Join us THIS FRIDAY when the ORS celebrates 70 Years of Advancing Research to Keep the World Moving at the 2024 ORS Annual Meeting, February 2-6 in Long Beach, CA. The meeting will bring the orthopaedic community together for five days of workshops, learning sessions, networking, and advocacy. Attendees from many disciplines and career levels will network and learn about the latest innovations in orthopaedics. If you have not already done so, please register today so you do not miss out on this important event. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Register Now

Get the Annual Meeting App!

Download the ORS 2024 Annual Meeting App for all the latest information you will need about the Annual Meeting, all in one place. The app is now available in the Apple Store and Google Play.

- Dive into sessions and abstracts.
- Create a customized schedule tailored to you.
- Access the LBCC map for a stress-free event experience.
- Connect with others.
- And much more...

To get the app, just point your smartphone camera at the QR code to the right to access the download platform at the Apple Store or Google Play. After downloading the app, you will be prompted to enter a passphrase. The passphrase is ors2024.
Maximize your ORS 2024 Annual Meeting experience by viewing the recording of a special **Know Before You Go** webinar. This video provides guidance on how to make the most of your time at the meeting, what you can expect, and how to best engage as a presenter or participant. We also discuss the events at the Annual Meeting, as well as research sections, logistics, opportunities to connect, membership, what to pack, and much more. Watch the video now to make your ORS Annual Meeting experience all it can be.

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**2024 ORS Board Member Election Results**

Congratulations to the following board members who have been elected to these seats on the ORS Board of Directors:

**2nd Vice President**
Hicham Drissi, PhD

**Treasurer**
Robin Queen, PhD

**Member-at-Large**
Amy McNulty, PhD

**Section Council Chair**
Lisbet Agneta Haglund, PhD

**Research Council Chair**
Karin Payne, PhD

**Advocacy Chair**
Jaimo Ahn, MD, PhD
Thank you to all ORS members who voted in this election. You can meet these board members at the Annual Meeting, starting this Friday.

**Virtual Issue of JOR on Infection**

Check out the Infection Virtual Issue from the *Journal of Orthopaedic Research*. Papers are included from a recent International Consensus Meeting (ICM). The ORS completed its first ICM last year, and the results from the Host Immunity, In Vitro and Treatment in Animal Models workgroups are presented in this Virtual Issue. Additional primary research articles in the Virtual Issue highlight the state-of-the-art in antibiotic-eluting biomaterials, the trials and tribulations of bacteriophage therapy, mitochondrial responses to prosthetic joint infection, novel antibiotic cement for *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, and the first intravitral real time imaging of “the race for the surface” in a murine model of implant-associated osteomyelitis. The papers are available for viewing now.

[Access the Virtual Issue](#)

**Opportunity from the North American Spine Society: $175,000+ in Research Funding Available**

The North American Spine Society (NASS) is currently accepting proposals for $175,000+ in research funding. NASS offers grant funding for promising research projects by both experienced and young investigators, within the categories of basic, clinical, or translational research.

NASS also awards a nontraditional, nonsurgical treatment grant, as the result of a donation to research that is part of a settlement of a class action lawsuit unrelated to NASS. This grant supports research of disc-related and/or neuropathic back pain by nonsurgical techniques. Funding amount and number of grants awarded annually are at the discretion of the NASS Research Funding Committee based upon merit of applications and amount of funding available each year. It is recommended that approved grant budgets range between $20,000-$40,000 per year. In rare cases and at the discretion of the committee, each year may be up to $50,000 per year. Proposals must be received by February 5.

NASS also has two traveling fellowships: clinical and research. The fellowship primarily covers the costs of travel and housing and focuses on an area of spinal interest chosen by the applicant. Applications must be received by May 6.

[Learn More](#)
Join Us for the
2024 Clinician Scholar Career Development Program

The Clinician Scholar Career Development Program (CSCDP) is an annual two-day training workshop for orthopaedic residents in their PGY2-PGY5 years, surgeons in fellowships, and junior faculty (through year three) who have the potential and desire to become orthopaedic clinician scholars. Clinician scholars advance the field of orthopaedics through innovative research and peer-reviewed funding.

The CSCDP seeks the best and the brightest, and participants are selected via a highly competitive application process. The program was created in 2003 to address a growing concern over the steady decline of orthopaedic clinician researchers and to confront the lack of basic and clinical research in many residency programs.

CSCDP 2024 will take place October 3-5 in Rosemont, IL.

Those interested in applying to participate in this meeting will need to submit their applications by March 31, 2024.

Learn More or Apply

New Investigator Toolkit from LearnORS

LearnORS has just launched the New Investigator Toolkit. The toolkit addresses common gaps in training that surface during the launch of an independent laboratory. These online sessions bring together early and mid-career investigators for panel discussions on the development of critical "soft-
skills" such as cultivating mentoring skills, building your lab brand, and strategic planning through different career stages. In addition, sessions of budgeting and peer-review provide tangible tips for these important aspects of managing your lab and building your career. This course is available now, online, on demand, on your own schedule.

Renew Your ORS Membership

Renew your membership for 2024 to take advantage of all the benefits that come from being a part of the ORS. By renewing, you'll stay connected with a dynamic network of orthopaedic professionals, gain access to cutting-edge research and industry insights, forge valuable connections through networking opportunities, enhance your personal and professional growth with tailored webinars, and unlock exclusive perks such as special discounts and offers available exclusively to ORS members. When renewing, please also consider joining an ORS Section. An ORS Section is a small, intimate community of like-minded peers that promote the common interest of ORS members in a specific area of research related to orthopaedics.

Note: Please do not share the access information for your membership account with anyone else, even others on staff at your organization (who might be charged with renewing your membership). Doing so might compromise, even if accidentally, your account history.

Renew Your ORS Membership Today

Tendon Conference 2024
Call for Abstracts is Now Open
The call for abstracts is now open for the **ORS Tendon Conference 2024: Mechanism to Therapy - Emerging Technologies and Therapeutic Outcomes**. The conference will take place May 30 - June 1 at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. The conference will provide a forum to present and discuss the latest research, important emerging technologies including multiomics, address the lack of robust understanding of pain in connective tissue disorders, and to highlight clinical unmet needs and the importance of clinical research. The conference will serve as a platform for mentoring trainees, fostering collaborations and driving the rigorous research to advance the field of tendon research. Abstracts submitted or presented at this meeting can also be submitted for the 2025 ORS Annual Meeting. For more information or to submit an abstract, please click the link below. **Submissions must be received by March 1, 2024.**

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**Research Funding Available from OREF**

OREF is accepting applications for biologic allograft, orthobiologic, youth sports research, and supplemental support for NIH K grants. Almost $200,000 is available. **Applications will be due February 8, 2024.**

- **OREF/MTF Biologics Research Grant** provides $100,000 for research focused on the science of biologic – reconstruction, bone regeneration, transplantation – allografts, and including stem cells for graft transplantation.
- **OREF/AAOS Clinical Gaps Research Grant** provides $50,000 for research focused on the broad area of injectable orthobiologics for the treatment of knee osteoarthritis.
- **Prevention of Musculoskeletal Youth Sports Injuries Grant** provides $25,000 in startup funding or seed money for a new investigator conducting clinical and/or social research on the prevention of musculoskeletal youth sports injuries.
- **Mentored Clinician Scientist Grant** provides $20,000 for the development of new clinician scientists who have demonstrated success as both a clinician and a researcher. This grant allows investigators to spend dedicated time in research for a period of up to five years to develop a long and productive career in academic surgery.

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**Connect with ORS on Social Media**
Keep up with the latest on the ORS and the orthopaedic community by connecting with us on social media. The ORS posts regularly on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter (X), LinkedIn, and TikTok. Please follow us, share our posts with your connections, invite others, and tag us when you have good information to share. Together we can help spread the word far and wide about the importance of orthopaedic research.

Follow Journal of Orthopaedic Research on Twitter (X) and LinkedIn, and Journal of Orthopaedic Research - Spine on Twitter (X) and LinkedIn.

Find Your Next Opportunity at the ORS Career Center

Check out the ORS Career Center to post jobs, post a resume, create a profile, find jobs, apply, or sign up for job alerts. The Career Center offers: Career Coaching, Resume Writing, Reference Testing, and a Career Learning Center. Check out this important resource today.

Find or Post Events on the Orthopaedic Events Calendar
An 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. This is an excellent opportunity to spread the word about your orthopaedic-related events, ensuring they reach a wider and engaged audience.

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**ORS 2024 Annual Meeting**
STARTS THIS FRIDAY! February 2 - 6, 2024
Long Beach, California

**ORS Tendon Conference 2024: Mechanism to Therapy – Emerging Technologies and Therapeutic Outcomes**
Call for Abstracts Closes
March 1, 2024

**2024 Clinician Scholar Career Development Program - Applications Due**
March 1, 2024

**Bone & Joint Young Investigator Initiative**
April 12 - 14, 2024
Rosemont, IL

**ORS Tendon Conference 2024: Mechanism to Therapy – Emerging Technologies and Therapeutic Outcomes**
May 30 - June 1, 2024
Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

**2024 Clinician Scholar Career Development Program**
October 3 - 5, 2024
Rosemont, IL

**ISFR Biennial Meeting**
October 21-23, 2024 (Note: Updated Dates)
Montreal, Canada
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.