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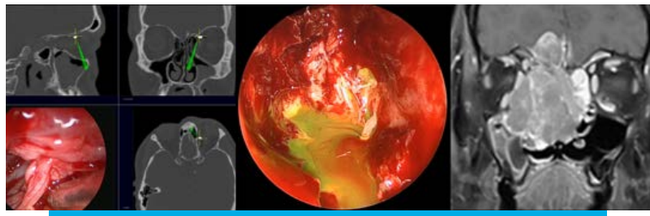

1st Erlangen International Course for FESS, Skull base and Orbit

December 10 – 12 2026

Institute of Anatomy, Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg
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Otorhinolaryngology **Neurosurgery**
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Dear Colleagues,

We are proud to announce the 1st Erlangen International FESS, Skull Base and Orbit Course, an interdisciplinary educational event bringing together renowned experts in otorhinolaryngology, neurosurgery and ophthalmology.

The anatomical regions of the skull base and orbit are highly complex and the successful management of related pathologies requires close collaboration between specialists from multiple disciplines. Over three days, participants will benefit from up to 20 hours of hands-on practical training, providing an in-depth understanding of skull base and orbital anatomy as well as contemporary surgical approaches to these challenging regions. Our goal is to equip participants with a broad repertoire of techniques and strategies that can be tailored to the individual needs of each patient.

The course will focus not only on anatomical dissection techniques but also on the diagnosis and management of relevant pathologies. Using a newly developed combined cadaver and simulation model, skull base and orbital pathologies will be reproduced in a highly realistic manner and jointly resected in an interdisciplinary setting. These practice-oriented exercises are designed to enhance participants' ability to manage complex cases while encouraging them to expand their perspective beyond the boundaries of their own specialty.

We would like to offer you the opportunity to learn from experienced colleagues, exchange knowledge across disciplines, and broaden your surgical horizons.

We look forward to welcoming you to Erlangen!

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Sarina Müller, Otorhinolaryngology, Erlangen
Prof. Oliver Schnell, Neurosurgery, Erlangen
Prof. Antonio Bergua, Ophthalmology, Erlangen
Prof. Lars Bräuer, Anatomy, Erlangen

Programme

Thursday, December 10 2026

9.00 **Registration**

9.30 **Welcome**
S. Müller

9.45 **Anatomy of the nasal cavity, the skull base and the orbit in the computed tomography**
M. Zeilinger

10.30 **Anatomy of the orbit**
A. Bergua

11.00 **Orbital tumors and orbit classifications**
B. Bleier

11.30 **Lunch break**

12.30 **Open approaches to the nose**
S. Müller

13.00 **Transorbital neuroendoscopic surgery (TONES)**
D. Lubbe

13.30 **Intracranial and orbit tumor model**
C. Banks

14.00 **Rotational course** (30 minutes per station, orbit model for TONES, instrumentation and finding orbital and intracranial tumors with image guidance, ultrasound of the paranasal sinus and the head and neck area, visit to the operating room)
all participants and Faculty

16.00 **End of day**

From 18.30 **Course dinner**

Friday, December 11 2026

8.00 **Welcome**

8.05 **FESS**
A. Stegmann

8.15 **Cadaver dissection: FESS**
all participants and Faculty

9.00 **Transnasal approaches to the pituitary gland**
O. Schnell

9.20 **Cadaver dissection: transsphenoidal approach to the pituitary, sellar dissection, dissection of cavernous sinus, dissection of the carotid artery and the optic nerve in the sphenoid sinus to extract pathology**
all participants and Faculty

10.40 **Approaches to the frontal sinus and the skull base**

11.00 **Cadaver dissection: Draf III, Dissection of the lamina cribrosa and the olfactory bulb**
all participants and Faculty

12.30 **Lunch break**

13.30 **Reconstruction techniques of the skull base**
B. Bleier

14.00 **Cadaver dissection: reconstruction of the skull base, e. g. Haddad flap, galeoperiostal flap**
all participants and Faculty

15.20 **Open approaches to the frontal sinus**
S. Müller

15.40 **Cadaver dissection: Open approaches to the frontal sinus**
all participants and Faculty

17.00 **Summary and end of day**

Saturday, December 12 2026

8.00 **Welcome**

8.05 **Medial and inferior decompression of the orbit**
B. Bleier

8.20 **Cadaver dissection: medial and inferior decompression**
all participants and Faculty

9.20 **Medial rectus dissection and dissection of the vascular bundle**
C. Banks

9.40 **Cadaver dissection: medial rectus dissection and dissection of the vascular bundle**
all participants and Faculty

11.00 **4-handed approaches in orbital dissection**
B. Bleier

11.20 **Transcaruncular approaches**
A. Bergua

11.40 **Lunch break**

12.40 **Cadaver dissection: 4-handed approaches and transcaruncular approaches to the orbit to extract pathology**
all participants and Faculty

14.30 **Transorbital neuroendoscopic surgery (TONES)**
D. Lubbe

14.50 **Cadaver dissection: TONES and transcranial approaches to the orbit to extract pathology**
all participants and Faculty

16.50 **Certificate procedure, reevaluation**

17.10 **End of course**

The preliminary programme is subject to change.