Who can apply for the European Peritoneal Surface Oncology Training Programme?

You can apply if you

- Are an active Surgical Oncologist with a preferential interest in Peritoneal Surface Oncology, seeking advanced, structured training in the field.
- Have completed a general surgery residency and basic surgical oncology training and/or show a continued dedication to surgical oncology in your clinical practice.
- Are involved or have solid plans to get involved in an established or new Peritoneal Surface Oncology Treatment Programme.

Do not hesitate to contact us for further information at:
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Who are we

The European School of Peritoneal Oncology is a joint venture of the European Society of Surgical Oncology (ESSO) and the Peritoneal Surface Oncology Group International (PSOGI).

Our aims are to

- provide adequate and structured training in the management of peritoneal neoplasms and
- certify proficient knowledge in the scientific basis and clinical practice of Peritoneal Surface Oncology (PSO), specially multidisciplinary decision-making and surgical management (European Certification in Peritoneal Surface Oncology).

What can we do for you

We provide you with the opportunity to participate in The European Peritoneal Surface Oncology Training Programme, a high quality, structured, basic and advanced training that will lead you to The European Accreditation on Peritoneal Surface Oncology.

The European Peritoneal Surface Oncology Training Programme includes the following mandatory educational activities:

**Clinical training** at one of the established PSO Treatment programmes recognised by PSOGI
- Observation of Cytoreductive Surgery and HIPEC procedures.
- Direct participation in the execution of Cytoreductive Surgery and HIPEC procedures from anesthesia induction to patient leaving the operating room.
- Participation and attendance to ad hoc multidisciplinary conferences (“tumour board”) for presentation, discussion patient selection and therapeutic decision-making.
- Presence in in-hospital postoperative follow up.

**Attendance to two ESSO Advanced courses in Peritoneal Surface Oncology**
- A hands-on course with practice of cytoreductive surgery and HIPEC in a veterinary lab, including practical case-discussions, tips and tricks and videos, run yearly in Hamburg (Germany).
- A theoretical course dealing with the scientific basis and current multidisciplinary practice of Peritoneal Surface Oncology, run biannually at rotating sites (i.e. Bergamo, IT 2011, Izmir, TU 2013).

**Attendance to two Peritoneal Surface Oncology Congresses**
- At least one PSOGI World Congress (biannual)
- One national PSO congress, recognised by PSOGI

**Formulation and elaboration of a research project**
- Under the supervision of an established programme recognised by PSOGI, to be presented at a congress and submitted for publication at a peer-reviewed journal. This project may evolve into a thesis.

A tutor/mentor will be assigned to you for guidance, tutoring and planning of your training activities throughout the programme.