

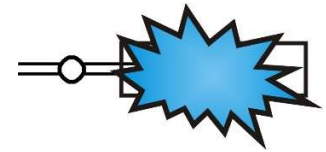
## **SOMATOSENSORY REHABILITATION of PAIN NETWORK**

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## **SOMATOSENSORY PAIN REHAB – 2023 – BASIC Course in Freiburg (Switzerland, Europe) –**

### **What can we offer our patients suffering from neuropathic pain?**

#### **142<sup>nd</sup> BASIC course (Day 1 to Day 4)**

about **Somatosensory Rehabilitation of Neuropathic Pain Observation of three live treatments**

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This **142<sup>nd</sup>** course for **somatosensory rehabilitation of neuropathic pain** is a four-day comprehensive theoretical and hands-on course for therapists, physicians and others, about a method to treat neuropathic pain patients (NPP).

**Somatosensory Rehabilitation of Pain** (Spicher, 2006) includes: Assessment of cutaneous sense disorders and their painful complications (CRPS, mechanical allodynia, neuralgia i.e post carpal tunnel syndrome release) as well as their rehabilitation.

#### **Problem**

Cutaneous somatosensory disorders, including hypoaesthesia and/or mechanical allodynia are often significant contributors to chronic pain, interfering with activities.

The normalisation of the cutaneous sense has a positive impact on **neuropathic pain**. The shooting pain and burning sensations decrease and hypersensitivity resolves, offering NPP a better quality of life.

#### **Concepts**

The concept of A $\beta$  pain was proposed by Marshall Devor [*Exp Brain Res* 2009] many years after Tinel (1917) suggested that neuropathic pain is conducted partly through the A $\beta$  fibers. The etiology of neuropathic pain hinges on this idea. It means that chronic neuropathic pain can arise from the alteration of the somatosensory system and not only from the alteration of the C fibers. Therefore, the painful area must be carefully assessed in order to determine the presence of A $\beta$  fiber lesions (tactile hypoaesthesia and/or mechanical allodynia). Consequently, the

normalisation of the cutaneous sense has a positive impact on neuropathic pain.

### Overall Learning Aims

- To acquire precise techniques for identification, assessment and treatment of somatosensory changes;
- To rehabilitate cutaneous somatosensory disorders through the neuroplasticity mechanisms of the somatosensory nervous system;
- To avert the outbreak of painful complications by rehabilitating the cutaneous sense;
- To build bridges between health sciences, rehabilitation, medicine and neurosciences.

### Instructors of the Somatosensory Rehab of Pain Network (SRPN) <http://www.neuropain.ch/>

- Since 2001, Claude J. Spicher, Scientific collaborator (**University of Fribourg** – Department of Neurosciences and Movement Sciences), **McGill University Lecturer** (Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences), Certified Hand Therapist Switzerland (2003 – 2028);
- Since 2008, Rebekah Della Casa, OT, Certified Somatosensory Therapist of Pain (CSTP®) in the Somatosensory Rehab Ctr.

### Course Information

Date	1 <sup>st</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> of May 2023
Time	9 am – 12 am & 1 pm – 5 pm (CEST)
Duration	28 hours
Location	6, Hans-Geiler Street, 1700 Freiburg, Switzerland
Price	All together <b>CHF 690.-</b> Atlas + Handbook (1 <sup>st</sup> ed.) + <b>Work documents</b> in English about the French editions in 2013, 2015 and 2020.

### References

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## REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline: Monday, the 3<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023 at 3 pm (CEST in Paris)

**Name:**

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**Professional occupation:**

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