

ANTI-REFLUX SURGERY COURSE

PROGRAM

Day 1. Friday (04.07.2025) 09:00-16:00

University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine of Cluj-Napoca

09:00 - 09:10

- Opening – welcome!
Călin Popa

09:10 - 09:30

- Preoperative preparation of the patient (“Why and when?”)
Natalia Sipitco

09:30 - 09:40

- *Discussion*

09:40 - 10:00

- Guidelines in hiatal hernia repair (“Literature up to date!”)
Daniel Solomon

10:00 - 10:10

- *Discussion*

10:10 - 10:30

- Obesity and anti-reflux surgery (“What can/should do?”)
Victor Diaconu

10:30 - 10:40

- *Discussion*

10:40 - 11:00 *Coffee break*

11:00 - 11:30

- Practical technical aspects (“The step-by-step approach”)
 - Cruroraphy
 - Mesh reinforcement
 - Toupet fundoplication
 - Nissen fundoplication
 - Collis gastroplasty*Moustafa Elshafei*

11:30 - 11:40

- *Discussion*

- Anti-reflux surgery.
How I do it. Technical considerations

Christian Gutschow

12:00 - 12:10

- *Discussion*

12:10 - 12:30

- The patient's postoperative course ("Real case scenarios")

Călin Popa

12:30 - 12:40

- *Discussion*

12:40 - 13:00

- Debate: Partial vs total fundoplication

Luigi Bonavina

13:00 - 13:10

- *Discussion*

13:10 - 13:30

- Prosthetic hiatal repair or posterior gastropexy?

Luigi Bonavina

13:30 - 13:40

- *Discussion*

13:40 - 14:00 *Coffee break*

14:00 - 14:40

- The role of endoscopy in upper GI surgery

Petre Hoara

14:40 - 14:50

14:50 - 15:10

- Learn from my experience - how I learned versus how I do it

Dimitrios Theodorou

15:10 - 15:20

15:20 - 16:00

- Conclusions & Discussion

Day 2. Saturday (05.07.2025) 09:00 - 15:00

Cluj-Napoca

Live surgery

Moustafa Elshafei
Dimitrios Theodorou

- 2 interventions: Toupet and/or Nissen fundoplication
- Live questions and answers during surgery

Day 3. Sunday (06.07.2025) 09:00 - 15:00

“Iuliu Hațieganu” University of Medicine and Pharmacy – 1st floor, 23 Marinescu street Cluj-Napoca

– Practical Skills and Medical Simulation Centre

Panel of experts

Live animal surgery (**all day**)

- Hiatus dissection
- Cruroplasty
- Mesh application
- Total and partial fundoplication