Tendon Conference 2024
Call for Abstracts is Now Open

The call for abstracts is open for the ORS Tendon Conference 2024: Mechanism to Therapy - Emerging Technologies and Therapeutic Outcomes. The conference will take place Thursday, May 30 - Saturday, 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 15, 2024.

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Open Call for JOR Editorial Review Board Members
The Journal of Orthopaedic Research (JOR) is issuing an open call for Editorial Review Board Members to provide peer reviews for journal articles. The journal seeks ORS members who are willing to make a two-year commitment to review for the journal. The reviewers will be critical in helping the JOR to address its need for high quality and timely peer reviews of cutting-edge research articles. JOR Editorial Review Board members will be asked to: 1) respond promptly to all peer reviewer invitations (accept or decline within 48 hours); 2) review up to five manuscripts per year; and 3) complete assigned peer reviews within two weeks. In return for your participation as a member of the Editorial Review Board, you will be recognized by name and location in the journal headings, and you will be invited to the annual Orthopaedic Research Society Leadership Reception. ORS members who wish to join the JOR’s Editorial Review Board should write to the editorial office at JOReditorial@wiley.com. Please provide any information relevant to your experience (CV, list of publications, etc.).

The Next Big Thing with Keith D. Terry and His Guest, Dr. Meghan McGee-Lawrence

The Next Big Thing with Keith D. Terry is a YouTube program that is committed to providing practical, step-by-step tools to conquer life’s challenges and solve complex business problems. The episodes share the inspiring journeys of accomplished entrepreneurs, executives, and passionate individuals who are changing the game. Tomorrow’s episode, March 5 at 1:00 PM Central, will feature ORS member, Dr. Meghan McGee-Lawrence.

About the Episode:
We’re diving deep into the world of diversity initiatives within the scientific community, featuring the remarkable Dr. Meghan McGee-Lawrence. Currently, Dr. McGee-Lawrence not only excels in her role within the Department of Cellular Biology and Anatomy but also plays a pivotal role in shaping the future of diversity in science. As an active member of several organizations, including the Orthopaedic Research Society and the Science Policy and Advocacy Committee of the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research, Dr. McGee-Lawrence is at the forefront of fostering inclusivity and diversity. Her work with these groups underlines a commitment to ensuring that the scientific community is as varied and dynamic as the world around us.

Watch the episode March 5 at 1:00 PM Central on YouTube.

Watch the Episode

Join us for a Webinar: Strategies for Mentoring
Scientific communication is essential for trainees to progress into research careers, but mentors are not often trained in effectively facilitating the development of trainee scientific communication skills. In this webinar, presented by LearnORS, experts will present tips for effectively mentoring trainees in scientific communication, including speaking, presenting, and writing. Presentations will be followed by hands-on practice exercises you can use with your trainees.

Webinar: Strategies for Mentoring and Teaching Scientific Communication
March 27, 2024
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM Central Time

Organized by:
The ORS Career Development Committee

Apply Now for the 2024 Clinician Scholar Career Development Program

Applications are now being accepted for the Clinician Scholar Career Development Program (CSCDP). The event will take place October 3-5 in Rosemont, IL. This annual two-day training workshop is 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.

Those interested in participating in this meeting must apply by March 31, 2024.

Learn More or Apply

Introducing the Black Orthopaedic Research Network (BORN)

The newly launched Black Orthopaedic Research Network (BORN) was formed to promote and advance the careers of Black orthopaedic researchers, build collaboration and community, and mentor and retain early stage scientists. The network will reinforce the ORS Mission and Vision by creating meaningful professional connections and fostering the growth and development of the next generation of orthopaedic researchers. For more information or to join BORN, please click the link below.

Join the BORN Network

Hot Topics in Orthopaedics Newsletter

You might have seen the ORS Hot Topics in Orthopaedics newsletter. This newsletter is sent out via email every Friday and highlights key news, information, and research in the musculoskeletal field. We hope that the information provided in the newsletter is of value to you. Distribution for the email is provided through a third party partner, so if you are not seeing these emails, you might want to check your junk folder and approve the email accordingly.

About the newsletter, ORS member Rahul Gawri states, "I believe the newsletter will be beneficial to clinicians and others who might receive it and who will be encouraged to join the ORS. It has key highlights of relevant papers and it postures the ORS as both a basic and a clinical sciences society, which is great. People often think of us as pure basic science, but almost half of the members work..."
New Fellowship Available to Early Career Scientists

The Orthopaedic Research Society (ORS) and the Orland Bethel Family Musculoskeletal Research Center (BMRC) have joined together to offer a fellowship to early career scientists. The ORS/BMRC Fellowship prioritizes support of early career scientists to produce breakthrough treatments for musculoskeletal ailments. The program will support the generation of critical preliminary data for larger grant applications, leading to breakthrough treatments for musculoskeletal diseases. Two levels of fellowship support are currently available to support translational basic science and clinical musculoskeletal research: $20,000 awards for postdoctoral scholars or medical residents, and $30,000 awards for junior faculty members.

Applications, including letters intent, are due April 15.

Call for Abstracts is Now Open for ISFR

The call for abstracts is now open for the ORS International Section of Fracture Repair (ISFR)/Orthopaedic Trauma Association (OTA) Joint Meeting, which will take place October 21 - 23 in Montréal, Canada. For this year’s event, ISFR is collaborating with the OTA to present the Basic Science Focus Forum (BSFF). The OTA is an international organization of orthopaedic surgeons and medical professionals dedicated to the care and treatment of patients with injuries to the musculoskeletal system, especially fractures and dislocations. Registration will open in June.

Abstracts must be submitted by May 20.
LearnORS recently 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.

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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.
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**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!

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May 30 - June 1, 2024
Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN

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

**ISFR/OTA Joint Meeting**
October 21 - 23, 2024
Montréal, Canada

**2024 Philadelphia Spine Research Symposium**
November 10 -14, 2024
Skytop, PA

**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.