

European Society of Coloproctology – ESCP

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ESCP Second Scientific and Annual General Meeting Malta, 2007

Dear Colleagues,

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On behalf of the ESCP, we would like to welcome you to Malta. This year's meeting is the 2nd European Society of Coloproctology Scientific and Annual General Meeting and we hope that you will benefit from what we feel will be a stimulating and informative three-day meeting.

ESCP is dedicated to promoting and advancing the science, knowledge and practice of Coloproctology in Europe with high quality multidisciplinary annual clinical and scientific meetings. Again we are especially pleased that so many high-profile and internationally renowned colleagues have agreed to speak and moderate on the latest developments in the field.

The official opening on Thursday morning will be followed by a session on Surgical Technique, using video presentations delivered by invited presenters with interactive chairmanship and discussion from the floor. This is a new feature which replaces the live surgery demonstrations of last year's meeting in Lisbon. It will allow more operations to be included and enable a greater scope of procedure type. This should be a very attractive and valuable session.

The symposia will cover a wide range of topics including Imaging in Colorectal Cancer, Laparoscopy, Pouches in Ulcerative Colitis Pelvic Floor Disorders, Fistula in Ano, Rectal Cancer and Debates of Controversial Topics in Coloproctology. The meeting will also include several high-calibre Keynote Lectures presented by experts. We have selected a total of 86 abstracts for presentation as Free Papers or Oral Posters and the best six will be presented in a separate session on Saturday. The ever-popular "Consultants' Corner" on Saturday lunchtime will round off our meeting for this year.

We would like to thank all the sponsors and exhibitors who have contributed to ensure the success of this meeting and the organisers would be grateful if you could take some time to meet them in the session breaks, as their support is vital to the success of our meetings.

Finally, we wish you all a very successful meeting. Malta's modern and advanced lifestyle as part of today's Europe, is at the same time, uniquely Maltese - this is an island of long-standing tradition, rich cultural heritage, with a history dating back to 4000 BC, and we hope that you will enjoy your stay here.

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Anders Mellgren Secretary

John Nicholls

R. John Nicholls Programme Committee Chairman

Meeting Overview

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Registration & General Information

Registration in Malta:

Registration facilities will be open at the following times at the Hilton Conference Centre (level 5):

Date	Time
Wednesday, 26 September	10:30 - 18:00
Thursday, 27 September	07:30 - 19:00
Friday, 28 September	07:30 - 19:00
Saturday, 29 September	07:30 - 14:00

A - Z of General Information:

Abstracts

Abstracts are published as a supplement to the September issue of *Colorectal Disea*se which is available to all delegates as part of the registration fee.

Accompanying Persons

The Accompanying Persons' registration fee covers the attendance to the welcome reception on Thursday evening and a tour of Valetta on Thursday afternoon, departing at 14:00 from the Hilton Hotel. Additional tickets are required for Friday's Congress Dinner.

Badges

Delegates are asked to wear name badges at all times during the Congress.

Banks & Currency

Most banks are open weekdays from around 8.30 - 15:00 (although some may stay open later). They are also open until midday on Saturday but are closed on Sunday. At other times, money can be exchanged at the airport and at most hotels.

The Maltese lira (Lm), often referred to as the Maltese pound, is divided into 100 cents. Although the Maltese lira is the legal currency, the majority of hotels, larger shops and restaurants also accept payment in Euros plus certain other main international currencies. Outlets which opt to accept payment in Euros cannot impose any conversion charges. Conversion charges may be applied where outlets opt to accept payment in currencies other than the Euro.

Rates of exchange are approximately:

Lm1 = €2.31 Lm1 = UK£1.56 Lm1 = US\$3.16

Catering

The registration fee includes morning and afternoon coffee breaks and a light buffet lunch. These will be served in the Hilton Conference Centre main lobby and the Spinola Suite exhibition area from Thursday morning coffee through to Saturday morning coffee. The welcome reception on Thursday evening will also take place in the Spinola Suite.

Certificate of Attendance

A certificate of attendance is enclosed in your welcome pack.

Congress Dinner

The Congress Dinner will be held on **Friday evening, 28 September** at Restaurant Bacchus, set within the fortifications of Mdina. If you have already purchased your ticket for this function, you will find a dinner ticket included in your registration pack.

NB: If you would still like to purchase a ticket you can do so at the Registration Desk until 19:00 on Thursday 27 September at a cost of \notin 110 per person. Please note, however, that numbers are limited and will be subject to availability at the time of booking.

Congress Dinner Timings:

Coach transport to Mdina will depart the Hilton Hotel at	: 19:00 hrs
Pre-dinner drinks served at:	19:30 hrs
Dinner served at:	20:30 hrs
Return coach transport will depart Mdina from:	22:00 hrs

Language

The official Congress language is English. No simultaneous translation is provided.

Malta

In Malta, you can explore 7000 years of history yet live passionately in the present. You'll span the millennia with an astonishing array of things to discover. Wherever you go, the Islands' scenery and architecture provide a spectacular backdrop. The Maltese islands have been described as one big open-air museum. What makes them unique is that so much of their past is visible today. Everywhere you go a historic sight awaits - temples, palaces, cathedrals, and forts provide a living history you can almost touch. Delve into the islands' mysterious prehistory, retrace the footsteps of St. Paul or see where the Knights of St John defended Christendom. The Maltese Islands offer an exhilarating contrast of colours: the azure of the Mediterranean, the mellow honey-coloured limestone which characterises the architecture, and clear skies. The Islands are a feast for the senses!

The Hilton Hotel and Conference Centre is located in St Julian's, now an extension of Sliema although it started life as a small fishing port based on Spinola and Balluta Bays. Like Sliema, it

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is now a major residential and tourist centre, and home to some of Malta's newest hotels. St Julian's merges with Paceville, Malta's main nightlife centre where there are clubs, casinos and numerous restaurants, cafes and bars. Picturesque Spinola Bay is still used by fishermen whose traditional boats are housed just below the restaurants. The bay is particularly attractive at night and as a venue for open-air dining. The elegant Spinola Palace, built in 1658 by an Italian knight, Giovanni Spinola, is the landmark historic building on the bay. Another fine building with superb sea views is Villa Dragonara, now a casino, on the headland of St George's Bay.

Please come to the ESCP registration desk during opening hours if you would like any further sightseeing information.

Messages

Messages for delegates may be left at the ESCP registration desk during opening hours. Notification of messages will be displayed on the message board located in the registration area.

Public Transport System in Malta

The Maltese Islands are not very large, which makes getting around relatively trouble-free. Public transport is efficient and reasonably priced.

The main bus terminus in Malta is in Valletta, just outside the City Gate. Malta buses are orange and show the route number on the front. Most Malta bus routes leave from and go to Valletta although some operate a circular route. An express bus service links the principal resorts with Sliema, Marsaxlokk, Mdina, the Three Cities and the main sandy beaches. In towns and villages, the bus terminus is generally found on or near the main square. Whenever you use public transport ensure you keep small change available so you can pay the exact fare. The cost of a bus route ranges from €0.35 - €0.58.

The white taxi service can pick up passengers from anywhere, except bus-stops. Taxi services from the Malta International Airport and the Seaport Terminal to all localities in Malta are based on a fixed tariff. A taxi journey from Malta International Airport to the Hilton Hotel in Portomaso normally costs approximately Lm8 or €18.50.

A regular ferry service links Malta to Gozo, taking about 20 minutes each way. A sea plane service links Grand Harbour in Valletta to Mgarr Harbour in Gozo. There are also regular boat services between each island and Comino.

A water taxi service using traditional Maltese 'dghajsa' boats is also available in Grand Harbour.

Renting a car is a good option if you want to get to the farther reaches of the island. All the road signs are in English and driving is on the left. Major and local car hire companies are located on Malta and Gozo with daily rates of $\notin 16 - \notin 28$. International and national driving licenses are acceptable.

Social Events

Thursday 27 September	18:00 - 19:00 Welcome Reception	Hilton Conference Centre Exhibition Area
Friday 28 September	19:00 Coaches Depart 19:30 - 22:30 Congress Dinner	Hilton Conference Centre Bacchus Restaurant, Mdina (pre-purchased tickets only)

Tourist Information Office

I City Arcades City Gate Valletta **Tel:** (356) 21237747 **Fax:** (356) 21255844

Malta International Airport Arrivals Lounge Luqa **Tel:** (356) 23696073/4 **Fax:** (356) 21822072 Website: www.visitmalta.com

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Local services

Dial 112
Dial 191
Dial 196
Dial 199
Dial 21241251
Dial 21249600
Dial 1152

Wednesday	Wednesday 26 September	
Main Session		
13:00 - 14:00	Sandwich Lunch	
14:00 - 17:00	Pre-meeting course - Core subject update Chairs: Freddy Penninckx (Belgium), Paul Finan (UK) - Management of diverticular disease - Rectal cancer - Surgical management of Crohn's disease - Fistula in ano - Fast track surgery	Nigel Hall (UK) Werner Hohenberger (Germany) Pascal Frileux (France) Robin Phillips (UK) Jonas Nygren (Sweden)

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08:45 - 09:10	Official opening Lars Påhlman (Sweden) Anders Mellgren (Sweden) Godfrey LaFerla (Malta)	
09:10 - 11:00	Video surgery Chairs: Alexander Engel (The Netherlands), Robin Phillips (UK) - Perineal part of AP excision - Fistula in ano - advancement flap - Delorme's Advancement Flap for Ano-Vaginal Fistula - Repair of rectovaginal fistula - Delorme's procedure - STARR - Overlapping sphincteroplasty - Sacral nerve stimulation - permanent implantation Supported by COOK Medical	Torbjörn Holm (Sweden) Ruud Schouten (The Netherlands) Robin Phillips (UK) Ylva Sahlin (Norway) Mike Thompson (UK) Angelo Stuto (Italy) Johann Pfeifer (Austria) Steen Buntzen (Denmark) Steen Buntzen has been kindly supported by Medtronic Europe Sarl
1:00 - 11:30	Coffee Break / Exhibition / Posters	
11:30 - 13:00	Videos - Tips and tricks in laparoscopic surgery	Willem Bemelman (The Netherlands) Mario Morino (Italy)
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break / Exhibition / Posters	
14:00 - 15:30	Symposium - Imaging in colorectal cancer Chairs: Jiři Hoch (Czech Republic), Arne Wibe (Norway), - Colonography - Ultrasound - PET /CT - MR imaging in rectal cancer - Clinical applications (case discussions)	Andrea Laghi (Itały) Jozef Korček (Slovak Republic) Jana Votrubová (Czech Republic) Regina Beets-Tan (The Netherlands) Emmanuel Tiret (France)

Parallel Sessi	on	
4:00 - 15:30	Free paper session	
	Chairs: Ivan Bartha (Hungary), Anna Martling (Sweden)	
	- Simvastatin impairs the Smad-3 dependant TGF-B1 mediated activation of intestinal fibroblasts	John P. Burke (Ireland)
	 New Diagnostic tool for perianal Crohns disease Restorative proctocolectomy in the United Kingdom: A multi centre study of 2,491 patients 	Antoni Zawadki (Sweden) Paris Tekkis (UK)
	- Does Establishment of an Indefinite Diversion (ID) of Ileal Pouch Prevent Further Pouchitis?	Pathasarathi Das (UK)
	 The Continent Ileostomy - An Option Today? IPAA's fistulas therapy with drainage, Infliximab and advancement flap Pouch design affects long term functional outcome after ileal pouch-anal anastomosis 	Ulf Lundstam (Sweden) Zuzana Serclova (Czech Republic) Mattias Block (Sweden)
	- A prospective Evaluation Of Sexual Function And Quality Of Life (QoL) In Males And Females following Illeal Pouch-Anal Anastomosis (IPAA)	Justin Davies (Canada)
	- Outcome After Total Colectomy For Pseudomembranous Colitis	Surekha N. Reddy (UK)
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee Break / Exhibition / Posters	
Main Session		
16:00 - 16:30	Keynote lecture - Management of large wounds Chair:Tomás Skřička (Czech Republic)	Jiři Veselý (Czech Republic)
16:30 - 17:00	Keynote lecture - Laparoscopy in colon and rectal surgery Chair: Yehiel Ziv (Israel)	Alex Kartheuser (Belgium)
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16:00 - 17:00	Oral poster presentations	
	Chairs: Sebastian Biondo (Spain), Piotr Krokowicz (Poland)	
	- Long-term outcome and safety of transanal irrigation for constipation and	Peter Christensen (Denmark)
	faecal incontinence - Cinedefecography in the Colorectal Surgery Department: The learning curve	Daniel Melero (USA)
	- Sacral nerve modulation chronic constipation: preliminary experience	Gabriele Naldini (Italy)
	- Sacral nerve stimulation in fecal incontinence due to anal sphincter lesions	Carlo Ratto (Italy)
	- Differentiating risk factors for acute and chronic pouchitis	Ayman Abdelrazeq (UK)
	- Complex Crohn's Anal Fistulas: Results of Aggressive Surgery with Infliximab and Maintenance Immunosuppressive Treatment	Júlio Leite (Portugal)
	 Terminal Restriction Fragment length Polymorphism detects bacterial dysbiosis in patients with pouchitis 	Michael Lim (UK)
	- The impact of ileal pouch function on quality of life following restorative	Richard E Lovegrove (UK)
	 proctocolectomy Diverticular disease complicated by fistulas Ileal-pouch related fistulae following restorative proctocolectomy - a 	Gennady Vorobyov (Russian Federation) Emile Tan (UK)
	predictive model involving 4013 patients - Quality of life, Sexual and Urinary function in females after Restorative	Julie Cornish (UK)
	Proctocolectomy - Bacteria Not Commonly Associated With Human Faeces implicated in Etiology of Pouchitis	Mark Thompson-Fawcett (Canada)
	- Outcome After Total Colectomy For Pseudomembranous Colitis	Surekha N. Reddy (UK)
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17:00 -18:00	Symposium - Fistula in Ano Chairs: Paul Finan (UK)	
	- Strategy - Options in the management of high anal fistulas	Robin Phillips (UK) Alexander Hereld (Cermany)
	- The fistula plug	Alexander Herold (Germany) David Armstrong (USA)
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09:00 - 10:30	Symposium - Laparoscopy Chairs: Dieter Hahnloser (Switzerland), Alex Kartheuser (Belgium) - How to implement laparoscopy surgery in a colorectal unit - The role of laparoscopy in colorectal cancer - Laparoscopic excision of the difficult rectal cancer - Laparoscopy in diverticulitis - Laparoscopy in IBD	Mike Parker (UK) Andrea Vignali (Italy) Eric Rullier (France) Thomas Schiedeck (Germany) Conor Delaney (USA)
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09:00 - 10:30	 Free paper session Chairs: Mirko Omejc (Slovenia), José Roig (Spain) Does the detection of intraperitoneal free cancer cells predict recurrence in patients undergoing curative colorectal cancer resection Systematic review of transanal endoscopic microsurgery (TEMS) for rectal cancer: A safe and efficient procedure for T I Tumours which deserves wider application Peritonectomy procedures for peritoneal carcinomatosis of colorectal origin Data from the National Polyposis Registry: Is ileorectal anastomosis still a valid option for FAP patients in 2007? Local Recurrence in rectal cancer: Anatomical localisation and impact on radiation target Is perforation worse than obstruction? An analysis of outcomes of complicated colon cancer Prolonging the interval between neoadjuvant therapy and surgery improves pathologic complete response and disease-free survival in patients with locally advanced rectal cancer Endoscopic stenting or surgery in incurable left-sided colorectal cancer (Dutch Stent-in I study):a prematurely closed multicenter randomized trial The prognostic significance of extracapsular lymph node invovement in node positive patients with colonic cancer 	Sushil Rekhraj (UK) Sarvi Banisadr (UK) Adam Farquharson (UK) Daniel Leonard (Belgium) Erik Syk (Sweden) Esther Kreisler (Spain) Hagit Tulchinsky (Israel) Jeanin Hooft (Netherlands) Jan Wind (Netherlands)
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break / Exhibition / Posters	
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11:00 - 12:00	Symposium - Pouches in ulcerative colitis Chairs: Juan-Marti Rague (Spain), Andrew Shorthouse (UK) - Long-term function of the ileo-anal pouch - Long-term cancer risk in the ileo-anal pouch - Pouchitis	Paris Tekkis (UK) Lars Börjesson (Sweden) Michal Drews (Poland)
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11:00 - 12:00	 Free paper session Chairs: Ioannis Karaitianos (Greece), Júlio Leite (Portugal) Two hundred and thirty five laparoscopic colorectal resections for inflammatory bowel disease without mortality. Results of a prospective study Peak Perioperative Systematic Cytokine Levels and Septic Morbidity: A Comparison of Laparoscopic and Open Colorectal Resection Does conversion during laparoscopic colorectal surgery increase morbidity? A single center experience based on 536 consecutive patients Local Recurrence Rate Of Rectal Cancer Following Resection By Transanal Endoscopic Microsyrgery Laparoscopic versus Open Intersphincteric Resection for Low Rectal Cancer Transanal Endoscopic Microsurgery vs. Radical Surgery for rectal cancer: A quality of life perspective 	Marianne Ferron (France) Sophie Noblett (UK) Stephane Zalinski (France) Pauline Whitehouse (UK) Christophe Laurent (France) Andrew Alabi (UK)

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2:00 - 12:30	Keynote lecture - Update on Familial adenomatous polyposis Chair: John Nicholls (UK) The British Journal of Surgery Lecture	Fumio Konishi (Japan)
2:30 - 13:00	Keynote lecture - Sacral nerve stimulation for fecal incontinence - an update Chair: Steen Buntzen (Denmark) Supported by Medtronic Europe Sarl	Klaus Matzel (Germany)
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2:00 - 13:00	 Oral poster presentations Chairs: Aigars Martinsons (Latvia), Mehmet Ayan Kuzu (Turkey) Peritoneal Carcinomatosis- Is there a Chance for patients? Quality of Life Assessment in the follow up of Colorectal Cancer Pelvic Exenteration For T4 Rectal Cancer: Single Unit 15 Year Experience Prospective evaluation of a nurse clinic for follow-up of colorectal cancer shows high efficiency for detection of recurrence and referral to treatment The Colorectal Cancer Multi-Disciplinary Team Meeting Fails To Improve Patient Survival Fractures After Preoperative Irradiation For Rectal Cancer Implantation Of Gentamicin-Containing Collagen Sponge Following Anterior Resection For Rectal Carcinoma- Can It Decrease The Leakage Risk? The Association of Coloproctology Operative Mortality Score can be used to predict long-term survival in patients undergoing curative surgery for colorectal cancer The National Bowel Cancer Project - Epidemiology and the Surgical risk in the Elderly Measuring sexual and urinary outcomes in females following rectal cancer excision The organ-preserving treatment for the extensive urinary bladder involvement due to advanced colorectal cancer Laparoscopic abdomino-perineal resection of the rectum 	Francis Antos (Czech Republic) Aileen Roy (UK) Dean A Harris (UK) Lynne Higgins (UK) Ewan MacDermid (UK) Mikael Machado (Sweden) Bartlomiej Szynglarewicz (Poland) Tarek Salem (UK) Emile Tan (UK) Paris Tekkis (UK) Yuriy Shelygin (Russian Federation) Leonid Kornev (Russian Federation)
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break / Exhibition / Posters	
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14:00 - 15:30	Symposium - Pelvic floor disorders Chairs: Graeme Duthie (UK), Aldo Infantino (Italy) - Laparoscopic ventral rectopexy for rectal proplapse - STARR update - Working together with other specialties - Rectocele- the best approach - Anal sphincter injury - surgery or SNS?	André D'Hoore (Belgium) Paul Lehur (France) Giovanni Romano (Italy) Ronan O'Connell (Ireland) Cornelius Baeten (The Netherlands) Cornelius Baeten has been kindly supported by Medtronic Europe Sarl

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10:00 - 10:30 Main Session	 Chairs: Rait Labotkin (Estonia), Annika Sjövall (Sweden) Fecal incontinence in men and women: A comparative study Transperineal versus Trans-rectal Repair of rectocele in Obstructed Defecation: A Prospective Randomized Trial An investigation Into The Association Between Irritable Bowel Syndrome And Anal Incontinence In Women The Outcomes of Stapled Trans-Anal Rectal Resection (STARR) vs. Biofeedback (BF) in the Treatment of Defaecatory Obstruction associated with Rectocele, Rectal Intussusception and Anismus. A multi-centre Controlled Trial Colonic Electrical stimulation reduces bowel transit time in a chronic animal model Dynamic MRI of the Pelvis: Is it Necessary to the Decision for Coloprotological Therapy in Disorders of the Pelvic Floor Transobturator Post-Anal Sling (TOPAS) Procedure for Fecal Incontinence Five years Experience With Sacral Nerve Stimulation For Fecal Incontinence Assessment Of Posterior Compartment Prolapse; Evacuation Proctography Or 3D- Transperineal Ultrasound? Three dimensional (3 D) CT imaging and navigation in Sacral Nerve Stimulation 	Dimitros Christoforidis (USA) Mohamed Farid (Egypt) Baber N Chaudhary (UK) Paul Lehur (France) Julien Vaucher (Switzerland) Dirk Weimann (Germany) Peter Rosenblatt (USA) Hanne Bech Michelsen (Denmark) Daniella M.J Oom (Netherlands) Astrid Rydning (Norway)
10:30 -11:15	ESCP Annual General Meeting	
11:15 -12:15	 Six best papers Chairs: Jean-Claude Givel (Switzerland), Najib Haboubi (UK) The Sentinel Node Concept Does Not Improve Staging Of Lymph Node Metastases In Colonic Cancer A prospective double-blind multi-centre trial: Laparoscopic versus open elective sigmoid resection in patients with symptomatic diverticulitis (Sigma-trial) Expanded Adipose-derived Stem Cells (Cx401) For The Treatment of Complex Perianal Fistula. A Phase II Clinical Trial Randomised, Controlled, Prospective Study Of The Use Of A Mesh To Prevent Parastomal Hernia 3 And 5-Year Survival In Patients With Low Rectal Cancer After Extended Lateral Lymphadenectomy Vs. Total Mesorectum Excision Quantification of long-term ileal pouch function following restorative proctocolectomy: A multifactorial model of 4,013 patients The Colorectal Disease Prize awarded to the winner of the six best papers	Arne E. Faerden (Norway) Bastiaan Klarenbeek (The Netherlands) Damián García (Spain) Juan Moreno-Matias (Spain) Petr Tsarkov (Russia) Richard E Lovegrove (UK)

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