

Lima SMR Reverse Shoulder Arthroplasty Live Surgery Course

April 15 – 16th, Sportsclinic Hannover

Over 50 surgeons from all over Europe gathered together in a hotel close to the famous 'Hannover Sportsclinic' hospital for 2 days of live surgery discussion based education on the Lima SMR reverse shoulder prosthesis. This learning centre was focussed purely on the pathology, treatment options, surgical hints / tips and revisions of reverse shoulder to allow this complex topic to be discussed in detail. The renowned faculty was led by Dr Alex Castagne from Milan who has huge experience with this prosthesis and Dr Jens Agneskirchner from the Sportsclinic who is an established user of the SMR.



After an introduction to the principles of varying CTA treatment options and the principles behind the SMR the group split into a sawbones model workshop and a close technique review with Dr Castagne. Both groups gave good feedback about how they were able to discuss with experienced faculty hints and tips for reverse surgery and learn new solutions. Clinical results of reverse shoulder arthroplasty were presented at the end of the day then dinner was held overlooking one of the Hannover lakes.

Saturday morning started with live reverse shoulder arthroplasty carried out by Dr Agneskirchner with good chances to ask him questions on his technique and the approach he used. Imagery was good and the moderation by Dr Castagne resulted in a very interesting surgery. Dr Agneskirchner returned to the lecture theatre to discuss the details of the case and result.



The final presentations were based around how to use reverse arthroplasty for revising fracture and anatomical shoulder cases and the faculties combined learning about how to avoid surgical pitfalls. Our surgeon attendees came away impressed by the course and how there was a good level of faculty to answer their questions as well as the live surgery quality level. Think about which surgeons from the UK we should be targeting to take over to Hannover next April.



We still have spaces on Lima shoulder visit centres though the Alex Castagne dates have filled up very quickly – there are new spaces available with Dr Agneskircher in Hanover. The next shoulder learning centre will be the cadaveric course in Padova November 18th and 19th which we will have a small number of places for so get your bookings in quick.