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#### Accreditation

An application for accreditation has been submitted with RIZIV in Belgium  
April 23: ID26006579  
April 24: ID26006581  
April 25: ID26006582

#### Venue practical training

ICLO Verona s.r.l.  
Via E. Torricelli 15/A  
37135 Verona  
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#### Mdeon visum

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## Chronic Pain Management with Spinal Cord Stimulation Fundamental Workshop

**April 23-24-25, 2026**  
**Verona, Italy**

#### Learning Objectives

- Describe the different types of pain and therapy options (in virtual session prior to the training)
- Explain the basics of anatomy and physiology involved SCS (in virtual session prior to the training)
- Recall the clinical background evidence and theories of MOA in chronic pain management
- Describe the basic of programming
- List the SCS common indicators (FBSS, CBLP, radiculopathies)
- Select the right patients for SCS (in virtual session prior to the training)
- Demonstrate how to handle patient interview to introduce the therapy to the patient managing expectation
- Demonstrate how to choose between surgical leads and percutaneous leads in FBSS management
- Demonstrate the technical skills for the trialing and implant
- Describe the basic troubleshooting
- Demonstrate how to handle complications

## Thursday, April 23, 2026

- 19:00 Start of registration near hotel meeting room
- 19:30 Introduction from Course Directors
- 19:40 The science behind Spinal Cord Stimulation (SCS)  
SCS: A double-faced therapy?  
Prof. Eldabe
- 21:30 Dinner workshops:
  - Research topics poll & Group assignments  
Course Directors
  - Spine Mentor demo  
Melanie Kienle MSc
- 22:15 End of program day 1

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## Friday, April 24, 2026

- 08:15** Start of registration near hotel meeting room
- 08:30** **Basic anatomy**  
Prof. Rigoard
- 09:10** **Basics of programming**  
Prof. Moens & Melanie Kienle MSc
- 09:40** **Patient selection: the 3 tier system**  
Prof. Moens
- 09:50** **Short break**
- 10:00** **Spinal Cord Stimulation - Who & when & which device? Part I**  
- Case based discussions by indication: How to select a good SCS candidate vs. non SCS candidate  
Prof. Moens  
- Low back pain, FBSS, complex spine  
Prof. Rigoard
- 11:25** **Short break**
- 11:35** **Spinal Cord Stimulation - Who & when & which device? Part II**  
- Case based discussions by indication  
Prof. Eldabe & Dr. Gulve  
- CRPS, DPN & Peripheral indications of neuromodulation  
Prof. Eldabe & Dr. Gulve
- 13:00** **Lunch at the hotel & walk to anatomy lab**  
  
**Rotating hands-on workshops in anatomy lab - DEMONSTRATION**  
**(40 minutes per station + 5 minutes rotation)**  
5 stations - 6 participants per session
- 14:30** **Cadaver lab hands-on session: Cervical techniques**  
Dr. Gulve  
  
**Cadaver lab hands-on session: Thoraco-Lumbar techniques: Percutaneous SCS lead**  
Dr. Bouche
- 16:00** **Afternoon break**
- 16:15** **Cadaver lab hands-on session: Lumbar sub-percutaneous (Sub-Q), tunnelling, IPG implant**  
Prof. Rigoard  
  
**Cadaver lab hands-on session: Surgical lead**  
Prof. Moens  
  
**Cadaver lab hands-on session: Occipital Nerve Stimulation**  
Prof. Eldabe
- 18:30** **Return to hotel & leisure**
- 19:30** **Gather in hotel lobby for group dinner**
- 20:00** **Group dinner**

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#### Faculty Saturday pm

- Dr. Ashish Gulve  
Middlesbrough, United Kingdom
- Rik Buschman PhD

#### Invited guest speaker 25-4

- Dr. Danielle Kohr, Germany

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## Saturday, April 25, 2026

- 08:10 Departure to anatomy lab
- 08:30 **Rotating hands-on workshops in anatomy lab - SUPERVISED (40 minutes per station + 5 minutes rotation)**  
5 stations - 6 participants per session
- 10:15 Morning break
- 10:30 Rotating sessions in anatomy lab continued
- 12:15 End of session in anatomy lab, return to hotel
- 12:30 Meet and greet with group AFP5  
Lunch  
**Change for AFP5 graduation ceremony - dress code: formal/semi-formal**
- 14:00 Departure to afternoon and evening venue
- 14:30 Welcome & introduction from Course Directors
- 14:35 Sharing AFP experiences  
Dr. Danielle Kohr
- 14:45 **Session 'How to' moderated by Prof. Moens**  
**In the Clinic: How to convince a patient to get implanted?**  
Dr. Ashish Gulve
- 15:05 **In Research: How to get involved in clinical trials?**  
Rik Buschman PhD
- 15:25 **In Registry: How to ensure regular follow-up?**  
Prof. Philippe Rigoard
- 15:45 Afternoon break
- 16:15 **Session 'Pulse Project' moderated by Prof. Rigoard**  
**Pulse Project: Graduation presentations (10 minutes presentation per group + 5 minutes Q&A)**  
All
- 17:45 Closing remarks from Course Directors  
Prof. Maarten Moens
- 18:00 Closing remarks from Medtronic  
Natasha Lucenay, Director of Training & Education International
- 18:05 End of scientific training program, continued by graduation ceremony
- 19:30 Fellows' dinner
- 21:30 Group transfer to hotel

## Sunday, April 26, 2026

- 10:00 Transfer to airport after breakfast