

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The GRAMMER *European Spine Journal* Award 2016

In order to encourage basic science research in the field of Spinal disorders, the *European Spine Journal* is proud to announce the **20.000 Euro GRAMMER *European Spine Journal* Award** for basic science. Each paper submitted to the *Journal* dealing with basic science qualifies automatically for this award as soon as it has been published. The winning paper will be selected at the end of each academic year (for the next time in 2015/2016) and will be announced in one of the following issues. The GRAMMER Award will also be presented at the next EuroSpine meeting. At least one author of the winning paper must attend at his/her own expense the EUROSPINE 2016 meeting which is being held in Berlin (Germany) from October 5–7, to present the paper and receive the award.

The winning paper of the **GRAMMER *European Spine Journal* Award** for the best basic science paper published in the *European Spine Journal* in the last academic year 2014/2015 has been:

The potential role of heat shock proteins in acute spinal cord injury

By Y. Zhou, L. Xu, X. Song, L. Ding, J. Chen, C. Wang, Y. Gan, X. Zhu, Y. Yu, Q. Liang

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Congratulations from GRAMMER AG and the *European Spine Journal* and the award committee:

Margareta Nordin, New York, USA
Max Aebi, Berne, Switzerland
Mauro Alini, Davos, Switzerland
Dimitris Kletsas, Athens, Greece
Kjell Olmarker, Gothenburg, Sweden
Hans-Joachim Wilke, Ulm, Germany (Chairman)

Oswestry Disability Index website and translations

We have established a website for the ODI <http://www.orthosurg.org.uk/odi/>. One of its functions is to carry validated translations of the instrument for use by non-English speakers. Currently we have versions in 13 languages. We are sure there are others we have not listed. We need to know the version number that has been translated, validation process and any publications that have used it.

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The Open Operating Theatre (OOT) section of the journal, comprising articles describing surgical procedures with videos as supplementary material, is published exclusively online.

EDUCATION @EUROSPINE

www.eurospine.org/education

Advanced Course 2017

9–11 January 2017
Strasbourg, France

Education Week 2017

19–23 June 2017
Strasbourg, France

EUROSPINE TASK FORCE RESEARCH

www.eurospine.org/research

TFR Course 2017

13–17 March 2017
Munich, Germany
Local host: Christoph Siepe

Basic Biomechanics/Methods Experimental Research 2017

18–22 July 2017
Ulm, Germany
Local host: Lutz Claes

TFR Course 2018

19–23 March 2018
Istanbul, Turkey
Local host: Haluk Berk

EUROSPINE ANNUAL MEETINGS

www.eurospinemeeting.org

EUROSPINE 2016

5–7 October 2016
Berlin, Germany

EUROSPINE 2017

11–13 October 2017
Dublin, Ireland

EUROSPINE 2018

19–21 September 2018
Barcelona, Spain

MEETINGS UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF EUROSPINE

FORTE Summer School

22–26 August 2016
Faro, Portugal

5th Geneva Spine Course - Sagittal Balance Master Course

30 September–01 October 2016
Geneva, Switzerland

MEETINGS WITH EUROSPINE PARTICIPATION

17th EFORT Congress

Geneva, Switzerland
EUROSPINE will contribute to the scientific programme with a session on Thursday, 2 June 2016 from 15:00–18:30