# Simulation training in laparoscopy and robotic surgery

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The field of minimally invasive surgery (MIS) including traditional laparoscopy, single port surgery, and Robotics, has now taken centre stage in modern clinical practice. With continued evolution in technologies, there is now the need to train the surgeon in a continuous manner. No surgeon is "too" experienced to benefit themselves and the patient.

Training by simulation, whether virtual, hybrid, or real, allows the surgeon to rehearse, learn, improve or maintain their skills in a safe and stress free environment.

Simulation training in laparoscopy and robotic surgery gives a true insight into the latest educational and learning techniques for new technologies in surgery. Written by an international team of experts, this illustrated text provides advice on specialised team training, non-technical skills and simulation.

Professors Wenhui Lou, Tao Suo and Binglu Li have perfectly translated Simulation Training in Laparoscopy and Robotic Surgery by keeping the valuable surgical education component at the core of the book.

This book (*Figure 1*) is an important training aide for surgeons and residents interested in developing skills in their own surgical fields.

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Figure 1 Cover of Simulation Training in Laparoscopy and Robotic Surgery.