

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The GRAMMER *European Spine Journal* Award 2010

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 2009/2010) 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 EuroSpine 2010 meeting which is being held in Vienna (Austria) from September 15–17, to present the paper and receive the award.

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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 2008/2009 has been:

Vertebral endplate trauma induces disc cell apoptosis and promotes organ degeneration in vitro

by Daniel Haschtmann,
Jivko V. Stoyanov, Philippe Gédet
and Stephen J. Ferguson

Eur Spine J (2008) 17:289–299

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

Margareta Nordin, New York, USA
Max Aebi, Berne, Switzerland
Mauro Alini, Davos, Switzerland
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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If readers are aware of other validated translations, please will they contact jeremy.fairbank@ndos.ox.ac.uk

Musculoskeletal Disorders in Primary Care Research Congress 2010 11–13 October 2010 Rotterdam

Abstracts

Participants are invited to sent abstracts for oral or poster presentations. More information about abstract submission and deadlines will be available at <http://www.bsl.nl/primarycare> soon.

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OARS World Congress on Osteoarthritis September 23–26, Brussels, Belgium

This year the OARSI, the osteoarthritis scientific world association, will organize its congress in Brussels
2010 OARSI World Congress Program Co-Chairs

submit an abstract for an oral or poster presentation at its 2010 World Congress in Brussels.

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19th ORTHOPAEDIC SUMMER SCHOOL - The Paediatric Spine 4–7 August, 2010

ORTON Orthopaedic Hospital,
Helsinki, Finland

A comprehensive overview on aetiology, natural history, diagnosis, treatment options and indications of paediatric spine problems. The target audience are paediatric orthopaedic surgeons, and neurosurgeons. The course comprises of lectures, case discussions, and hands-on workshops.

For further information or registration, please, visit our home page
http://www.invalidisaatio.fi/koulutus/19th_Orthop_S_S/en_GB/19th_Orthop_S_S%20/

Le Gieda Inter-Rachis Organise sa 23ème Réunion Annuelle Multidisciplinaire 10 et 11 décembre 2010 Hotel Hilton International

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