

The 2nd MATTU Oesophago-Gastric Cancer Symposium

‘Minimally invasive approaches to oesophageal and gastric cancer’
The MATTU, Postgraduate Medical School, Guildford
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Dear Colleague

After the overwhelming success of last year’s meeting we would like to inform you that registration is now open for the above symposium. The emphasis of this year’s meeting is on peri-operative optimisation, enhanced recovery and peri-operative pathways in the management of oesophago-gastric cancer (day 1), and the development and practice of minimal access oesophago-gastric cancer surgery (days 2 & 3).

Don Low (Seattle) and **Teodor Grantcharov (Toronto)**, along with local experts will speak on enhanced recovery and standardised peri-operative clinical pathways. Professor Low will present all new data from his world renowned unit. The first day will therefore be of interest to surgeons and anaesthetists alike. We are keen to encourage teams of surgeons, anaesthetists and dieticians to attend for this first day to learn and stimulate discussion within this topical and emerging field.

The remainder of the course concentrates on the delivery of high quality OG cancer surgery with a strong emphasis on minimal access surgery, for which we have attracted an exceptionally strong national and international faculty. The meeting covers all aspects of care: discussing and demonstrating technique and stimulating discussion.

We are fortunate enough to have been able to attract **Guy-Bernard Cadière (Brussels)**, **Naoki Hiki (Tokyo)** and **Raffale Pugliese (Milan)** to attend and present their techniques and results. Members of the faculty will also perform **live cases** on day 3.

The target audience for days 1, 2 & 3 are established consultant surgeons in OG cancer surgery, and SpRs (years 4-6) wishing to pursue a career in this field. Teams are encouraged to attend day 1. The symposium will not only review results, show edited videos of technique but will also include **live surgery** performed in Guildford by our local team and also by world renowned experts in the field from Japan and Europe.

The full programme is now available to download, and registration open, at:

www.mattu.org.uk/course/laparoscopic-oesophago-gastric-cancer-symposium/6/

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for an exciting meeting in December 2009.

With very best wishes

Yours sincerely

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