hysterectomy for Endometrial Cancer  George SM, Morgan L
10:54 A Comparison of Post-Operative Analgesic Use in 3 Different Surgical Staging Modalities for Early Stage Endometrial Cancer  Jairam-Thodla A, Hoekstra A, Lowe PM
11:00 Exploration of Retroperitoneum by Notes Techniques  Zacharopoulou C, Nassif J, Perretta S, Dallemagne B, Marescaux J, Wattiez A
11:12 Effect of Robotic Surgery on a Gynecologic Oncology Fellowship Training Program  Hoekstra AV, Jairam-Thodla A, Berry E, Lurain JR, Buttin BM, Singh DK, Schinkel JC, Lowe MP
11:28 Closing Remarks
11:30 Adjourn

Surgical Tutorial 4
Laparoscopic Hysterectomy  Thomas L. Lyons, Flavia Zullo

Video Session 5
Hysterectomy and Endometrial Ablation

10:30 Surgery after Uterine Artery Embolization  Park AJ, Moon E, Newman JS, Bradley LD
10:38 Office and Operative Hysterectomy  Smith RC, Franklin TE, Pasic RP
10:47 Hysteroscopic Myometrectomy – Resident Teaching Video  Furlow ML, Isaacson KB
10:56 Uterine Septa Treated with Hysteroscopic Metroplasty  Istré O
11:05 Office Endometrial Ablation Using BiPolar Radio Frequency  Della Badia CR
11:13 “See & Treat” Hysterectomy in Daily Practice  Di Spiezio Sardo A, Bettocchi S, Guida M, Bifulco G, Greco E, Nappi C
11:22 Hysteroscopic Treatment and Sonohysterographic Examination of Women with Intermenstrual Bleeding Due to Previous Cesarean Delivery Scar Defect  Chang Y, Kay N
11:25 Closing Remarks
11:30 Adjourn
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11:35 AM - 12:35 PM

Plenary 13
Oncology

12:08  Free Floating Malignant Cells during Laparoscopy for Gynecologic Malignancy  Hibner M, Magrina JF, Magtibay PM
12:30  Closing Remarks
12:35  Adjourn

Plenary 14
Hysteroscopy and Endometrial Ablation

11:35  The Need for Paracervical Block in Office-Based Hysteroscopic Sterilization: A Double-Blind, Randomized, Placebo-Control Study  Chudnoff SG, Levine MD, Daif JL, Kaiser B
11:46  Hysteroscopic Resection of Submucosal Fibroids Exclusively in Cervical Block – Is it Feasible?  Clevin L, Boujida VH
12:08  Hysterometry, Bipolar Energy, Fallopian Tube Patency, Age, and Body Surface Area Are Not Predictors of Intra-vasation in Operative Hysteroscopy de Andrade CM, Santos LCS, Nogueira EA, Crispi CP, Fonseca MF, Raymundo TS
12:30  Closing Remarks
12:35  Adjourn

Video Session 6
Hysterectomy and Fibroids

11:35  Large Pedunculated Myoma and Adhesions  Ayala R, Nevarez RA, Anaya HR, Mota M, Bustos HH
11:44  Laparoscopic Myomectomy: Enucleation of the Myoma by Direct Morcellation  Choi YJ, Jung SK, Jung MH, Huh CY
11:53  Uterine Manipulator, the Dionisi Elevator  Dionisi HJ
12:02  Hysterectomy on Large (900cc) Uteri  Kamergorodsky G, Severino Junior C, Lemos N, Kondo L, Pereira D, Ribeiro FA, Aoki T
12:06  Recent Conceptions of Nerve Sparing Radical Hysterec-tomy under the Magnified View of Laparoscopy  Lee YS
12:15  Laparoscopic Hysterectomy of the Very Large Uterus  Zisow DL
12:30  Closing Remarks
12:35  Adjourn

Surgical Crossfire Debate 2
To Robot or Not To Robot
Anthony A. Luciano
Pro: Javier F. Magrina vs. Con: Tommaso Falcone

Surgical Tutorial 5
Pelvic Sidewall and Cul-de-Sac Dissection
Grace M. Janik, Ceeana H. Nezhat

Video Session 7
Endometriosis II

11:35  Systematic Surgical Approach for DIE of the Posterior Compartment  Raymundo TS, Panisset KS, Pinho de Oliveira MA, Crispi CP, Oliveira FM
11:44  Resection of Deep Endometriosis  Chokkeri-Singh A, Miller CE
12:02  Dissection of Endometriosis from Cul-de-Sac and Pelvic Sidewall Using Ultrasonic Energy  Santomauro AG, Ferzandi TR
12:09  Laparoscopic Treatment of Ureteral Endometriosis  Kaufman Y, Alturki H, Lam A
12:18  Minimally Invasive Ureteric Reimplantation in Severe Endometriosis  Galletto D, Cavalli N, Tanaka MT, Mendes, Jr. JB, Tanaka AS, Cavalli LO, Pacagnan EF
12:26  Neutral Argon Plasma in Laparoscopic Management of Endometriosis  Nezhat CH, Morozov V
12:33  Closing Remarks
12:35  Adjourn

Oral Poster Presentations
Boxed Luncheon in Exhibit Hall
12:45 PM - 2:30 PM

Exhibit Hall Open
12:45 PM - 3:00 PM
Fellowship in Gynecologic Endoscopy Luncheon

12:45 PM - 1:45 PM
Grace M. Janik, Chair

The Fellowship will hold its annual graduation ceremony for those fellows who have completed either a 1-year or 2-year program. Join the Fellowship Board of Directors as they thank the site preceptors and congratulate the next generation of leaders in minimally invasive gynecology. This luncheon is free to all residents and fellows and to physicians who would like to attend to learn more on how they can be a preceptor site. Register online at www.aagl.org or see page 77-79 for a registration form.
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2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Open Communications 5
Hysterectomy

2:30  Endocervical Coring at Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy Removes a Majority of Endocervical Glands
Makai GEH, Rosenblatt PL, Kamat BR, DiSciullo AJ

2:36  Safety and Efficiency of Bipolar Electrocoagulation for Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy
Song J, Hsu C-D

2:42  Laparoscopic Hysterectomy on an Out-Patient Basis: One Year’s Experience in an Urban HMO Setting
Kivnick S, Yera RE

2:48  Incidence, Risk Factors, Indications and Complication Rates of Cesarean Hysterectomy
Cordoba M, Diamond MP, Bahado-Singh RO, Awonuga AO, Dbouk T, Kumar S, Imudia AN

2:54  Intraoperative Blood Loss during Hysterectomy in Women with Benign Uterine Diseases: Comparison of Two Laparoscopic Approaches
Wang Y, Bissonnette F, Bleau G

3:00  Retrospective Analysis of Body Mass Index in 352 Consecutive Cases of Laparoscopic Assisted Hysterectomy with Retropertioneal Uterine Artery Ligation at its Origin
Mackoul P, Puri R, Khoury S, Sheridan M, Abdallah RT

3:06  Retrospective Review of 716 Women Who Underwent Different Types of Hysterectomy
Matute Labrador A, Ortiz Ruiz ME, del Pilar Reyna Arias ML, Garcia Ruiz R

3:12  Robotic Hysterectomy: A Promising Option for Removal of the Large Uterus
Briggs AB, Landeen LB

3:18  Hysterectomy for Uteri Weighing More Than 500 Grammes: Laparotomy Versus Vaginal Surgery
Letouzey V, Deffieux X, Gervaise A, Frydman R, Fernandez H

3:24  A Review of 200 Cases of Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy
Na YJ, Kim HG, Park JS, Kim TG, Sun ST

3:28  Closing Remarks

3:30  Adjourn

Affiliated Society Session
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Program to be announced.

Surgical Crossfire Debate 3
Should Intramural Fibroids Be Removed in Infertile Patients?
Alan H. DeCherney
Pro: Charles E. Miller vs. Con: Elizabeth A. Stewart

Surgical Tutorial 6
Hysteroscopic Surgery
Barry Sanders, George A. Vilos

Video Session 8
Infertility, Endometriosis & Urogynecology

2:30  Laparoscopic Tubal Anastomosis: The One-Suture Technique
Al-Khaduri M, Kadoch J, Bissonnette F, Lapansree L

2:39  Laparoscopic Treatment of Genitourinary Prolapse
Dionisi HJ

2:48  Recognition and Management of Ureteral Injury during Laparoscopic Hysterectomy
Ferland RJ

2:51  Laparoscopic Management of Cervical Agenesis
Kriplani A, Garg P, Sharma M, Lyngdoh BT

3:00  Laparoscopic Management of Significant Uterovaginal Prolapse
Jain N

3:08  Robotic Extravesical Uteronecystostomy
Maurice JM, Hibner M

3:15  Tips for Successful Laparoscopic Radical Excision of Advanced Endometriosis Lesions
Sun CH

3:24  Robot Assisted Laparoscopic Resection of Rectovaginal Nodules
Kim JH, Wang KC, Advincula AP

3:29  Closing Remarks

3:30  Adjourn

Video Session 9
Endoscopic Techniques II

2:30  Laparoscopic Cornuotomy for Interstitial (Cornual) Pregnancy in a Fibroid Uterus
Quaa AM, Einarsson JI

2:36  Neovaginoplasty with Left External Pudendal Artery Perforator Flap
Han CM, Lee CL, Huang JJ, Cheng MH

2:44  Total Laparoscopic Vaginal Reconstruction Using Sigmoid Colon in a Case of Rokitansky-Kuster-Hauser Syndrome
Kuno A, Tanase Y, Saeki A, Oku H, Matsumoto T, Ikuma K

2:52  Salpingostomy: The Appropriate Laparoscopic Conservative Treatment for Ectopic Pregnancy
Dubuisson JB, Vlastos AT, Dubuisson J, Wenger JM, Jacob S

3:01  Robotic-Assisted Bilateral Fallopian Tubal Reanastomosis
Nezhat FR, Liu CS

3:10  Treatment and Diagnosis of Non-Tubal Ectopic Pregnancies
Istre O

3:18  To Fear or Not to Fear, Cancer is the Question
Ujvari A, Fulop I, Szakonyi T, Ambrus Z

3:25  Closing Remarks

3:30  Adjourn
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Open Communications 6
Hysteroscopy

3:35  Successful Management of Infertile Patient with a Rare Transfundal Uterine Membrane
Alami R, Kulkarni M, Hebert J, Abuzeid M
3:41  Chronic Pelvic Pain Caused by Bilateral Perforation of Fallopian Tubes after Essure Procedure: A Case Report and Literature Review
Barhan S, Genrich T, Schissel A, Duke J, Ventolini G
3:47  Unusual Hysteroscopy Findings Causing Abnormal Uterine Bleeding
Bidwell M, Dhanraj D, Galloway M, Amesse L, Ventolini G
3:53  Our Classification of Hysteroscopic Images Based upon a 23-Year Experience on the Field. A Series of 2270 Cases
Dotto JE, Lema B, Dotto, J Jr, Da Graca Mila PG, Hamou J
3:59  Interobserver Agreement of Transvaginal Ultrasonography and Gel Instillation Sonohysterography (GIS) during Follow-Up of Successful Bilateral Placement of Essure Microinserts
Emanuel MH, Betlem M
4:05  Cervical Cancer Recurrence inside a Peritoneal Pseudocyst. Direct Vision Diagnosis Using Ambulatory Hysteroscopy
Muñoz L, Jiménez JS, Marqueta L, Alvarez C, Bravo V
4:11  Hysteroscopic Sterilization in Small Town America
Raymond L
4:17  Long-Term Histomorphologic Outcome of Loop Endometrial Resection in Abnormal Uterine Bleeding and Simple Endometrial Hyperplasia Assessed by Office Hysteroscopy: A Prospective Cohort Trial
Sadik S, Guler A, Onoglu A, Simsek M, Akar M, Ispahi C, Dicle N
4:23  Study on Misoprostol Cervical Pretreatment of Hysteroscopic Surgery
Xia E
4:29  Minimally Invasive Management of Mislocated Levonorgestrel Intrauterine System: Case Series and a Systematic Review of the Literature
Hopkins MR, El-Nashar SA, Agudelo-Suarez P, Creedon DJ, Fanuyide AO
4:35  Evaluation of Abnormal Uterine Bleeding as a Predictor of Pre-Malignant or Malignant Lesions Present in Endometrial Polyps
4:41  The Value of Pipelle Endometrial Biopsy for the Detection of Pre-Malignant or Malignant Lesions Confined to Endometrial Polyps
4:47  The Use of Bipolar Energy and Saline in Hysteroscopic Surgery: A Series of 75 Patients
Chandakas S, Erian J
4:53  Correspondence between Hysteroscopic Findings and Severity of Endometrial Chronic Inflammation
Colafaglio G, Saliani N, De Donatis S, Pinto V, Pastore A, Resta L, Cicinelli E
4:59  Concomitant Essure Tubal Sterilization and Endometrial Ablation: A New Approach of Therapy of Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding
Donnadieu AC, Gervaise A, Defieux X, Faivre E, Frydman R, Fernandez H

Open Communications 7
Myoma Surgery

3:35  The Laparoscopic Myomectomy: A Survey of Canadian Gynecologists
Zolis LR, Cook E, Kung R, Melchior M, Singh S, Liu G
3:41  Prospective Evaluation for the Feasibility and Safety of Vaginal Birth after Laparoscopic Myomectomy
Kumakiri J, Takeuchi H, Kitade M, Kikuchi I, Takeda S
3:47  Alternative Method of Retreiving Multiple Large Myomata through Colpotomy
Chiang AJ, Wang YY
3:53  Uterine Artery Embolization with Gelfoam Decreased Pain and Had Similar Clinical Outcomes to Gelfoam Plus Particles in Women with Fibroids
Vilos GA, Urian R, Yassin A, Chang PT, Garvin G, Kozak R
3:59  A Comparison of Combined Laparoscopic Uterine Artery Ligation and Myomectomy Versus Laparoscopic Myomectomy in Treatment of Symptomatic Myoma
Alborzi S, Alborzi S
4:05  Intra-Abdominal Adhesions after Uterine Artery Embolization
Agdi M, Valenti D, Tulandi T
4:11  Robot-Assisted Laparoscopic Myomectomy is an Improvement over Myomectomy via Laparotomy for Patients with a Limited Number of Fibroids
Ascher-Walsh CJ, Capes TL
4:17  Robot-Assisted Laparoscopic Myomectomy: A Four Year Outcomes Analysis
Song AH, Xu X, As-Sanie S, Wang K, Senapati S, Advincula AP
4:23  Long-Term Outcome of Laparoscopic Bilateral Occlusion of Uterine Arteries Compared to Embolization. Recurrence Rate and Magnetic Resonance Imaging Results
Hald K, Kløw NE
4:29  The Surgical Outcomes of Depo-Lupron on Laparoscopic Uterine Artery Occlusion in the Treatment of Fibroids
Sarmini RO
4:35  Impact of Uterine Artery Ligation in Laparoscopic Myomectomy
Bae JH
4:41  Robotic-Assisted Laparoscopic Myomectomy in Fertile Women: Experience from a Tertiary Endoscopy Center
Pluchino N, Cela V, Puccetti S, Genazzani AR
4:47  Office Preparation of Partially Intramural Myomas (OP-PluM): A Pilot Study
Bettocchi S, Di Spiezio Sardo A, Guida M, Greco E, Nappi L, Pontrelli G, Nappi C
4:53  Reproductive Outcomes Following Hysteroscopic Myomectomy in Infertile Patients
Kulkarni M, Ashraf M, Abuzeid MI

Closing Remarks
Adjourn
**Open Communications 8**  
**Hysterectomy and Advanced Laparoscopy**  
Friday, October 31, 2008  
3:35 Evaluation of an Advanced Bipolar Electrosurgical Vessel Sealer Versus Conventional Ligation Technique in Abdominal Hysterectomy  
3:41 Vaginal Hysterectomy with Bicocagulation Clamps 'Mar-Clamp' Application  
3:47 Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy (TLH) for Enlarged Uteri  
Vignali M, Del Zoppo S, Bertazzoli M, Oggioni G, Stoppelli S, Busacca M  
3:53 Robot-Assisted Laparoscopic Hysterectomy: Comparison with Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy  
Morozov VV, Nezhat CH  
3:59 The Need for Cystoscopy after Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy  
Pollard RR, Stepp KJ  
4:05 Effect of Type and Frequency of Performing Laparoscopic Hysterectomy (LH) on Its Outcome  
Ahmed N, Thean P, Karim AS  
4:11 A Case Report of Septic Pelvic Trombophlebitis Following Laparoscopic Hysterectomy  
Nezhat CH, Farhady P, Lemyre M, Hsu S, Kassyra R  
4:17 Predictors of Laparoscopic Versus Vaginal Approach to Hysterectomy  
Jacoby VL, Jacobson GF, Auery AM, Domush R, Nakagawa S, Jacoby A  
4:23 Retrospective Cohort Study Comparing the Incidence and Types of Perioperative Complications Using Robotic-Assisted Versus Conventional Laparoscopy for Difficult Hysterectomies  
Bohrer J, Jeppson PC, Chen CCG, Paraiso MFR, Falcone T  
4:29 Assessment of Local Anesthetic Toxicity Using Cell-Based Assays  
Maurice JM, Gan Y, Ma F, Hibner M, Huang Y  
4:35 Laparoscopic Management of Complications in Gynecological Laparoscopic Surgery: A 5-Year Experience in a Single Center  
Choi JS, Kyung MS, Lee JH, Kim JS, Lee JY, Park MI  
4:41 Mini-Cornual Excision: A Novel Stepwise Laparoscopic Technique for the Treatment of Cornual Pregnancy  
Moawad V, Dayarata S, Mahajan ST  
4:47 Short and Long Term Outcome of 32 Cases of Complete Genital Prolapse Treated by Laparoscopic Sacrocopexy: The Experience of an Expert Surgeon  
Merckx J, Zouaropoulou C, Nassif J, Wattiez A  
4:53 Risk Factors of Failure of Conservative Laparoscopic Treatment in Ectopic Pregnancy: Results of Auvergne's Register  
Rabischong B, Tran X, Abi Sleiman A, Poully JL, Canis M, Fernandez H, Mage G  
4:59 Quality of Life after Total Versus Subtotal Laparoscopic Hysterectomy  
Litta PS, Fantinato S, Conte L, Guidetti G, Saccardi C  
5:05 Closing Remarks  
5:10 Adjourn

**Open Communications 9**  
**Endoscopic Instruments and Techniques**  
3:35 Pain Relief by Continuous Intraperitoneal Nebulization of Ropivacaine during Gynecological Laparoscopic Procedures - A Prospective Randomized Study and Review of the Literature  
Kaufman Y, Hirsch I, Ostrovsky L, Klein O, Pizov R, Lissak A  
3:41 GnRH Analog Treatment before Hysteroscopic Resection of Submucous Myomas: A Randomized Study  
3:47 Feasibility of a Probe Holder to Assist in Gynecologic Laparoscopic Surgery  
Wang KC, Advincula AP  
3:53 SURGiVIEW™ – An Innovative Internet Based Surgical Video Archive and Public Forum for Surgeons, Industry, and the Public  
Rosenfield RB  
3:59 Insulation Failures in Robotic and Laparoscopic Instrumentation: A Prospective Evaluation  
4:05 Laparoscopic Management of 9 Consecutive Cases of Ovarian Ectopic Pregnancy  
Odejinmi F, Rizzuto MI, MacRae R  
4:11 Laparoscopic Ovarian Transposition before Pelvic Irradiation  
Lee C, Huang KG  
4:17 Excision of Adrenal Rest and Ectopic Fibroids at Time of Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy – A Case Report  
Tang K, Hur HC  
4:23 Quality of Life Measures in Patients Undergoing Benign Gynecologic Surgery  
Rao A, Chetty N, Mizia K, Chan K, Vancaillie TG, Abbott JA  
4:29 Laparoscopic Management of Pelvic Pain after Total Hysterectomy: Excision and Revision of the Vaginal Cuff is a Method of Diagnosis and Treatment  
Sugarman S, Ahluwalia P  
4:35 Excision of Posterior Leaf of Broad Ligament Bilaterally in Cases of Pelvic Pain  
Marwah V, Bharadwaj P  
4:41 Benzodiazepines for Pelvic Floor Pain  
Landi S, Pontrelli G, Fiaccavento A, Ruffo G, Mereu L, Barbieri F, Minelli L  
4:47 Reduction of Stump Symptoms after Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy: First Experience of a New Surgical Device for Excision of the Endocervix in a Reverse Cone Pattern  
Istre O, Qvigstad E  
4:53 Omental Herniation Following Operative Laparoscopy: A Case Series  
Odejinmi F, Shahid A  
5:05 Closing Remarks  
5:10 Adjourn
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3:35 PM - 5:10 PM

**Open Communications 10**

**Endometriosis**

3:35 Laparoscopic Treatment of Deep Endometriosis with Segmental Colorectal Resection: Short-Term Morbidity

3:41 Conservative Laparoscopic Management of Urinary Tract Endometriosis Surgical Outcome and Long-Term Follow-Up

3:47 Evaluation of the Endometriosis Histological Classification Observed in Specimens of Women Affected by Superficial, Deeply Infiltrating Endometriosis and Ovaries
Kamergorodsky G, Ribeiro PA, Lemos NLBM, Galvao MAL, Aoki T

3:53 Long Term Follow Up after Conservative Treatment for Symptomatic Deep Infiltrating Endometriosis. Determinants of Recurrence Rates
Angioni S, Mais V, Litta P, Cela V, Melis GB

3:59 Endometriosis in the Post Hysterectomy Patient
Weather, Jr. L

4:05 Appendix Endometriosis is Associated with Deeply Infiltrating Endometriosis
Abrao MS, Podgaec S, Dias, Jr. JA, Rodini G, Averbach M

4:11 Determinant of Recurrence of Endometrioma Following Surgical Intervention
Kobayashi E, Yamagata A, Iwamiya T, Isobe M, Miyake T, Shiki Y, Yamasaki M

4:17 A New Narrow Band Imaging Endoscopic System for the Detection of Surface Pathology Including Endometriosis: A Series of 95 Patients
Chandakas S, Salamalekis E, Erian J

4:23 The Laparoscopic Management of Endometriosis: A Systematic Review
Yeung, Jr. PP, Shwayder JM, Pasic RP

4:29 Extensive Resection of Deep Infiltrative Endometriosis Significantly Increases Spontaneous Pregnancy Rates in Infertile Patients
Pereira RMA, Zanatta A, Gomes CM, Fettback PB, Motta ELA, Serafini PC

4:35 Clinical, Videolaparoscopic and Histopathologic Aspects of Pelvic Endometriosis
Dias DS, Dias R, Modotte WP, Lasmar RB, Modotte III CC

4:41 Endoscopic Technologies for Research, Diagnosis and Treatment of Severe Endometriosis
Adamyan LV, Sonova MM, Yarotskaya EL, Arslanyan KN, Poddubnaya O

4:47 Should the Gynecologist Perform Laparoscopic Bowel Resection for Endometriosis? Results of 168 Surgeries during 7-Year Interval
Pereira RMA, Preti CD, de Paula FJJ, Zanatta A, Motta ELA, Serafini PC

4:53 Is There an Association between Adenomyosis and Deeply Infiltrating Endometriosis? Gonzales M, Chamiie LP, Goncalves MO, Podgaec S, Abrao MS

4:59 First Reported Case of Accessory Ovary in the Round Ligament with Associated Endometriosis
Nichols JL, Bieber EJ, Zhang XM

5:06 Severe Ureteral Endometriosis: The Intrinsic Form Is Not so Rare
Chapron C, Chiodo I, Borghese B, Chopin N, Foulot H, Amsallem D, Dousset B

5:08 Closing Remarks

5:10 Adjourn

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**Video Session 10**

**Urogynecology**

3:35 Posterior Wall Prolapse Repair; Apical Fascial Defects
Castillo PA, Espaillat LM, Davila GW

3:44 Tips and Techniques for Non-Robotic Laparoscopic Sacrocolpopexy
Rardin CR, Ward RM, Erekson EA, Wohlrab KJ

3:53 Transvaginal Mesh Excision for Complications Following Transvaginal Mesh Placement
Park AJ, Chen CCG, Walters MD, Jelovsek JE

An Integrated Anterior and Apical Mesh Prolapse Repair – The Pinnacle Procedure
Miller DP

3:41 Large Vesicovaginal Fistula Repair
Jean-Michel M, Castillo PA, Davila GW

3:57 Minimally Invasive Approach to Pelvic Reconstructive Surgery

Laparoscopic Repair of Vesico-Vaginal Fistula without Bladder Bipartition
Cavalli LO, Mendes, Jr. JB, Tanaka MT, Tanaka AS, Pacagnan EF, Cavalli N, Galletto D

4:02 Laparoscopic Sacrohysteropexy
Broach A, Lee T

4:11 Cystosurethroscopy: A Guide for the Gynecologist
Green IC, Sokol AI, Robinson-Walton B, Kudish B, Ureter Injury and Laparoscopic End-to-End Anastomosis
Kim DH, Lee IK, Kim JJ, Lee IH

The Diagnosis of Abdomino-Pelvic Tuberculosis by Laparoscopically Assisted Peritoneal Biopsies
Worley, Jr. MJ, Slomovitz BM, Nejat EJ, Staples BJ, Baergen RN, Caputo TA

4:47 Minimally Invasive Buttock Cosmetic Enhancement by the Gynecologist (Office Gluteoplasty with Liposuction and Fat Grafting under Local Anesthesia)
Pelosi II MA, Pelosi III MA, Avellanet C

4:45 Closing Remarks

5:05 Adjourn
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Appropriate conduct of clinical trials is a labor intensive, complex process requiring adherence to the research protocol, as well as local and national guidelines. Participation has potential advantages of revenue generation and patient inflow, but requires careful planning and performance so that the practitioner does not end up unknowingly subsidizing the device and pharmaceutical industry, or violate rules and regulations.

This course is designed to help physicians (e.g. investigators) and study coordinators (e.g. nurses, medical assistants) improve their performance of human clinical trials. Succinctly stated, this course will focus solely on the “nuts and bolts” of study conduct. This is not a course in research or study design! Vital components of the process, which PIs/coordinators must be aware of, include a discussion of why to participate in clinical trials, differences between drug and device trials, what sponsors need from investigative sites including the roles of the investigator and coordinator, budgeting for trials, subject recruitment, obtaining informed consent, and how to prepare for an audit. Participants will be asked to provide problems/questions/situations for review and discussion.

**Learning Objectives:** At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Better prepare the investigator/coordinator to prepare their budget for a clinical trial; 2) enable the investigator/coordinator to obtain truly informed consent from participants; and 3) provide information to improve interactions of the investigative site personnel with study sponsors and their monitors.
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Open Communications 11
Hysteroscopy II

7:30 Hysterosalpingogram after Essure Sterilization in a Private Practice: Patient Compliance and Results Glazerman LR
7:36 Outcome of Hysteroscopic Treatment of Submucous Myoma. A Ten Year Follow Up Gallinat A, Nugent W
7:48 Intra Uterine Reciprocator System (IUR) Reduces Risk of Synchiae Significantly Compared to Repeated Curetage in Taking Out Remnant Placental Tissue Following Incomplete Curettage or Postpartum Placental Removal de Graaf I, Dietz V, Emanuel MH, Schoot D
7:54 Temperature of Distention Fluid and Risk of Overload in Operative Hysteroscopy de Freitas Fonseca M, Andrade, Jr. CM, Cardoso MJE, Crispi CP
8:00 Transcervical Myomectomy Using Placenta Forceps with or without Assisted by Resectoscope is Effective and Simple Moon HS, Park KH, Kim SG, Park GS, Kim SG, Goo JS
8:06 The Prediction Ability of Transvaginal Ultrasound Compared to the Hysteroscopic Findings Sharon A, Anderman S, Gurgula O, Irge D, Hallak M
8:12 Retrospective Analysis of Hysterosalpingogram Confirmatory Test Follow-Up after Essure® Hysteroscopic Sterilization; 4-Year Experience in a Community Setting Guaiai M, Goldman KN, Olson CG
8:18 Essure® for the Treatment of Hydrosalpinx Prior to IVF Emanuel MH, Mijatovic V, Schats R, Hompes P
8:30 Comparison between Transcervical and Ultrasonography on Guidance for Transcervical Resection of Intruterine Adhesions Yu D, Xia E, Liu Y, Huang X
8:36 Reproductive Outcome after Hysteroscopic Metroplasty in Women with Primary Infertility Abuzied M, Sahel K, Imam M, Mitwally MF, Ashraf M, Diamond MP
8:54 Pregnancy Outcome after Hysteroscopic Treatment of Submucous Myoma. Eight Year Follow Up Nugent W, Gallinat A
9:00 Efficacy of Endometrial Ablation in the Treatment of Abnormal Womb Bleeding: Retrospective Analysis and a 100 Cases Follow-Up Archangelo SCV, Francisco AMC, Carvalho MA
9:06 Hysteroscopic View and Their Correlation with Pathologic Findings in the Diagnosis of Endometrial Carcinoma Kim JS
9:12 Predictors of Pain during and after Office Hysteroscopy Raymundo TS, Fonseca MF, Santos LC, Crispi CP, Andrade CM, Lambiet MF
9:18 An Electronic Data Sheet in an Abnormal Uterine Bleeding Clinic: Saving Time & Improving Care Abu-Rafea BF, Vilos GA
9:24 Reproductive outcome after Hysteroscopic Metroplasty in Patients with T-Shaped Uterus Ehremen S, Salem W, Hebert J, Ashraf M, Abuzied MI
9:30 Virtual Hysteroscopy by Gel Instillation Sonohysterography (GIS) Emanuel MH, Exalto N
9:36 Evaluation of Reproductive Outcome of Hysteroscopic Septectomy in Unexplained Infertility Pattanayak MCh
9:48 Hysteroscopic View and Their Correlation with Pathologic Findings in the Diagnosis of Endometrial Carcinoma Kim JS
9:50 Closing Remarks
9:55 Adjourn

Open Communications 12
Advances in MIG

7:42 Excision of a Giant Ovarian Cyst by Open Laparoscopy during Late Second Trimester Durmusoglu F, Yoldemir T, Yilmaz C
7:48 Video Laparoscopic Fertility-Sparing Surgery in Patients with Low Malignant Potential (LMP) Ovarian Tumors: Farghaly’s Technique Farghaly SA
7:54 Comparative Study of Laparoscopically Assisted Vaginal Hysterectomy (LAVH) and Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy (TLH) Jin K, Jang MG
8:00 Patient-Satisfaction after Laparoscopic Total or Supracervical Hysterectomy Kafy S, Tulandi T, Al-Sannan B, Kabli N
8:06 Clinical and Histopathological Analysis of Laparoscopically Treated Ovarian Endometriotic Cysts with Special Reference to Loss of Follicles Kim H, Cho S, Nam A, Choi YS, Moon HS, Lee BS, Park KH
8:12 Laparoscopic Operation of Adnexal Masses during the First Trimester of Pregnancy Ko ML, Pan HS
8:24 Spillage of Ovarian Masses during Laparoscopic Surgery Marta F, Peano E, Ferrero A, Volpi E
8:30 Changing Practice from Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy to Total Hysterectomy Mousa A, Zarei A, Tulandi T
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7:30 AM - 9:55 AM

8:36  Hysterectomy is Feasible in a True Ambulatory Surgical Setting  Ribot, Jr. HD
8:42  Quality of Life and Laparoscopic Treatment of Intestinal Deep Infiltrating Endometriosis (DIE): A Preliminary Brazilian Report  Sekula VG, Ribeiro PA, Ribeiro HA, Donadio N, Aoki T
8:48  Laparoscopic Sacrocolpopexy: Establishment of a Learning Curve  Youssef C, Dautin D, Nassif J, Wattiez A
8:54  Single Port Access (SPA™) Hysterectomy in a Teaching Institution: Comparison of Single Port to Traditional Multiport Laparoscopy  Shepherd JA, King S, Della Badia C, Offer RE, Curcillo II PG, Green MA, Atogho A
9:00  Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy: Myths and Realities  Cano A, Cano C, Ortiz ME, Serrano AL, Cano S
9:06  OVERcome Study (Olive Oil Vaginal Exercise and Replens*)  Jarvis SK, Mok K, Friedlander M, Vancaille TG
9:30  Laparoscopic Excision of Infiltrative Endometriosis Improves Outcomes of Women Previously Treated with In Vitro Fertilization  Zanatta A, Bianchi PHM, Pereira RMA, Fioravanti J, Serafini PC, Motta ELA
9:36  Closing Remarks
9:40  Adjourn

Open Communications 13
Teaching, Training and Learning Endoscopy

7:36  Enhancing the Laparoscopic Performance with Training Simulators: Comparison of the LTS 2000 and the Computerized Hybrid Physical Reality Simulator LTS3E  Meinhold-Heerlein I, Schollmeyer T, Soyinka AS, Gopalghare DV, Hasson HM, Mettler L
7:42  Surgeons’ Experience and Interaction Effect in Randomized Controlled Trials Comparing New to Older Surgical Techniques  Roman H, Marpeau L, Hulsey TC
7:48  The Effect of Noise and Distractions on Surgeons’ Laparoscopic Proficiency  Franken S, Kahol K, Mattox J, Smith M
7:54  Validation Study of the Use of Video Laparoscopic Training: A Randomized, Controlled Trial  Yeung, Jr. PP, Justice T, Pasic RP
8:00  Laparoscopic Training and Projected Practice Among Fellows-in-Training in Gynecologic Oncology  Frumovitz M, Greer M, Soliman PT, Schmeler KM, Moroney J, Bodurka DC, Ramirez PT
8:12  Perceived Proficiency in Endoscopy Among Senior Ob/Gyn Residents, an Update  Einarsson JJ
8:18  Fundamentals of Laparoscopic and Hysteroscopic Surgery: What Should We be Teaching Our Ob/Gyn Residents?  Jacobson MT, Chen B, Beatty M, Nezhat CR
8:24  Changing Patterns of Gynaecological Surgical Workloads in Dublin over 20 Years  O’Sullivan R, McMenamin M
8:30  Proposal of a Formal Gynecologic Endoscopy Curriculum  Morozov V, Nezhat CH
8:36  Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery (FLS) as a Validated Skills Assessment Tool in Gynecology  Hur HC, Arden D, Awtrey C, Julekevics L, Jones D
8:48  Robotics in Residency Training: The Evolution of Technology and Surgical Education  Green IC, Sokol AI
8:54  Learning Uterine Artery Embolization with a Simulator  McLucas B
8:58  Closing Remarks
9:00  Adjourn

Affiliated Society Session
SOBENGE
7:30am - 8:30am
Program to be announced.

Surgical Tutorial 7
Laparoscopic Excision of Endometriosis
Jörg Keckstein, Philippe R. Koninckx
7:30am – 8:30am
Video Session 11
Hysterectomy / Endoscopic Techniques

7:30 Single Port Access (SPA) Hysterectomy – Techniques and Applications  Shepherd JA, Della Badia C, King S
7:38 Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy: A Novel Technique with Standard Guidelines for the Beginner  Kulkarni MA, Puntambekar SP, Patil AM, Puntambekar SS, Kashyap MA
7:47 Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy Technique Modified with Ultrasonic Scapel  Litta PS, Fantinato S, Cocco A, Conte L, Guidetti G, Saccardi C
7:56 Laparoscopic Supracervical Hysterectomy with Transcervical Morcellation  Rosenblatt PL, DiSciullo AJ
8:05 Laparoscopic Hysterectomy in the Setting of a Large Infracervical Fibroid  Einarsson JI
8:12 Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy with No Risk of Ureteral Injury (Laparoscopic Aldridge’s Method)  Watanabe T, Okamura C
8:21 CISH Procedure with Transcervical Uterine Morcellation  Makai G, DiSciullo AJ
8:29 Laparoscopic Scalpel Morcellation with Colpo-Probe Assistance  Rosenthal DM
8:38 Avoiding Major Complications in Laparoscopic Infracervical Hysterectomy: Experience in 1157 Consecutive Cases  Cavalli N, Galletto D, Soria HL, Cavalli LO, Cavalli, Jr. N
8:47 Basic Principles of Laparoscopic Suturing  Akl MN, Magrina JF, Kho RM
9:02 Interval Laparoscopic Cerclage  Broach A, Lee T
9:09 Laparoscopic Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery with AirSeal™  Rosenblatt PL, DiSciullo AJ
9:24 Laparoscopic Presacral Neurectomy  Yang LC, Mansuria SM
9:30 Minimally Invasive Abdominoplasty for the Gynecologist  Pelosi II MA, Pelosi III MA, Avellanet C
9:41 Closing Remarks
9:46 Adjourn

Affiliated Society Session
SIAEGI
8:35am – 9:55am
Fernando Oviedo, President (Panamá)
Leopoldo Videla, Vice President (Argentina)
Rafael Padrón, General Secretary (Colombia)
Mercedes Birlain, Assistant General Secretary (México)
Jorge Lasso-de-la-Vega, Treasurer (Panamá)
Ramón Expinal, Assistant Treasurer (República Dominicana)

Overview
These presentations represent experiences of the Iberoamerican community in different aspects of the laparoscopic and hysteroscopic techniques.

Program Objectives
At the conclusion of the course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Analyze basics to solve situations in surgeries that have concomitant factors, such as, profound endometriosis, uterine miomatosis, cancer, annex problems, adherence factors, etc, using alternative practices to minimize the surgical risks in those surgeries of minimal invasion; 2) recognize the diagnostic and therapeutical values of hysteroscopy in menopause, making relevance of the therapeutic conduct in the hysteroscopic and antomical-pathological findings; 3) understand experience and indications for the surgical technique designed by George Melier for the repair of the posterior compartment defect and vaginal vault prolapse, using transobturator approach; 4) understand experience best approach via laparoscopy; and 5) exchange knowledge and to make strong ties among Iberoamerican physician.

8:35  Presentation  Fernando Oviedo
8:37  High Risk Hysterectomies – Alternatives for the Surgery of Minimal Invasion  Mercedes Birlain
8:51  Hysteroscopy in Menopause: Diagnostic and Therapeutic Value  Maria T. Espinosa
9:05  The Obturator Fossa: A Revolutionary Anatomical Site for Suspension of the Vaginal Vault with Tension-Free Protheses  Miguel Angel Cáceres
9:19  Laparoscopic Access: Which is the Best Way?  Rafael Padron
9:33  Discussion – Questions and Answers
9:55  Adjourn

Surgical Tutorial 8
Core Surgical Strategies During Laparoscopic Surgery
Andrew I. Brill, Alan M. Lam
8:35am – 9:55am
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Announcement of Silent Auction Winners

10:00 AM - 10:10 AM

Telesurgery Sessions

10:10 AM - 1:10 PM

These surgeries, televised via satellite for clearer picture and without delayed audio, offer physicians a chance to view surgeries, ask questions of the surgeons and discuss details of the case.

LSH

Surgeon
Viviane F. Connor
Cleveland Clinic Florida
Westin, Florida
Amy L. Garcia, Moderator
Assia Stepanian, Co-Moderator

TLH

Surgeon
Ted Lee
Magee Womens Hospital
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Charles E. Koh, Moderator
Fred M. Howard, Co-Moderator

Laparoscopic Radical Hysterectomy

Surgeon
Shailesh Puntambaekar
Galaxy Laparoscopy Institute, Pvt., Ltd.
Pune, India
Eugenio Solima, Moderator
Kate O’Hanlan, Co-Moderator

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Farewell Reception

1:15 PM - 2:15 PM

At the close of the afternoon sessions on Saturday, we will hold a “Farewell Reception.” Join members of the AAGL Board and the Scientific Program Committee for refreshments and a little camaraderie.
**ENDOMETRIAL ABLATION**

Heat Treatment with Silicone Balloon for Menorrhagia under Local Anesthesia: Pilot Study at Conjunto Hospitalar de Sorocaba
  
  Avella M, Deus A, Beldi M, Senne A, Simezo V

Menorrhagia in High Risk Women: Results of Thermal Balloon Ablation
  
  Hernandez-Denis A, Audifred-Salomon J, Ortiz-Bravo A, Alanis-Fuentes J

Modified Endometrial Resection in Women with Menorrhagia: Long Term Follow-Up
  
  Litta PS, Saccardi C, Cocco A, Guidetti G, Savino RM, Conte L

Perforation of a Previously Undiagnosed Unicornuate Uterus during a Novasure Endometrial Ablation, after Successfully Passing the Cavity Assessment Test
  
  Preston MR

**ENDOMETRIOSIS**

Laparoscopic Treatment of Bowel Endometriosis: Surgical Outcome of 152 Cases
  
  Abrao MS, Podgaec S, Dias, Jr. JA, Gonzales M, Averbach M

A Comparative Survey of Bladder Symptoms Prior to and after Conservative Surgical Treatment of Endometriosis
  
  Bell BB, Guyer CH

A Collection of Cutaneous Endometriosis Treated at a Singaporean Tertiary Hospital
  
  Fong YF, Agarwal A

The Significance of Endometriosis Treatment by Way of Laparoscopy with Infertile Patients
  
  Jovanovic M

Appendectomy in Patients with Chronic Pelvic Pain and Endometriosis in Korean Women
  
  Kim Y

Endometrial Cyst Developed in Uterine Incision Scar of Previous Cesarean Section
  
  Kim HJ, Hwang SJ

The Prevalence of Deciduosis in Fertile Women during Cesarean Delivery
  
  Kim HJ, Kim MJ, Song JY, Kim MR, Kim YT

The Influence of Adenomyosis in Patients Laparoscopically Treated for Deep Endometriosis
  
  Landi S, Meru L, Barbieri F, Fiaccavento A, Minelli L

Clinical Relationship between Endometriosis Related Symptoms and the Clinico-Pathologic Location of Endometriotic Lesions
  
  Lim YT, Jung JE

Peritoneal Fluid from Endometriosis Patients Switches Differentiation of Monocytes from Dendritic Cells to Macrophages
  
  Na YJ, Kim HG, Kim SC, Joo JK, Lee KS

The Usefulness of Mini-Laparoscopic Cystectomy for Small Endometrioma in Adolescent Women
  
  Oh ST, Kim CH, Lee KS, Ju JK, Kim SC

Endometriosis and Angiogenic Growth Factors
  
  Pellicano M, Catena U, Simonelli V, Nappi C

Immmunoexpression of Aromatase p450 in Superficial and Deep Infiltrating Endometriosis (DIE)
  
  Riachi SH, Ribeiro PA, Silva MAG, Auge APF, Lima SMR, Donadio N, Aoki T

Endorectal Ultrasound Accuracy in the Diagnosis of Rectal Endometriosis Infiltration Depth
  

Is Painful Rectovaginal Endometriosis an Intermediate Stage of Rectal Endometriosis?
  
  Roman H, Gromez A, Chanavaz-Lacheray I, Hochain P, Tuech JJ, Marouteau-Pasquier N, Resch B, Marpeau L

Laparoscopic Treatment of Rectovaginal Endometriosis with Posterior Vaginal Fornix Involvement
  
  Yu Z, Jinhua L, Jinghe L, Yi D

**ENDOSCOPIC COMPLICATIONS**

Port-Site Implantation of Leiomyoma after Laparoscopic Myomectomy of Uterus: A Case Report
  

Delayed Thermal Injury to the Ureter during Total Laparoscopic Hysterectomy Using Ultrasonic Energy Source: A Case Report
  
  Brotherton J, Chang F

Chylous Ascites after Laparoscopic Retroperitoneal Lymph Node Dissection for Ovarian Cancer: A Case Report and a Review of Literature
  
  El-Sahwi K, Soto-Wright V, Tuerk I

Effect of Abdominal Pressure to Subcutaneous Emphysema during Laparoscopic Surgery
  
  Kim CJ, Lee HN, Lee YS, Park EK, Park TC, Namkoong SE, Park JS

Trocar Site Herniation through a 5mm Trocar Site Following Removal of Drains after Gynecologic Laparoscopy
  
  Lee YS, Jeung IC, Lee HN, Kim CJ

Malignant Hyperthermia during Laparoscopic Operation, a Case Report
  
  Watari A, Kobori H, Yoda A, Ohta A, Yamamoto T

**ENDOSCOPIC TECHNIQUE**

Laparoscopic Resection of Endometriosis in a Patient with a Ventriculoperitoneal Shunt: Using a Laparotomy Disc
  
  Atkin R, Singer T, Orbuch IK, Liu CY, Feldman-Leidner N

Chronic Uterine Inversion Laparoscopic Aproach
  
  Campuzano G, Eguiz F

Methotrexate Prophylaxis for Persistent Trophoblast after Laparoscopic Salpingostomy for Ectopic Pregnancy
  
  Dubuisson JB, Bekti T, Jacob S, Yaron M, Lam T, Abou M

Fundamentals of Laparoscopic Surgery as Applied to Gynecologists
  
  Johnson SH, Hur HC, Zheng B
Reduction of Blood Loss during Uterine Artery-Sparing Laparoscopic Radical Trachelectomy with Bulldog Clamp


Please Be Seated: How To Sit during Operative Laparoscopy

Kivnick S

A Simple and Novel Technique To Apply a Hyaluronic Acid/carboxymethylcellulose Membrane in Laparoscopic Myomectomy

Kobori H, Ayako W, Yoda A, Ohta A, Yamamoto T

Safety of the Optical Access Trocar in Gynecologic Laparoscopic Surgery

Lee SH, Ku CH, Park CY

Laparoscopic Treatment of the Lymphocyst Infection after Retropertoneoscopic Lymphadenectomy

Mackawa M, Hoshiba T, Hirabuki S

Ectopic Ovarian Teratoma of the Uterosacral Ligament with an Absent Contralateral Ovary

Moawad NS, Starks D, Ashby K

Tubal Ligation under Local Anesthesia and Conscious Sedation by Microlaparoscopy

Modotte WP, Dias R, Dias DS, Lasmar R, Modotti III CC

Echo-Laparoscopy for Cystic Adenomyoma: Three Cases Report of Total Laparoscopic Management

Nabeshima H, Murakami T, Kashiwadate N, Sugawara N, Nishimoto M

Giant Ovarian Cysts: Is the Primary Laparotomy Still a Gold Standard?

Roman H, Mathieu N, Tarrab S, Chanavaz-Lacheray I, Marpeau L

Laparoscopy for Big Ovarian Dermoid Cysts

Sahly NN, Alsibiani SA, Rouzi AA

A Rare Case of Ovarian Cystic Lymphangioma Treated with Laparoscopic Bilateral Salpingo-Oophorectomy Using the Culdotomy Technique

Singer T, Seckin TA, Feldman N, Jormark S, Divon MY

Treatment of Omental Cyst by Laparoscopic Surgery

Song RK, Bae JH

Transvaginal Cholecystectomy Using Magnetic Graspers

Tsin DA, Dominguez GM, Jesus R, Aguilar S, Davila F

Study on Benign Lesions of Uteri and Cervix Treating by Laparoscopic Supravaginal Hysterectomy Combined with Transcervical Resection Surgery

Xia E, Wang B

Successful VBAC after Laparoscopic Repair of Uterine Dehiscence

Yi J, Chaudhari A, Sharp HT

FIBROIDS

Spontaneous Vaginal Expulsion of Huge Hypervascular Myoma Following Uterine Artery Embolization

Baek MJ, Cha SH, Kim MD

Comparison of Clinical Outcome in Obese and Nonobese Women with Laparoscopically Assisted Myomectomy

Hsu S, Farhady P, Nezhat CR

Successful Removal of a Large Symptomatic Fibroid after Volume Reduction with Magnetic Resonance-guided Focused Ultrasound Surgery (MRgFUS); a Case Report

Kim MK, Cha SH, Yoon SW

Transvaginal Radiofrequency Thermal Ablation: A Day-Care Approach to Symptomatic Uterine Myomas

Kim JH, Cho HH

Estrogen and Progesterone Receptor Status in Leiomyoma Affects Radiofrequency Ablation Outcome

Kim SY, Jung JE, Kim JH, Cho HH

A Case of Full Term Normal Spontaneous Delivery after Radiofrequency Myolysis

Park HJ, Jo HH, Kim MR, Kim JH

Laparoscopic Radiofrequency Myolysis in Symptomatic Myoma

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Successful Collaboration for the Latest Treatments of Fibroids
Expanding Your Fibroid Treatment Options

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COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course will review the latest in minimally invasive treatments of fibroids with the emphasis on successful practice building in conjunction with the interventional radiologist. Today's OB/Gyns have many options for treating their fibroid patients and UFE continues to prove to be a viable and durable treatment option that is underutilized. The faculty will review important topics for the OB/Gyn to successfully incorporate UFE and other minimally invasive therapies into their practice that will provide safe and positive outcomes for their patients. The session will conclude with a question and answer session.

TOPICS
• Teaming Up with Interventional Radiology Can Work!
• UFE: Perspectives of a Successful UFE Practice and Proper Pain Management
• How Does the Current Clinical Literature Support the Durability and Efficacy of UFE?
• Determining the Best Treatment Option for Each Patient: UFE and Other Minimally Invasive Treatment Options

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Future Trends in Pelvic Surgery
Apical Prolapse Repair

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COURSE DESCRIPTION
This program is intended to give the participant understanding of the potential physician and patient benefits of performing uterine preservation, a ‘quantum leap’ in our treatment algorithm for pelvic prolapsed repair. The faculty will discuss successful strategies and potential watch-outs of this new, totally intravaginal procedure. Technique, a literature review of outcomes and the evolution of this procedure will be reviewed.

TOPICS
• Hysterectomy or Preservation
• Technology Considerations and Practical Clinical Experience
• Panel Discussion and Q&A

FACULTY
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Enabling Outpatient Hysterectomies: Open, Laparoscopic, and Vaginal Approaches

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course will cover the role energy plays in the ability to perform outpatient hysterectomies. The participating physicians will present clinical data on the technology and procedural application of energy. The physicians will discuss surgical techniques in abdominal, laparoscopic, and vaginal approaches that can provide safe and positive outcomes for an outpatient hysterectomy. The session will conclude with a panel discussion, followed by a question and answer segment.

**TOPICS**

- How Energy Advances are Enabling the Gynecologic Surgeon
- Outpatient Abdominal Hysterectomy
- Outpatient Vaginal Hysterectomy
- Laparoscopic Hysterectomy

**FACULTY**

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Contemporary Challenges in Minimally Invasive Gynecology

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Tentative Program

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will explore contemporary challenges in minimally invasive gynecology including hysterectomy and pelvic floor repair. Though laparoscopic surgery has increased over the past fifteen years and is now part of the teaching curriculum, still 60% of hysterectomies are done open. The faculty will explore the barriers to laparoscopic hysterectomies. Topics will include reimbursement, training, devices, data and patient selection and demand. With the use of mesh and mesh kits for pelvic floor repairs, there is an increased need for a better understanding of avoidance of potential mesh complications, as well as management of mesh related complications. Topics presented will include patient selection, surgeon technique, anatomic review of tissue planes and tissue preparation. In the event erosion or exposure of mesh should occur, the faculty will discuss techniques for handling these complications.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this course, the clinician will be able to: 1) Identify patients appropriate for laparoscopic hysterectomies and pelvic floor repair; 2) recognize barriers of adoption in laparoscopic hysterectomies in your practice; 3) implement strategies to avoid mesh related complications in pelvic floor repair surgery; and 4) manage mesh complications in pelvic floor repair surgery.

FACULTY

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Clinical Associate Professor, University of Chicago
Clinical Associate Professor, University of Illinois at Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

Steve McCarus, M.D.
Chief, Division of Gynecologic Surgery
Director, Center for Pelvic Health
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**Opening Reception**

**EXHIBIT HALL**

**Wednesday, October 29, 2008 • 6:45 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Immediately following the Opening Session on Wednesday, October 29th, the AAGL will present an Opening Reception in the exhibit hall. The AAGL and our industry partners will host a reception to welcome you to the AAGL 37th Global Congress! Join your friends and colleagues in the exhibition hall to sample hor d’ouvres, and enjoy complimentary cocktails as music fills the hall. This is the perfect time to preview the exhibits and to join us in our grand Congress kick-off!

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### EDUCATION

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EDUCATION CALENDAR

September 26-27, 2008
3rd Annual Workshop on Advanced Laparoscopic Techniques for Gynecologic Oncologists Using Unembalmed Female Cadavers
Scientific Program Chair: Javier F. Magrina, M.D.
Course Director: Resad P. Pasic, M.D., Ph.D.
University of Louisville • Louisville, Kentucky

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Congress Centre ’t Elzenveld Lange Gasthuisstraat Antwerp, Belgium

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Scientific Program Chair: Grace M. Janik, M.D.
Chicago, Illinois

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11th Annual Advanced Workshop on Gynecologic Laparoscopic Anatomy & Minimally Invasive Surgery including TVT and TOT
Scientific Program Chair: Resad P. Pasic, M.D., Ph.D.
Louisville, Kentucky

May 20-23, 2009
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Brisbane, Australia

ANNUAL MEETINGS

November 15-19, 2009
Global Congress of Minimally Invasive Gynecology
AAGL 38th Annual Meeting
Scientific Program Chair: C.Y. Liu, M.D.
Gaylord Resort • Orlando, Florida

November 8-12, 2010
Global Congress of Minimally Invasive Gynecology
AAGL 39th Annual Meeting
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November 6-10, 2011
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