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Born : Cologne (DBR) 14/09/1971

Nationality : Belgian



Dr. Steve Coppens obtained his medical degree at the Catholic University of Leuven in Belgium in 1996. He completed his residency in Anesthesiology in 2001 at the University Hospitals of Leuven. He worked from 2001 until 2008 in private practice and developed his skills for regional anesthesia. From 2008 up to 2012 he worked in a level one trauma center in the Netherlands, where his main focus was on developing locoregional standards and enhancing ultrasound skills.

He was appointed member of staff in 2013 at the department of Anesthesiology of the University Hospitals in Leuven, Belgium. He was asked to focus clinically on regional anesthesia and to focus on training of residents and fellows. He developed a teaching program for residents in regional anesthesia.

Since 2013 he has been clinical director of regional anesthesia and was appointed associate head of clinic. He implemented a newly developed locoregional learning program in Leuven and was instrumental in developing the regional anesthesia fellowship program.

He has given several lectures at ESRA, BSAR and BARA meetings. He has also given lectures at ESRA zonal meetings such as the ARAR meeting in Romania. He has served as demonstrator in various hands-on workshops and is since 2014 coordinator of an ESRA annual meeting workshop directed to teach anesthesiologists in a four hour duration workshop all basic blocks they need to know. He is member of the ESRA Annual Meeting Scientific Committee.

His primary clinical interest focuses on regional and trauma anesthesia as well as developing a regional pediatric program and also thoracic anesthesia. He has also worked in the PROSPECT group as a temporary member updating the hernioraphy review and is busy conducting research in regional anesthesia, especially in continuous versus single shot regional techniques. ( <http://www.postoppain.org/> )

His partner is Brigitte , who is a full-time urological surgeon and has three children, Lise, Simon and Dries. He loves to travel and is a culinary addict. Fine dining and wine, especially French and Asian cuisine is his weak spot. On regular occasions he offers some time to provide anesthesia in Indonesia, Ambon. In association with Sophia Children's Hospital Rotterdam and plastic surgery we deliver general and regional anesthesia for cleft palate, cleft lip and burn wound patients. (<http://www.vlissingen-ambon.nl/tag/motva>).

Our work there has been featured in the ASRA newsletter February 2017 (<http://www.brightcopy.net/allen/asra/17-1/index.php#/24> and <http://www.brightcopy.net/allen/asra/17-1/index.php#/26> )

**Med school studies in Leuven** from 1989-1996

Graduated **Cum Lauda** in June 1996

Start anesthesiology residency in University Hospitals Leuven from 1996-2001

**Private practise in Regional Hospital Leuven** from 2001-2008

Mostly regional anesthesia

**Private practise in Admiraal de Ruyter Hospitals, the Netherlands** from 2008-2012

Level 1 traumacentre with further training expertise in regional anesthesia and trauma-care

**Associate Head of clinic in the University Hospitals** . From 2013 until present.

**Head of the locoregional program in the University Hospitals.**

Multiple national and international lectures and courses (ESRA, BARA, ARAR, BSAR ...)

Several Poster presentations and abstracts at ESRA meetings as well as cadaver and ultrasound workshops since 2014

**Extra courses**

Acute medicine 2001

ATLS 2009

Countless cadaver courses and ultrasound workshops ESRA/PGA/NYSORA

Advanced Trauma course Nijmegen Radboud 2016

**ESRA member since 2007**

**BARA member since 2012**

**ASRA member since 2016**

**BARA Board member since 2016**

**BVAR titulary member since 2017**

**ASA member since 2016**

**ESA member since 2017**

**Member of the scientific committee of the ESRA since 2015**

**Honorary member of the Romanian society of Regional anesthesia (ARAR)**

**Reviewer Acta Anesthesiologica Belgica**

**Good Clinical Practise certification 15 may 2017**

**Publications**

*Case report of a guide wire loss and migration after central venous access. Journal of Clinical Anesthesia 2015 Van Doninck, Maleux, Coppens, Moke*

*A comparison of neuromuscular effects, tracheal intubating conditions, and reversibility of rapacuronium versus mivacurium in female patients. Anesthesia and Analgesia april 2002 Van Acker, Geerts, Coppens, Van Iersel*

*Efficacy Of Adductor Canal Block In Primary Total Knee Arthroplasty: A Systematic Review. Acta Anesthesiologica Belgica 2017, 68, 63-71 D Hoogma, S Rex, M Van de Velde, S Coppens*

*Video-assisted thoracoscopic surgery and open chest surgery in esophageal cancer treatment: present and future Lieven Depypere, Willy Coosemans, Philippe Nafteux, Hans Van Veer, Arne Neyrinck, Steve Coppens, Chantal Boelens, Kristel Laes, Toni Lerut. Journal of Visualised Surgery 17 March 2017.doi: 10.21037/jovs.2017.01.02*

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