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Dear Friends,

It is our great pleasure and honour to welcome you to London to participate in the BIARGS 13th Annual Scientific Meeting at the prestigious The Royal Society of Medicine on the 24th and 25th of November 2023.

The local Organising Committee chaired by Mr Denis Tsepov and the BIARGS Council will be proud to host you in this beautiful venue in the centre of London.

The Primary objective of this meeting is to update you on the latest developments in robotic surgery in gynaecology, share the latest evidence, experience, techniques and opinions which would allow us to further raise the standards in surgical care for women.

Our scientific programme, delivered by experts in robotic surgery, will be relevant to any surgeon currently working in, or looking to explore, this new and exciting way of operating. We will focus on surgical outcomes, patient experience, surgical safety and on standardising robotic surgical approaches to complex oncological and benign gynaecological pathology. We will cover all aspects of training in robotic surgery and discuss ways to establish and maintain robotic programmes. This year, we have placed a special focus on the significance of multidisciplinary surgical practice.

There's a packed agenda with some great highlights, including an interactive surgical video delivered by robotics experts will aim to improve the technical knowledge of young robotics surgeons at various stages in their careers.

The meeting is sponsored by world-leading industry partners from across the field of medical robotics who will display their latest products and developments at the industry exhibition.

London, with its timeless allure, is always a beautiful city, but never more so than at Christmas. We look forward to seeing you for the conference and for the networking opportunities. Let's learn, teach, and work together so this will be the best BIARGS conference yet!

DAY 1 - 24th November 2023

8.30am	Registration and coffee	
OPENING / SESSION 1 (9.00am-9.20am) Panel: Marielle Nobbenhius, Nahid Gul, Denis Tsepov, Manou Kaur, Corne Hurter, Nick Elkington		
9.00am	Welcome and opening remarks	Marielle Nobbenhius, BIARGS President
9.10am	Robotic programme in HCA Healthcare UK: History and perspectives	Corne Hurter, London, UK
9.20am	History of BIARGS	Nick Elkington, London, UK
SESSION 2: ROLE OF ROBOTIC SURGERY IN BENIGN GYNAECOLOGY (9.30am-11.20am) Chairs: Nadine Di Donato, Denis Tsepov, Sujata Gupta		
9.30am	My rapid conversion to robotic surgery in deep endometriosis: reflection after 300 cases	Denis Tsepov, London, UK
9.50am	Robotic myomectomy and tips for tissue extraction	Tony Chalhoub, Newcastle, UK
10.10am	Robotic-assisted hysterectomy: Does size matter?	Nahid Gul, BIARGS President-Elect, Manchester, UK
10.30am	Ultra Conservative Robotic Endometriosis Surgery	Jean Philippe Estrade, Marcelle, France
10.50am	Robotic Hysterectomy -standardising the operation during the learning curve	Manou Kaur, London UK
11.10am	DISCUSSION	
SESSION 3: NEUROPELVEOLOGY & MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM IN COMPLEX BENIGN GYNAECOLOGICAL SURGERY (11.20am-1.20pm) Chairs: Nahid Gul, Daniel Wilby, Shaheen Khazali, Valerio Celentano		
11.20am	Pelvic nerves: How does the robot help when working in the tiger territory?	Shaheen Khazali, London, UK
11.40am	Robotic surgery for deep endometriosis: What is the current evidence?	Zeiad El Gizawy, Stoke on Trent, UK
12.00pm	Reconstructive urology: An update for the gynaecologists	Rajesh Nair, London, UK
12.20pm	Robotic NOSE colorectal resection in endometriosis	Danilo Miscovic, London, UK
12.50pm	Multidisciplinary decision making in robotic endometriosis surgery	Denis Tsepov, London, UK
1.10pm	DISCUSSION	
1.20pm	LUNCH AND VISITING INDUSTRY	
SESSION 4: INDUSTRY SPONSORED SESSION (2.00pm-2.30pm)		
2.00pm	INTUITIVE speaker	Amer Raza, London, UK
2.15pm	Session details to be confirmed	

DAY 1 - 24th November 2023 (continued)

SESSION 4A: GYNAECOLOGICAL ONCOLOGY (2.30pm-3.50pm) Chairs: Thomas Ind, Anil Taylor		
2.30pm	Boundaries for robotic surgery in gynae-oncology: Are there any?	Thomas Hebert, Tours, France
2.50pm	Role of robotic PA nodes: When and how?	Henrik Falconer, Stockholm, Sweden
3.10pm	Same day discharge after robotic hysterectomy	Adeola Olaitan, London, UK
3.30pm	The introduction of robotic surgery in Glasgow / Scotland	Rhona Lindsay, Glasgow, UK
3.50pm	COFFEE AND VISITING INDUSTRY	
SESSION 4B: NURSES AND BED SIDE ASSISTANTS IN ROBOTIC SURGERY (2.30pm-4.10pm) Chairs: Claudia So, Marie Taniacao		
2.30pm	How to run "Formula One" robotic theatre	Claudia So, London
2.45pm	Education pathways for Robotic bed site assistants – where are we now?	Marie Taniacao, London
3.00pm	BSA training in Norway	Maaria Miiros-Salonen, Oslo
3.20pm	Starting robotic BSA training from the scratch	Carmine Civile, Manchester, UK
3.40pm	The Role of the First Assistant in Robotic Surgery	Liza Mills, London UK
4.00pm	DISCUSSION	
SESSION 5: VIDEO SESSION AND FREE COMMUNICATION (4.10pm-5.30pm) Chairs: Shaheen Khazali, Gaby Moawad, Denis Tsepov, Jeffrey Ahmed		
4.10pm	Session details to be confirmed	
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5.20pm	DISCUSSION	
5.30pm - DAY CLOSURE		
5.30pm - AGM BIARGS		
7.00pm - BIARGS EVENT PARTY		

DAY 2 - 25th November 2023

8.00am	Registration	
SESSION 6: SURGICAL VIDEO TALK SHOW (9.00am-11.30am) Moderators: Zeiad El Gizawy, Shaheen Khazali, Denis Tsepov, Manou Kaur		
8.30am	Robotic surgery for deep endometriosis: Standardization of approach to achieve excellent outcomes	Gaby Moawad, Washington DC, USA
9.00am - 11.00am	Each speaker presents 2 x 10 min surgical video case presentations of robotic surgical cases	
9.00am	Robotic excision of peritoneal endometriosis, Robotic rectal shaving for deep endometriosis	Denis Tsepov, London, UK
9.20am	Robotic ureteric reimplantation, Robotic segmental bowel resection	Shaheen Khazali, London, UK
9.40am	Robotic hysterectomy for big patient, Robotic hysterectomy for big uterus	Tony Chalhoub, Newcastle, UK
10.20am	Robotic LN dissection / sentinel LN, Hysterectomy for endometrial cancer	Marielle Hobbenhuis, BIARGS President
10.40am	Robotic surgery with Versius platform	Helen Nicks, Guildford, UK
11.00am	Robotic assisted pelvic floor repair consensus, results and thoughts	Tomaso Simoncini, Pisa, Italy
11.20am	DISCUSSION	
SESSION 7: UPDATES IN ROBOTIC GYNAE-ONCOLOGY (11.30am-1.20pm) Chairs: Simon Butler Manuel, Marielle Nobbenhuis, Thomas Ind		
11.30am	The current state of lymph node mapping in patients with endometrial/cervical cancers: Anatomy and methodology (online presentation)	Jan Persson, Lund, Sweden
11.50am	Train the trainers in robotics education	Thomas Ind, London, UK
12.10pm	Robotics in gynae cancer: The Guildford way	Hersha Patel, Guildford, UK
12.30pm	Use of advanced energy for malignant hysterectomies	Philippe Van Trappen, Brugge, Belgium
12.50pm	Machine learning in the optimisation of robotic surgery in gynaecological oncology	Mohammed Otify, Liverpool, UK
1.10pm	DISCUSSION	
1.20pm	LUNCH AND VISITING INDUSTRY	
SESSION 8: INDUSTRY SPONSORED SESSION Chairs: Session details to be confirmed		
2.00pm	Panel discussion with presentations from Cardiff Hospital, Bangor Hospital and Milton Keynes Hospital	Ms Aarti Sharma, Mr Richard Peevor from Bangor, and Ms Nidhi Singh from Milton Keynes
2.20pm	Session details to be confirmed	

DAY 2 - 25th November 2023 (continued)

SESSION 9: EDUCATION AND EFFICIENCY IN ROBOTIC SURGERY (Parallel) (2.30pm-3.50pm) Chairs: Nahid Gul, Uzma Mahmood, Tom Coia, Dina El Hamamsy		
2.30pm	RCOG BIARGS SITM: Robotic-assisted gynaecological surgery and getting Grandfather accreditation	Nahid Gul, BIARGS President-Elect, Manchester, UK
2.50pm	Setting up robotic research	Miss Christina Uwins, Guildford, UK
3.05pm	Supporting tools to optimise robotic surgery	Christoph Hemcke, Dortmund, Germany
3.25pm	CMR robotic experience in a multidisciplinary centre	Kailash Nakade, Milton Keynes, UK
3.50pm-4.10pm	COFFEE AND VISITING INDUSTRY	
SESSION 10: COMPLEX BENIGN GYNAECOLOGY (4.10pm-5.30pm) Chairs: Denis Tsepov, Gaby Moawad		
4.10pm	Robotic reconstructive surgery for bladder and ureteric endometriosis	Daniel Wilby, Portsmouth, UK
4.30pm	Robotic sacro-colpopexy: what is best for the patient?	Alexander Popov, Moscow, Russia (ONLINE)
4.50pm	Diaphragmatic endometriosis: The role of the thoracic surgeon	Tom Routledge, London, UK
5.10pm	High-efficiency Da-Vinici RAS: Not just a surgical tool	Jeffrey Ahmed, London, UK
5.30pm	DISCUSSION AND CLOSING REMARKS	

Helpful information for delegates

Accommodation

For local hotels please visit www.bookings.com

To keep to date with the latest information regarding the event please visit the BIARGS website www.biargs.org.uk

If you have any questions please contact us at biargslondon2023@gmail.com

BIARGS ROBOTICS COURSE

Thursday 23rd November 2023 in Oxford

A practical course with lectures and hands-on robotic skills on da Vinci® Xi surgical robot. Course is limited to 12 delegates.

Course Director: Mr. Denis Tsepov, MRCOG

Consultant Gynaecologist, The Princess Grace Hospital, HCA Healthcare UK

Intuitive Labs, The Schrodinger Building, Oxford Science Park, Heatley Road, Oxford OX4 4GE

Registration and enquiries:

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8.00am	Registration	
8.30am	Robotics in complex benign gynaecology / endometriosis – what is the current evidence?	Mr Denis Tsepov, Consultant Gynaecologist, Princess Grace Hospital, London
9.00am	Urinary tract endometriosis and robotic ureteric re-implantation	Mr Dan Wilby, Consultant Urologist, Princess Grace Hospital, London
9.30am	MRI scan: The gold standard in pre-operative diagnosis and mapping of deep infiltrating endometriosis	Dr Priya Narayanan, Consultant Radiologist
10.00am	Robotic bowel resection for endometriosis: New trends and concepts	Mr Denis Tsepov, Consultant Gynaecologist, Princess Grace Hospital, London
10.30am	Robotic surgery safety and complication prevention	Ms. Marielle Nobbenhius, Consultant Gynae Oncologist, Royal Marsden Hospital, London
11.00am	How to set up an excellent robotic operating theatre	Claudia So, Robotic Theatre Coordinator
11.30am	COFFEE BREAK	
12.00pm	Robotic-assisted myomectomy and hysterectomy	Tony Chalhoub, Consultant Gynaecologist and robotic surgeon, Newcastle Upon Tyne
12.30pm	Robotic training curriculum	Nahid Gul, Consultant Gynaecologist
1.00pm	Pelvic nerves and deeper pelvic structures	Mr. Shaheen Khazali, Consultant Gynaecologist and Robotic Surgeon, Lister Hospital, London
1.30pm	LUNCH BREAK	
2.15pm	Overview of da Vinci® Xi robotic console	Intuitive surgical team and faculty members
3.00pm	Docking and port placement	Intuitive surgical team and faculty members
3.30pm	COFFEE BREAK	
4.00pm	Using the robot: Surgical lab exercises on da Vinci® Xi robotic console	Tony Chalhoub, Consultant Gynaecologist and robotic surgeon, Newcastle Upon Tyne
5.00pm	CLOSING REMARKS - FACULTY MEMBERS	

BIARGS 2023 fees

Early Bird rates – Available until 23rd September

BIARGS member	£130.00 +£19.90 Eventbrite booking fee
Non-member	£230.00 +£19.90 Eventbrite booking fee
Trainee and nurses (member)	£30.00 +£3.22 Eventbrite booking fee
Trainee and nurses (non-member)	£70.00 +£6.55 Eventbrite booking fee

Rates from 24th September

BIARGS member	£160.00 +£14.05 Eventbrite booking fee
Non-member	£260.00 +£22.39 Eventbrite booking fee
Trainees and nurses (member)	£60.00 +£5.71 Eventbrite booking fee
Trainee and nurses (non-member)	£100.00 +£9.05 Eventbrite booking fee

Networking event at The Kings Fund 24 Nov. 7.30pm

£60.00 + Eventbrite booking fee

Partner tickets are also available for **£80.00** + Eventbrite booking fee

Networking Evening Friday 24th November 2023

The King's Fund, 11 Cavendish Square W1G 0AN

Drinks, food and live music from 7.30pm

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