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Dr. Nistor is internationally recognized for his pioneering work in robotic lymphatic surgery and is currently the most experienced surgeon worldwide in robotic lymphovenous anastomosis (LVA) and robotic vascularized lymph node transfer (VLNT). He has contributed to the development, clinical validation, and dissemination of robotic supra-microsurgical techniques, with extensive peer-reviewed publications, invited lectures, and instructional courses. He is also Course Director of the advanced SupraMicrosurgery training programs at ORSI Academy, with a strong focus on structured skill acquisition, workflow optimization, and patient-centered outcomes.

His presentations at EFSM 2026 address critical aspects of contemporary lymphatic surgery, including real-world outcomes of robotic LVA and VLNT, detailed video analysis of robotic lymphatic vessel anastomosis, optimization of WALANT-based LVA workflows, and high-impact technical pearls in robotic supra-microsurgery. These talks aim to translate innovation into daily clinical practice by emphasizing decision-making, reproducibility, and safe implementation rather than technology alone.

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