

40th INTERNATIONAL APPLIED ADVANCED LAPAROSCOPIC UROLOGY COURSE

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TURKUROLAP laparoscopy group and International Robotic and Laparoscopy Surgery Association (ILRSA) and Algerian Community of Endourology and Laparoscopic Surgery (ACELAS) organized the 40th International Applied Laparoscopic Urology Course and 1st International Laparoscopy workshop on urology on 3-4 March 2017 in Batna, Algeria with great success. Overall, 42 trainees (from Algeria, Tunisia and Israel) and 5 trainers (from Turkey). In addition, there were 8 nurse trainees in the scrub nurse training group 2 nurses (from Turkey and Germany) participated in the course.

The honorary president of the Course was Prof Dr Yasar Ozgok from Ankara, and the course secretary was Assist Prof Dr Abdullah Açıkgöz from Samsun, Turkey. Assoc Prof Dr Taylan Oksay, Assist Prof Dr Murat Zor, and Dr Taha Ölçücü were laparoscopy tutors and Vildan Gökçe and Birgitta Keil were nurse trainers in the course

The course consisted of theoretical lectures, video presentation, European basic laparoscopic urological skills (E-BLUS) training program, and basic laparoscopic training in training box.

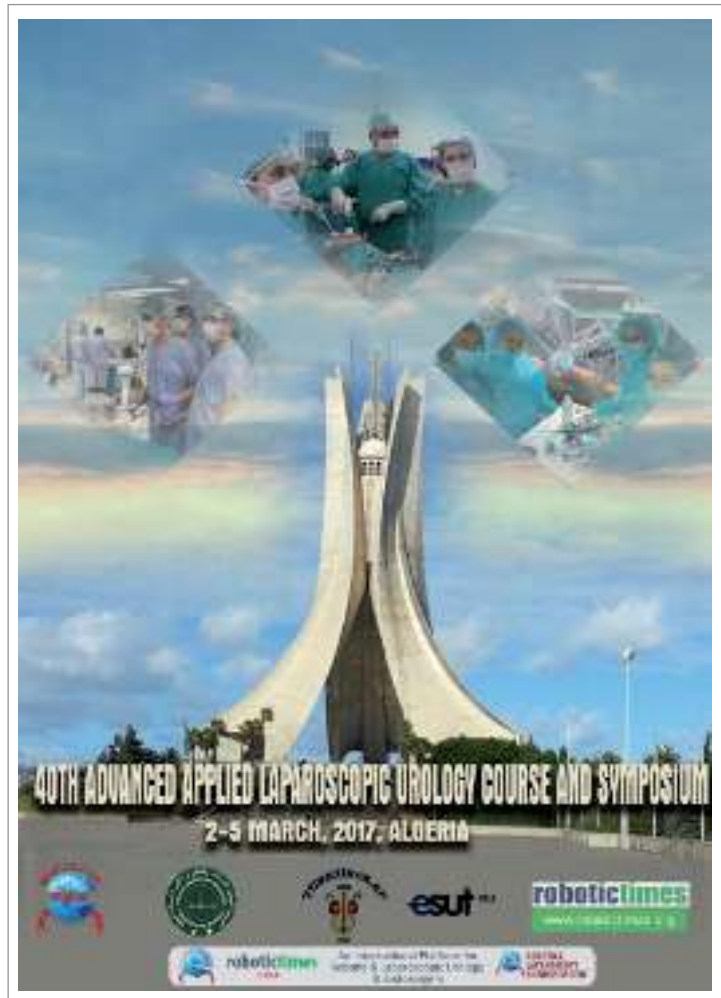


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The program started in Batna Oncological surgery center meeting hall with the opening speeches of chairman of ACELAS Dr. Hitchem Kouicem and Turkurolap president Prof. Dr. Yaşar Özgök.

Following the opening speeches the trainers of the course presented theoretical lectures and video presentation.

Firstly Prof. Özgök declared about Turkurolap training concepts and activities and presented "Training in Laparoscopic Urology" after the opening ceremony. Dr. Oksay presented "Urologic Laparoscopic equipment; new developments", Dr. Açıkgöz presented "Training techniques for endoscopic suturing in Urological Laparoscopy", Dr. Zor presented "Anatomy of the abdominal wall and access techniques in laparoscopy" and Dr. Ölçücü presented "Training models in training boxes".

After the theoretical lectures, video presentation was presented. Training videos in www.turkurolap.com and www.robotictimes.org, which are the official web pages belongs to TURKUROLAP Team, were shown to the participants that teach laparoscopy including the subjects of step by step robotic and laparoscopic radical prostatectomy, laparoscopic adrenalectomy, laparoscopic pyeloplasty, laparoscopic radical nephrectomy and laparoscopic partial nephrectomy presented by Prof. Özgök, Dr. Açıkgöz, Dr. Oksay, Dr. Zor and Dr. Ölçücü from Turkey.

Following theoretical sessions and the video presentations, the first day of the course was continued with dry laboratory hands-on activities. Trainees were divided into five groups. Each trainee was supervised by one course trainer. Trainees performed E-BLUS on the training boxes.

In this course also nurse training was performed on 1st day of the course. Urology nurses were trained by Vildan Gökçe and Brigitta Keil and Meriem Mederber who are operating room nurses from Turkey, Germany and Algeria. They gave theoretical sessions to 8 nurses about laparoscopic tools & equipments and operating room, sterilization of the laparoscopic instruments, post surgical wound assesment, management of ostomy patient's complication in the first half of the training day. The live cases were also discussed with the nurses interactively in terms of operating room nursing.

In the last day of course, practical training sessions in training box were performed. Thereafter the Practical part (exam) of training box was performed under Supervision of Prof Dr. Ozgok, Dr. Açıkgöz, Dr. Oksay and, Dr. Zor.



Figure 2: Oncological Surgery Center/ Batna-Algeria



Figure 3: Course Team



Figure 4: 1st International Laparoscopy workshop on urology ACELAS symposium



Figure 5: Nurses in Operating room

In addition, Prof. Özgök gave “Step by Step robotic radical prostatectomy” and “International experience of laparoscopy training” presentation in 1st International Laparoscopy ACELAS symposium.

The trainees received their certificates during the closing ceremony.

Briefly, a very beneficial laparoscopy course for trainees and nurses was performed. Our team made a great contribution in this whole event. International Laparoscopy and Robotic Surgery Association (ILRSA) and Turkurolap team has increased with the 40th course international friendship and scientific collaboration and gained great respect by all participant.

A farewell dinner with inclusion of the whole team was organized at the end of the first day of the course. After the end of the course, the towns of Timgad and Setif were visited. In summary, a very efficient laparoscopy course was performed.



Figure 6: Theoretical lectures of Nurses



Figure 7: Training in Laparoscopic urology



Figure 8: Urologic Laparoscopic equipment



Figure 9: Access techniques



Figure 10: Laparoscopic suturing techniques



Figure 11: Laparoscopic training models



Figure 12: Hands on training



Figure 13: Video lectures



Figure 14: Tunisian Urology Association



Figure 15: Basic laparoscopy exam on training boxes



Figure 16: Step by Step Robotic radical prostatectomy in ACELAS symposium



Figure 17: Trainees and trainers



Figure 18: Constantine/ Algeria



Figure 19: Gala Dinner