

Course venue

Bellvitge University Hospital
Barcelona, Spain

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Course description

This two-day course aims to give a comprehensive overview of the treatment of complex fractures and pathologies requiring arthroplasty in hand surgery. Participants will be presented with theoretical presentations and case studies, which will be discussed in group settings, and the topics learned will be practiced on fresh frozen cadavers. A tutor will be available for every four participants.

Course structure

Day 1 (starting at 8:00)

- Treatment of complex distal radius fractures
- **Cadaver workshop** – distal radius fractures
- Malunions following complex distal radius fractures
- Treatment of complex metacarpal fractures
- Cadaver workshop – metacarpal fractures
- Malunions following complex metacarpal fractures

Day 2

- Ulna shortening theory
- Cadaver workshop – ulna shortening
- Ulna head replacement theory
- Cadaver workshop – ulna head replacement
- PIP arthroplasty (primary and post-trauma)
- Cadaver workshop – PIP arthroplasty

It is possible, that course structure may change.

General information

Course fee: 990 € | Early bird special until April 13, 2026: 790 €

Course venue: Bellvitge University Hospital
Carrer de la Feixa Llarga, s/n,
08907 L'Hospitalet de Llobregat, Barcelona, Spain

Language: English

Accreditation: Pending for CME accreditation

Course dinner: There will be a dinner on both course days.

Register here

<https://www.birg-group.com/en/events/cadaveric-workshop-all-around-complex-fracture-treatment-and-joint-replacement-in-hand-surgery-june-2026/>



support:



Hands-on cadaver workshop

All around complex fracture treatment and joint replacement in hand surgery

Barcelona, Spain

June 18 – 19, 2026

International faculty

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Day 1 | Thursday, June 18, 2026

08:00	Welcome reception
08:15	Welcome from BIRG team and course chairman
08:15	Introduction into the session on distal radius fracture management
08:20	Surgical considerations for distal radius fractures: when and how to operate – which DRFs should be operated?
08:30	Preoperative planning of DRFs – key fragments
08:40	Volar and dorsal approach to distal radius, pearls and pitfalls
08:50	Patterns of radio carpal fracture dislocations
09:00	Volar and dorsal rim fractures
09:10	Concomitant TFCC and SL lesions, should they be treated?
09:20	Discussion
09:45	Coffee break
10:15	Workshop on distal radius fracture management
10:15	Workshop instructions including presentation of available fractures and set features
10:30	Start of hands-on cadaveric workshop
12:00	Lunch break
13:00	Session on metacarpal and phalangeal fracture management
13:00	Treatment strategy – conservative treatment of metacarpal fractures
13:10	Treatment strategy in metacarpal head and shaft fractures
13:20	Metacarpal base fractures and dislocations
13:30	Fractures on the base of the first metacarpal
13:40	Treatment strategy in phalangeal fractures – conservative vs. operative
13:50	Corrective osteotomies in metacarpals free hand
14:00	Corrective osteotomies in metacarpals 3D planning vs. free hand
14:10	Discussion
14:30	Coffee break

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15:00	Workshop on metacarpal fracture management
15:00	Workshop instructions including presentation of available fractures and set features
	Start of hands-on cadaveric workshop
16:15	Coffee break
16:45	Session on malunions following complex distal radius fractures
16:45	Principles in 3D planning
16:55	Extra articular malunions
17:05	Intra articular malunions
17:15	Principles in reconstruction of forearm deformities – case examples
17:25	Challenges in forearm reconstructions
17:35	3D technology in fracture cases – case example
17:45	Madelung reconstruction – 3D planning principles
17:55	Madelung reconstruction – case example
18:05	Special cases
18:15	Discussion
18:30	End
20:30	Dinner

Day 2 | Friday, June 19, 2026

08:00	Pickup at hotel
08:30	Session on all around the ulna
08:30	Anatomy and stabilization of the DRUJ
08:40	Ulna impaction syndrome and wafer
08:50	Ulna shortening
09:00	Darrach and Sauve-Kapandji
09:10	Ulna head replacement
09:20	Total or hemi replacement of DRUJ
09:30	Discussion
09:45	Coffee break
10:15	Workshop instruction ulna shortening
10:30	Start of hands-on cadaver workshop
11:15	Workshop instruction UHP
11:30	Start of hands-on cadaver workshop
12:15	Lunch break
13:15	Session on PIP arthroplasty
13:15	Principles in PIP joint arthroplasty
13:25	Different treatment options in PIP arthroplasty
13:35	Surgical pearls – tips and tricks
13:45	How I do? Why I do? – approaches, outcomes and results
13:55	7 years with CapFlex – the Basingstoke experience
14:05	Hemi hamate PIP arthroplasty – surgical technique
14:15	Discussion
14:45	Coffee break
15:15	Workshop instruction and surgical technique on CapFlex
15:30	Start of hands-on cadaver workshop
17:30	End of course and farewell
19:30	Dinner