



**E-AHPBA Platinum Seal Post Graduate Course:  
Randomized controlled trials (RCTs)**

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019, 08:30-17:30hrs

**Course Directors:**  
*Bas Groot Koerkamp      Hjalmar van Santvoort*  
*Marc Besselink          Vincent de Meijer*



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*Venue: Beurs van Berlage, Amsterdam, the Netherlands*

*Room: Berlage zaal*

HPB surgeons increasingly can make clinical decisions based on the results of randomized controlled trials (RCTs). RCTs in HPB cover a wide variety of topics from preoperative management (e.g., biliary drainage) and perioperative chemotherapy (e.g., for colorectal liver metastases) to surgical techniques (e.g., pancreatic anastomosis). HPB surgeons should be familiar with the key RCTs that guidelines are based on. Moreover, they should be able to determine the validity of RCTs for a specific patient.

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
08:30	Introduction	Bas Groot Koerkamp
08:45	How to appraise an RCT	Vincent de Meijer
<b>Session 1 - Colorectal liver metastases</b>		
09:15	Systemic and HAIP chemotherapy	Peter Kingham
09:45	Ongoing RCTs for CLM	Cees Verhoef
<b>Session 2 – HCC and Transplantation</b>		
10:15	Locoregional treatment: TACE, SIRT	Otto van Delden
10:45	Resect or ablate	Luca Aldrighetti
11:15	Machine perfusion	Philipp Dutkowski
11:45	Lunch break	
12:45	How to perform an RCT	Hjalmar van Santvoort
<b>Session 3 - Pancreas</b>		
13:15	Surgical techniques: PJ/PG, lymphadenectomy, MI	Thilo Hackert
13:45	Drains, feeding, and octreotide	Claudio Bassi
14:15	Systemic chemotherapy for pancreatic cancer	Bas Groot Koerkamp
14:45	Neuro-endocrine tumors	Massimo Falconi
15:15	Tea/Coffee break	
<b>Session 4 – Pancreatitis and biliary tumors</b>		
15:45	Chronic pancreatitis	Marja Boermeester
16:15	Biliary tumors	Bill Jarnagin
16:45	The future of RCTs	Marc Besselink
17:15	Closing remarks	Bas Groot Koerkamp



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The objectives of this course are:

1. To learn the definitive RCTs in HPB and liver transplantation that guidelines are based on
2. To learn how to design, perform, and review an RCT
3. To learn the ongoing RCTs and topics for future RCTs

Structure of each talk (30 min per talk)

- Clinical case
- Key RCTs using PICO format
- Ongoing and future RCTs for unresolved topics
- Back to the clinical case
- Discussion: 5-10 min

Voting with app for case-related questions at beginning of each presentation

- Do you know RCTs to support decision making for this patient?
- Are these RCTs applicable to this specific patient?
- What management do you recommend?