

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRAMMER *European Spine Journal* Award 2018

For Basic and Applied Research

In order to encourage basic science research in the field of spinal disorders, the *European Spine Journal* is proud to announce the **GRAMMER *European Spine Journal* Award for Basic Science and Applied Research (20,000 Euro)**.

This is the highest amount of an award in spinal research, worldwide. 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 2017/2018) 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 own expense the EUROSPINE 2018 meeting, which is being held in Barcelona (Spain) from September 19–21, to present the paper and receive the award.

The winning paper of the **GRAMMER *European Spine Journal* Award** for the best basic science and applied research paper published in the *European Spine Journal* in the last academic year 2016/2017 has been:

The effect of simulated microgravity on lumbar spine biomechanics: an in vitro study

By **Cory J. Laws,**
Britta Berg-Johansen,
Alan R. Hargens, Jeffrey C. Lotz

Eur Spine J (2016) 25:2889–2897

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

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Oswestry Disability Index website and translations

We have established a website for the 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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18–22 June 2018
Strasbourg, France

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20 June 2018
Strasbourg, France

EUROSPINE ANNUAL MEETINGS

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EUROSPINE Spring Speciality Meeting 2018

26–27 April 2018
Vienna, Austria

EUROSPINE 2018

19–21 September 2018
Barcelona, Spain
Celebrate with us our 20th Anniversary!
Early Registration Deadline: 18 June 2018

EUROSPINE Spring Speciality Meeting 2019

2–3 May 2019
Frankfurt, Germany

EUROSPINE 2019

16–18 October 2019
Helsinki, Finland