

Zurich Cementless THR Skill Assessment

PRESENTED BY

2nd – 6th June 2025

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STRUCTURE & CONCEPT

Please read the below carefully to ensure your expectations are best aligned with the aims of the assessment

- The Skill Assessment is structured as a self-paced learning assessment, ***it is not an instructed training workshop*** although you will be offered mentorship for your first case on the first day but note that this case will then not count towards the assessment.
- It is expected that participant surgeons will plan and manage their time accordingly to ensure that they are able to successfully complete the submission of at least three cases during the days available.
 - Two of which need to meet the minimum passing score of 15 and the third needs to be well within the respectable and expected range and **without any fatal flaws**¹.
- Your submissions will be graded by the assessors, and it is likely that you will need to submit and revise several cases before you achieve a passing grade.
- Depending on the individual pace, each surgeon will have **up to 4 opportunities** to complete and submit cases for assessment. It is not guaranteed that there will be more opportunities available, as there are a limited number of hips and time available.
- The staff, assessors, equipment, and operating theatre space will be available to you for the duration of the assessment.
- As part of the training and assessment you will be required to take your own radiographs as this is an essential part of the assessment evaluation.
 - Ensure that you familiarize yourself with the required views and it is advised that you practice before attending the assessment. The number of radiographs you will be allowed to take will be limited to ensure fair access to others. If you are unable to achieve the required views after 4-5 attempts, you will be asked to step aside to allow others an opportunity to complete their radiographs, hence the importance of familiarizing yourself with the expected views **before** starting the assessment.
 - Depending on your arrival date and time, to reduce the radiograph demand and waiting times, you will be assigned a slot to begin taking preoperative radiographs on the day before the start of the assessment. The radiographic equipment will be available for you. It is vital that you complete at least your first two sets of radiographs to reduce waiting times.
- It is recommended that you plan to complete a wet lab case, take radiographs, and receive feedback from an assessor before going on to perform the next case.
 - While each surgeon is reviewing their case with the assessment panel the other surgeons can continue to work on their remaining cases but only after they have had their previous case reviewed and received feedback.
- You will need to decide whether you want to continue working or take the breaks according to the schedule below. We will attempt to ensure that refreshments are available outside of the official scheduled break times, but the onus is on you to manage your time accordingly.
- Please remember to be patient, the assessment is a high-pressure environment, you will need to wait for others to complete certain tasks. You should have been able to complete at least three hips by the end of the assessment period. The assessment is designed to provide sufficient time for you to do so, however there will be a period when you will need to wait for equipment.

¹ See the evaluation guidelines for more information.

AGENDA

Subject to changes as and when required

DAY 1 - Monday 2nd June 2025

13h30 - 16h30

- Preoperative radiographs to be taken by surgeons of their assigned cases (slots to be assigned)
- Digital planning for surgery with vPOP

DAY 2 - Tuesday 3rd June

9h00-9h15

- Welcome, Introductions & agenda overview

9h15-10h30

- Optional: mentored first hip available upon request
- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

10h30-10h45

- Break

10h45-12h15

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

12h15-13h15

- Lunch

13h15-16h15

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

16h15-16h30

- Break

16h30-18h00

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

20h00

- Dinner (venue TBC)

DAY 3 - Wednesday 4th June

9h00-10h00

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

10h00-10h15

- Break

10h15-12h15

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

12h15-13h15

- Lunch

13h15 – 16h15

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

16h15 – 16h30

- Break

16h30 – 18h00

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

DAY 4 – Thursday 5th June

9h00-10h00

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

10h00-10h15

- Break

10h15-12h15

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

12h15-13h15

- Lunch

13h15 – 16h15

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

16h15 – 16h30

- Break

16h30 – 18h00

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

DAY 5 - Friday 6th June

9h00-10h00

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

10h00-10h15

- Break

10h15-12h15

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

12h15-13h15

- Lunch

13h15 – 16h30

- Lab THR procedure (self-paced wet lab practice and assessment)
- Radiography & feedback for completed cases

ASSESSORS & INSTRUCTORS

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Other assessors to be confirmed.