



Be a Part of the Musculoskeletal Biology Workshop

The 50th International Musculoskeletal Biology Workshop will identify problems in musculoskeletal disease and experimental approaches that provide solutions. Concepts debated at the workshops have had, and continue to have, a strong impact on the study of skeletal physiology and disorders. All investigators interested in increasing understanding across the many disciplines that study musculoskeletal and mechano-biology are encouraged to attend. The workshop will take place July 22-27 at Zermatt Utah Resort and Spa in Midway, Utah.

Please Note: There are significant hotel room discounts if you book your room by Monday, June 19.

Zermatt Resort offers [many great activity options](#) that will keep you entertained during your free time at the conference.

To connect with potential roommates or to share a ride from the SLC airport, visit the [Discussion Forum](#) under the ORS online member community portal.

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June is LGBTQIA+ Pride Month



June is LGBTQIA+ Pride Month. ORS would like to honor members of the LGBTQIA+ community who have made contributions to orthopaedics. The Pride @ ORS Community Network, led by Stefaan Verbruggen, is a group of LGBTQIA+-identifying individuals and allies who have a primary goal of promoting acceptance, inclusivity, and visibility for LGBTQIA+-identifying individuals in the ORS.

The community strengthens the ORS2025 Mission and Vision by creating meaningful professional connections across career levels and fostering mentor/mentee relationships.

Some of the group's objectives are to:

- Hold network gatherings at in-person meetings.
- Hold virtual meet and greets throughout the year.
- Promote visibility and feature the work of LGBTQIA+ ORS members through channels such as ORS Connect.

If you are a member of the LGBTQIA+ community or know someone who would like to be featured in ORS Connect throughout June, please [submit the information here](#). To get involved with the Pride @ ORS Community Network, please contact Stefaan Verbruggen at [stefaan.verbruggen@orsconnect.org](#).

[Get Involved with Pride](#)

Join us for *Conversations with Kurt*



Conversations with Kurt



ORS members have unique access to raise their questions, comments, and concerns directly to ORS leadership. Each month, ORS Board President, Kurt Hankenson, DVM, MS, PhD presents an informal forum for members to engage directly on important topics, and to ask questions about the ORS and the field of orthopaedic research. Each *Conversations with Kurt* event will center on a specific topic and offer plenty of opportunity for members to bring up matters that are most important to them.

In the last session, Kurt addressed recent changes to the membership bylaws:

"A group of board members revised the bylaws and we had an online membership vote on those revisions. To pass the changes to the bylaws required a 10% vote by members, and we had more than 10%, we had 322 people vote. 85% voted yes in favor of the bylaws, so they will change. Some of the more substantive changes were considering how board members are picked. Our council positions had not been elected positions, but now they are. We thought it was important that members have some role in the process of picking the council chairs, who oversee individual committees. Council chairs will now be elected just like members at large and the presidential line."

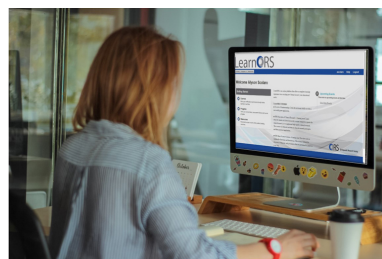
For the latest info on the ORS, click the link below to register for the next *Conversations with Kurt* which will take place **June 22 at 9:00 am Central**.

[Join the Conversation](#)

Video recordings of previous *Conversations with Kurt* sessions are available to ORS members through the Memberclicks portal. Just [click here](#) and look for the last item under Quick Links on the right side of your page.

This Wednesday - A Special Virtual Scientific Session on Spatial Transcriptomics

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[LearnORS](#), the online education platform from the ORS, offers a complete learning experience in a format designed to meet learners' educational needs. Each LearnORS course delivers eLearning training materials from one online location. ORS Members receive a discounted rate for all courses.

LearnORS regularly presents Virtual Scientific Sessions. The next session will be:

Spatial Transcriptomics – Beyond Human and Mice and Single Cell Sequencing Using FFPE Tissues

This Wednesday, June 7th
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (Central Time)

Speakers:

Dr. Doug Harrison

Director of the A&S Imaging and Genomics Center
University of Kentucky

Dr. Leilani Santos
Spatial Technology Advisor
10X Genomics

Presented by:
ORS Preclinical Models Section

Organizers:
Aimee Colbath, VMD, MS, DACVS
Assistant Professor, Cornell University
PCM Section Chair

Annette McCoy, DVM, MS, PhD, DACVS
Associate Professor, University of Illinois
PCM Section Chair-Elect

Virtual Scientific Sessions are Free for ORS Members

[Register Today](#)

If you missed the recent session, **Using i-GONAD and Other Novel Techniques to Rapidly Generate Mouse Models of Human Skeletal Disease**, the April session, **Novel Turkey Model for Musculoskeletal Research**, or any previous sessions, you can still [access the videos](#).

Those who have an idea for a future Virtual Scientific and Career Development Session should speak with their section or committee leaders about eligibility and the application process.

Find or Post Events on the New Orthopaedic Events Calendar



A new orthopaedic events calendar has been added to the ORS website. The events listed are of potential interest to those in the orthopaedic community. ORS Members are welcome to submit applicable events at no charge through the Submit Event button at the top of the calendar on the site. Institutions or sponsors interested in posting an event are welcome to do so in exchange for a donation to ORS. For information, please email ors@ors.org.

[Find or Post Events](#)

ORS Member Spotlight



Meet ORS Member, Karen Kruger, PhD from Shriners Hospitals for Children and Marquette University. Karen was an athlete in high school and college, and she had several injuries requiring her to go to physical therapy which started her interest in orthopaedics. She is currently working on a biplane fluoroscopy model for foot and ankle bones, and machine learning with motion analysis data to determine the best combination of surgical procedures for the best outcomes. [Learn more about Karen and her research.](#)

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in being featured in the ORS Member Spotlight, [please send an email](#) with information about the member. We are particularly interested in featuring those in underrepresented groups in STEM.

Mark Your Calendar!

[The FDA's Virtual Regulatory Education for Industry \(REdI\) Annual Conference](#)

June 5-9, 2023

LearnORS Presents a Virtual Scientific Session:

[Spatial Transcriptomics – Beyond Human and Mice and Single Cell Sequencing Using FFPE Tissues](#)

June 7, 2023, 12:00 pm Central

50th International Musculoskeletal Biology Workshop

[Deadline for Hotel Reservations](#)

June 19, 2023

ORS 2024 Annual Meeting

[Abstract Submissions, Awards, and Grants Open from June 19 - August 28](#)

[Conversations with Kurt](#)

June 22 at 9:00 am Central

[50th International Musculoskeletal Biology Workshop](#)

July 22 - 26, 2023 Zermatt Utah Resort & Spa
Midway, Utah

[2023 Clinician Scholar Career Development Program \(CSCDP\)](#)

September 21 - 23, 2023
Rosemont, Illinois

[Nominations Due for the Nicolas Andry Lifetime Achievement Award](#)

September 30, 2023

[ORS 2024 Annual Meeting](#)

February 2 - 6, 2024

Long Beach, California

Information and Registration Coming this Summer

[Dates, Events, and People in Orthopaedic History](#)

We would like to continue to note important people, dates, and accomplishments in the history of orthopaedics in *ORS Connect*. If you have something or someone that should be recognized, particularly around days, weeks, or months of a specific dedication, **please [click here](#) to submit your information.**



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