

## Biography

Eric Rullier is born in 1961 and was educated at the University of Bordeaux, where he was graduated General Surgeon in 1991 and Professor of Surgery in 2001. He was Chief of the Colorectal Unit at Saint-Andre Bordeaux University Hospitals in 1995, then Head of the Department of Surgery in 2011, and is Chairman of Colorectal Surgery at Magellan Centre, Haut-Levèque Bordeaux University Hospitals since 2016.

Eric Rullier developed clinical research in rectal cancer. His main topics are low rectal cancer, sphincter and organ preservation, and mini invasive surgery. He demonstrated the oncologic safety of the technique of intersphincteric resection and participated to the European development of laparoscopic surgery in rectal cancer. He also proposed a classification of low rectal cancer to standardize surgery and facilitate sphincter preservation.

Eric Rullier founded in 2005 the GRECCAR (Groupe de REcherche Chirurgical du CAncer Rectal) to develop innovative research on rectal cancer at a national level. He also cofounded PELVICARE at Bordeaux Foundation University in 2015, to develop the Bordeaux' Colorectal School and is Director of European courses and Masterclasses for TME and colorectal surgery. He is past President of the GRECCAR, active member of the ESCP and Fellow of the ASCRS. His scientific production includes more than 100 publications and 400 international conferences on rectal cancer.

