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# 3rd RHINOEDU MASTER DISSECTION COURSE: **ENDOSCOPIC SINONASAL APPROACHES**

**13 - 15 APRIL 2026**  
COMO, ITALY

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**Welcome to the third edition of RHINOEDU MASTER DISSECTION COURSE.**

RhinoEdu is a scientific group founded in 2023 in Como, Italy, dedicated to the promotion of basic sciences, anatomical research, and the dissemination of surgical skills in endoscopic paranasal sinus and skull base surgery. This initiative is supported by a strong network of international opinion leaders in the field. The group is also supported by national scientific societies dedicated to the treatment of paranasal sinus and skull base diseases: the Italian Academy of Rhinology and the Italian Skull Base Society.

Endoscopic surgery of the paranasal sinuses and skull base has undergone rapid evolutions in recent years: innovative minimally invasive approaches have been described, the use of local flaps to resurface surgical areas has been introduced into daily clinical practice, and technological advances in operating room equipment have become crucial.

The aim of this course is to share knowledge and experience in sinuses and skull base surgery in order to refine skills and focus on the advantages and disadvantages of each procedure.

The course is structured into three intensive days, each focusing on distinct anatomical areas and surgical strategies. The first day is dedicated to surgical corridors to the frontal sinus, including Draf procedures and dacryocystorhinostomy. The second day combines trans-sphenoidal approaches to the sphenoid sinus with endoscopic modular approaches to the maxillary sinus. The third day is focused on the prevention and management of complications that surgeons should deal with in sinonasal surgery.

International networking among delegates and direct discussion with recognized speakers will be the strength points of this course.

Last but not least, the scenario of Lake Como will provide an amazing setting for this intriguing educational experience.



**Looking forward to meeting you in Como!**

A stylized, handwritten signature in white ink, appearing to read 'Paolo Battaglia'.

**Paolo Battaglia**

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ASST Lariana, Sant'Anna Hospital, San Fermo della Battaglia, Como, Italy



# PROGRAM

## 1st DAY: FRONTAL SINUS

08:00 Registration of participants: ASST Lariana "Auditorium" Ospedale Sant'Anna, via Ravona 20, San Fermo Della Battaglia (Como)

08:20 Introduction and course presentation

08:30 Lecture: **Surgical and radiological anatomy of the frontal sinus**

09:00 Lecture: **Unlocking the frontal sinus, strategic approaches to Draf procedures and flaps**

09:30 -10:00 **Coffee break**

10:00 - 13:00 **Video-guided step-by-step dissection**

- Uncinectomy, middle meatal antrostomy, anterior ethmoidectomy
- Draf type 1, 2A
- Draf type 2B, exposure and ligation of the nasal branch of the anterior ethmoidal artery

13:00 - 14:00 **Lunch break**

14:00 Lecture: **Beyond the ostium, extended endoscopic access to the frontal sinus**

14:30 - 18:00 **Video-guided step-by-step dissection**

- Draf type 3 and flaps harvesting for exposed frontal bone
- Anterior ethmoidal artery exposure and orbital transposition
- Trans-orbital approach to the far lateral frontal sinus

## 2nd DAY: SPHENOID SINUS & MAXILLARY SINUS

08:00 Lecture: **Trans-sphenoidal approaches and nasoseptal flap**

08:30 Lecture: **Dacryocystorhinostomy, through precision and simplicity**

09:00 - 09:30 **Coffee break**

09:30 - 13:00 **Video-guided step-by-step dissection**

- Dacryocystorhinostomy with mucosal flaps
- Rescue nasoseptal flap harvesting
- Paraseptal sphenoidotomy
- Posterior ethmoidectomy and trans-ethmoidal sphenoidotomy
- Sphenopalatine artery identification and ligation

13:00 - 14:00 **Lunch break**

14:00 Lecture: **Endoscopic medial maxillectomies: modular approaches**

14:30 - 18:00 **Video-guided step-by-step dissection**

- Pre-lacrimal approach with/without lacrimal transposition
- Endoscopic modular maxillectomy
- Exposure of the pterygopalatine fossa

20:00 **Course dinner and certificates of attendance assignment**

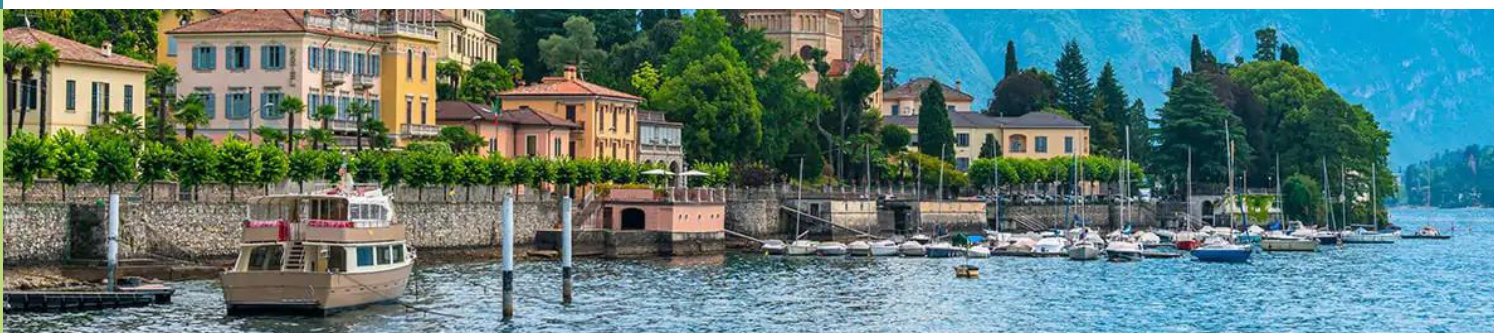
## 3rd DAY: HOW TO MANAGE COMPLICATIONS

08:00 Lecture: **How to prevent and manage complications in sinonasal surgery**

08:30 - 09:00 **Coffee break**

09:00 - 13:00 **Video-guided step-by-step dissection**

- Lateral canthotomy and cantholysis
- Medial orbital and optic nerve decompression
- Latrogenic cerebrospinal fluid leakage repair



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### Registration:

Enrollement is limited to 16 participants and 4 observers.

For registration, send an email with your full name, date and place of birth, work address, and phone number to:

**info@rhinoedu.org**

Applications must be submitted at least 30 days before the start of the course and will be accepted in chronological order and, in any case, after receipt of the bank transfer.

### Fee:

Hands-on dissection: € 1,500

Observer: € 400

Includes: attendance certificate, coffee breaks, lunches, social dinner, and educational material.

### Payment Method:

Bank transfer (bank details will be provided by the secretariat upon registration confirmation)

### Cancellation Policy:

Cancellations received by March 15, 2026: 75% refund

Cancellations received after March 15, 2026: no refund

Name changes of participants are allowed up to two weeks before the course

### Language:

English

### Course Venue:

Anatomical Dissection Lab, Department of Pathological Anatomy

ASST Lariana – Sant'Anna Hospital

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