

RIZZOLI INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON ORTHOPLASTIC SURGERY

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FOREWORD

For more than three decades the principles and practice of Orthoplastic Surgery have evolved to a point where this collaborative discipline has been globally recognized as the proper approach to extremity reconstruction and limb salvage.

The organizers of the Rizzoli International Orthoplastic Workshop, that will be held at the Rizzoli Institute in Bologna-Italy, have formalized the concepts and techniques of Orthoplastic Extremity reconstruction into a course that details the approach to complex reconstructive problems that require a multidisciplinary approach and integrative thinking.

A world class faculty of Orthoplastic Leaders will provide personal instruction with lectures, panel discussions, video dissections, case presentations and a live surgery session. Enrollment is limited to optimize learning and interaction.

MAIN TOPICS

- Flap surgery: principles and indications
- Workhorse flaps in limbs reconstruction
- Microvascular bone reconstruction
- Fractures classification
- Principles of internal osteosynthesis
- External fixation of bones
- Infections in orthopedics
- Osteomyelitis
- Negative pressure and dermal substitutes
- Diabetic foot
- Organization of an Orthoplastic Service
- Damage control in orthopedics
- Robotic microsurgery
- Bionic hand
- Interactive cases presentation

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- **Domenico Alesi**
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- **Alessia Pagnotta**
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- **John Pak**
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- **Francesco Rizzo**
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- **Luca Salmaso**
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- **Luigi Valdatta**
(Varese, Italy)
- **Stefano Zaffagnini**
(Bologna, Italy)

FINAL PROGRAM

MONDAY, MAY 11TH 2026

RIZZOLI ORTHOPAEDIC INSTITUTE - VASARI HALL

PLASTIC DAY

- 07.45 Registration
- 08.15 Welcome and Opening of the Course
M. Innocenti, J.P. Hong, S. Levin

MORNING SESSION — 08.30-13.30

The aim of this Session is to show the potential of orthoplastic surgery and its fields of application. Innovative procedures will be presented together with some conventional options which deserve to be refreshed and revisited.

Chairmen: *J.P. Hong, S. Levin*

- 08.30 ◦ Orthoplastic Surgery: principles and clinical applications
S. Levin
- 08.45 ◦ Organization of orthoplastic service
U. Khan
- 09.00 ◦ A history of flaps
G. Hallock
- 09.20 ◦ Propeller flaps: principles and clinical application
T.C. Teo
- 09.40 ◦ Bone grafts: from simple to complex
M. Innocenti
- 10.00 ◦ Spinoplastic surgery
E. Brown
- 10.20 ◦ Orthoplastic surgery and beyond
P. Cavadas Rodriguez
- 10.40 ◦ Medial and lateral condyle flap
H. Burger
- 11.00 *Coffee Break*

Chairmen: *F. Mori, D. Ribuffo*

- 11.30 ◦ Pedicled bone flaps in carpal bones reconstruction
A. Pagnotta

- 11.45 ◦ Multidisciplinary approach to the diabetic foot
L. Dalla Paola
- 12.00 ◦ State of the art in microsurgical reconstruction of the diabetic foot
J.P. Hong
- 12.20 ◦ Posterior trunk reconstruction: from simple to complex
F. Mori
- 12.40 ◦ War injuries
O. Libermanis
- 13.00 ◦ Bionic limb: The Asan experience
J. Pak
- 13.15 ◦ Bionic limb: The Rizzoli experience
P. Sassu
- 13.30 *Lunch Break*

AFTERNOON SESSION — 14.45-18.00

Chairmen: *A. Gohritz, L. Valdatta*

- 14.45 ◦ Composite allotransplantation
S. Levin
- 15.00 ◦ The Mangled Hand
B. Battiston
- 15.15 ◦ Pedicled vascularized fibula
F.A. Pedrini
- 15.30 ◦ Optimizing bone fixation in vascularized fibula
L. Salmaso
- 15.45 ◦ The gastropropeller flap
A. Tellarini
- 16.00 ◦ The one bone forearm
N. Ameri
- 16.15 ◦ Achilles tendon reconstruction
F. Rizzo
- 16.30 ◦ The amputation revisited
F. Gaiani
- 16.45 ◦ The role of ultrasound in the reconstruction of extremities
E. Brown
- 17.00 ◦ Development of orthoplastic program in austere environments
S. Kovach

- 17.20 ◦ Open discussion
- 18.00 ◦ Closing of the works

• 18.00 *Welcome Cocktail - Rizzoli Institute, Chiostro Ottagonale*

TUESDAY, MAY 12TH 2026

ORTHO DAY

RIZZOLI ORTHOPAEDIC INSTITUTE - VASARI HALL

MORNING SESSION —◦— **08.30-13.20**

During this session the lectures will focus on specific topics: bone healing, principles in fractures classification and treatment, basic concepts of osteosynthesis, prosthesis, orthopedic complications, infections.

LECTURES

Chairmen: *M. Commessatti, N. Del Piccolo*

- 08.30 ◦ Damage control in traumatology
M. Commessatti
- 08.50 ◦ Principles of osteosynthesis:
 - Internal fixation *M. Commessatti*
 - External fixation *N. Del Piccolo*
- 09.10 ◦ Bone transportation technique
N. Del Piccolo
- 09.30 ◦ Infections in orthopedics
G. Fornaro, P. Viale
- 09.50 ◦ Orthopedic approach to periprosthetic infection
D. Alesi, M. Neri
- 10.10 ◦ Negative pressure therapy
R. Sgarzani
- 10.20 *Coffee Break*
- 11.10 ◦ Joints denervation surgery
A. Gobritz
- 11.30 ◦ Ankle fusion vs prosthetic replacement
M. Di Ponte
- 11.50 ◦ Spine oncological
A. Gasbarrini

- 12.10 ◦ Spine congenital
C. Faldini
- 12.30 ◦ Soft tissue sarcomas: diagnosis and principles of excision
G. Bianchi
- 12.50 ◦ Bone sarcomas: non microsurgical reconstructive options
D.M. Donati
- 13.10 ◦ Dermal substitutes
R. Sgarzani

- 13.20 *Lunch Break*

AFTERNOON SESSION — 14.30-18.30

Interactive cases discussion from the Students and Faculty.

The aim of this Session is how to apply the principles of orthoplastic surgery in real cases presented by the students. Timing, decision making and surgical procedures will be discussed by the faculty (the most instructional cases submitted by participants).

Chairmen: *E. Brown, H. Burger, M. Innocenti*

- 18.30 ◦ Closing of the works

- 20.00 *Social Dinner*

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH 2026

RIZZOLI ORTHOPAEDIC INSTITUTE - CAMPANACCI AND BACCHELLI HALL

08.30-16.30

INTERACTIVE DAY-LIVE SURGERY

Interactive day: live surgery in streaming from Rizzoli's theater will be available and, simultaneously, the participants will be free to train in osteosynthesis, robotic microsurgery and exoscope imaging.

Chairmen: *E. Brown, G. Hallock, T.C. Teo*

- 11.00-11.30 *Coffee*
- 13.30-14.30 *Lunch*

- 16.30 ◦ Closing remarks and closure of the Workshop

SCIENTIFIC COORDINATORS

- Marco Innocenti (Bologna, Italy)
- Joon Pio Hong (Seoul, South Korea)
- L. Scott Levin (Philadelphia, USA)

SCIENTIFIC SECRETARIAT

- Francesco Mori (Bologna, Italy)
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GENERAL INFORMATION

COURSE VENUES

Rizzoli Ortopaedic Institute
Vasari Hall
Via Pupilli, 1
Bologna - Italy

[How to reach](#)

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

English is the official
language of the Course.
Simultaneous translation is
not provided.

GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION FEES

Trainee/Residents IMC Members ⁽¹⁾	€ 900,00 (vat 22% included)
Physicians IMC Members ⁽¹⁾	€ 1.300,00 (vat 22% included)
Trainee/Residents NON IMC Members ⁽¹⁾	€ 1.000,00 (vat 22% included)
Physicians NON IMC Members	€ 1.400,00 (vat 22% included)

⁽¹⁾ *Certification will be requested upon registrations*

THE REGISTRATION FEE COVERS:

- Participation in all sessions of the Workshop (ortho and plastic)
- Welcome Reception (May 11th)
- Conference Dinner (May 12th)
- Coffee Breaks and lunches during the Workshop
- Congress Kit
- Certificate of Attendance

REFUND POLICY

In case of cancellation the fee less handling charges of € 100,00 will be refunded provided with a written request received by I&C **before April 1st 2026**.

No refund will be made if notice of cancellation is received after this date. Any refund will be made after the Workshop.

REGISTRATION AND TERMS OF PAYMENT

Online registration is available on:

https://www.leanevent.it/international_orthoplastic_reg/

Online payments by **bank transfer or credit card, paypal credit, google pay, apple pay.**

MAXIMUM AVAILABLE PLACES: 50

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SECRETARIAT

The registration desk located at entrance of Vasari Hall will be open as follows: Monday May 11, 7.15 am to 6.00 pm
Tuesday May 12, 7.30 am to 6.00 pm
Wednesday May 13, 7.30 am to 5.00 pm

SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS

All Scientific Sessions will take place at Rizzoli Orthopaedic Institute (entrance from Via Pupilli 1), ground floor.
VASARI HALL (May 11 and 12)
CAMPANACCI HALL (May 13 - Live Surgery)
BACCHELLI HALL (May 13 - Interactive Workshop)

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

Certificate of attendance will be sent by email at the end of the Workshop.

BADGES

Participants and Speakers are kindly requested to wear the badge at all time during the Workshop for admission to all the conference areas.

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