

Date Venue

Congress:
11 and 12 December 2014, De Doelen, Kruisplein 30, 3012 CC Rotterdam, The Netherlands

After-course:

12 December 2014 Skillslab, Erasmus Medical Centre, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

Congress language

The official congress language will be English.

Accreditation

Accreditation will be applied for at the:

- European Accreditation Council by CME (EACCME)

For Dutch participants only:

- Accreditatiebureau Verpleegkundig Specialisten Register
- Landelijke Vereniging van Operatieassistenten (KABIZ-LVO)
- Accreditatiebureau Kwaliteitsregister V&V en Register Zorgprofessionals
- Nederlandse Vereniging voor Heelkunde (NVvH)

Call for abstracts and videos

The Organizing Committee would like to encourage authors to submit their abstracts through the congress website, which hosts an electronic abstract submission form as of **14 April 2014**.

The congress website can be consulted at www.congresscompany.com.

Deadline for abstracts: 11 August 2014

Please note that abstracts received after the deadline of 11 August 2014 will not be accepted.

Registration fees (in Euro, including taxes)

Pre-registration for reduced rates is possible until 13 October 2014. Please register online at www.congresscompany.com. Please note that there is limited access available for the after-course. Registration for the after-course is only available for congress delegates who will attend both days.

Full Congress registration

	Before 13 October 2014	As of 13 October 2014
Physicians	EUR 225	EUR 260
Residents/Scientists in training	EUR 130	EUR 165
Nurse (practitioners)	EUR 130	EUR 165
Students	EUR 80	EUR 105
After-course	EUR 150	EUR 150

One day registration

	Before 13 October 2014	As of 13 October 2014
Physicians	EUR 150	EUR 185
Residents/Scientists in training	EUR 85	EUR 120
Nurse (practitioners)	EUR 85	EUR 120
Students	EUR 55	EUR 70

After Course

Date: 12 December 2014

Time: 14:00 hrs till 17:00 hrs

Location: Skillslab, Erasmus Medical Center, Rotterdam

Techniques presented and demonstrated in anatomy lab:

- TREPP: trans rectus sheath preperitoneal groin hernia repair by Dr W.L. Akkersdijk
- posterior CST: posterior component separation techniques for incisional hernia repair by Dr F. Muysoms

Program

14:00 Welcome
14:30 Introduction

Group 1:

14:45 Presentation TREPP
15:15 Demonstration TREPP
15:45 Coffeebreak
16:00 Presentation posterior CST
16:30 Demonstration posterior CST

Group 2:

14:45 Presentation posterior CST
15:15 Demonstration posterior CST
15:45 Coffeebreak
16:00 Presentation TREPP
16:30 Demonstration TREPP

17:00 Conclusion and drinks

Cancellation

All cancellations must be sent to the congress secretariat by e-mail. Cancellations made before 10 November 2014 will be refunded less 30% to cover administration costs. After this date no refunds will be given. All refunds will be made after the congress.

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&

**SYMPOSIUM ON EUROPEAN PROSPECTIVE
REGISTRIES FOR VENTRAL ABDOMINAL
WALL HERNIAS (EURAHS)**

De Doelen, Rotterdam, The Netherlands



**Rotterdam
11 and 12
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2014**

"BRIDGING THE GAP"

Evidence based research
versus clinical practice

Message from the Organizers

Rotterdam – famous for its bridges – will host the first joint RICH/EuraHS-congress which will be held on 11 and 12 December 2014 in congress venue de Doelen, Rotterdam, the Netherlands.

Bridging the Gap Evidence based research versus clinical practice

The repair of abdominal wall hernias is an interesting field of surgical innovation and research. Because so many variables are involved in the outcome of our patients, many questions remain unanswered. Which technique and which medical device to use in a specific patient remains often a difficult choice for the surgeons.

The Repair group in Rotterdam has a long tradition in both basic scientific research and large randomized clinical trials. The RICH meetings have since many years been the platform where results are discussed, critically evaluated and the seeds for future research are planted. Evidence based research is the basis for guidelines.

But what is happening in the real world? What is the gap between guidelines and clinical practice?

Several national registries on abdominal wall hernias have been initiated. With their pioneering databases the Scandinavian countries have shown what population based data can provide. Because of the differences between European countries each national registry has it's own specificities. With this symposium we want to gather the European expertise both in the basic research and in patient centered outcome research and learn from each other.

The EuraHS is a project by the European Hernia Society that provides an online platform for registration and outcome measurement of abdominal wall surgery. The EuraHS wants to unify our research language both in basic research and clinical practice. It intends to be the supporting structure of the bridge.

Therefore, we cordially invite you to share your thoughts in a two-day meeting during presentations, discussions and workshops. The mantra during these two days will be: collaboration, implementation and contribution of science.

Come and join us.

We are looking forward to welcome you in Rotterdam, the city that bridges.

J.F. Lange

F. Muysoms

**After-Course
skillslab Erasmus MC
Rotterdam
Friday, 12 December**

Speaker:
Dr. W. Akkersdijk – TREPP
Dr. F. Muysoms -
Posterior CST technique

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Thursday

December 11 2014

08:30

Welcome

09:00 – 10:30

Session 1: Prevention of Incisional hernias

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30

Session 2: Experimental Research

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch – Lunch Symposium

13:30 – 15:00

Session 3: Local anesthesia in groin and umbilical hernia

15:00 – 15:30

Coffee Break

15:30 – 17:00

Session 4: Class of 2013

17:00

Drinks

Friday

December 12 2014

08:00 – 09:00

Breakfast Symposium

09:00 – 10:30

Session 5: Parastomal hernia surgery

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30

Session 6: Complex / contaminated Hernia

12:30 – 13:30

Lunch – Lunch Symposium

14:00 – 17:00

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Important dates

11 August 2014

Deadline abstract submission

13 October 2014

Early registration deadline

11 / 12 December 2014

First Joint Meeting Rotterdam Interactive Congress on Hernia (RICH) and Symposium on European prospective registries for ventral abdominal wall hernias (EuraHS)

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After-course: TREPP and Posterior CST technique