

Course Director

- Prof. Tom Theys, Belgium

Faculty

- Dr. Kathleen Borgions
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- Dr. Karen Craenen
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- Prof. Philippe De Vloot
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- Dr. Nathalie Draulans
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- Dr. Tom Meurrens
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- Dr. Petra Pauwels
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- Dr. Fabienne Schillebeeckx
(virtual)

Target audience

Specialists involved in the advanced treatment of spasticity with targeted drug delivery therapy

- Neurosurgeons
- Anaesthesiologists
- Rehabilitation physicians
- Neurologists

Accreditation

An application for accreditation has been submitted with RIZIV in Belgium

January 23: ID24032074

January 24: ID24032077

Venue

Hotel Martin's Klooster
O.L. Vrouwestraat 18
3000 Leuven
Belgium

Registration

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Intrathecal Baclofen Therapy for Spasticity

How to manage the patients, A blended learning experience

Fundamental training program for referring physicians

January 23 & 24, 2025 - Leuven, Belgium

In preparation for this training, participants are required to watch the following pre-recorded presentations before attending the training program. They will be available for registered participants on the ECMT website through a unique link with password that will be shared 2 weeks prior to the training

- 45 min Introduction to Spasticity, basic overview & diagnosing spasticity**
Pathophysiology, recognize the symptoms, differentiate with other pathologies, scales
Dr. Schillebeeckx
- 33 min Treatment of Spasticity**
Focal vs. generalized, reversible vs. non-reversible, selective dorsal rhizotomy, neurotomy, Botulinum toxin
Dr. Pauwels
- 27 min Clinical evidence supporting the therapy**
Which studies support the use of Intrathecal Baclofen therapy
Dr. Draulans

Thursday January 23, 2025

- 16:00 Welcome & Introduction of Faculty and Participants**
Prof. Theys
- 16:10 Knowledge check and Q&A from pre-recorded presentations**
Dr. Pauwels
- 16:30 Implanting the pump**
Review of implant procedure, theory on catheter tip level
Prof. Theys
- 17:10 Divide groups and rotate to break-out rooms**
- 17:15 Pump refill procedure in live patient - Group I**
How to safely refill the pump, how to identify issues, bridge bolus
Dr. Meurrens
- Programming the pump - Group II**
How to reach the optimal dose, progression of the dosage, basic & bolus programming
Dr. Pauwels, Els Vansant
- 18:15 Pump refill procedure in live patient - Group II**
How to safely refill the pump, how to identify issues, bridge bolus
Dr. Meurrens
- Programming the pump - Group I**
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Dr. Pauwels, Els Vansant
- 19:15 End of session day 1**
- 20:00 Group dinner**

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Friday January 24, 2025

- 08:30 Case based presentations on patient selection & goal setting for Intrathecal Baclofen Therapy based on Spasticity origin**
Which patients will benefit from Intrathecal therapy (inclusion/exclusion)
- Multiple Sclerosis - Dr. Meurrens
Spinal Cord Injury - Dr. Borgions
Stroke - Dr. Draulans
Cerebral Palsy - Dr. Craenen
Cerebral Palsy with Dystonia - Prof. De Vloo
- 10:15 Morning Break**
- 10:45 Trialling procedure and techniques**
Trialling techniques, catheter placement, bolus, continuous infusion
Prof. Theys, Dr. Meurrens
- 11:45 Complication management, dosage evolution and troubleshooting**
What are the major complications related to the therapy or the device
Dr. Draulans, Prof. Theys
- 12:20 Q&A session with Faculty and Participants**
- 12:30 Lunch**
- 13:30 Case presentations by participants, Q&A session and discussion with Faculty**
Delegates are kindly requested to bring and present a clinical case and please submit your case before January 21 to info@ecmt-training.com
- 15:00 Afternoon Break**
- 15:15 Case presentations by Faculty, Q&A session and group discussion**
- 16:30 Closure**
Prof. Theys
- End of training, departure to airport/train station