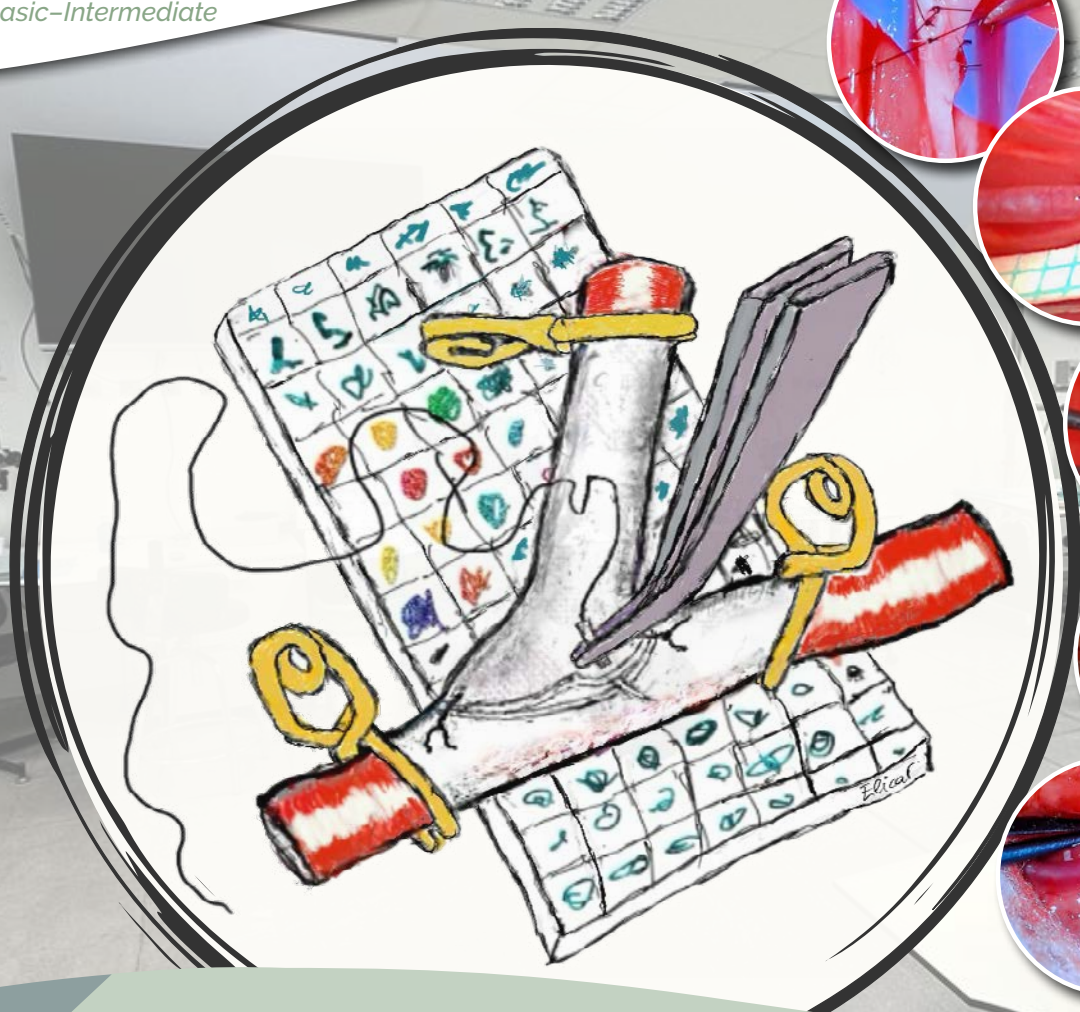


EXPERIMENTAL VASCULAR MICRONEUROSURGERY

ANASTOMOSES AND REPAIR TECHNIQUES COURSE (4th Edition)

STEP I

Basic-Intermediate



DATES: JUNE 9th - 12th, 2026 (fixed)
La Paz University Hospital, MADRID

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COURSE OBJECTIVES

This course, held at the Experimental Microsurgery Laboratory (idiPAZ) of Hospital Universitario La Paz in Madrid from June 9th to 12th, 2026, provides an intensive program of theoretical updating and innovative hands-on training in experimental vascular microsurgery.

It is oriented toward international neurosurgeons, as well as surgeons and other trainees from related specialties who work in close collaboration with neurosurgery. The program combines experimental and clinical lectures with extensive practical training using non-living, "ex vivo", and "in vivo" models, aiming to develop advanced microsurgical skills with direct clinical applicability.

Practical sessions are conducted under expert supervision in a high-level training environment, supported by high-definition video systems, ensuring optimal learning conditions.

Specific Objectives:

- Understand the legal, ethical, and animal welfare frameworks governing experimental research and surgical training.
- Master the principles of ergonomics, microscope handling, atraumatic microdissection, and microsuturing techniques.
- Train in basic and advanced microvascular anastomosis techniques (end-to-end, end-to-side, and side-to-side) across different experimental models to enhance microsurgical proficiency.
- Practice anatomical approaches and vascular repair in rat models, with systematic assessment of anastomosis quality.

In addition, this course contributes to continuing professional education and accreditation in experimental vascular microsurgery and fulfills the requirements for re-accreditation of professionals involved in animal experimentation.

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PROGRAM

TUESDAY 9TH, JUNE 2026

8:30 - 8:35 Course opening.
Dr. Alberto Isla / Dr. Susana Noval

8:35 - 8:50 Welcome to the course: Objectives, roadmap and faculty introduction.
Dr. Pablo García Feijoo / Dr. Fernando Carceller

LECTURES

8:50 - 9:10 Experimental vascular microsurgery training for technique development and skill acquisition.
Dr. Abdullah Keles (*online*)

9:10 - 9:25 Non-living models for microvascular anastomoses and repair techniques.
Dr. Mario Gomar

9:25 - 9:40 Living models for microvascular anastomoses and repair techniques.
Dr. Pablo García Feijoo

9:40 - 9:55 Animal welfare, legal framework, and safety regulations in the experimental animal use.
Dr. Carlota Largo

9:55 - 10:10 Ergonomic principles and use of the surgical microscope in the lab.
Dr. Fernando Carceller

10:10 - 10:25 Tools and principles of atraumatic microdissection and suturing.
Dr. Pablo García Feijoo

10:25 - 11:00 *Coffee break*

HANDS-ON SESSION

11:00 - 12:30 **PRACTICE 1:** 🧰
Basic training in microsuture on synthetic material and cryopreserved biological vessels.

12:30 - 15:00 **PRACTICE 2:** 🐔
Vessel microdissection and repair techniques in chicken wing vessels.

15:00 - 15:45 *Lunch break*

LECTURES

15:45 - 16:00 "In vivo" techniques for microanastomoses, vascular repair, and thrombectomy.
Dr. Fernando Carceller

16:00 - 16:15 Comparative anatomy of the rat: Stepwise approaches to the main vascular compartments.
Dr. Pablo García Feijoo

HANDS-ON SESSION

16:15 - 18:15 **PRACTICE 3:** 🐭
Microdissection and main vessel approaches in the rat: cervical (vagus nerve - carotid artery), abdominal (cava - aorta), and femoral (femoral artery - vein) compartments.




PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 10TH, JUNE 2026

LECTURES

- 8:30 - 08:45 Applied vascular microsurgery I: State-of-the-art and controversies in lymphatic microanastomoses for CNS disorders.
Dr. Luis Landín / Dr. Zhan Q. Lin
- 8:45 - 9:00 Applied vascular microsurgery II: Management of facial palsy using vascular and nerve microsurgical techniques.
Dr. Teresa González Otero
- 9:00 - 9:15 End-to-end anastomosis: Principles, technical variations and clinical applications.
Dr. Fernando Carceller


HANDS-ON SESSION

- 9:15 - 15:00 *(Cross-cutting practical station)*
PRACTICE 4: 
Intracranial aneurysms clipping in an "ex vivo" hybrid simulator.
- 9:15 - 11:30 **PRACTICE 5:** 
End-to-end anastomosis in rat abdominal aorta.
- 11:30 - 12:00 *Coffee break*
- 12:00 - 15:00 **PRACTICE 6:** 
End-to-end anastomosis with vessel caliber discrepancy and fish-mouth technique (common carotid artery and external jugular vein in the rat).
- 15:00 - 15:45 *Lunch break*

LECTURES

- 15:45 - 16:00 Applied vascular microsurgery III: Brain aneurysms.
Dr. Luis Moreno

HANDS-ON SESSION

- 16:00 - 18:15 **PRACTICE 7:** 
End-to-end anastomosis in rat femoral artery: Quality test on <1mm vessels.



PROGRAM

THURSDAY 11TH, JUNE 2026

LECTURES

- 8:30 - 8:50 Applied vascular microsurgery IV: Arterio-venous fistulas.
Dr. Juan Casado
- 8:50 - 9:10 Applied vascular microsurgery V: Brain arteriovenous malformations.
Dr. Victor Volovici
- 9:10 - 9:25 End-to-Side Microvascular Anastomosis: Principles, technical developments and clinical Utility.
Dr. Fernando Carceller

HANDS-ON SESSION

- 9:25 - 12:15 **PRACTICE 8:**  End-to-side anastomosis in the rat common carotid arteries.

12:15 - 12:45 *Coffee break*

LECTURES

- 12:45 - 13:05 Applied vascular microsurgery VI: Cerebral bypass.
Dr. Mustafa Baskaya (online)

HANDS-ON SESSION

- 13:05 - 15:00 **PRACTICE 9:**  End-to-side anastomosis in rat femoral artery and vein. Quality test on <1mm vessels.

15:00 - 15:45 *Lunch break*

HANDS-ON SESSION

- 15:45 - 18:15 **PRACTICE 10:**  End-to-side anastomosis: common carotid artery to external jugular vein of the rat.

21:00 *Course Dinner*





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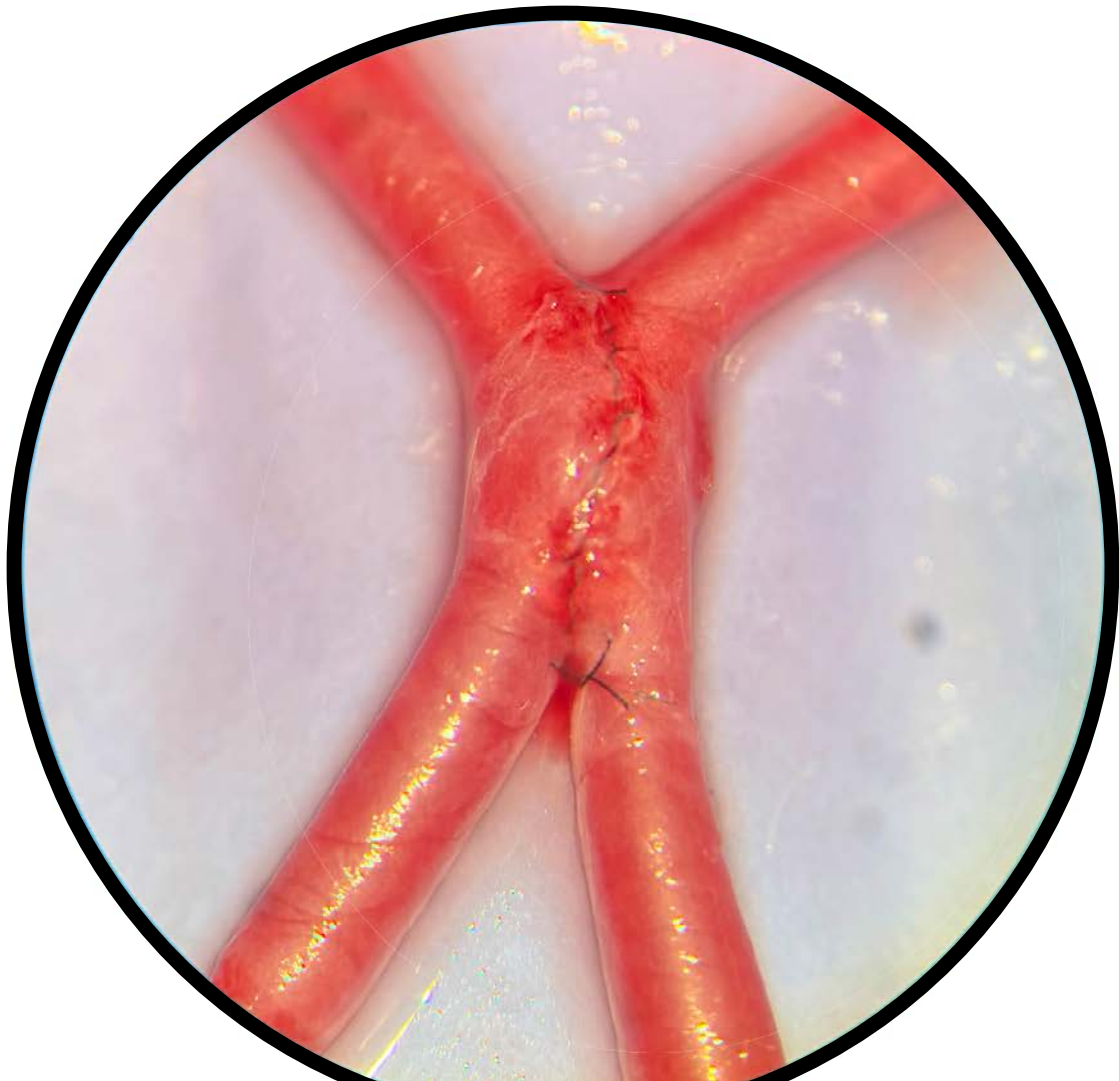
FRIDAY 12TH, JUNE 2026

LECTURES

- 9:00 - 9:20 Applied vascular microsurgery VII: Flow dynamics in cerebrovascular occlusive disease.
Dr. Nikolay Velinov
- 9:20 - 9:35 Side-to-side microvascular anastomosis: principles, technical developments and clinical utility.
Dr. Pablo García Feijoo

HANDS-ON SESSION

- 9:35 - 11:30 **PRACTICE 11:**  Side-to-side anastomosis in rat common carotid arteries.
- 11:30 - 12:00 *Coffee break*
- 12:00 - 14:00 **PRACTICE 12:**  Free exercise.
- 14:00 - 14:15 Awarding of certificates – Course evaluation & closing



REGISTRATION

Regular Fee: **1.750 €**

AEM members: **1.710 €**

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Registration includes:

- Folder with course materials
- Surgical scrubs
- Use of changing rooms with locker access
- One basic microsurgery kit per participant (*take-home*)
- Supervised theoretical and practical sessions in experimental microsurgery
- Use of surgical microscope workstations (one per participant) in the microsurgery laboratory
- Logistical support from specialized laboratory technicians and veterinarians trained to work with animals
- Synthetic materials, chicken wings and cryopreserved rat arteries
- Use of aneurysm clips
- Use of flowmeter
- Microvascular sutures
- Other consumables and laboratory instruments
- Experimental animals (Sprague Dawley rats)
- Coffee, lunch breaks and course dinner.
- Certificate of attendance and accreditation (*requested from continuing education*)

The course is limited to 18 participants.

Places will be allocated strictly in order of registration.

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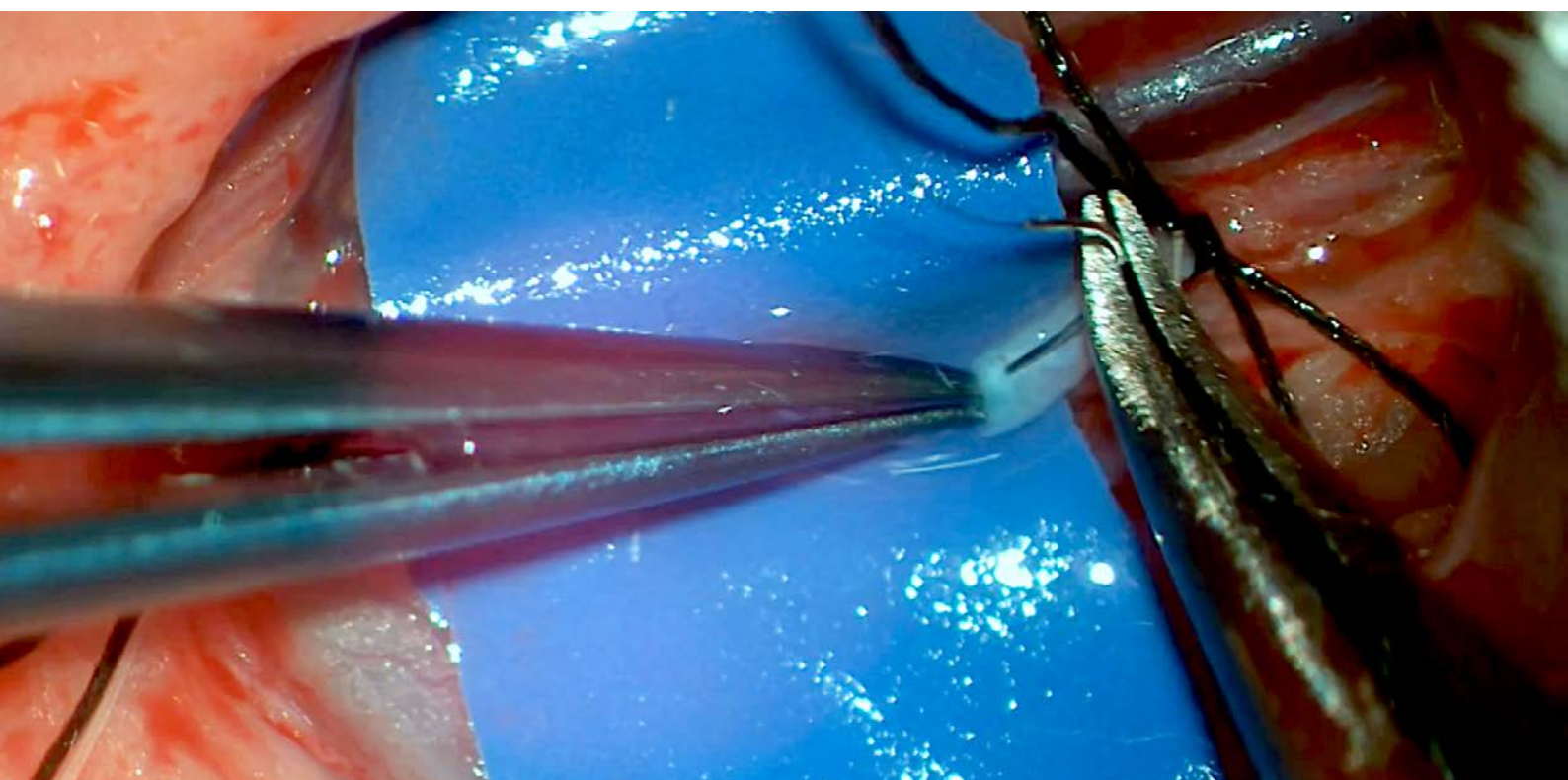
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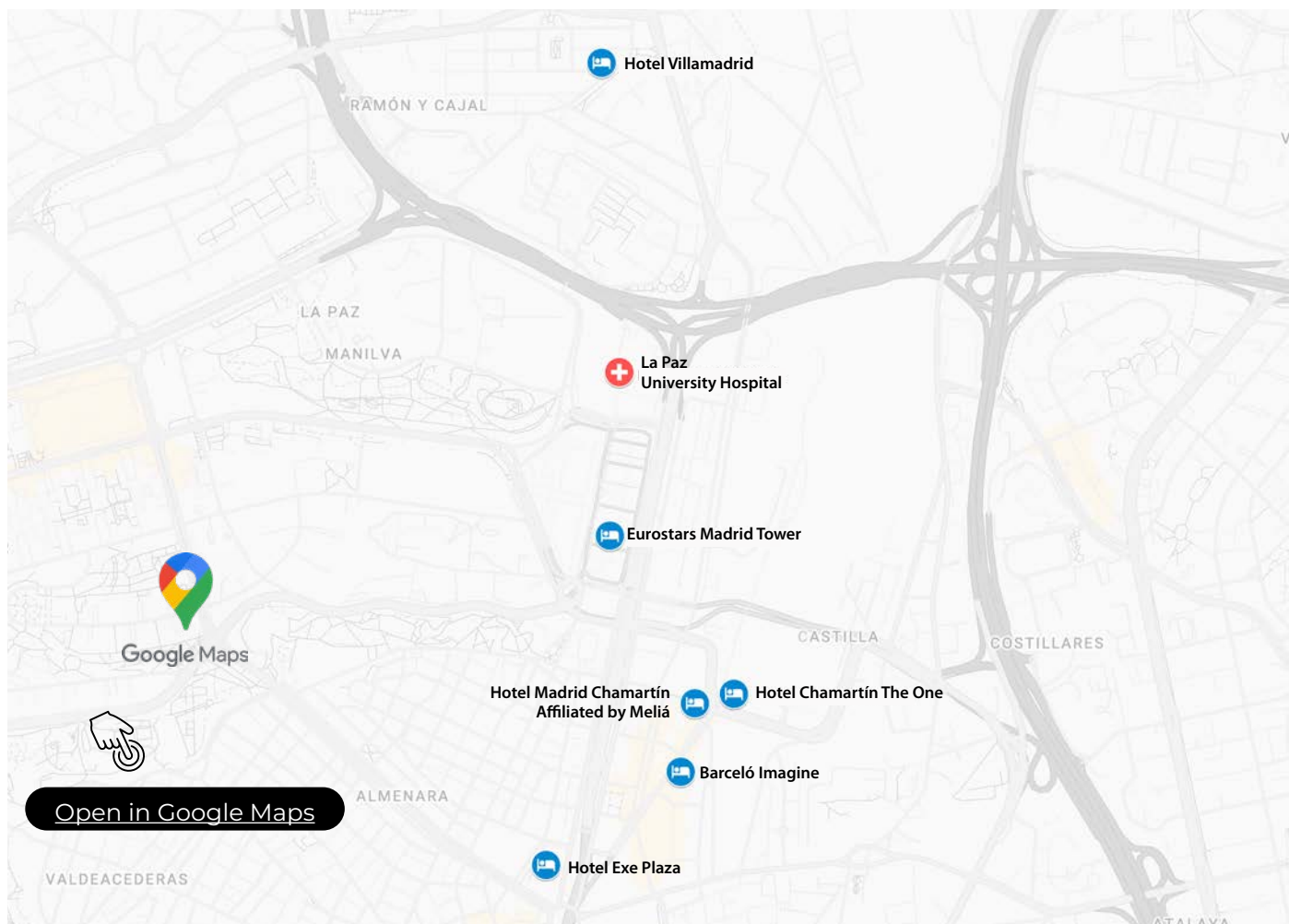
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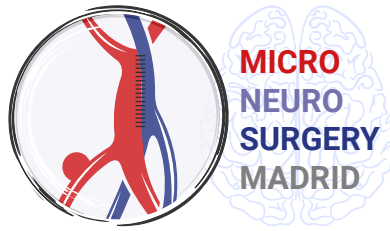
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