



## *Primary cleft lip / palate surgery*

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### *Introduction:*

As cleft surgeons our aim is to repair the cleft lip/palate to be comparable to the normal anatomy. But, have you ever done a dissection course on a cadaver to see the normal anatomy of the relationship the lower lateral cartilage has with the upper lateral cartilage of the nose? Have you ever seen the normal intricate relationship between the orbicularis oris muscle and the different surrounding oral muscles, or the relationship that the levator veli palatini muscle has with the palatopharyngeus muscle?

In the theoretical part of this course some experts will give us information about the normal anatomy and also the pathology involved in the cleft lip/palate. Tips and tricks about primary cleft lip and palate surgery will be discussed by international experts. In the practical part the normal anatomy of the lip/nose and the palate will be dissected on fresh cadavers.