In 2024, *Journal of Orthopaedic Research* will have a new Editor-in-Chief. We are excited to announce that after a thorough search, we have found the right person to take on the role. Congratulations to Edward M. Schwarz, PhD, who will fill the position next year.

Dr. Edward Schwarz is the Burton Professor of Orthopaedics and Director of the Center for Musculoskeletal Research at the University of Rochester Medical Center, in Rochester, NY. He is a renowned osteoimmunologist who has published more than 370 journal articles. Dr. Schwarz has been an ORS member since 1999. He served on the ORS Board of Directors from 2006-2008, 2010-2011, and 2017-2019. He has also served on the ORS Publications Committee as a member and Chair, and as an Associate Editor of the *Journal of Orthopaedic Research* (JOR) since 2013. As the incoming Editor-in-Chief of the JOR, his strategic priorities are: 1) increasing JOR peer review numbers and quality by ORS members, 2) supporting International Consensus Meeting (ICMs) by ORS Sections and Research Interest Groups, and 3) publishing very high impact JOR Consensus Articles from the ICMs.

We wish to thank Linda Sandell, PhD for 10 years of service as the JOR Editor-in-Chief. Her term will expire on February 28, 2024. Dr. Sandell’s leadership resulted in the journal’s high-quality output and esteemed status in the world of orthopaedic research. Dr. Sandell has been involved with the Journal for the last 30 years: 20 as Associate Editor and 10 as Editor-in-Chief. Over the last 10 years, significant advances have been made for the journal, leading the way to an all-digital submission and review, establishing open access after one year, establishing and expanding four prestigious awards, and initiating special and virtual
Dr. Sandell was a member of the ORS Board of Directors from 1996-2001, and served as President from 1999-2000. We wish Dr. Sandell the best with her future endeavors.

A Great Opportunity for ORS Members

Seats will soon be opening on the ORS Board of Directors, and qualified ORS members are encouraged to apply. New board members will be ratified at the ORS 2024 Annual Meeting. The general duties of members of the board of directors are:

- Prepare, attend, and participate in all board meetings for the elected term of office.
- Suggest agenda items as they relate to the position on the board, and overall board strategy.
- Ask timely and substantive questions.
- Read and understand the organization’s financial statements.
- Serve on a committee and meet associated responsibilities.
- Provide expertise on scientific, regulatory, or ethical policy issues.

If you are interested in becoming a board member, or if you would like to nominate another ORS member, please submit your nomination through the form below. You can only submit one nominee for each position. All nominations must be received by this Friday, November 3, 2023, at 11:59 pm CST.

The Call for Late Breaking Abstracts is Open
Be a part of history when 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 brings 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.

Register for the 2024 Annual Meeting is open. You still have an opportunity to share your valuable research with key players in the orthopaedic community. The call for late breaking abstract submissions is now open. These submissions allow for truly late-breaking scientific research for which no preliminary data were available at the time of the original abstract submission deadline. Submissions must be received by November 13. For those who submitted abstracts as part of the original call, please note that notifications about acceptance will go out on November 8.

Submit Your Late Breaking Abstract

Award Spotlight

The following award submissions are due today, tomorrow, and Wednesday:

**JOR Spine Early Career Award** (Deadline for submissions: tonight, October 30)
This award is designed to recognize the "rising stars" of our field and highlight their outstanding work published in *JOR Spine*. Each year, awardees will be recognized at the ORS Annual Meeting and ORS Spine Section Meeting. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information or to submit a nomination.
Dr. Peter Roughley Award (Deadline for submissions extended to tomorrow, October 31)
This award will preserve Dr. Roughley’s legacy in training the future generations of scientists by sponsoring a trainee and mentor exchange to enhance a trainee’s knowledge in spine, disc and cartilage biology. CLICK HERE for more information or to submit a nomination.

ORS Spine Section Travel Fellowship (Deadline for submissions: tomorrow, October 31)
This fellowship is designed to advance an ongoing study or establish new collaborations by providing a mechanism to promote the exchange of research methodologies and/or development of pilot data to support larger scale funding. CLICK HERE for more information or to submit a nomination.

ON/ORS Education Grants (Deadline for submissions: tomorrow, October 31)
ON and ORS will provide education grants to ten ORS members to contribute to their individual travel expenses/registration fee, up to a maximum of USD $500, for attending the 2024 ORS Annual Meeting. CLICK HERE for more information or to submit a nomination.

ON/ORS Kick-Starter Grants (Deadline for submissions: this Wednesday, November 1)
ON is sponsoring two grants in the amount of $10,000 to support ORS members’ research that focuses on an innovative approach in regenerative orthopaedics, or that answers an important open question in that field. CLICK HERE for more information or to submit a nomination.

Learn About All Awards

Wednesday Webinar on Proteomic Analysis in Osteoarthritis Models

Tissue and biofluid proteomics has increased in popularity among musculoskeletal researchers, either as a single modality or as part of a multiomic approach to disease. This webinar will provide an overview of available proteomic methods applicable to preclinical animal models, as well as the considerations that should be taken into account when designing a proteomic study and analyzing the results. Drawing on her extensive work in the field, Dr. Mandy Peffers will share results from some of her own studies and present the benefits and pitfalls of the approach.

LearnORS Presents a Virtual Scientific Session:
Proteomic Analysis in Osteoarthritis Models: Understanding Benefits and Pitfalls
This Wednesday, November 1, 2023
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Central Time
LearnORS can help residents prepare for the Orthopaedic In-Training Examination (OITE) from the AAOS. The Orthopaedic Basic Science course consists of critical explanations of the fundamental science behind the decisions, treatments, and procedures that are performed in practice every day. Understanding the science behind clinical decisions is important as we strive to improve patient care. Each lecture is taught by internationally renowned experts and multi-disciplinary faculty, all proud members of the ORS.

Check out the article about LearnORS recently featured in the August/September issue of AAOS Now

Learn About the ORS Journals in a New Video

Conversations with Kurt

Each month in Conversations with Kurt, ORS President, Kurt Hankenson, DVM, MS, PhD meets virtually with ORS members to discuss a variety of subjects. The October conversation focused on the ORS journals: the Journal of Orthopaedic Research (JOR) and the Journal of Orthopaedic Research – Spine (JORS). Check out video of this conversation to learn more about the journals, the importance of each for the orthopaedic community, how to get involved as a reviewer, and more. Joining Kurt for this conversation were Linda Sandell, Editor-in-Chief of JOR, and Robert Mauck, Editor of JORS.

Renew Your ORS Membership
ORS members, you can now renew your membership for 2024 so you can continue 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.

ORS will soon issue its new newsletter, *Hot Topics in Orthopaedics*, designed to offer the latest news and information in orthopaedics. The newsletter will include content that will be of interest to ORS members as well as the general public. The newsletter will be distributed by a third party to ORS members and prospective members who choose to opt in, or to those in the general public who wish to subscribe. If you are interested in receiving this newsletter, please subscribe by opting in at the link below.
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More Than $200,000 in Grant Funding From OREF

More than $200,000 in new grant funding opportunities will open through the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation (OREF) next week. Requests for Applications (RFA) will open November 9. Subscribe to their email list to get the latest on grant opportunities and more.

Sign Up for the ORS Turkey Trot Virtual 5K Race to Research

This November, the ORS will host the inaugural ORS Turkey Trot Virtual 5K Race to Research. Participants from any location are encouraged to do a 5K walk or run to raise money for orthopaedic research. Gather with your family, friends, lab, or other team members to join this fun event to help improve the quality of life for those with musculoskeletal disorders. Your Race to Research should take place between November 19 - 26, 2023. Prizes and bragging rights will go to the successful individual and team that complete the race in the best time.

Learn More
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 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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*LearnORS Presents a Virtual Scientific Session:*
Proteomic Analysis in Osteoarthritis Models: Understanding Benefits and Pitfalls
November 1, 2023
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Central Time

FDA Workshop: Extended Reality in Orthopedic Surgical Devices: Insights into User Experience and Adverse Event Reporting for Patient Safety
November 2, 2023
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Central Time

2023 Philadelphia Spine Research Society (PSRS) Symposium
November 3, 2023
Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

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Acceptance Letters Sent to Original Call for Abstract Submissions
November 8, 2023

*LearnORS Presents a Virtual Scientific Session:*
In Vitro 3D Models of Synovial Joints to Unravel Crosstalk Between Joint Tissues
November 15, 2023
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Central Time

ORS Turkey Trot Virtual Race to Research
November 19 - 26, 2023

ORS 2024 Annual Meeting
February 2 - 6, 2024
Long Beach, California

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

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.