

The Essential Oncoplastic Surgery Course

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Oncoplastic Surgery is safe, has fewer re-excisions, has improved cosmetic results and has been embraced by many breast surgery organizations here and abroad. Join us at our newly expanded three-day "Essential Oncoplastic Surgery Course" using environmentally conscious customized Mastotrainer models to perform a variety of oncoplastic surgical procedures, from basic to complex.

These models provide predictable anatomic issues that can be corrected using a variety of oncoplastic techniques. One-on-one instruction will occur in a see-one-do-one process. Surgeons of all levels of breast surgical skills can learn new techniques. Those who already perform oncoplastic surgery may consider applying for the "Certificate of Performance in Oncoplastic Surgery™." This process will include educational lectures, documented performance of multiple surgical techniques and an oncoplastic surgery written test. For those that satisfactorily complete the evaluation, an award certificate and surgical procedure portfolio will be given that documents each procedure and all educational content.

The National Consortium of Breast Centers, Inc designates this live activity for a maximum of 16.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Friday March 21st

7:45	8:00	Opening Comments and Housekeeping
8:00	8:30	<p>History of Oncoplastic Surgery Cary S. Kaufman MD, FACS, FSSO</p> <p>The History of Oncoplastic Breast Surgery is the history of Breast Surgery. Over the years, efforts have combined to obtain the best opportunity for survival while at the same time impacting cosmesis as little as possible. We are simply in the next chapter. Leaders from around the world are working toward a better outcome from both oncologic and aesthetic viewpoints.</p>
8:30	9:00	<p>The Gift of Oncoplastic Surgery Barbara Rabinowitz, PhD, MSW, FNCBC</p> <p>The impact of oncoplastic surgery is psychologically, psychosocially and psychosexually significant. This session will present the ways that that is so and discuss why this is a gift to breast cancer patients.</p> <p>At the end of this lecture, Attendees will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Describe the empirically understood impact of breast cancer surgery comparing breast conservation to mastectomy2. Delineate the ways that oncoplastic surgery is "a gift" for women with breast cancer3. Showcase the ways the skills of oncoplastic surgery are a "professional gift" for the surgeon
9:00	9:30	<p>Genetic Testing: What the Breast Surgeon Needs to Know Laura Ongie, CGC</p>

		Breast surgeons often find it challenging to stay on top of the latest developments related to germline genetic testing. This session is designed with the busy breast surgeon in mind and will review relevant information about multi-gene panel genetic testing and how it impacts patient care on a day-to-day basis. Heavy emphasis will be placed on the ASBrS guidelines and how they guide clinical practice.
9:30	10:00	Break
10:00	10:30	<p>Reconstructive Lumpectomy Cary S. Kaufman MD, FACS, FSSO</p> <p>Lumpectomy for breast cancer is the most common breast cancer surgery performed across the globe. Guidelines for this procedure have changed over the years, allowing the emergence of aesthetically acceptable procedures which provide both good cancer treatment and good cosmesis at the same time. Reconstructive lumpectomy (in that order) identifies the need to think of who the breast will look before one chooses the approach to the lumpectomy. In addition, a review of 10 important points to aid in optimal cosmesis during lumpectomy.</p>
10:30	11:00	<p>Crescent Mastopexy/Benilli-Round Block Mastopexy: Methods, Candidates, Guidelines Beth-Ann Lesnikoski MD, FACS</p> <p>Simple approaches to central breast lesions when nipple can be spared.</p>
11:00	12:15	<p>Oncoplastic Lab #1 Using RIGHT Breast – Crescent and Round Block Techniques (Two procedures) Oncoplastic Faculty</p> <p>Having heard lectures on these techniques, we go to the lab using Mastotrainer Models to perform these procedures in the lab.</p> <p><i>Certificate applicants will have pictures taken of preoperative appearance, midway dissection and final result of procedures (Two Procedures) (This requires the additional Certificate of Performance in Oncoplastic Surgery™ fee)</i></p>
12:15pm	1:30	Lunch
1:30	2:00	<p>Anatomic Based Oncoplastic Surgery: Blood Supply, Pedicle Options, Ptosis and Reduction Options Gustavo Zucca-Matthes, MD, PhD, Post Doc</p> <p>In this lesson we will walk through the important details of the breast to achieve good and safe surgical outcomes.</p>
2:00	2:30	<p>Nipple Sparing Mastectomy Techniques/Preferences/Options Ronda Henry-Tillman, MD, FACS</p> <p>This session will highlight important technical aspects in the performance of nipple-sparing mastectomy (NSM) surgery. One of the highlights will be the importance of preserving as much subcutaneous fat as you can except in the area of the underlying cancer. The talk will emphasize the importance of dissecting along the anterior mammary fascial plane. Different incisions will be discussed as well as the importance of the early mobilization of the breast off the underlying pectoralis muscle.</p> <p>NSM has emerged as a standard of care for most women needing or requesting mastectomy. It is vitally important that all breast surgeons be familiar with the nuances of NSM surgery.</p>
2:30	3:00	<p>Pre-Pectoral Tissue Expanders – Who, When, How Jean-Claude Schwartz MD, FACS</p> <p>This lecture will discuss the benefits of post-mastectomy pre-pectoral implant/tissue expander reconstruction. We will demonstrate the surgical technique with pictures and video.</p>

3:00	3:30	<p>How to Approach the Inferior Breast: Inframammary Fold Approach, Anchor/Inverted T Approach: Methods, Candidates, Guidelines <i>Jennifer Gass, MD, FACS</i></p> <p>The inferior pole of the breast is at risk for bird-beak deformity if a seroma is left to mature over time. In this presentation, approaches to the lower pole of the breast will be presented and reviewed. We will begin with simple strategies that can be learned at conference and used in the next week, and we will cover more complex pedicled approaches, that can be honed over time, but outlined and described in this course, with a didactic lab to demonstrate.</p>
3:30	4:00	Break
4:00	5:15	<p>Oncoplastic Lab #2 Using LEFT Breast – Inferior Mammary Fold and Anchor Techniques (Two procedures) <i>Jennifer Gass, MD, FACS</i> & Oncoplastic Faculty</p> <p>Having heard lectures on these techniques, we go to the lab using Mastotrainer Models to perform these procedures in the lab.</p>
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5:00pm		Lectures End for the day
5:00-6:30pm		Poster Reception

Saturday March 22, 2025		
7:00am	7:45	Breakfast Symposia with (served from 6:45 to 7:30am)
8:00	8:15	Summary of Yesterday's Events
8:15	8:45	<p>Oncoplastic Surgery Billing: Getting Paid for What You Do <i>Ronda Henry-Tillman, MD, FACS</i></p> <p>After this lecture, attendees will be able to understand how health insurance covers billing for oncoplastic surgery. They will be able to describe how oncoplastic surgery is to be coded and billed for. The attendees will also, be able to determine examples of discrepancies in reimbursement for oncoplastic surgery.</p>
8:45	9:15	<p>Grisotti Flap for Subareolar Lesions, Top Surgery <i>Beth Ann Lesnikoski, MD, FACS</i></p> <p>Oncoplastic approaches central breast lesions when nipple excision is required. Increasing interest in Top Surgery, Female to Male, Male to Female.</p>
9:15	9:45	<p>Goldilocks Mastectomy, Aesthetic Flat Closure (AFC), and Going Flat Movement <i>Jennifer Gass MD, FACS</i></p> <p>Breast surgeons are now more frequently facing women who have decided against reconstruction and choose bilateral mastectomy with aesthetic flat closure. We will discuss the Go Flat movement, and surgical techniques to achieve flat closure.</p>
9:30	10:00	Networking Break with Exhibitors
10:00	10:30	<p>Wise Pattern Markings & Inferior Pedicle Reduction Mammoplasty <i>Gustavo Zucca-Matthes, MD, PhD, Post Doc</i></p>

		A safe surgery kicks off by planning. The wise pattern markings are crucial to understand the surgical options. The inferior pedicle mammoplasty is one of the most common techniques for treating tumors at upper quadrants of the breast.
10:30	12:15	<p>Oncoplastic Lab #3 Using RIGHT Breast – Marking the Wise Pattern and Inferior Pedicle Reduction Mammoplasty (Two procedures) Gustavo Zucca-Matthes, MD, PhD, Post Doc & Oncoplastic Faculty</p> <p>Having heard lectures on these techniques, we go to the lab using Mastotrainer Models to perform these procedures in the lab. These techniques, Wise Pattern Marking and Inferior Pedicle Reduction are more advanced Oncoplastic Surgery techniques. Having just heard the lectures, the attendee group will perform it on their models. Those certifying will have their own model to perform and document their performance of these techniques.</p>
		<i>Certificate applicants will have pictures taken of preoperative appearance, midway dissection and final result (Two Procedures) (This requires the additional Certificate of Performance in Oncoplastic Surgery™ fee)</i>
12:15	1:30	Networking Lunch with Vendors
1:30	2:00	<p>Challenges with Oncoplastic Surgery Privileges: Certification of Education and Performance Chris Glaser, MD, FACS</p> <p>Credentialing for oncoplastic breast surgery remains fluid. This is both a blessing and a curse. We will discuss some of the challenges that present themselves when trying to obtain privileges and make so suggestions than may help.</p>
2:00	2:30	<p>Pearls and Pitfalls in Oncoplastic Surgery Jean-Claude Schwartz, MD, FACS</p> <p>1) What are the benefits of breast conservation versus mastectomy and what tools do we have available to us to conserve breasts that might classically be recommended to undergo mastectomy? 2) How do we identify patients that are good candidates for Level 2 Oncoplasty versus volume replacement approaches? 3) What are the most common approaches to Level 2 Oncoplastic surgery and Volume replacement surgery? How can we combine these two approaches in the most challenging cases?</p>
2:30	3:00	<p>Superior Pedicle Reduction Mammoplasty Technique: Approach to the Lower Pole Tumors Gustavo Zucca-Matthes, MD, PhD, Post Doc</p> <p>To understand how to indicate and perform a superior pedicle reduction mammoplasty is fundamental to remove tumors located at breast lower poles.</p>
3:15	3:45	Networking Break with Vendors Exhibitor Extravaganza
3:45	5:00	<p>Oncoplastic Lab #4 Using LEFT Breast – Superior Pedicle Reduction Mammoplasty Techniques Gustavo Zucca-Matthes, MD, PhD, Post Doc & Oncoplastic Faculty</p> <p>Perhaps the most disorienting technique, the Superior Pedicle Reduction Mammoplasty technique, has just been explained. The attendee group will perform it on their models. Those certifying will have their own model to perform and document their performance of these techniques.</p>
		<i>Certificate applicants will have pictures taken of preoperative appearance, midway dissection and final result (This requires the additional Certificate of Performance in Oncoplastic Surgery™ fee)</i>
5:00pm		Lectures end for the Day

Sunday March 23, 2025		
7:00	7:45	Breakfast Symposia
7:30	8:00	Written Examination Only for Certificate Applicants Regular Attendees do not attend this session – Requires the additional Certificate of Performance in Oncoplastic Surgery Fee)
8:00	8:15	Summary of Yesterday's Events Cary S. Kaufman MD, FACS, FSSO
8:15	8:45	Providing Targeted Radiation Therapy in the Era of Oncoplastic Tissue Rearrangement Kim Corbin, MD Tissue rearrangement providing a near normal appearance makes it difficult for radiation oncologists to provide well-targeted boost or partial breast irradiation. This discussion will cover the need to communicate with the radiation oncologist. In addition, many newer less intensive options exist for radiation treatment which will be discussed.
8:45	9:15	Complications of Oncoplastic Surgery Gustavo Zucca-Matthes, MD, PhD, Post Doc Complications are a non-desirable part of the game. Unfortunately, they could happen, and surgeons must be prepared to deal with and help their patient always when necessary.
9:15	10:00	Working with Plastic Surgeons vs On Your Own and Q&A Oncoplastic Faculty and entire group An open discussion with faculty and attendees regarding unique issues in performing oncoplastic surgery, either unilaterally or with plastic surgeons. Real world experiences will be discussed.
10:00	10:30	Break
10:30	11:00	Intraoperative Imaging - Localization & Specimen Imaging Cary S. Kaufman MD, FACS, FSSO Breast surgeons are regularly presented with non-palpable lesions to excise. Many methods exist to aid the surgeon in their task. Some methods to identify non-palpable lesions and confirm the entire lesion has been removed will be discussed.
11:00	12:00	Oncoplastic Lab #5 Localization Methods, New Technology, A Spectrum of Approaches Oncoplastic Faculty This session is devoted to demonstrating new or valuable techniques using devices that enhance our abilities to perform breast surgery. Both new and vetted clinicians will provide information that is useful to the Breast Surgeon.
12:00	12:10	Summary Q&A Oncoplastic Faculty
12:30pm		Oncoplastic Course Ends, Opportunity to Join Main Conference Lectures
12:30	1:30	Networking Lunch with Vendors