MASTERSHIP COURSE IN BREAST ONCOPLASTY
The Mastership in Breast Oncoplasty is an immersive educational programme led by eminent practicing specialists. This highly rigorous course offers formal academic credentials to advance your career in the niche field of Breast Oncoplasty at an affordable cost.

With the rising incidence of Breast Cancer especially in younger women, there is an ever-increasing demand from the affected patients for aesthetically acceptable surgical outcomes. Often, patients are not able to access surgeons trained in breast oncoplasty and thus remain dissatisfied with the appearance of their breast after surgery. Therefore, being equipped with advanced skills in Breast Oncoplasty has become the need of the hour for practising surgeons.

The Mastership course in Breast Oncoplasty is the only course in Asia that offers targeted specialist training in the field of Oncoplastic Breast Surgery.

Whether you are a well-established surgeon who wants to widen the scope of your practice or a budding doctor who wants to make a mark in Breast Oncoplasty, the course is assured to provide you the necessary evidence-based knowledge and decision making skills to take your career forward.

This unique course is based on the award-winning Masters Programme from University of East Anglia’s (UEA) Medical School. Based in England, UEA is the first university in the world to introduce a specialist training course in Breast Oncoplasty. The course programme for Asia will be convened by International School of Oncoplastic Surgery based in Pune, India and the degrees will be awarded by UEA.
Master the Skills

- Boost your career by registering for this innovative and reputed mastership programme
- The intensive curriculum will ensure that you attain comprehensive knowledge and the necessary professional skills to confidently manage all aspects of breast surgery
- Gain the competitive advantage over your peers by being one of the selected few surgeons with expertise in Breast Oncoplasty

Flexible Learning

- Travelling to distant locations or enrolling in a full-time course to upgrade clinical knowledge can be a major barrier to knowledge advancement
- Earn the unique opportunity to study online from your place of residence or work without sacrificing your professional practice or work-life balance
- Easy online access to course material and convenient practical training sessions will aid in saving your valuable time without compromising your learning experience

Learn from the Experts

- Gain the superior advantage of learning from stalwarts in Breast Oncoplasty from India and the U.K.
- Equip yourself with expert level skills taught by leading faculty and gain a substantial learning experience
- As a Masters student, you will also be provided with a mentor for your research dissertation
Networking Advantage

• Leverage the opportunity to be a part of a wide national and international Breast Oncoplasty community

• Through our practical training sessions, you will benefit from interacting with key opinion leaders and like-minded peers. Being part of such a diverse community will greatly enhance your postgraduate experience and provide you with unique insights in the field

Affordable Training

With a heavily subsidized course fee structure for Asian students, you will get a unique opportunity to enrol in a world standard curriculum at an affordable cost.

Global Outlook

This course will give you a truly global perspective on Breast Cancer management achieved via:

• Interactive coursework created by eminent specialists from the U.K.

• Practical skills training by prominent Indo-U.K. faculty

• An interactive discussion forum comprising of doctors from all across the world. This forum will give you the privilege of interacting with international surgeons and staying up-to-date with the globally practised principles in management of Breast Cancer.
This course offers the innovative concept of **blended learning** that promotes the combined advantages of evidence-based practice and high-level decision making skills. This will be a module-based course where-in each module will last for 16 weeks. Depending on the number of modules completed, you will be awarded the appropriate course degree.

**Degrees awarded under the program are:**
- PG Certificate in Principles of Breast Oncoplasty – 1 year (3 modules)
- PG Diploma in Principles of Breast Oncoplasty – 2 years (6 modules)
- M.Ch. Breast Oncoplasty – 3 years (6 modules + research dissertation)

**UEA COURSE STRUCTURE**
The course will be conducted in two inter-related phases:

**Phase 1**

Interactive, web-based theoretical training in Breast Oncoplasty

- Developed by U.K.’s leading University with support from the Royal College of Surgeons (England); Association of Breast Surgery (ABS); British Association of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgeons (BAPRAS) and an active, 150-strong specialist faculty
- The online course has earned the Gold Award in 2013 for ‘Best Online Distance Learning Programme’
- Highly flexible course structure tailored specifically around the working lives of busy surgical practitioners
- Most teaching and learning will be via a dedicated Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) enriched by a thriving online community of Breast Oncoplasty specialists from all over the world
- Focus on assessment of surgical skills combined with the rapid development of consultant-level critical thinking and communication skills
- As a student, you will engage in in-depth discussions on realistic cases, supported by continual assessment of your surgical knowledge, critical thinking and decision-making skills
- All participation will be asynchronous so you will never need to log on to the online portal at pre-determined times
- Each tutor-mediated forum discussion will take on a life of its own fuelled by the growth of shared reading, personal experience and tutor guidance, all contributed at convenient times
- Each topic will bring about new expertise and insights that are directly applicable to your own clinical practice and cases
Phase 2
ISOS Practical Training Course

• In parallel to the UEA’s Masters Programme, ISOS will conduct multiple two-day workshops and masterclasses to enhance clinical and operative experience of candidates. These training courses will be delivered by senior experts from India and the U.K.
• Gain access to a strong network of surgical tutors and mentors
• Learn via discussions based on case studies and surgical videos to aid in problem-based learning
• Interactive, multi-disciplinary tumour board sessions (MDT) that will cover important multi-disciplinary topics involved in effective management of Breast Cancer
• Pre-surgery mark-up training with live models
• Hands-on training on surgery techniques using prosthetic breast models
• Specialised lectures on state-of-the-art Breast Oncoplasty techniques
• Panel discussions by experts to discuss key aspects of management of breast diseases.
• In-depth exposure to pertinent Breast Oncoplasty topics in theme-based practical sessions
• Understand the practical applications of concepts learnt in online modules in your surgical practice
ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- MS or DNB and above
- Practising general/ breast/ oncology/ cosmetic surgeon with minimum one year of experience in conducting breast surgeries
- IELTS score of 6.5 or above (scores should be less than two year old)
- Statement of purpose
- Two letters of recommendation

APPLY

This course is open to students from Asia.

To apply for the course, you will need to submit the online application form available on our website www.breastoncoplasty.org and upload the required documents.

On receiving your application, the Admissions Committee will review and select the candidates on the basis of merit following which the candidate will be notified of the results.

For more details on application process and fee structure, you can mail us at obs.koppiker@gmail.com.
1) What is IELTS?

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is a test of English language proficiency and is required for any educational activity in the U.K. To know more, you can visit https://www.ielts.org/.

2) Why do I need IELTS for this course?

As the course is awarded by a U.K. university, it mandatory to clear IELTS. Also, the candidates in the program will regularly engage in discussion forums with students from across the world. To maintain the uniformity and standard of English, IELTS is a must.

3) Can I apply without an IELTS score?

No.

4) I have completed my education in English. Do I still need IELTS?

Yes. Irrespective of your schooling or your mother tongue, IELTS score is necessary to apply for this course.

5) There are two IELTS tests. Which one should I go for?

For this course, scores of either IELTS General Training or Academic are acceptable.

6) Who will award the degree?

The degree will be awarded by University of East Anglia (UEA), U.K. A separate certificate for practical training will be awarded by International School of Oncoplastic Surgery, Pune.
7) How will I receive online training?

Online training will be restricted to delivery of theoretical course modules. On enrolment, you will receive a special login ID and password which will direct you to the theoretical course modules taught by e-tutors.

8) What are the technical requirements to study online?

You need a PC/ laptop/mobile phone and a good internet connection to access online modules.

9) Where will the practical training be held?

The practical training session will be held in the city of Pune, India.

10) Can I practice in the U.K. after receiving the degree?

You cannot practice in the UK without clearing the PLAB examination leading to GMC registration. However, the M.Ch. in Breast Oncoplasty will improve prospects for career progression in the U.K after registration with GMC.

11) Can I upgrade my course?

Yes, you can upgrade your course by opting for additional modules. However, the price of the modules may change on a year-on-year basis.
ABOUT UEA

- University of East Anglia (UEA) is an English public research university located in the city of Norwich, U.K. The University ranks within top 1% in the world according to the Times Higher Education World Rankings 2015/16 and within the world top 100 for research excellence in the Leiden Ranking 2016
- UEA has won the Best Online Distance E-Learning Programme Award for their Master of Surgery degrees
- It is the first University in the world to offer and successfully conduct a Masters in Oncoplastic Breast Surgery course since 2011

ABOUT ISOS

- International School of Oncoplastic Surgery (ISOS) was founded by Dr. Chaitanyanand Koppiker, with an aim to fill the existing gaps in surgical training in the niche field of Oncoplastic Breast Surgery in India
- ISOS is comprised of renowned faculty from Association of Breast Surgeons, U.K., University of East Anglia, U.K. and India
- ISOS aims at improving the quality of education and practical training in the field of Breast Oncoplasty and to equip budding surgeons with skills that will be necessary to practice state-of-the-art techniques in Oncoplastic Breast Surgery
- ISOS is active in the field of specialist oncoplastic training since the last 3 years and has been conducting multiple conferences and workshops in India successfully
- Dr. Koppiker is a renowned breast surgeon and one of the pioneers of Breast Oncoplasty in India. He has over two decades of experience in breast surgeries and has received extensive training in Oncoplastic Breast Surgery from the pioneers in the field. He is an expert in various advanced techniques in Oncoplastic Breast Surgery - prominent ones being Mastectomy with Immediate Reconstruction, Therapeutic Mammoplasty, Vacuum Assisted Biopsy procedures and Sentinel Node Management
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