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FUNCTIONAL ENDOSCOPIC SINUS SURGERY HOW TO DO IT



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COURSE PRESENTATION



Becoming familiar with endoscopic sinonasal anatomy through dissection courses is widely recognized as an essential step in rhinology training. However, mastering anatomy is only the first rung on the ladder toward successful Functional Endoscopic Sinus Surgery (FESS).

True surgical proficiency requires a broader clinical foundation, including:

- Proficiency in the diagnostic work-up of sinonasal pathology.
- The ability to provide precise surgical indications.
- A deep understanding of preoperative radiological anatomy.

This course is specifically designed for residents and early-career specialists looking to either establish their anatomical foundations or refresh their knowledge to operate with greater confidence.

Organized by a team of young professionals who share a common training background (University of Brescia), we now practice rhinology across a diverse range of settings—from academic tertiary referral centers to peripheral general hospitals. Our goal is to share the practical fundamentals that have allowed us to successfully translate our training into daily clinical excellence.

To ensure an optimal experience in the lab, a skills assessment questionnaire will be provided on the first day. This allows us to:

- Match attendees based on their current skill levels and specific learning objectives.
- Optimize the pace of the dissection, ensuring each pair works in perfect synergy.
- Create balanced teams to maximize efficiency during the step-by-step surgical exercises.

Each pair will be guided by a dedicated tutor and will perform the dissection on a single anatomical specimen, ensuring an intensive, hands-on experience. To accurately replicate the operating room environment, every station will be fully equipped with a complete surgical set, including microdebriders, high-speed powered instrumentation, and HD video-endoscopy systems.

At the conclusion of the course, the pair who demonstrates the highest level of technical precision and anatomical understanding will be honored. The Dissection Award will be judged by Prof. Verillaud and Dr. Pianta.

Beyond the dissection table, we will focus on the all-round management of common rhinological conditions, including:

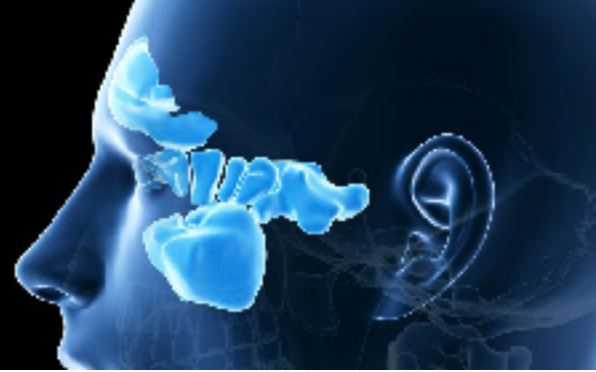
- Type 2 inflammatory sinonasal disease
- Epistaxis and Epiphora
- Navigating and preventing surgical complications

The course will be held at Palazzo Trecchi, a 15th-century architectural jewel in the heart of Cremona, the world-renowned “City of Violins”. This venue offers a unique atmosphere where history meets cutting-edge recently renovated dissection facilities.

Join us for an engaging learning experience and extend your weekend to discover the beauty of Cremona. Our organizing secretariat remains at your full disposal to provide all the information and assistance you may need to make the most of your stay.

See you in Cremona!

Dr. Giacomo Bertazzoni



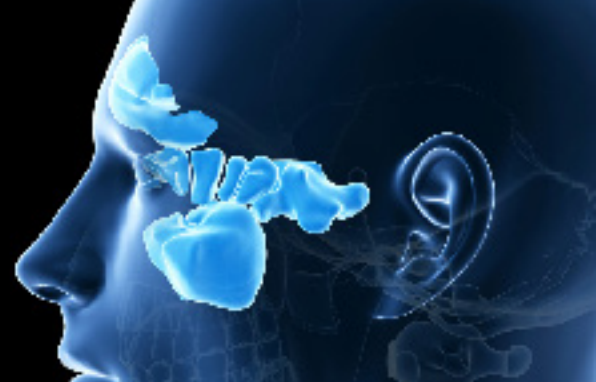
Friday, October 30, 2026

- 14:00 Participant Registration
- 14:15 Course Introduction and distribution of personal skills self-assessment questionnaires
- 14:30 Sinonasal Imaging: Preoperative assessment
- 14:50 Step-by-Step Anatomical Dissection: The anterior compartment and the frontal recess
- 15:10 Step-by-Step Anatomical Dissection: The posterior compartment and the sphenoid
- 15:30 ESS, open and endoscopic septoplasty: How to do it
- 15:45 Coffee break
- 16:00 Revision Surgery: How to approach it
- 16:20 Complications: Identification and management
- 16:40 Chronic Rhinosinusitis: Patient work-up and endotyping
- 17:00 Chronic Rhinosinusitis: The CRSwNP patient; medical therapy, biologics, and surgery
- 17:20 Epistaxis: management algorithms and surgical techniques
- 18:00 Epiphora: Patient work-up and therapeutic indications
- 18:20 Closing Remarks: pairing of attendees, assignment of tutors and scheduling for the following day's dissection

Saturday, October 31, 2026

- 08:30 Opening Session
- 08:45 Hands-on Step-by-Step Dissection according to the established program
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Afternoon Session Resumes: Hands-on Step-by-Step Dissection
- 17:50 End of Dissection
- 18:00 Course evaluation questionnaire and presentation of the Dissection Award
- 18:30 Adjournment

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