

# 26<sup>th</sup> EFORT Congress 2025

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## Call for abstracts & first announcement

Lyon, France

11–13 June 2025

Main theme: Modern Technologies in Orthopaedics: Challenging Ethics and Outcome

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# Welcome from EFORT



Prof. Dr. Theofilos Karachalios  
EFORT President 2024 / 2025



Prof. Dr. Luigi Zagra  
Chair EFORT Science Committee

Dear Participants,

We live in a rapidly evolving orthopaedic world, where technological advancements are significantly transforming both education and clinical practice. The pace of technological improvement is accelerating, presenting the challenge of ensuring that we have the means to keep pace with this evolution.

One notable trend is the shift in patient behaviour and expectations. Modern patients are increasingly well-informed, often turning to online resources and simply googling information about their conditions and potential treatments. This can lead to fast-tracked decisions that are not necessarily tailored to the individual patient's needs. This raises the question: how do we (re)-define the role of the orthopaedic specialist in this context?

Investments made by the implant and pharmaceutical industry are increasingly geared towards the individual user experience, and educational dissemination is being explored through new methods.

How do we interpret the truthfulness, reliability, and impartiality of such a flow of information?

Recognising these challenges, the European Federation of National Associations of Orthopaedics and Traumatology (EFORT) is committed to tackling these issues openly. Building on a dialogue that scrutinizes the ethical and outcome-related implications of modern technologies in orthopaedics, we are excited to announce the theme of the 26<sup>th</sup> EFORT Annual Congress in Lyon 2025: "Modern Technologies in Orthopaedics - Challenging Ethics and Outcomes".

EFORT invites orthopaedic and trauma professionals from Europe and around the world to participate in this important event. Together, we will shape our community platform to engage in meaningful discussions, share diverse perspectives, and critically assess the impact of technological advancements.

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Prof. Dr. Theofilos Karachalios  
EFORT President 2024 / 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Luigi Zagra'.

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## NATIONAL MEMBER SOCIETIES

Albania	AAOST	Albanian Association of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology
Austria	ÖGO	Austrian Society of Orthopaedics and Orthopaedical Surgery
Belarus	BRSMTOS	Belarus Republic Scientific Medical Society of Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgeons
Belgium	BVOT	Belgian Association of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Belgium	SORBCOT	Belgian Royal Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology
Bosnia and Herzegovina	UOTBIH	Association of Orthopedists and Traumatologists of Bosnia and Herzegovina
Bulgaria	BOTA	Bulgarian Orthopaedics and Trauma Association
Croatia	COTA/HUOT	Croatian Orthopaedic and Traumatology Association
Croatia	CrOS	Croatian Orthopaedic Society of the Croatian Medical Association
Cyprus	CAOST	Cyprus Association of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology
Czech Republic	CSOT	Czech Society for Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Denmark	DOS	Danish Orthopaedic Society
Estonia	ETOS	Estonian Orthopaedic Society
Finland	SOY-FOA	Finnish Orthopaedic Association
Republic of North Macedonia	MAOT	Macedonian Association of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
France	SOFCOT	French Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology
Germany	DGOU	German Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Greece	HAOST	Hellenic Association of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology
Hungary	MOT/HOA	Hungarian Orthopaedic Association
Iceland	IBF	Icelandic Orthopaedic Society
Ireland	IOA	Irish Orthopaedic Association
Italy	SIOT	Italian Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Kosovo	KSOTS	Kosovo Society of Orthopaedics and Trauma Surgeons
Lithuania	LSOT/LOTD	Lithuanian Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Luxembourg	SLOT	Luxembourgian Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Malta	AOTSM	Association of Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgeons of Malta
Montenegro	AMOT	Association of Orthopaedics and Traumatologists of Montenegro
Netherlands	NOV	Dutch Orthopaedic Association
Norway	Nof	Norwegian Orthopaedic Association
Poland	PTOITR	Polish Orthopaedic and Traumatologic Society
Portugal	SPOT	Portuguese Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Romania	SOROT	Romanian Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Serbia	SOTA	Serbian Orthopaedic Trauma Association
Slovakia	SOTS	Slovak Orthopaedic and Traumatologic Society
Slovenia	SOA/ZOSZD	Slovenian Orthopaedic Society
Spain	SECOT	Spanish Orthopaedic and Traumatology Society
Sweden	SOF	Swedish Orthopaedic Association
Switzerland		Swiss Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology (swiss orthopaedics)
Turkey	TSOT/TOTBID	Turkish Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Ukraine	UAOST	Ukrainian Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons and Traumatologists
United Kingdom	BOA	British Orthopaedic Association

## ASSOCIATE SCIENTIFIC MEMBERS

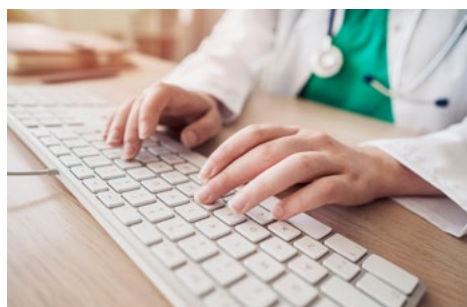
Armenia	AOTRA	The Association of Orthopaedists, Traumatologists and Rehabilitologists of Armenia
Australia	AOA	Australian Orthopaedic Association
Azerbaijan	AAOT	Azerbaijan Association of Orthopaedics and Traumatology
Bangladesh	BOS	Bangladesh Orthopaedic Society
Cameroon	CSOST	Cameroonian Society of Orthopaedics and Trauma Surgery
Egypt	EOA	Egyptian Orthopaedic Association
Iran	POTA	Persian Orthopaedic Trauma Association
Israel	IOA	Israeli Orthopaedic Association
Jordan	JOA	Jordanian Orthopaedic Association
Lebanon	LOA	Lebanese Orthopaedic Association
Mexico	FEMECOT	Mexican Federation of Orthopedic & Traumatology Colleges A.C.
Oman	OSO	Orthopaedic Society of Oman
Saudi Arabia	SOA	Saudi Orthopaedic Association

## SPECIALTY SOCIETIES

Specialty Society Sessions form an integral part of each EFORT Congress.

EFORT would like to take this opportunity to thank already the Specialty Societies that will be involved in the 26<sup>th</sup> EFORT Congress in Lyon for their valuable input and active contribution to the scientific programme.

# Call for abstracts



Submit your abstract: 15 September 2024–15 November 2024 23:59 CET  
<https://scientific.efort.org/efort2025>

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The abstract submission system is accessible through the EFORT Congress portal at <https://congress.efort.org> from 15 September 2024.

EFORT does not accept resubmissions. Only abstracts submitted electronically will be considered.

## CATEGORIES OF ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

### TRAUMA

Spine Trauma

Shoulder & Upper Arm Trauma

Elbow & Forearm Trauma

Hand & Wrist Trauma

Pelvic Trauma

Hip & Femur Trauma

Knee & Lower Leg Trauma

Foot & Ankle Trauma

Polytrauma

Paediatric Trauma

Varia Trauma

### ORTHOPAEDICS

Spine

Shoulder & Upper Arm

Elbow & Forearm

Wrist & Hand

Pelvis, Hip & Femur

Knee & Lower Leg

Foot & Ankle

Paediatrics Orthopaedics

Musculoskeletal Tumors

Musculoskeletal Infections

### GENERAL TOPICS

Basic Sciences

Biomechanics

Implants, Biomaterials & Registry Studies

Systemic Disorders

Methodology

Health Economy

Education

Quality Management

Miscellaneous

## ONLINE SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

After logging on <https://scientific.efort.org/efort2025> follow the onscreen instructions through the system to guarantee a correct and complete submission. A **valid email address** for each co-author is mandatory. EFORT will contact authors via the email addresses given during the submission process.

**Abstracts must correspond to previously unpublished work.** EFORT reserves the right to reject your abstract if previously presented. Moreover, EFORT has focus on ethical research misconduct. Any kind of plagiarism or fraud like fabrication and falsification of data will not be tolerated and handed over to the corresponding responsible authorities.

Submission is defined by differentiation of Clinical Research vs. Basic Science vs. Review studies and by one presentation type among Free Paper or Clinical Report (oral podium), or as Poster. EFORT reserves the right to change your abstract(s) allocation. There is no restriction on the number of submissions from a unique author or group, but each registered participant will have a maximum of six abstracts (3 oral presentations and 3 posters) accepted.

**Double submissions are automatically withdrawn.**

Submitters can edit the authorship information and data of their abstract(s) directly on the online platform until the submission deadline. For any request, directly contact us at [scicom@efort.org](mailto:scicom@efort.org).

## INFORMATION ON ABSTRACT ACCEPTANCE

Authors and co-authors will receive acceptance/rejection notifications on **Wednesday 31 January 2025**.

The presenting author of a selected abstract must undertake to attend the Congress and present the abstract in the session and at the time designated by the EFORT Science Committee. **EFORT requires each presenting author to complete his/her full registration to the congress to validate his/her abstracts in the final scientific programme.** Deadline for registration of presenting authors is **Friday 28 February 2025, 23:59 CET**.

## ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Abstracts accepted as Free Papers are presented orally within scientific sessions embedded in the core Congress programme. Very high scientific quality is expected from these presentations, which should correspond to complete studies with outstanding results and innovative conclusions. To ensure that sessions run smoothly, please refer to the Presentation Guidelines available online. The best-rated Free Papers under both Orthopaedics and Trauma main categories will be selected to compete in the Free Paper Award competition and will receive specific guidelines.

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

All abstracts accepted as Posters will be presented at the Congress as print wall paper posters. Authors are welcome to add images, tables and detailed data to better document their work. A large display area will be dedicated to poster presentations and Poster Walks will be organised during the Congress to have posters evaluated by experts in the corresponding fields. To ensure that posters are under the correct format for display, refer to the Poster Guidelines available online. Best-rated Posters will compete for the Jacques Duparc Award and will receive specific guidelines.

# The Congress at a glance

## Important dates to remember



### CONGRESS DEADLINES

Abstract submission opens	15 September 2024
Abstract submission closes	15 November 2024 <b>23:59 CET</b>
Email communications of abstract acceptance status	31 January 2025
Deadline registration presenting authors	28 February 2025
Advanced scientific programme available online	01 April 2025

### PRELIMINARY CONGRESS SCHEDULE

10 June Tuesday	11 June Wednesday	12 June Thursday	13 June Friday
14.00-18.00 Registration	Exhibition 09.00-17.30	Morning sessions 08.00-09.00	Morning sessions 08.00-09.00
		Morning sessions I 09.00-10.00	Industry Break
Industry Break		Morning sessions II 09.30-10.30	
Morning sessions II 10.30-11.30		Industry Break	
Opening Session 11.45-12.45		Morning sessions III 11.00-12.00	
Industry Symposia 13.00-14.30		<b>Honorary Lecture 12.15-12.45</b>	
Afternoon sessions I 14.45-15.45		Industry Symposia 13.00-14.30	
Industry Break		Afternoon sessions I 14.45-15.45	
Afternoon sessions II 16.15-17.15		Industry Break	
Afternoon sessions III 17.30-18.30		Afternoon sessions II 16.15-17.15	
		Afternoon sessions III 17.30-18.30	Afternoon sessions III 17.30-18.30

### THE EXPERTS CONTRIBUTION

EFORT aims to provide worthy scientific guidance via the presentation of well-established medical techniques, but also to highlight new evidence in emerging fields. Renowned experts will discuss their procedures, the rationale for their decisions, their successes and failures. At the Congress, an important source of international knowledge and experience in the prevention and treatment of diseases and injuries of the musculoskeletal system will be within your reach. The EFORT scientific sessions are training programs with high scientific value. Authors invited to contribute to the scientific content of the Congress by presenting their work orally should adhere to the same standards, as their contributions are an essential part of the core programme.

As EFORT is the biggest European platform to share orthopaedic and trauma knowledge, an active participation in our upcoming 2025 Congress is the best opportunity to identify new data related to any specialty, gather useful tips and tricks to enhance daily medical achievements and expand the professional network.

### SESSIONS

- Complex Case Discussions
- Debate Fora
- Honorary Lectures
- Interactive Expert Exchange Sessions
- Instructional Lectures
- Symposia
- Free Paper Sessions
- Wall Poster Sessions/Poster Walks
- Clinical Report Sessions
- Best National Paper Initiative

### FEATURED PROGRAMMES

- Advanced Concepts in Total Hip & Total Knee Replacement
- Comprehensive Review Course
- NORE Session
- Publishing Session
- Mass Casualty Incidents Symposium
- Invited Nation Symposium
- Trauma Group Symposium
- Basic Research Group Symposium
- Implant and Patient Safety Initiative
- EFORT Foundation Symposium
- FORTE Session

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Modern Technologies And Advertisement Of Orthopaedic Clinical Practice
- Artificial Intelligence For Orthopaedic Training And Diagnosis
- Modern Navigation In Fracture Surgery
- Cost Effectiveness Of Robotic Surgery
- Custom Made Implants For Arthroplasty Cases
- Custom Made Implants For Tumour Surgery
- Applications Of Augmented Reality
- Limitations For Robotic Surgery - Hip And Knee
- Manuscript Preparation And Artificial Intelligence
- Advantages And Limitations Of Short Stems





## A JEWEL OF ART, CULTURE AND INTERNATIONAL EVENTS



Welcome to Lyon, a city where the past and present seamlessly blend to offer an unforgettable experience to all its visitors. Once the capital of silk, Lyon is now the centre of French gastronomy. Nestled in the heart of the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region, Lyon is much more than just a tourist destination; it's a true cradle of art, culture, and innovation.

### ■ Unparalleled cultural heritage

Lyon is famous for its rich architectural heritage, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Wander through the medieval alleys of Old Lyon, marvel at the majestic Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière, or stroll along the picturesque banks of the Saône River. Every corner of the city reveals a fascinating history and timeless beauty.

### ■ A vibrant artistic center

Artists from around the world flock to Lyon to draw inspiration from its creative atmosphere and dynamic artistic scene. From contemporary art galleries to historic theaters, and renowned cultural festivals, Lyon offers a range of incomparable artistic experiences. Experience the magic of the ancient theater of Fourvière or explore innovative exhibitions at the Museum of Confluences.

### ■ A hub for international congresses and events

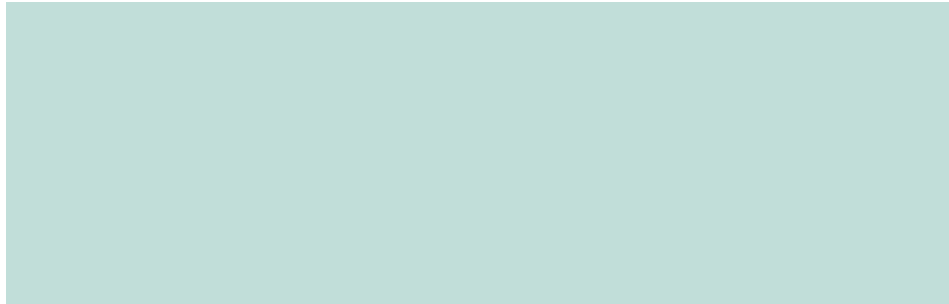
Lyon is not only a city of history and culture but also a thriving business hub. With its modern infrastructure and world-class services, Lyon is the perfect place to host congresses, conferences, and international events of all sizes. From state-of-the-art convention centers to fully equipped meeting rooms, Lyon provides everything you need to organize memorable and successful events.

### ■ Discover Lyon: a must-visit destination

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### HOW TO GET TO LYON

#### ■ By Air

**Lyon Saint Exupéry Airport** is France's 2<sup>nd</sup> regional airport: 116 direct destinations including 96 international destinations (36 countries) with 44 airlines.

First French airport in terms of client satisfaction in 2018. The welcome scheme in place for visitors attending association congresses and trade shows are all part of the **Welcome by Only Lyon** initiative.

Lyon Saint Exupéry airport is **directly connected to the TGV** and to the Lyon city centre every 15 minutes in under 30 minutes thanks to the **Rhone Express rail line**.

The airport is accessible through other various transportation options: **Taxi, Airport Shuttle Buses** or **car rentals**.

It is located close to the **A432 motorway**, connected to Lyon city centre by the **A43 (E711) motorway**.

#### ■ By Train

The second largest city in France is blessed with **great rail (SNCF)** and **public transport** links.

Lyon is just 2 hours from Paris with trains every hour, 3.5 hours from Brussels, 5.5 hours from London or 6.5 hours from Milan.

The main railway stations, Gares de **Lyon-Part-Dieu** and **Lyon-Perrache**, are centrally located.

#### ■ By car

Lyon is at the heart of a comprehensive motorway network linking France's major cities and main European capitals. Ideally located in the heart of Europe, the Lyon Convention Centre is just 1 hour away from Geneva, Switzerland; 3 hours away from Turin, Italy; 4 hours away from Paris, capital city of France; 4.5 hours away from Milan, Italy and 5 hours away from Barcelona, Spain by car.

*Please note that as part of its fight against pollution, Greater Lyon has introduced a 'Zone à Faibles Emissions' (ZFE – Low Emissions Zone) covering Lyon, Villeurbanne and Caluire, as well as Bron: privately owned vehicles with a Crit'Air 4, 5 or 'non-classified' disc, as well as vehicles without a disc, will no longer be allowed to drive and park on roads within the area concerned.*

Visit the **French Ministry of Ecological Transition's website** to order your Crit'Air disc.

#### ■ Other

The **Transports en Communs Lyonnais – TCL**, the city's public transport network offers an extensive multi-modal public transport network with 120 bus lines serving over 3000 stops, 4 metro lines, 2 funicular lines and 5 tramway lines, thus making it easy to travel in and around Lyon.

The **Vélo'v**, the local public bike hire service is a convenient way to move around the city, with more than a 1,000 kilometers of cycling path across the Greater Lyon and 428 free dock stations.

Find the docks and bikes available at each station in real time on the **interactive map** or on the official Vélo'v app (iOS Et Android).

### VENUE

#### CCL – Centre de Congrès de Lyon

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69006 Lyon

France

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### HOW TO REACH THE CONGRESS CENTER

Located in the heart of the Cité Internationale, in the center of the city of Lyon close to the Tête d'Or Park, the CCL-Lyon Convention Centre is ideally located and easily accessible by all means of transport.

- The CCL is just 10 minutes away from the **Lyon Part-Dieu TGV train station** and 15 minutes away from the **Lyon Perrache TGV train station**.
- From the **bus stop Cité internationale** (bus 70 or C1, C2, C4, C5, C26), a 2 minutes walk along the 90 meters distance will take you to the CCL entrance. Use the **TCL website** or mobile app for the best route.
- If you are traveling to the CCL – Lyon Convention Center by car or motorcycle from outside Lyon, we advise you to take the Road Périphérique Nord and exit at **Porte de Saint Clair**. The venue has **3 carparks onsite** in the heart of the Cité Internationale district.
- Should you wish to take a taxi, there are 2 dedicated taxi pick up zones in front of the Lyon Convention Centre: one is next to the main entrance at the foot of the bear statue. The other one can be found close to the main amphitheatre.
- If you are using a **Vélo'v**: 5 bike stations are available throughout the Cité Internationale district, one station is in front of the main entrance of the Lyon Convention Centre and another one is close to the main amphitheater.

# Hotel booking



For **HOTEL and GROUP BOOKINGS**, please contact the official accommodation partner: MCI Suisse SA  
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**WARNING:** There is an increasing number of fraudulent websites impersonating the 26<sup>th</sup> EFORT Congress.

We would like to warn all participants to be aware of possible scams and strongly advise that you only use the official accommodation partner, MCI Switzerland, when making reservations.

## PAYMENT PROCEEDINGS:

Bank transfer: please make your payment to:  
**Beneficiary:** MCI Suisse SA, Rue du Pré-Bouvier 9, 1242 Satigny, Geneva, Switzerland  
**Bank:** UBS SA, Rue des Noirettes 35, 1227 Carouge, Geneva, Switzerland  
**Account No:** 240-369393.71L  
**IBAN:** CH18 0024 0240 3693 9371 L  
**Swift code:** UBSWCHZH80A

Please indicate the participant's / group's name, identifier and "EFORT 2025" on ALL payments (for example, EFORT 2025-I/XX or G/XX).

All expenses shall be borne by ordering customer. Please note that intermediary bank fees may be applied, please verify with your local bank.

Cheques: please note that payments by personal cheques are not accepted.

## HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

MCI Suisse SA is the official congress partner for hotel accommodation and is the only agency offering accommodation on behalf of the 26<sup>th</sup> EFORT Congress. Hotels occasionally publish online or last-minute promotion rates for a limited number of rooms which may vary from the prices contracted for this congress.

As the official EFORT 2025 partner, MCI Switzerland offers highly dedicated customer service and professional support for all your accommodation needs. We can offer you great deals in a wide range of hotels in the vicinity of the congress venue and all over the city of Hamburg. Early booking is highly recommended as rooms typically sell fast in prime locations and hotels have limited capacities.

## HOW TO BOOK YOUR ACCOMMODATION

In order to make a hotel reservation, please:

- Access the congress website: [www.efort.org/lyon2025](http://www.efort.org/lyon2025).
- Access the registration platform and choose your hotel accommodation.

## INDIVIDUAL RESERVATIONS

Participants can book their hotel room online through the registration platform, a deposit covering the first night or the full stay will be required depending on the selected hotel. The deposit can be settled directly online by credit card (Visa, Mastercard or American Express) or by bank transfer. After a successful reservation, you will receive a written confirmation by e-mail. When checking out, all extras (mini-bar, telephone charges, room service, etc.) must be settled with the hotel directly.

## GROUP RESERVATIONS



Small and Large Groups can book their hotel rooms online through the registration platform. To receive a personalised offer we invite you to complete the [Group Accommodation booking form](#). Depending on the selected hotel, different Terms and Conditions will apply. For further information, up-to date availability and reservation, please contact us at [efort.regshot@mci-agency.com](mailto:efort.regshot@mci-agency.com).

## PAYMENT POLICY

All payments are to be made in Euro. VAT may increase without notice and any such change will be reflected in final rates. From Thursday 24 April 2025, only payments by credit card will be accepted. Credit card: only Eurocard/MasterCard, Visa and American Express are accepted. Please note that the merchant name that would appear on your credit card statement would be "MCI Group Satigny CHE". *In some particular cases, payment by credit card may not be available.*

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

For cancellations made **before 15 March 2025**, a handling fee of EUR 60 applies. Cancellations received **after 15 March 2025** will be charged in full. Cancellations of individual nights (i.e. date changes) are also considered as cancellations and will be charged as such. Requests for refunds may be considered after the conference if the room has been resold (either by MCI Switzerland or the hotel).





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