

2nd level Master in Structural Interventional Cardiology (60 ECTS)

Course Plan

Course	ECTS	Hours	SSD
1. CT-scan: patient's selection and planning of structural	0,25	2	MED/11
procedures	0,20	2	MED/II
2. Transcatheter Aortic Valve Implantation (TAVI): devices	0,25	2	MED/11
and techniques	0,20	2	IVILD/II
3. Planning of TAVI procedures based on CT analysis: the			
importance of proper fluoroscopic projection and cusp	0,25	2	MED/11
overlap technique			
4. Bicuspid aortic valve: LIRA plane and different sizing	0,25	2	MED/11
technique	0,20	2	IVILD/II
5. Aortic Valve in valve procedure: how to deal with	0,25	2	MED/11
residual gradient and risk of coronary occlusion	0,20	2	IVILD/II
6. Transcatheter treatment of mitral regurgitation: from			
MitraClip to transcathter mitral valve replacement and	0,25	2	MED/11
mitral valve in valve			
7. Transcatheter treatment of tricuspid regurgitation:	0,25	2	MED/11
Triclip, ortho-topic and ethero-topic valve replacement	0,20	2	IVILD/II
8. Echocardiography in interventional cardiology	0,25	2	MED/11
9. Left atrial appendage occlusion: patient's and device's	0,25	2	MED/11
selection	0,23	2	IVILD/II
10. Patent foramen Ovale closure: indication, devices and			
proper patient selection based on PFO anatomy; Atrial	0,25	2	MED/11
septal defect closure			
11. Transcatheter paravalvular leak closure	0,25	2	MED/11
12. Peripheral Percutaneous Transluminal Angioplasty			
(PTA) in interventional cardiology: not only bailout	0,25	2	MED/11
technique			
Journal Club Meeting	2	50	MED/11
Research Meeting	2	50	MED/11

Journal Club Meeting

It will be held weekly, with the aim of presenting the most recent scientific findings from the literature on topics of current interest in interventional cardiology. To foster the ability to self-work, the preparation of each topic is entrusted to a student of the master, under supervision of the selected material and display lines by one of the staff members.



Research meetings

The research meetings will be held weekly, with the aim of presenting the various studies and research projects in place at the Operational Unit on topics of current interest in interventional cardiology. To foster the ability to work independently, each student will be in charge of one or more specific research protocols and/or projects, which he/she will work on during the master, under supervision of a tutor.

Other teaching activites – Clinical training activities				
Catheterization laboratory	16 ECTS	400 hours	Tutor	MED/11
Clinic and hospital ward activities	18 ECTS	450 hours	Tutor	MED/36

Full-time attendance is required for clinical teaching activities, according to instructions shared by the Management of the Master. Each participant will be supported by a tutor who will assist them during each learning phase in the laboratory and hospital ward, reporting to the Course Coordinators and the O.U. Chief of Staff any difficulties in maintaining the predetermined standards in terms of quality and quantity.

<u>Internship</u>				
Clinical cases discussions	5 ECTS	125 hours	Tutor	
Staff meetings and complications meetings	2 ECTS	50 hours	Tutor	INTERNSHIP
Department meetings	2 ECTS	50 hours	Tutor	

Clinical cases discussions

The various cases to be treated on each day are discussed and illustrated. This allows to clarify the specific therapeutic programs to be implemented.

4 hours a week for 40 weeks

Staff meetings and complications meetings

They take place every 2 weeks and have a duration of 1 hour. Topics include: presentation of new interventional techniques; presentation of new controlled clinical trials; review of the cases of interest in the previous days or to be planned, re-evaluating or deciding on the individualized therapeutic approach. On a monthly basis, one of these meetings is dedicated to the discussion of the complications that occurred in the previous month during the ward activities and the operating procedures, in order to avoid their recurrence and treat them more effectively.

Department meetings

They take place monthly, with a duration of 1 hour, before the start of clinical activity, and are organized in rotation by the services of interventional cardiology, clinical cardiology, cardiac surgery, arrhythmology and vascular surgery. The meetings are presented with new diagnostic and therapeutic techniques, reviewing cases with an interdisciplinary approach, and proposing new diagnostic and therapeutic protocols for revision of the guidelines.



<u>Final assessment</u>			
Sperimental clinic-related thesis	10 ECTS	250 hours	

Each student will conduct an independent research project that evaluates the application of new devices in interventional cardiology, applied in specific subgroups of patients/injuries, in comparison with other diagnostic or treatment methods. Participants are expected to verify the completeness of the acquired data, to learn specific analysis methods such as quantitative angiography techniques or reconstruction/segmentation of 3D ultrasound or computerized analysis of intracoronary pressure/velocity signals and statistical methods for final analysis. Each participant will be supported by a tutor who will assist them in understanding the structure of the existing database and the methods of exporting and processing the data, guiding them to complete the research and to prepare the abstracts/final manuscript. Students will be required to prepare a presentation of their study, to be illustrated at international congresses in the form of an abstract and the preparation of a report to be sent as an original article in a peer-review journal is expected. In addition, the participants will also be entrusted with other research projects or research protocols in place in the U.O. and, for this purpose, they will discuss not only with their tutor, but also with other trial coordinators. The outcome of the project will consist in its presentation, in front of the Didactic Commission of the Master, in the form of an experimental thesis.

Summary of teaching activities			
Activity		ECTS	Hours
Face-to-face teaching activity		7	175
Clinic and hospital ward activities		34	850
Internship		9	225
	Total	60	1500