

21 SPC

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02 - 04 DECEMBER 2025 MILAN - UNISVET VENUE



Lectures will be taught in English



DESCRIPTION

This three day laparoscopy course is designed to give participants the necessary theoretical knowledge but also the required skills to safely perform those procedures frequently encountered in veterinary practice.

Day 1 focusses on the material and instruments required for videoendoscopic surgery. This also includes the techniques of how to safely achieve hemostasis by electrosurgical energy devices, surgical ligation and stapling. The essential motory skills for laparoscopic surgery are trained in the afternoon on simulators.

On day 2 the different techniques to access the abdomen and create a pneumoperitoneum are discussed. Laparoscopic ovariectomy, the new golden standard for surgical sterilization, is the first practical technique learned. This is followed by the laparoscopic-assisted and glove-port surgery techniques for CEH and pyometra. In the afternoon access techniques and surgical procedures are practiced on models.

Day 3 extends the participants skill set by addressing additional surgical techniques such as **cryptorchidectomy**, **gastropexy**, **percutaneous cystoscopy**, **and cholecystectomy**. These procedures are again practiced in the afternoon on models.

PROGRAMTUESDAY 02 DECEMBER

Introduction to Laparoscopy

Registration procedures and Welcome Coffee	08:30 - 09:00
Instrument introduction	09:00 - 09:45
Surgical room organisation	09:45 - 10:30
Coffee Break	10:30 - 11:00
Energy-based laparoscopic hemostasis	11:00 - 11:45
Laparoscopic suturing and stapling	11:45 - 12:30
Light Lunch	12:30 - 14:00
Dry Lab: - Peg board exercises	14:00 - 18:00

Trainers:

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Dr. Filippo Cinti, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ECVS, MRCVS

Dr. Pietro Di Martino, DVM Dr. Matteo Gobbetti, DVM, PhD

PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 03 DECEMBER

Biopsy Techniques and Diagnostic Laparoscopy

Welcome Coffee	08:30 - 09:00
Abdominal entry techniques	09:00 - 09:45
Abdominal biopsies	09:45 - 10:30
Coffee Break	10:30 - 11:00
Laparoscopic ovariectomy	11:00 - 12:00
Lap-assisted ovariohysterectomy	12:00 - 12:30
Light Lunch	12:30 - 14:00
Wet Lab: - Pneumoperitoneum - Portal placement - Ovariectomy - Abdominal biopsies - Multi-port, single-port, and glove-port surgery - Lap-assisted ovariohysterectomy	14:00 - 18:00

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PROGRAM THURSDAY 04 DECEMBER

Operative Laparoscopy

Welcome Coffee	08:30 - 09:00
Cryptorchidectomy	09:00 - 09:45
Laparoscopic and laparo-assisted gastropexy	09:45 - 10:30
Coffee Break	10:30 - 11:00
Percutaneous cystoscopic lithotomy (PCCL)	11:00 - 11:45
Laparoscopic cholecystectomy	11:45 - 12:30
Light Lunch	12:30 - 14:00
Wet Lab: - Laparoscopic gastropexy - Laparoscopic-assisted gastropexy - Laparoscopic cholecystectomy - Percutaneous cystoscopy	14:00 - 18:00

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BART VAN GOETHEM

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Dr. Bart Van Goethem graduated from Ghent University (Belgium). He completed his surgical specialist training at Utrecht University (the Netherlands) and also received his PhD title there. He works at the Small Animal Teaching Hospital at Ghent University where he is head of small animal surgery clinics. He is author and co-author of 6 surgical book chapters and has published over 60 peerreviewed articles in his field of interest. He gave over 2000 national and international lectures, reviews articles for 7 scientific journals, and remains an enthusiastic propagator of small animal surgery.





COURSE FEES

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION: € 2.500 + VAT

within 21/10/2025 unless SOLD OUT

LATE REGISTRATION: € 2.750 + VAT

within 18/11/2025 unless SOLD OUT

HeyLight

Thanks to the partnership with HeyLight of the Compass Group, you can choose to pay for the course in convenient instalments of up to 36 months*. For more information write to segreteria@unisvet.it or consult the FAQs. *The number of possible instalments varies according to the cost of the course. The minimum instalment amount is €20. (*only for Italian Doctors)

LIMITED NUMBER COURSE MAX 16 PARTICIPANTS

UNISVET VENUE

Via Salvator Rosa 14, Milan



INFORMATION

- Registrations will close on the date indicated above, unless the maximum number of participants is reached before this deadline (SOLD OUT)
- In no case the registration fee will be refounded, not even a partial amount of it, except in case of cancellation of the course by Unisvet
- In the event that the participant, after having paid the registration fee, can no longer attend the course, they will still have to pay the entire contribution fee and the sums already paid cannot be refounded

REGISTRATION WILL BE CONFIRMED IF

- You will receive a confirmation from UNISVET within 3 weekdays; otherwise, please contact our secretary office
- In case of payment with wire transfer, please send iscrizioni@unisvet.it the copy of the payment within 48 hours; otherwise, the registration will be canceled automatically with no further communications.

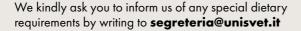
REGISTRATION

- Registrations must be made on www.unisvet.it on the event page
- Only Unisvet members can register for the course (Unisvet membership is free)



THE REGISTRATION ENTITLES TO

- Participation to the course
- Technical material for hands on sessions
- Course proceedings
- Attendance certificate
- N. 21 SPC credits, only for italian vets
- Coffee Break and Light Lunch



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